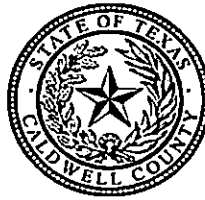


COMMISSIONS COURT MINUTES  
110 S Main St. 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Lockhart, Texas  
Commissioners Court June 8, 2021 9:00 a.m.



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HOPPY HADEN County Judge  
TERESA RODRIGUEZ County Clerk

B.J. WESTMORELAND Commissioner Pct. 1  
BARBARA SHELTON Commissioner Pct. 2  
ED THERIOT Commissioner Pct. 3  
JOE IVAN ROLAND Commissioner Pct. 4

**Call Meeting to Order**

County Judge Pro Tem B.J. Westmoreland calls the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Judge Haden is not present.

**Invocation.**

Commissioner Roland opens the meeting in prayer.

**Pledge of Allegiance to the Flags.**

**(Texas Pledge:** Honor the Texas Flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible).

County Judge Pro-Tem B.J. Westmoreland leads all present in the pledge to both flags.

**Announcements.** Items or comments from Court members or staff.

Commissioner Shelton reminds everyone of Chisolm Trail Round-Up this weekend.

Commissioner Roland and County Judge Pro-Tem B.J. Westmoreland commends the success of the Memorial Day Celebration and remind everyone of Chisolm Trail Round-Up this weekend.

**Citizens' Comments.** At this time any person may speak to Commissioners Court if they have filled out a Caldwell County Commissioners Court Participation Form. Comments will be limited to four (4) minutes per person. No action will be taken on these items and no discussion will be had between the speaker(s) and members of the Court. The Court does retain the right to correct factual inaccuracies made by the speakers. (If longer than 30 minutes, then the balance of comments will continue as the last agenda item of the day). Citizens' Comments may be submitted to the Court by using the form found at:  
<http://www.co.caldwell.tx.us/page/caldwell.CommissionersCourtForm>

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Jordan Buckley is not in support of Countywide polling Place Program.

**CONSENT AGENDA** (The following consent items may be acted upon in one motion).

1. Approve payment of County invoices and County Purchase Orders: \$684,489.55.
2. Ratify re-occurring County Payments:
  - A. \$326,033.57(Payroll 5/09/2021 – 5/22/2021)
  - B. \$96,395.05 (Payroll Tax 5/09/2021 – 5/22/2021)
3. Approve Code Enforcement Officer May 2021 Report.
4. Approve Indigent Funeral Report for May 2021.
5. Approve the Compiled Financial Statement for the Caldwell County Emergency Services District #2
6. Approve the Compiled Financial Statement for the Caldwell County Emergency Services District #4
7. Approve the Bond #69735930 for Darlene Morris.
8. Approve the Bond #15005395 for Ronda Lehman.

Motion made by Commissioner Shelton, seconded by Commissioner Theriot to approve Consent Agenda.  
All voting "Aye".  
MOTION APPROVED.

9. **Discussion/Action** regarding the burn ban. **Speaker: Judge Haden/ Hector Rangel; Backup: 3; Cost: None**

Hector Rangel Chief EMC recommends keeping the Burn Ban off.  
Motion made by Commissioner Roland, seconded by Commissioner Theriot to keep Burn Ban off. All voting "Aye".  
MOTION APPROVED.

10. **Discussion/Action** to consider adopting an order permitting the sale of fireworks during the 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks period. **Speaker: Judge Haden/ Hector Rangel; Backup: 3; Cost: None**

Hector Rangel Chief EMC recommends standard fireworks but no stick, no fins.  
Motion made by Commissioner Shelton with restrictions, seconded by Commissioner Therot to approve the sale of certain fireworks but allowing permissible fireworks as listed in the order. All voting "Aye"  
MOTION APPROVED.

11. **Discussion/Action** to consider the Texas Association of Counties Health and Employee Benefits Pool (TAC HEBP) and to determine the amount for county portions dependent coverage for FY 2021-2022. **Speaker: Judge Haden/ Bob Bush; Backup: 5; Cost: None**

Bob Bush HR Coordinator reports update on county portion of dependent coverage for FY 2021-2022. Motion to table Item 11 by Commissioner Shelton, seconded by Commissioner Theriot.  
MOTION TO TABLE APPROVED.

**12. Discussion/Action** to consider renewing the Healthy County Wellness Coordinator. **Speaker: Judge Haden; Backup: 3; Cost: None**

Motion made by Commissioner Roland, seconded by Commissioner Shelton to approve the renewal for Kristianna Aranda as Healthy County Wellness Coordinator. All voting "Aye"  
MOTION APPROVED.

**13. Discussion/Action** to consider the approval FY 2022 Clean Air Coalition Air Quality Program funding Request. **Speaker: BJ Westmoreland; Backup: 11; Cost: None**

Motion made by Commissioner Theriot, seconded by Commissioner Roland to approve FY 2022 Clean Air Coalition Air Quality Program funding request for \$2,422.00. All voting "Aye".  
MOTION APPROVED.

