

Minutes
Regular Session, Commissioners Court
Wood County Courthouse
100 Main Street, Wood County Courtroom, 2nd Floor
Quitman, Wood County, Texas
Tuesday, September 2, 2025 9:00 AM

STATE OF TEXAS]
COUNTY OF WOOD]

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Commissioners’ Court of Wood County, Texas met in regular session on the date and time written, with the following members present:

- KEVIN WHITE, COUNTY JUDGE
- JUSTIN BOWRING., COMMISSIONER PCT.#1
- JERRY GASKILL, COMMISSIONER PCT.#2
- MIKE SIMMONS, COMMISSIONER PCT.#3 - Absent
- RUSSELL ACKER, COMMISSIONER PCT.#4
- KELLEY PRICE, COUNTY CLERK and
- TERRI SELLERS, COUNTY AUDITOR

Judge White called to order and presided for the following business, to-wit:

Call to Order and Welcome
Invocation and Pledges of Allegiance

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No vote will be taken on this Item. Public Comment note: Anyone wishing to address the Court during Public Comments is required to register before the meeting. A speaker's time is limited to 3 minutes and must follow the rules of decorum adopted by the Court. THE COURT CANNOT DELIBERATE OR ACT ON MATTERS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA

- 1. Acknowledge personnel actions
- 2. Discuss, consider and/or take action regarding the Auditor or Financial Matters: Budget Transfers and Budget Amendments - None
- 3. Discuss, consider and/or take action to Authorize Payment of Claims.

Listings of claims were previously presented to each member of the court and made available to the public for inspection. Claims were presented as follows:

<u>ACCOUNTS PAYABLE</u>	<u>\$1,199,549.99</u>
<u>DIRECT CLAIMS PAID</u>	<u>3,642.16</u>
<u>HEALTH AND DENTAL (CK#97800-#97847)</u>	<u>87,776.24</u>
<u>VOIDED CHECKS</u>	<u>0.00</u>
<u>PAYROLL #18-25</u>	<u>494,215.62</u>

The claims were unanimously approved upon a motion by Commissioner Gaskill and second by Commissioner Bowring.

PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

- 4. Consider approval of Proclamation designating September 17-23rd as Constitution Week and take necessary action.

Members of the Daughters of the American Revolution were presented by the court with the Constitution Week Proclamation. Press photos were taken during the presentation.

CONSENT AGENDA

All of the following items on the Consent Agenda are considered routine and non-controversial and may be acted upon by one motion. There will be no separate discussion or action on any of the items unless desired by any member of the Court in which the item will be taken off the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence after the items not requiring separate discussion have been acted upon in a single motion.

8. Consider approval of Treasurer's Report. - None
9. Consider approval of Constable Reports. None
10. Consider approval of Environmental Officer's Reports. None
11. Consider approval of OSSF Contract Renewal for services for FY 2026.
12. Consider approval of Surplus Equipment Sale through Purple Wave Auction.
13. Consider approval of Michelle Jackson's nomination for the Wood County Child Welfare Board for term ending August 8, 2028.

Commissioner Acker made a motion to approve of the Consent Agenda items. Commissioner Bowring seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Consent Agenda items are HEREBY APPROVED.

Copies of the Consent Agenda items are attached to these minutes.

REGULAR AGENDA

Items on the Regular Agenda may be moved or changed in the order presented by the Presiding Officer.

14. Consider approval of Commissioners Court Meeting Dates for FY 2026 and take necessary action.

Commissioner Gaskill made a motion to approve of the Commissioners Court Meeting Dates for FY 2026. Commissioner Acker seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Commissioners Court Meeting Dates for FY 2026 is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the Commissioners Court Meeting Dates for FY 2026 is attached to these minutes.

15. Consider approval of Wood County Holiday Schedule for FY 2026 and take necessary action.

Commissioner Bowring made a motion to approve of the Wood County Holiday Schedule for FY2026. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Wood County Holiday Schedule for FY 2026 is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the Wood County Holiday Schedule for FY 2026 is attached to these minutes.

16. Consider approval of Wood County Payroll Dates for the FY 2026 and take necessary action.

Commissioner Gaskill made a motion to approve of the Wood County Payroll Dates for the FY 2026. Commissioner Acker seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Wood County Payroll Dates for the FY 2026 are HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the Wood County Payroll Dates for the FY 2026 is attached to these minutes.

17. Consider approval of 2026 Sheriff's and Constables' Fees and take necessary action.

Commissioner Bowring made a motion to approve of the 2026 Sheriff's and Constables' Fees. Commissioner Acker seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the 2026 Sheriff's and Constables' Fees are HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the 2026 Sheriff's and Constables' Fees are attached to these minutes.

18. Consider and approve County Child Welfare Services Non-Financial Agreement between Texas Department of Protective Services and Wood County, Texas.

