

MINUTES OF MEETING-REGULAR SESSION
COMMISSIONERS' COURT-WOOD COUNTY, TEXAS
September 21, 2021 – 9:00 A.M.

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 last written, with the following members present:

LUCY HEBRON, COUNTY JUDGE
VIRGIL HOLLAND, JR., COMMISSIONER PCT. #1
JERRY GASKILL, COMMISSIONER PCT. #2
MIKE SIMMONS, COMMISSIONER PCT. #3
RUSSELL ACKER, COMMISSIONER PCT. #4
KELLEY PRICE, COUNTY CLERK and
DAPHNE CARTER, ASST. COUNTY AUDITOR

County Judge, Lucy Hebron, presided for the following business, to-wit:

1. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME.

Judge Lucy Hebron called to order this Regular Session of the Commissioner's Court.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES FLAG AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG OF THE STATE OF TEXAS.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No action was taken on this agenda item.

4. PERSONNEL ACTION

The personnel actions were presented to the Court for approval.

The personnel actions were unanimously approved upon a motion by Commissioner Gaskill and second by Commissioner Simmons.

See copies of the personnel action forms attached to these minutes.

NOTE: As of this Commissioner's Court Minutes (7/12/19) Payroll will not be an agenda item but will be an attachment under Claims. See SB 354 and Order for Disbursement of Salaries and Routine Office Expenses approved by the Commissioner's Court on 6/28/19.

5. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF LINE-ITEM TRANSFERS AND BUDGET AMENDMENTS

No action was taken on this agenda item.

6. CONSIDER APPROVAL 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:

Accounts Payable	\$742,057.31
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Direct Claims Paid	36,488.51
Voided Checks	355.46
Health and Dental Ck#89172-#89230	81,424.55
Payroll #19-2021	388,754.00

The claims were unanimously approved upon a motion by Commissioner Holland and second by Commissioner Acker.

7. SET PUBLIC HEARING TO ADOPT THE GUIDELINES AND CRITERIA FOR GRANTING A TAX ABATEMENT WITHIN A REINVESTMENT ZONE FOR COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL TAX ABATEMENT IN WOOD COUNTY AND ESTABLISH PUBLICATION DATES FOR THE PUBLIC NOTICE AS REQUESTED BY THE WOOD COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION.

Christophe Trahan, WCEDC Executive Director, asked the Court to set a public hearing to adopt the guidelines and criteria for granting a tax abatement within a reinvestment zone for commercial and industrial tax abatement in Wood County and establish publication dates for the public notice as requested by the Wood County Economic Development Commission.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve a public hearing to be set on 10/19/21 at 9:00 A.M. to adopt the guidelines and criteria for granting a tax abatement within a reinvestment zone for commercial and industrial tax abatement in Wood County and establish publication dates for the public notice as requested by the Wood County Economic Development Commission with published advertising being 10/7/21 and 10/14/21. Commissioner Acker seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the public hearing to be set on 10/19/21 at 9:00 A.M. to adopt the guidelines and criteria for granting a tax abatement within a reinvestment zone for commercial and industrial tax abatement in Wood County and establish publication dates for the public notice as requested by the Wood County Economic Development Commission with published advertising being 10/7/21 and 10/14/21 is HEREBY APPROVED.

8. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF FOUR (4) TAX RESALE BID AS SUBMITTED BY TEXAS COMMUNITIES GROUP LLC FOR CAUSE #T-4339.

Patrick Woods, Attorney with Perdue Brandon Fielder Collins & Mott, LLP. , asked the court to approve of the four (4) Tax Resale Bid as submitted by Texas Communities Group LLC. For Cause #T-4339.

Commissioner Gaskill made a motion to approve of the four (4) Tax Resale Bid as submitted by Texas Communities Group LLC. For Cause #T-4339. Commissioner Holland seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the four (4) Tax Resale Bid as submitted by Texas Communities Group LLC. For Cause #T-4339.

Copies of the (4) Tax Resale Bid are attached to these minutes.

9. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PAUPERS AFFIDAVIT.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve of the Paupers Affidavit. Commissioner Acker seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”. Judge Hebron ordered that the death certificate be removed from the submission and not put on record.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the motion to approve the Pauper’s Affidavit, with removal of the death certificate, is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the Pauper’s Burial and Case Note Findings is attached to these minutes.

10. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF COMMISSIONERS COURT MEETING DATES FOR FY 2022.

Commissioner Holland made a motion to approve of the Commissioners Court Meeting Dates for FY 2022. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Commissioners Court Meeting Dates for FY 2022 is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the Commissioners Court Meeting Dates for FY 2022 is attached to these minutes.

11. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF WOOD COUNTY HOLIDAYS FOR 2022.

Commissioner Gaskill made a motion to approve of the Wood County Holidays for 2022. Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Wood County Holidays for 2022 is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the Wood County Holidays for 2022 is attached to these minutes.

12. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF WOOD COUNTY PAYROLL DATES FOR FY 2021. (2022)

Judge Hebron informed the court that a correction needed to be made as it should read for FY 2022.

Commissioner Holland made a motion to approve of the Wood County Payroll Dates for FY 2022. Commissioner Acker seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Wood County Payroll Dates for FY 2022 is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the Wood County Payroll Dates for FY 2022 is attached to these minutes.

13. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF FY 2022 SHERIFF’S AND CONSTABLES’ FEES.

Kelley Price, County Clerk, informed the court that she had requested from the Sheriff and Constables for

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any fee changes for FY 2022 and they reported "No Changes". Ms. Price noted that she would report fees to the State Comptroller after approval from the court. Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve of the FY 2022 Sheriff's and Constables' Fees. Commissioner Acker seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the FY 2022 Sheriff's and Constables' Fees are HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the fees is attached to these minutes.

14. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF FY 2022 CLASSIFICATION COMPENSATION SCHEDULE.

Commissioner Holland made a motion to approve of FY 2022 Classification Compensation Schedule. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the FY 2022 Classification Compensation Schedule is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the FY 2022 Classification Compensation Schedule is attached to these minutes.

15. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF FY 2022 DEPARTMENTAL COMPENSATION SCHEDULE.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve of FY 2022 Departmental Compensation Schedule. Commissioner Holland seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the FY 2022 Departmental Compensation Schedule is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the FY 2022 Departmental Compensation Schedule is attached to these minutes.

16. ACKNOWLEDGE ORDER SETTING COMPENSATION FOR COUNTY AUDITOR, ASSISTANT COUNTY AUDITORS, AND COURT REPORTER FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022.

Commissioner Acker made a motion to approve of the acknowledgement of the Order Setting Compensation for County Auditor, Assistant County Auditors, and Court Reporter for Fiscal Year 2022. Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the acknowledgement of the Order Setting Compensation for County Auditor, Assistant County Auditors, and Court Reporter for Fiscal Year 2022 is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the order is attached to these minutes.

17. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION TO DISCONTINUE USE OF K9 DEPUTY MAJOR.

Commissioner Holland made a motion to approve of the Resolution to discontinue the use of K9 Deputy Major. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Resolution to discontinue the use of K9 Deputy Major is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of Resolution #27-21 is attached to these minutes.

18. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH VAN ZANDT COUNTY FOR THE SALE OF REX MIXER #4.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve of Interlocal Agreement with Van Zandt County for the sale of Rex Mixer #4. Commissioner Acker seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Interlocal Agreement with Van Zandt County for the sale of Rex Mixer #4 is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of Interlocal Agreement #21-20 is attached to these minutes.

19. SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE REVISION OF LOTS 5R AND 7, SECTION 8, HOLLY LAKE RANCH SUBDIVISION.

Kari Perkins, Office Manager for Commissioners, informed the court that the Public Hearing for the Revision of Lots 5R and 7, Section 8, Holly Lake Ranch Subdivision is set for 11/2/21 at 9:00 A.M. with publication dates being 9/30/21, 10/7/21, 10/14/21 and online for 30 days.

Commissioner Acker made a motion to approve of the Public Hearing for the Revision of Lots 5R and 7, Section 8, Holly Lake Ranch Subdivision is set for 11/2/21 at 9:00 A.M. with publication dates being 9/30/21, 10/7/21, 10/14/21 and online for 30 days. Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Public Hearing for the Revision of Lots 5R and 7, Section 8, Holly Lake Ranch Subdivision is set for 11/2/21 at 9:00 A.M. with publication dates being 9/30/21, 10/7/21, 10/14/21 and online for 30 days is HEREBY APPROVED.

20. SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE REVISION OF LOTS O, 68, AND 70, SECTION 1, HOLLY LAKE RANCH SUBDIVISION.

Kari Perkins, Office Manager for Commissioners, informed the court that the Public Hearing for the Revision of Lots O, 68, and 70, Section 1, Holly Lake Ranch Subdivision is set for 11/2/21 at 9:00 A.M. with

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publication dates being 9/30/21, 10/7/21, 10/14/21 and online for 30 days.

Commissioner Holland made a motion to approve of the Public Hearing for the Revision of Lots O, 68, and 70 Section 1, Holly Lake Ranch Subdivision is set for 11/2/21 at 9:00 A.M. with publication dates being 9/30/21, 10/7/21, 10/14/21 and online for 30 days. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Public Hearing for the Revision of Lots O, 68, and 70 Section 1, Holly Lake Ranch Subdivision is set for 11/2/21 at 9:00 A.M. with publication dates being 9/30/21, 10/7/21, 10/14/21 and online for 30 days is HEREBY APPROVED.

21. PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE REVISION OF LOTS 269, 270, AND 271, SECTION 8, HOLLY LAKE RANCH SUBDIVISION AND TAKE NECESSARY ACTION.

Judge Hebron called the Public Hearing into session at 9:25 A.M.

Kari Perkins, Office Manager for the County Commissioners, informed the court that all paperwork was complete and noted property owners were not present.

Judge Hebron Closed the Public Hearing at 9:26 A.M.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve of the Revision of Lots 269, 270, and 271, SECTION 8, Holly Lake Ranch Subdivision. Commissioner Acker seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Revision of Lots 269, 270, and 271, SECTION 8, Holly Lake Ranch Subdivision is HEREBY APPROVED.

22. PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE REVISION OF LOTS 297 AND 298, SECTION 8, HOLLY LAKE RANCH SUBDIVISION AND TAKE NECESSARY ACTION.

Judge Hebron called the Public Hearing into session at 9:26 A.M.

Kari Perkins, Office Manager for the County Commissioners, informed the court that all paperwork was complete and noted property owners were not present.

Judge Hebron Closed the Public Hearing at 9:27 A.M.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve of the Revision of Lots 297 and 298, SECTION 8, Holly Lake Ranch Subdivision. Commissioner Acker seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Revision of Lots 297 and 298, SECTION 8, Holly Lake Ranch Subdivision is HEREBY APPROVED.

23. PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE REVISION OF LOTS 13 AND 14, BLUFF RANCH SUBDIVISION AND TAKE NECESSARY ACTION.

Judge Hebron called the Public Hearing into session at 9:28 A.M.

Kari Perkins, Office Manager for the County Commissioners, informed the court that all paperwork was

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complete and noted property owners were not present.

Judge Hebron Closed the Public Hearing at 9:29 A.M.

Commissioner Holland made a motion to approve of the Revision of Lots 13 and 14, Bluff Ranch Subdivision. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Revision of Lots 13 and 14, Bluff Ranch Subdivision is HEREBY APPROVED.

24. COVID-19 IMPACT PRESENTATION BY UT HEALTH QUITMAN CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER.

This agenda item was passed until the next meeting.

25. EXECUTIVE SESSION REGARDING PENDING OR THREATENED LITIGATION ISSUE AND TAKE NECESSARY ACTION.

Judge Hebron called Executive Session in order at 9:30 A.M.

and resumed Regular Session at 9:34 A.M.

No action was taken.

There being no further business to come before this session, the Court adjourned.

Minutes were taken and prepared by Kelley Price, County Clerk on the 21st day of September, 2021 with Judge Hebron presiding.

I, KELLEY PRICE, COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO CLERK OF 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 21st day of September, 2021.

Given under my hand and official seal of office this the 21st day of September, 2021.

KELLEY PRICE
COUNTY CLERK, WOOD COUNTY, TEXAS