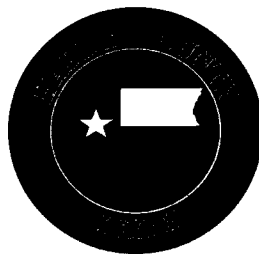


L. W. "Nubbin" Cooper Jr.
County Commissioner, Precinct 1



Amanda Young
County Commissioner, Precinct 3

Chris Kirkendall
County Commissioner, Precinct 2

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 | SEPTEMBER 26, 2023 | 10:00 A.M.

AGENDA AND MINUTES

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT ON SEPTEMBER 25, 2023, 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
HONORABLE L.W. COOPER, JR.
HONORABLE CHRIS KIRKENDALL
HONORABLE AMANDA YOUNG
HONORABLE ERNIE KOCH
HONORABLE CONNIE BECTON

HARDIN COUNTY JUDGE
COMMISSIONER PCT. 1
COMMISSIONER PCT. 2
COMMISSIONER PCT. 3
COMMISSIONER PCT. 4
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) Call meeting to order.
- 2) Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance. *Commissioner Chris Kirkendall*
- 3) Approve Minutes of the September 12, 2023 Regular Meeting as presented by *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 and possibly approve the following: Request to cancel all Registered Claims from September 12, 2023; Cash Statement; and Quarterly Report for quarter ending June 30, 2023 as presented by *Deborah McWilliams, County Treasurer. (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 AS PRESENTED

- 5) Authorization to pay County bills as presented by *Angela Gore, County Auditor. (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

- 6) Presentation of Office and Departmental Reports by Elected Officials and Department Heads.
MELINDA HERRINGTON (HUMAN RESOURCES) PRESENTED

- 7) Consider and possibly approve the appointment of Lacey Guedry, FNP-C as a Trustee to serve on the Spindletop Center Board of Directors. This is a new seat designated for rural counties to fill in rotation, and this term will end on September 26, 2025. **(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

- 8) Discussion and possible action regarding Annual Review and Approval of the Hardin County Investment Policy as requested by *Deborah McWilliams, County Treasurer. (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

- 9) Consider adoption of Resolution 27-23 reappointing Deborah McWilliams as the County's Investment Officer pursuant to the Hardin County Investment Policy. **(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

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- 10) Consider and possibly adopt Hardin County Uniform Tax Abatement Policy, effective for two (2) years, pursuant to Texas Tax Code §312.002(c). (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

- 11) Consider request by *Shirley Cook, Tax Assessor-Collector*, to authorize the County Judge to execute Software License Agreement with Capitol Appraisal Group, LLC for computer software in the Tax Office, effective January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024. (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

- 12) Consider request by *Commissioner Amanda Young and Sharon Whitley, Health Services Director*, to authorize the County Judge to execute Real Property Commercial Lease Agreement between Hardin County Precinct 3 and Hardin County Health Department/WIC for leased office space located at 615 Hwy 105 West, Sour Lake, Texas for the purpose of performing WIC services one day a month from this location. (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

- 13) Consider approval of request by *Mr. Dale Williford, Hawthorne Field County Airport FBO*, to apply for the TXDOT Aviation Routine Airport Maintenance Program (RAMP) cost share grant for FY24. (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

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- 14) Consider request by *Aaron Tupper, Emergency Management Coordinator*, to authorize the County Judge to renew a Memorandum of Understanding with South East Texas Regional Planning Commission for the 25% match amount of the FY23 Port Security Grant which funds the Southeast Texas Alerting Network (STAN). Matching funds are based on population, will not exceed \$8,012.31, and local advertisements by Industry Partners are used as in-kind match which typically covers the entire amount of local match each year. (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
- 15) Consider and possibly approve request from *Commissioner Ernie Koch, Precinct 4*, to accept a \$207.00 donation from the Hardin County Youth Soccer Club for additional water usage for the months of July and August at the Hardin County Veteran's Memorial Park. If approved, amend FY23 budget by increasing the revenue line item 010-367-100 'Soccer League Donation' in the amount of \$207.00 and increasing the expenditure line item 010-660-334 'Supplies - Lumberton' in the amount of \$207.00. (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
- 16) Consider approval of request by *Commissioner Ernie Koch, Precinct 4*, to enter into an Agreement with the Hardin County Youth Soccer Club (HCYSC) whereby HCYSC will contribute or reimburse \$1,800.00 to Hardin County for the use of Hardin County Veteran's Memorial Park concession stand, soccer fields, normal utilities, and supplies. If approved, this agreement will be in effect from October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2024. (SEE ATTACHED)
MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER KOCH
SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL
IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.
ACTION: APPROVED
- 17) Consider and possibly authorize application for FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) - Severe Winter Storm DR 4705. If approved, consider and possibly authorize the Purchasing Agent to solicit Proposals for Grant Administrator and Qualification Statements for Engineering Services for FEMA HMGP. (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 WITH THE COMMITTEE OF: COMMISSIONER YOUNG, AARON TUPPER AND CLAY WOODARD.

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18) Consider request by *Misty Sims, Purchasing Agent*, to authorize the County Judge to execute Fee Agreement with Lark Group, Inc. for Demolition Services related to the Community Development Block Grant for Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR). (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

19) Consider and possibly authorize the Purchasing Agent to sell a Kohler Generator (SN 2311454) located at the Old County Hospital/Annex Building utilizing Rene' Bates Auctioneers, Inc. (ReneBates.com). (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

20) Discussion and possible action for Road and Bridge Precinct 3 to accept a \$10,000.00 donation from the Town of Rose Hill Acres for maintenance on roadside ditches. If approved, amend FY23 budget by creating Revenue line item 017-367-003 'R&B 3 Donations' and increase 017-623-330 'Fuel and Oil' by \$10,000.00.

MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL

SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER KOCH

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

ACTION: APPROVED

21) Consider adoption of Resolution 28-23 proclaiming October 2023 as National Domestic Violence Awareness Month as requested by *Jennifer Walters, HCCVAC Interim Director*. (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

22) Discussion only by Any County Official of any item not on the Agenda without taking any action.

23) Adjourn.

MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER COOPER

SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL

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

ACTION: APPROVED

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**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.*

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,



Wayne McDaniel
HARDIN COUNTY JUDGE



Connie Becton
HARDIN COUNTY CLERK