Commissioner Gaskill made a motion to approve of the County Child Welfare Services Non - Financial Agreement between Texas Department of Protective Services and Wood County, Texas. Commissioner Acker seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the County Child Welfare Services Non-Financial Agreement between Texas Department of Protective Services and Wood County, Texas is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the County Child Welfare Services Non-Financial Agreement between Texas Department of Protective Services and Wood County, Texas is attached to these minutes.

19. Consider and approve Joint Interlocal Agreement between Wood County and Hawkins ISD for November TRE Election and take necessary action.

Laura Wise, Election Administrator presented to the court a Joint Interlocal Agreement between Wood County and Hawkins ISD for November TRE Election.

Commissioner Gaskill made a motion to approve of the Joint Interlocal Agreement between Wood County and Hawkins ISD for November TRE Election. Commissioner Bowring seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Joint Interlocal Agreement between Wood County and Hawkins ISD for November TRE Election is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the Resolution #25-10 is attached to these minutes.

20. Discuss and consider approval of nominations to the Wood County Appraisal District Board of Directors for 2026-2027 and take necessary action.

Judge White informed the court that this agenda item would be passed to the next Commissioner Court Meeting on 9/16/25.

21. Discuss and consider Authorizing the County Judge to sign Opioid Litigation Subdivision Participation and Release Form and take necessary action.

Commissioner Bowring made a motion to authorize the County Judge to sign Opioid Litigation Subdivision participation and Release Form and take necessary action. Commissioner Acker seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED to authorize the County Judge to sign Opioid Litigation Subdivision participation and Release Form is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the Opioid Litigation Subdivision participation and Release Form is attached to these minutes.

22. Discuss and consider authorizing the County Judge to sign Opioid Litigation Secondary Manufacturer's Combined Subdivision Participation and Release form and take necessary action.

Commissioner Gaskill made a motion to authorize the County Judge to sign Opioid Litigation Secondary Manufacturer's Combined Subdivision participation and Release Form and take necessary action. Commissioner Bowring seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED to authorize the County Judge to sign Opioid Litigation Secondary Manufacturer's Combined Subdivision participation and Release Form is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the Opioid Litigation Secondary Manufacturer's Combined Subdivision participation and Release Form is attached to these minutes.

23. Discuss and consider Interlocal Agreement Sale of Surplus Property Between Smith County and Wood County Texas and take necessary action.

Laura Wise, Election Administrator presented to the court an Interlocal Agreement Sale of Surplus Property Between Smith County and Wood County Texas.

Commissioner Bowring made a motion to approve of the Interlocal Agreement Sale of Surplus Property Between Smith County and Wood County Texas. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Interlocal Agreement Sale of Surplus Property Between Smith County and Wood County Texas is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of Interlocal Agreement #25-11 is attached to these minutes.

24. Consider approval of First Renewal of Bid # 2024-005 for Asphalt Base Road Material and take necessary action.

Commissioner Acker made a motion to approve of First Renewal of Bid # 2024-005 for Asphalt Base Road Material and take necessary action. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the First Renewal of Bid # 2024-005 for Asphalt Base Road Material is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the First Renewal of Bid # 2024-005 for Asphalt Base Road Material is attached to these minutes.

25. Consider and Approve the Revised Satellite Lot #'s as indicated on the Plat for Northeast Properties also known as Wolf Creek Bay Subdivision located within Pct. 1.

Misty Goldman, Commissioner's Office Manager, informed the court this was agreed to by a letter between the HOA and SRA for 13 Satellite Lots and the water access of each lot in Northeast Properties also known as Wolf Creek Bay Subdivision within Pct. 1.

Commissioner Bowring made a motion to approve of the Revised Satellite Lot #'s as indicated on the Plat for Northeast Properties also known as Wolf Creek Bay Subdivision located within Pct. 1. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Revised Satellite Lot #'s as indicated on the Plat for Northeast Properties also known as Wolf Creek Bay Subdivision located within Pct. 1 is HEREBY APPROVED.

26. Consider and Approve Yantis Addition Subdivision located within Pct. 1 and take necessary action.

Misty Goldman, Commissioner's Office Manager, informed the court of a 10-lot subdivision, to be known as Yantis Addition Subdivision, located within Pct. 1. Ms. Goldman noted all documentation was complete and that the owner was present.

Commissioner Bowring made a motion to approve of Yantis Addition Subdivision, located within Pct. 1. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Yantis Addition Subdivision, located within Pct. 1 is HEREBY APPROVED.

27. Set a Public Hearing for the Designation of the Wood County Airport as a Reinvestment Zone.

Christine Thomas, Executive Director of Wood Co. Economic Development, requested the court set a Public Hearing for 9/16/25 for the Designation of the Wood County Airport as a Reinvestment Zone.

