

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 | DECEMBER 23, 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 DECEMBER 23, 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
HONORABLE L.W. COOPER, JR.
HONORABLE CHRIS KIRKENDALL
HONORABLE AMANDA YOUNG
HONORABLE ERNIE KOCH
TRACI TURNER

HARDIN COUNTY JUDGE
COMMISSIONER PCT. 1
COMMISSIONER PCT. 2
COMMISSIONER PCT. 3
COMMISSIONER PCT. 4
CHIEF DEPUTY 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. Chris Kirkendall

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- 3) Consider and possibly approve the December 9, 2025 Regular Meeting [Minutes](#) as presented by Hon. Traci Turner, Chief Deputy County Clerk.
MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL
SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER YOUNG
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 Registered Claims from December 9, 2025; and Approval of Cash Statement, presented by Ms. Joyce Lange.
(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 AS PRESENTED
- 5) Authorization to pay County bills as presented by Mrs. Candice McKinney, 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 [Resolution 38-25](#) recognizing Chief Deputy Mark Minton, Sheriff's Office, for 38 years of dedicated service to the citizens of Hardin County, and wishing him well in his retirement.
(SEE ATTACHED)
MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER KOCH
SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER COOPER
IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.
ACTION: APPROVED
- 7) Discussion and possible action to consider adoption of [Resolution 37-25](#) authorizing the County Judge to execute an Advance Funding Agreement for Local Government Maintenance of Railroad Crossing Approaches (Off-System) with the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT). **(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) Consider and possibly approve amendments/transfers to the FY25 Budget as presented by Mrs. Candice McKinney, 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
- 9) Discussion and possible action to consider approval of request to authorize the County Judge to execute a Tax Abatement Agreement between Hardin County and AGR Enterprise, Inc. located at 735 FM 92, Silsbee, Texas. **(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 WITH CORRECTIONS AS PRESENTED BY MATTHEW MINICK, COUNTY ATTORNEY
- 10) Consider and possibly authorize Replat of 2.674 Acres out of and part of Lot 51 Beaumont Colony Central, Vol. 3, PG. 92, Plat Records, Hardin County, Texas, into Lots 51A and 51B Beaumont Colony Central Elijah Lewis Survey, Abstract No. 662, Hardin County, Texas, Precinct 1. **(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
- 11) Consider and possibly approve request by Chief Juvenile Probation Officer Monica Kelley, for approval of outside detention contracts with Anderson, Angelina, Austin, Chambers, Cherokee, Coryell, Ellis, 33rd and 424th Judicial District and Gillespie, Grimes, Houston, 1st Judicial District in Jasper, Newton, Sabine, San Augustine, Johnson, Kleberg-Kenedy, Leon, Liberty, Limestone/Freestone, Madison, Navarro, Orange, Polk, San Jacinto and Trinity, Shelby, Tyler, Walker, Waller, Wharton and Wood Counties, effective January 31, 2026. **(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

- 12) Consider approval of request by Hon. Mark Davis, Sheriff, to authorize the County Judge to execute [Amendment 6](#) to Interlocal Cooperation Contract with Spindletop Center for Mental Health Liaison Program. **(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
- 13) Consider approval of [request](#) by Hon. Matthew Minick, County Attorney, to authorize the County Judge to execute Renewal Order Form between Hardin County – County Attorney’s Office and Mitratch for the HotDocs Program which is utilized for the production of CPS documents in the amount of \$1,000.00 to be paid out of Child Protective Services Budget Line Item 053-580-594. This is for an additional license and is a three-year term where the proposal will increase 10% each year. **(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
- 14) Consider approval of request by Mrs. Melinda Herrington, Human Resources Director, to authorize the County Judge to execute updated [Nationwide Financial Services Governmental 457\(b\) Plan Adoption Agreement](#). **(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) Presentation by Mrs. Misty Sims, Purchasing Agent, of results of [bids](#) received for National Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Emergency Watershed Protection Program (EWPP) NR257442XXXXC009 Construction and possibly award to successful vendor. **(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 BID BY ESR, INC

- 16) Consider approval of request by Mrs. Misty Sims, to authorize the County Judge to execute Standard Form of Agreement with The Labiche Architectural Group, Inc. related to Hurricane Safe Room Phase C in the amount of \$93,750.00 to be paid out of any remaining ARPA project funds and/or ARPA interest. (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

- 17) Consider approval of request by Hon. Mark Davis, Sheriff, to amend the FY26 budget with the following changes to reflect the acceptance of insurance proceeds and the sale of assets: (SEE ATTACHED)

INCREASE REVENUE	010-364-560 Sale of Assets	\$65,675.92
INCREASE REVENUE	010-361-100 Insurance Proceeds	\$44,798.42
INCREASE EXPENDITURE	010-560-574 Auto Purchases	\$100,474.34
INCREASE EXPENDITURE	010-560-340 Uniforms	\$10,000.00

MOTION BY: JUDGE MCDANIEL

SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER COOPER

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

ACTION: APPROVED

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

- 19) Adjourn

MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL

SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER COOPER

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

ACTION: APPROVED

RESPECTUALLY SUBMITTED



Wayne McDaniel
HARDIN COUNTY JUDGE



Traci Turner
**CHIEF DEPUTY
HARDIN COUNTY CLERK**