L. W. "Nubbin" Cooper Jr. County Commissioner, Precinct 1

Chris Kirkendall
County Commissioner, Precinct 2



Amanda Young
County Commissioner, Precinct 3

Ernie Koch
County Commissioner, Precinct 4

Wayne McDaniel County Judge

## COMMISSIONERS COURT OF HARDIN COUNTY, TEXAS HARDIN COUNTY COURTHOUSE - COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM (A-131)

## NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING AND AGENDA TUESDAY | APRIL 8, 2025 | 10:00 A.M.

Any attendee of this Open Meeting may be permitted to comment on an Agenda Item for a period of three (3) minutes by raising their hand and being recognized by the Presiding Member prior to the Court acting on any item. Anyone who addresses Commissioners Court must do so from the podium.

## **AGENDA AND MINUTES**

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT ON APRIL 8, 2025, THERE WAS BEGUN AND HOLDEN A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF HARDIN COUNTY, TEXAS, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF THE COURT PRESENT:

HONORABLE WAYNE MCDANIEL	HARDIN COUNTY JUDGE
HONORABLE L.W. COOPER, JR.	COMMISSIONER PCT. 1
HONORABLE CHRIS KIRKENDALL	COMMISSIONER PCT. 2
HONORABLE AMANDA YOUNG	COMMISSIONER PCT. 3
HONORABLE ERNIE KOCH	COMMISSIONER PCT. 4
HONORABLE CONNIE BECTON	HARDIN COUNTY CLERK

WHEN THE FOLLOWING PROCEEDINGS WERE HAD AND ORDERS MADE TO-WIT; IN ADDITION TO THE ROUTINE BUSINESS OF THE COUNTY, THE SUBJECT OF SAID MEETING WILL BE THE FOLLOWING:

- 1) Establish Quorum and Call Meeting to Order | Hon. Wayne McDaniel
- 2) Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance | Hon. Amanda Young

 Consider and possibly approve <u>Minutes</u> of the March 25, 2025 Regular and Special Meetings as presented by Hon. Connie Becton, County Clerk.

MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER YOUNG SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER KOCH

IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER.

COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.

**ACTION: APPROVED AS PRESENTED** 

4) Consider approval of request by Hon. Deborah McWilliams, County Treasurer to cancel all <u>Registered</u> Claims from March 25, 2025; and Approval of <u>Cash Statement</u>. (SEE ATTACHED)

MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER COOPER SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL

IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER,

COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.

**ACTION: APPROVED AS PRESENTED** 

5) Authorization to pay County bills as presented by Mrs. Angela Gore, County Auditor. (SEE ATTACHED)

MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER KOCH SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER YOUNG

IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER,

COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.

**ACTION: APPROVED AS PRESENTED** 

6) Consider adoption of <u>Resolution 14-25</u> congratulating the Kountze Lionettes Girls Basketball Team on their first-ever UIL 3A-DII State Championship Victory. (SEE ATTACHED)

MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER YOUNG SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL

IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER,

COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.

**ACTION: APPROVED** 

7) Consider adoption of <u>Resolution 15-25</u> congratulating the Kountze Lions Boys Basketball Team on their UIL 3A-DII State Championship Victory. **(SEE ATTACHED)** 

MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER COOPER

IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER,

COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.

**ACTION: APPROVED** 

8) Discuss, consider, and possibly approve <u>request</u> by Mr. Aaron Tupper, Emergency Management Coordinator, to issue a notice to proceed on the executed contract with N&T Construction for construction of the Hurricane Safe Room. (SEE ATTACHED)

MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER KOCH

SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL

IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.

ACTION: TABLED UNTIL TUESDAY, MAY 13, 2025 AT THE NEXT COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING AND THE COURT WILL SEE WHERE EVERYTHING STANDS AT THAT TIME.

9) Consider and possibly approve <u>amendments</u> to the FY24 Budget as presented by Mrs. Candice McKinney, Assistant County Auditor. (SEE ATTACHED)

MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER YOUNG SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER COOPER

IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER,

COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.

**ACTION: APPROVED AS PRESENTED** 

10) Consider approval of <u>request</u> by Mrs. Candice McKinney, Assistant County Auditor, to amend the FY25 Facility Improvement and General Fund Budget for parking lot construction previously approved in Commissioners Court November 26, 2024 as follows: (SEE ATTACHED)

Decrease Fund Balance	General Fund Balance	\$584,800.00
Increase Expenditure	010-700-071 Transfer to Facility Improvement	\$584,800.00
Increase Revenue	071-390-010 Transfer from General Fund	\$584,800.00
Increase Expenditure	071-510-550 Construction Costs	\$584,800.00

\*Create New Line Item

MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL

SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER YOUNG

IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER,

COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.

