

## **LLANO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT**

**MEETING DECEMBER 9, 2024 9:00 A.M.**

### **STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF LLANO**

On this the 9th day of December 2024, the Llano County Commissioners Court met in regular session.

Members Present:	Presiding Officer	Judge Ron Cunningham
	Commissioner Precinct 1	Peter Jones
	Commissioner Precinct 2	Linda Raschke
	Commissioner Precinct 3	Mike Sandoval
	Commissioner Precinct 4	Jerry Don Moss

Attendees:	County Attorney	Dwain Rogers
	1 <sup>st</sup> Assistant County Attorney	Matt Rienstra
	County Auditor	Kelly Eckhardt
	County Clerk	Cecilia McClintock
	County Treasurer	Cheryl Regmund
	Building & Maintenance Supervisor	Billy Carney
	Development / 911 Services	Cristy Vaught
	Elections Administrator	Andrea Wilson
	Emergency Management	Gilbert Bennett
	Human Resources	Lisa Otto
	IT Manager	Clay Etter
	Road & Bridge Supervisor	Monty Roberts
	Tax Assessor	Kris Fogelberg

Estimated Audience Attendance: 12

### **AGENDA ITEM #1:**

Announce to Call for Public Participation Signup.

### **AGENDA ITEM #2:**

#### **Consent Agenda:**

- a. Commissioners Court Minutes:
  1. Regular Meeting November 25, 2024
  2. Emergency Meeting November 26, 2024
- b. Call, Discussions, Approvals, Awarding of all Bids – Kelly Eckhardt, Auditor
- c. Budget Transfers/Accounts Payable/Financial Reports – Kelly Eckhardt, Auditor
- d. Interlocal/Agreements/Contracts – Dwain Rogers & Matt Rienstra, County Attorney's Office
- e. 1<sup>st</sup> CC Of Month:
  1. Leave Balance Report – Lisa Otto, HR Department
- f. 2<sup>nd</sup> CC Of Month:
  1. Payroll Certification – Lisa Otto, HR Department
  2. Treasurer/Investment Report – Cheryl Regmund, Treasurer
- g. Monthly Reports:
  1. Texas AgriLife Extension
  2. EMS Services

3. Office of Emergency Management
4. Justice of the Peace (2, 3, 4)
5. Development Services
6. Building & Maintenance
7. County Clerk
8. Constable (4)
9. Indigent Health Care Program
10. IT Services BizProtec
11. Tax Assessor Collector

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Jones: Move we approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

**SECOND** was made by Commissioner Raschke. **UNANIMOUS. MOTION PASSED.**

**AGENDA ITEM #3:**

Public Service Announcements

**AGENDA ITEM #4:**

Discussion/Action: Prohibiting or Restricting Outdoor Burning in Llano County.

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Raschke: Move to table.

**SECOND** was made by Commissioner Moss. **UNANIMOUS. MOTION PASSED.**

**AGENDA ITEM #5:**

Discussion/Action: Tex. Loc. Gov't Code §352.051(d)(7) Order regulating the use of certain fireworks for the December fireworks season.

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Raschke: Move to remove agenda item #5.

**SECOND** was made by Commissioner Moss. **UNANIMOUS. MOTION PASSED.**

**AGENDA ITEM #6:**

Public Participation – No Public Participation Sign Up Sheets

**AGENDA ITEM #7:**

Discussion Only: Status of Llano County Hospital.

**AGENDA ITEM #8:**

Discussion/Action: Approve adoption of Llano County Resolution for Property Tax Exemption for Qualifying Child-Care Facilities in Llano County as authorized by Section 1-r of Article VIII of the Texas Constitution.

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Moss: Motion to approve adoption of Llano County Resolution for Property Tax Exemption for Qualifying Child-Care Facilities in Llano County at 50%.

**SECOND** was made by Commissioner Raschke. **UNANIMOUS. MOTION PASSED.**

**AGENDA ITEM #9:**

Discussion/Action: Update and action (if required) on Construction Projects (EMS Stations, Tax Office Extension at East Annex, and USDA Criminal Justice Center Grant).

Update given by Judge Ron Cunningham. No action taken.

**AGENDA ITEM #10:**

Discussion/Action: Re-appoint Tommy Tinsley and Jimmy Decker for a two-year term to the ESD#3, beginning January 1, 2025 and ending December 31, 2027.