**16. Discussion/Action** to consider Budget Amendment #60 to transfer from Probate/Civil/Guardianship Clerk in the amount of \$4,089.00 to distribute to 2 deputy Clerks taking on extra responsibilities. **Speaker: Judge Haden/ Barbara Gonzales/ Teresa Rodriguez; Backup: 8; Cost: Net Zero**

Motion made by Commissioner Roland, seconded by Commissioner Shelton to approve Budget Amendment 60 to transfer from Probate Civil Guardianship Clerk in the amount of \$4,089.00 to distribute to 2 deputy Clerks taking on extra responsibilities. All voting "Aye".  
MOTION APPROVED.

**17. Discussion/Action** to consider Budget Amendment #61 to move money from Contingency to Non-Departmental/ Professional Services for County Expenses. **Speaker: Judge Haden/ Barbara Gonzales; Backup: 2; Cost: Net Zero**

Motion made by Commissioner Theriot, seconded by Commissioner Shelton to approve Budget Amendment 61 to move money from Contingency to Non-Departmental/Professional Services for County Expenses. All voting 'Aye'.  
MOTION APPROVED.

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County Judge Pro-Tem B.J. Westmoreland requests a 3 minute recess and resumes at 9:30 a.m.

**PUBLIC HEARING @ 9:30**

Regarding Caldwell County's application for participation in the Texas Secretary of State Countywide Polling Place Program.

Fred Bucholtz, Pat Daniel, Phillip Ruiz, Kathy Haigler, Glen Haigler and Rob Ortiz voice their opinions on the Countywide Polling Place Program. Public Hearing closed at 9:43 a.m.

**DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:**

- 14. Discussion/Action** to consider Resolution 30-2021, authorizing the election administrator to apply for participation in the Countywide Polling Place Program. **Speaker: Judge Haden/ Kimber Daniel; Backup: 2; Cost: None**

Kimber Daniel Elections Administrator states this request is merely to apply for Countywide Polling Place Program. County Judge Pro-Tem B.J. Westmoreland reads Resolution 30-2021.

Motion made by Commissioner Shelton, second by Commissioner Roland to approve Resolution 30-2021, authorizing the Election Administrator to apply for participation in the Countywide Polling Place Program. All voting "Aye"

MOTION APPROVED.

- 15. Discussion/Action** to consider Resolution 31-2021 in support of the City of Lockhart, Texas submission of an application of the Texas Department of Transportation for the 2021 Transportation Alternatives Grant to partially fund public improvements in the 100 block East San Antonio Street (SH 142). **Speaker: Judge Haden/ Dan Gibson; Backup: 8; Cost: None**

Dan Gibson City Planner of the City of Lockhart provides a slideshow presentation for the 100 block East San Antonio Street project. County Judge Pro-Tem B.J. Westmoreland reads Resolution 31-2021.

Motion made by Commissioner Theriot with amendment of "or easement or right of way", seconded Commissioner Roland to approve Resolution 31-2021 in support of the City of Lockhart, Texas submission of an application of the Texas Department of Transportation for the 2021 Transportation Alternatives Grant to partially fund public improvements in the 100 block East San Antonio Street (SH 142), All voting "Aye".

MOTION APPROVED.

- 18. Discussion/Action** to consider the Texas General Land Office CDBG-MIT Grant of \$17,618,764.00 for the construction of a multi-purpose Evacuation Shelter for Caldwell County; including a 1% local match of \$176,187.64. **Speaker: Judge Haden/ Dennis Engelke; Backup: 2; Cost: \$176,187.64**

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Motion made by Commissioner Shelton, seconded by Commissioner Theriot to approve the Texas General Land Office CDBG-MIT Grant of \$17,618,764.00 for the construction of a multi-purpose Evacuation Shelter for Caldwell County; including a 1 % local match of \$176,187.64. All voting "Aye".  
MOTION APPROVED.

**19. Discussion/Action** to consider the Texas Water Development Board Contract in execution of the \$975,000.00 "Caldwell County Flood Protection Planning Study" grant; including local match of \$234,750.00. **Speaker: Judge Haden/ Dennis Engelke; Backup: 49; Cost: \$234,750.00**

Motion made by Commissioner Roland, seconded by Commissioner Shelton to approve the Texas Water Development Board Contract in execution of the \$975,000.00 "Caldwell County Flood Protection Planning Study" grant; including local match of \$234,750.00. All voting "Aye"  
MOTION APPROVED.

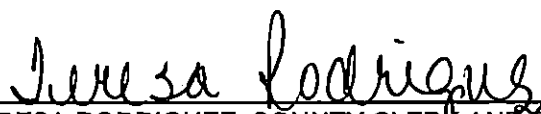
**20. Adjournment.**

Motion made by Commissioner Shelton, seconded by Commissioner Theriot to adjourn. All voting "Aye".  
Court adjourns at 10:13 a.m.

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I, TERESA RODRIGUEZ, COUNTY CLERK AND EX OFFICIO CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT, do hereby certify that the foregoing contains a true and accurate record of the proceedings had by the Caldwell County Commissioners' Court on June 8, 2021.



  
TERESA RODRIGUEZ, COUNTY CLERK AND EX OFFICIO  
CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF  
CALDWELL COUNTY, TEXAS