**ACTION: APPROVED** 

11) Consider approval of request by Hon. Dana Hogg, District Clerk, to approve and accept for filing in the Minutes of the Court the <u>District Court Order</u> appointing the Interim County Auditor effective April 14, 2025 and directing the payment of the Interim County Auditor's salary at \$78,100.00 per year or \$3,003.81 per pay period and \$69.23 longevity pay to be paid bi-weekly. (SEE ATTACHED)

MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL

SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER KOCH RECUSED: COMMISSIONER COOPER

IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND

COMMISSIONER KOCH.

**ACTION: APPROVED FOUR TO ZERO** 

12) Consider approval of <u>request</u> by Hon. Deborah McWilliams, County Treasurer, to open a new interest-bearing bank account titled 'TAC Motor-WebDealer' for the Tax Assessor's Office at First Financial Bank. (SEE ATTACHED)

MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL

SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER KOCH

IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER,

COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.

**ACTION: APPROVED** 

13) Consider approval of <u>request</u> by Hon. Deborah McWilliams, County Treasurer, to change the authorized signer from Angela Gore to Candice McKinney on all bank accounts as applicable. (SEE ATTACHED)

MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER COOPER SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER KOCH

IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER,

COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.

**ACTION: APPROVED** 

14) Consider and possibly authorize the County Judge to execute <a href="State of Texas House of Representatives">State of Texas House of Representatives</a>
<a href="Donated Office Space Agreement">Donated Office Space Agreement</a> between Hardin County and State Representative Janis Holt (HD 18) beginning April 8, 2025 and ending January 11, 2027. (SEE ATTACHED)

MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER YOUNG SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER KOCH

IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER,

COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.

**ACTION: APPROVED** 

15) Consider approval of <u>request</u> by Mrs. Katie Pace, AgriLife Extension Agent, to amend the FY25 Budget to cover the costs of upgrading office computers utilizing the Texas A&M TechBuy County Cost Share Program, as follows: (SEE ATTACHED)

FROM	010-665-462 Travel and Training Expense	\$2,275.00	
TO	010-665-352 Minor Equipment	\$2,275.00	*Create New Line Item

MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL

SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER KOCH

IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER,

COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.

**ACTION: APPROVED** 

16) Consider approval of <u>request</u> by Mrs. Misty Sims, Purchasing Agent, to present results of bids received and recommendation from LJA Engineering concerning Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Harvey Infrastructure - Saratoga Road Improvement - Construction Project. (SEE ATTACHED)

MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER YOUNG SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER COOPER

IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.

ACTION: APPROVED TEXAS MATERIALS WHO WAS LOW BIDDER OF PACKAGES ONE, TWO AND FOUR.

17) Present <u>recommendation</u> from evaluation committee concerning proposals received to provide grant administration services related to remaining GLO Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Harvey Infrastructure projects and possibly award to successful firm(s). (SEE ATTACHED)

MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL

SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER KOCH

IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.

ACTION: APPROVED TRAYLOR AND ASSOCIATES AS RECOMMENDED BY THE EVALUATION COMMITTEE

18) Consider approval of <u>request</u> by Mrs. Misty Sims, Purchasing Agent, to authorize the County Judge to execute Change Order Request 1 with LZ Services, LLC related to parking lot improvements; and authorize payment of <u>Invoice #25-1573</u> to LZ Services, LLC in the amount of \$113,326.45. (SEE ATTACHED)

MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL

SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER YOUNG

IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER,

COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.

**ACTION: APPROVED** 

19) Consider approval of request by Hon. Sheriff Mark Davis, to authorize the County Judge to execute <a href="Mark 5"><u>Amendment 5</u></a> to Interlocal Cooperation Contract with Spindletop Center for Mental Health Liaison Program. This is due to additional grant funding for the purchase of a 2024 Ford Expedition SSV, previously approved by Commissioners Court on March 25, 2025. (SEE ATTACHED)

MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER KOCH SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER YOUNG

IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER,

COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.

**ACTION: APPROVED** 

20) Discussion on any other non-agenda item without taking action including announcements which may be of interest to the public.

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## 21) Adjourn.

MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER COOPER

IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER,

COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.

**ACTION: APPROVED** 

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Wayne McDaniel

**HARDIN COUNTY JUDGE** 

Connie Becton

HARDIN COUNTY CLERK