Commissioner Acker made a motion to approve of the Public Hearing set for 9/16/25 for the Designation of the Wood County Airport as a Reinvestment Zone. Commissioner Bowring seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Public Hearing set for 9/16/25 for the Designation of the Wood County Airport as a Reinvestment Zone is HEREBY APPROVED.

28. Discuss & consider the imposition of optional fees for the calendar year 2026 from the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles and take necessary Action.

Commissioner Gaskill made a motion to select Option A-(No Change) to the imposition of optional fees for the calendar year 2026 from the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles. Commissioner Acker seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED to select Option A-(No Change) to the imposition of optional fees for the calendar year 2026 from the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the letter and selection form is attached to these minutes.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

29. Public Hearing for Readoption of the Wood County Guidelines and Criteria Governing Tax Abatement Agreements Pursuant to Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code.

Judge White opened the Public Hearing for Readoption of the Wood County Guidelines and Criteria Governing Tax Abatement Agreements Pursuant to Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code at 9:34 a.m.

Seeing no one come forward to speak Judge White closed the hearing at 9:35 a.m.

Commissioner Bowring made a motion to approve of the Readoption of the Wood County Guidelines and Criteria Governing Tax Abatement Agreements Pursuant to Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Readoption of the Wood County Guidelines and Criteria Governing Tax Abatement Agreements Pursuant to Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the Wood County Guidelines and Criteria Governing Tax Abatement Agreements is attached to these minutes.

RESOLUTIONS

30. Consider and approve Resolution of the Commissioners Court of Wood County, Texas, Readopting the Guidelines and Criteria Governing Tax Abatement Agreements Pursuant to Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code and take necessary action.

Commissioner Bowring made a motion to approve of the Readoption of the Wood County Guidelines and Criteria Governing Tax Abatement Agreements Pursuant to Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Readoption of the Wood County Guidelines and Criteria Governing Tax Abatement Agreements Pursuant to Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code is HEREBY APPROVED.

Copies of Resolution #18-25 of the Commissioners Court of Wood County, Texas, Readopting the Guidelines and Criteria Governing Tax Abatement Agreements Pursuant to Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code are attached to these minutes.

31. Discuss and consider a Resolution to Authorize a One Time Payment to all Eligible County Employees to reduce the Compensation Time Accrued to one-half (1/2) the maximum allowable time an employee may accrue by law as described by the United States Department of Labor and take necessary action.

Commissioner Gaskill made a motion to approve the Resolution to Authorize a One Time Payment to all Eligible County Employees to reduce the Compensation Time Accrued to one-half

(1/2) the maximum allowable time an employee may accrue by law as described by the United States Department of Labor. Commissioner Bowring seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Resolution to Authorize a One Time Payment to all Eligible County Employees to reduce the Compensation Time Accrued to one-half (1/2) the maximum allowable time an employee may accrue by law as described by the United States Department of Labor is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of Resolution #19-25 is attached to these minutes.

NOTICE

If, during the course of this meeting covered by this notice, the Court should determine that a closed or executive meeting or session of the Court is required, then such closed or executive meeting or session authorized by Section 551.071 through 551.076 Texas Government Code will be held by the Court at the date, hour, and place given in this notice or as soon after the commencement of the meeting covered by this notice as the Court may conveniently meet in such closed or executive meeting or session concerning any and all objects and for any and all purposes permitted by Sections 551.071 through 551.076 Texas Government Code. Should any final action, final decision, or final vote be required in the opinion of the Court with regard to any matter considered in such closed meeting or executive session, then such final action, final decision, or final vote shall be at either:

1. The open meeting covered by this notice upon reconvening of this public meeting, or
2. At a subsequent public meeting of the Court upon notice thereof; as the Court shall determine.

EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER 551.071

1. Discuss any pending or threatened litigation issues- NONE

OPEN SESSION

2. Take necessary action from the Executive Session-NONE


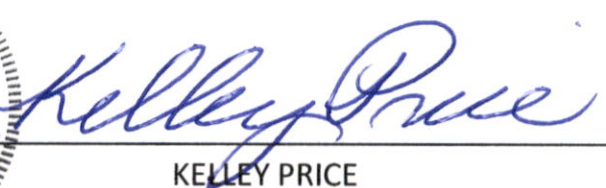
ADJOURN

A motion was made by Commissioner Gaskill to adjourn. Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

Minutes were taken and prepared by Kelley Price, County Clerk on the 2nd day of September, 2025 with Judge Kevin White, County Judge, presiding.

I, KELLEY PRICE, COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO CLERK FOR THE COMMISSIONERS COURT IN AND FOR WOOD COUNTY, TEXAS do hereby certify that the forgoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Commissioner Court in session on the 2nd day of September, 2025.

Given under my hand and official seal of office this the 2nd day of September, 2025.

 
KELLEY PRICE
COUNTY CLERK, WOOD COUNTY, TEXAS

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