

MINUTES
SPECIAL SESSION, COMMISSIONERS COURT
WOOD COUNTY COURTHOUSE
100 MAIN STREET, COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM, 2ND FLOOR
QUITMAN, WOOD COUNTY, TEXAS
June 30, 2026 AT 9:00 A.M.

STATE OF TEXAS]

COUNTY OF WOOD]

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Commissioners' Court of Wood County, Texas met in special 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
RUSSELL ACKER, COMMISSIONER PCT.#4
KELLEY PRICE, COUNTY CLERK and
STEPHANIE TIDWELL, ASST. COUNTY AUDITOR

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

1. Hold a Public Hearing for the approval of a Letter of Engagement with the Sledge Law Group, PLLC, for Joint Legal Services for the creation of a Regional Groundwater Conservation District.

Judge White called the public hearing into session at 9:00 a.m. and began the public hearing with information and background regarding the Letter of Engagement with the Sledge Law Group, PLLC, for Joint Legal Services for the creation of a Regional Groundwater Conservation District. Judge White proceeded with allowing public comments from Lee Smith, Quitman, Texas resident, Patricia Simpson, Quitman, Texas resident and Larry Simpson, Quitman, Texas resident that completed a Public Participation Form prior to the hearing. Each speaker expressed concerns and asked the court questions regarding Letter of Engagement with the Sledge Law Group, PLLC, for Joint Legal Services for the creation of a Regional Groundwater Conservation District. Other public comments from the audience were Shane Mitchell, Winnsboro, Texas and David Stout Sharon Water Gen. Manager.

The public hearing was closed at 9:33 a.m.

2. Consider and approve a Letter of Engagement between Wood County, Texas and the Sledge Law Group, PLLC, for Joint Legal Services for the creation of a Regional Groundwater Conservation District and appoint a Wood County designee to serve on the multi-county joint committee under the agreement and take necessary action.

Judge White made a request for a motion to approve a Letter of Engagement between Wood County, Texas and the Sledge Law Group, PLLC, for Joint Legal Services for the creation of a Regional Groundwater Conservation District and appoint Russell Acker, Commissioner Pct. 4, to be the Wood County designee to serve on the multi-county joint committee under the agreement.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve the Letter of Engagement between Wood County, Texas and the Sledge Law Group, PLLC, for Joint Legal Services for the creation of a Regional Groundwater Conservation District and appoint Russell Acker, Commissioner Pct. 4, to be the Wood County designee to serve on the multi-county joint committee under the agreement. Commissioner Bowring seconded the motion and all members, excluding Commissioner Acker, voted "aye". Commissioner Acker abstained due to his nomination to serve as the Wood County designee on the multi-county joint committee under the agreement.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Letter of Engagement between Wood County, Texas and the Sledge Law Group, PLLC, for Joint Legal Services for the creation of a Regional Groundwater Conservation District and appoint Russell Acker, Commissioner Pct. 4, to be

the Wood County designee to serve on the multi-county joint committee under the agreement is HEREBY APPROVED.

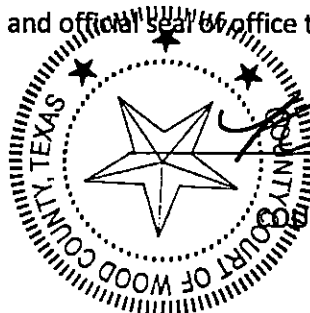
A copy of the Letter of Engagement between Wood County, Texas and the Sledge Law Group, PLLC, for Joint Legal Services for the creation of a Regional Groundwater Conservation District was signed but protected under client/attorney privilege and will not be released without a public information request and an Attorney General Opinion.

Judge White adjourned the court at 9:35 a.m.

Minutes were taken and prepared by Kelley Price, County Clerk, on the 30th day of June, 2026 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 30th day of June, 2026.

Given under my hand and official seal of office this the 30th day of June, 2026.


Kelley Price
KELLEY PRICE
COUNTY CLERK, WOOD COUNTY, TEXAS

If, during the course of the 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 as 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 subjects 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 or executive meeting or session, then such final action, final decision, or final vote shall be at either:

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

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