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Moss: Motion to reappoint Tommy Tinsley and Jimmy Decker for a two-year term to ESD #3 beginning January 1, 2025 and ending December 31, 2026.

**SECOND** was made by Commissioner Raschke. **UNANIMOUS. MOTION PASSED.**

**AGENDA ITEM #11:**

Discussion/Action: Approve submission of Subdivision Participation Form to allow Llano County opt in to Opioid Settlement with Kroger pursuant to negotiations by Texas Office of Attorney General.

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Moss: Move that we approve submission of Subdivision Participation Form to allow Llano County opt in to Opioid Settlement with Kroger pursuant to negotiations by Texas Office of Attorney General.

**SECOND** was made by Commissioner Raschke. **UNANIMOUS. MOTION PASSED.**

**AGENDA ITEM #12:**

Discussion/Action: Approve Western Surety Company Bonds for the following: Marquis M Cantu – Sheriff; Perry Thomas – District Attorney; Brent Royce Richards – Commissioner Pct 3; Timothy Bill McLean – Constable Pct 3; Michael Scoggins – Constable Pct 4.

**MOTION** made by Commissioner Raschke: So moved.

**SECOND** was made by Commissioner Jones. **UNANIMOUS. MOTION PASSED.**

**AGENDA ITEM #13:**

Discussion/Action: Update on the status of Llano County transferring rural transit service from the Hill Country Transit District (The HOP) to Capital Area Rural Transit District (CARTS).

Update given by Commissioner Jones. No action taken.

**AGENDA ITEM #14:**

Discussion/Action: Approve the 2023 FAST Fund Rural Outreach and Wellness program.

**MOTION** made by Commissioner Raschke: Move to approve the 2023 FAST Fund Rural Outreach and Wellness program.

SECOND was made by Commissioner Moss. **UNANIMOUS. MOTION PASSED.**

**AGENDA ITEM #15:**

Discussion/Action: Approve reallocating funding that was set aside for Hill Country Humane Society in the amount of \$10,000 from Spay/Neuter Program to help offset cost to replace failing septic system.

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Raschke: Motion to reallocate funding that was set aside for Hill Country Humane Society in the amount of \$10,000 from Spay/Neuter Program to help offset cost to replace failing septic system.

SECOND was made by Commissioner Moss.

**AYE:** Judge Ron Cunningham, Commissioner Jones, Commissioner Sandoval, Commissioner Moss  
**ABSTAIN:** Commissioner Raschke

**MOTION PASSED.**

**AGENDA ITEM #16:**

Public Hearings/Discussion/Approval of Plats/Replats/Vacating of Lot/Lots

**AGENDA ITEM #17:**

Executive/Closed Session: Receive legal advice regarding pending or contemplated litigation or settlement offers, or other legal advice pursuant to §551.071(1) and (2), regarding purchases, exchanges, leases, or value of real property pursuant to §551.072, or security devices or security audits pursuant to §551.076 of the Texas Government Code, including but not limited to the following items:

- Llano County Sheriff's Office including the jail, audit, and current inmate census
- Llano County School Lands
- Barbara Suzette Baker v Llano County, et al.
- Laura Pressley, et al. v Jane Nelson, et al.

- Jillian Harrod, et al. v Llano County Sheriff's Office, et al.
- Little, et al. v Llano County, et al.; United States District Court (Austin)
- Nora Martinez, et al. v Texas Department of Transportation, et al.
- Contracts/Agreements/Interlocals
- MidCoast / Llano County Hospital and Amended and Restated lease Agreement with MidCoast and affiliated entities

Legal advice includes the Texas Local Government Code, the Open Meetings Act, the Public Information Act, Llano Jail, Employment and Personnel Law, Utility Law, Llano Local Health Authority, Property Law, Potential Litigation, Procurement, and Contract Law, Evidentiary and Procedural Law, Road and Bridge Law, Ethics Law and General Government Law and any additional Federal or State Law regarding any item on this Open or Executive/Closed Session Meeting Agenda.

Entered Executive Session – 9:42 a.m.

**AGENDA ITEM #16:**

Return To Open Session: Further discussion and possible action on any matter posted for discussion in Executive Session. Any matter posted in Executive Session also may be subject of discussion and/or action in Open Session prior to Executive Session.

Returned to Open Session – 10:51 a.m. – No action taken.

10:51 a.m. Meeting adjourned by Judge Ron Cunningham

Attest: Cecilia McClintock  
Cecilia McClintock, County Clerk