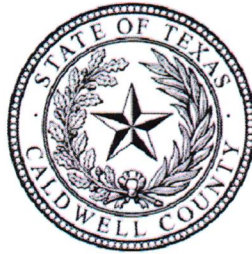


**COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES 110 S Main St. 2nd Floor,
Lockhart, Texas Commissioners Court
December 11, 2025, 9:00 AM**



Hoppy Haden	County Judge	B.J. Westmoreland	Commissioner, Pct. 1
Teresa Rodriguez	County Clerk	Rusty Horne	Commissioner, Pct. 2
		Ed Theriot	Commissioner, Pct. 3
		Dyral Thomas	Commissioner, Pct. 4

A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Judge Haden called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

B. INVOCATION

Pastor Loretta Hardway with Resurrection Life Church opens the meeting in prayer.

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE U.S. AND TEXAS FLAGS:

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

Judge Haden leads all present in the pledge to both flags.

D. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Items or comments from Court members or staff.

Judge Haden announces Wreaths Across America ceremony will be held Saturday, December 17 in Luling at 11:00 a.m., placing wreath on graves of those who served our country.

E. 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: <https://www.co.caldwell.tx.us/page/CommissionersCourtForm>

Andrew McClish, a Prairie Lea resident, provides audio from September 2020 detailing a traffic study summary with recommendations to remove several stop signs.

F. CONSENT AGENDA:

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

F.1.To approve payment of County Invoices and Purchase Orders in the amount of \$595,660.73.

F.2.To approve County Payroll payment in the amount of \$574,235.80 (11/02/2025 through 11/15/2025).

F.3.To approve County Payroll Tax payment in the amount of \$168,252.50 (11/02/2025 through 11/15/2025).

F.4.To ratify immediate check request to GM Financial for \$1,086.44.

F.5.To accept the October 2025 Young Farmer Assessment Fee payment to the Texas Agricultural Finance Authority totaling \$210.00.

F.6.To accept October 2025 DMV payment to Caldwell County in the amount of \$58,210.75.

- F.7.To accept October 2025 DMV Remittance in the amount of \$276,332.89.**
- F.8.To accept October 2025 Comptroller payment in the amount of \$447,737.06.**
- F.9.To approve bond for Deputy Clerks, Tax Assessor-Collector.**
- F.10To. approve the November 2025 Indigent Burial Report.**
- F.11To. accept ECM Today Elections Record Management Software Agreement.**
- F.12To. accept 2025 Continuing Education Hours for Teresa Rodriguez, County Clerk.**
- F.13To. accept 2025 Continuing Education Hours for Juanita Allen, District Clerk.**
- F.14To. accept the Caldwell County Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) 2025 Biennial Report.**
- F.15To. accept Caldwell County Constable PCT. 1 October 2025 Report.**
- F.16To. accept Caldwell County Constable PCT. 4 November 2025 Report.**

Motion made by Commissioner Horne, seconded by Commissioner Westmoreland to Approve . All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

- F.1 To approve payment of County Invoices and Purchase Orders in the amount of \$595,660.73.
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Payroll 11022025 thru 11152025.pdf
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Payroll Tax 11022025 thru 11152025.pdf
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POPKT21188 GM Financial Emergency Check.pdf
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Comptroller Oct. 2025.pdf
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Surety Bond.pdf
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Nov 2025 Indigent Burial Rep.pdf
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Caldwell_EA_EDM-EDV_Agreement_v4_July_2025.pdf
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2025 CE Hours .pdf
2025 Conference Detail Hours.pdf

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Juanita Allen CE Hours.pdf

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Constable PCT. 1 October 2025 Report.pdf

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Constable PCT. 4 November 2025 Report.pdf

G. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

G.1 To discuss and take possible action regarding the approval of the Minutes for the November 25, 2025, regular meeting. Speaker: Judge Haden/Teresa Rodriguez; Backup: 9; Cost: \$0.00
11_25_2025 Agenda.pdf
11_25_2025 Commissioner Court Minutes.pdf

Motion made by Commissioner Horne, seconded by Commissioner Theriot to Approve . All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

G.2 To discuss and take possible action regarding the Preliminary Plat for Sunset Acres consisting of six residential lots on approximately 11.507 acres located on Sunset Trail and Union Hill Road.
Speaker: Commissioner Horne/Kasi Miles; Backup: 2; Cost: \$0.00
Preliminary Plat- Sunset Acres

Motion made by Commissioner Horne, seconded by Commissioner Thomas to Approve . All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

G.3 To discuss and take possible action regarding the Preliminary Plat for Serna Subdivision consisting of 15 lots on approximately 38.789 acres located on FM 672 and Serna Drive.
Speaker: Commissioner Thomas/Kasi Miles; Backup: 2; Cost: \$0.00
Preliminary Plat- Serna Subdivision

Motion made by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Theriot to Approve . All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

G.4 To discuss and take possible action regarding assigning authority to the County Judge to negotiate the terms and conditions of Right of Way acquisition for Road Bond Projects, granted that the decision to file suit for Right of Entry, Condemnation, or other acquisition-related matters, like final agreements, shall remain the prerogative of the Caldwell County Commissioners Court. Speaker: Judge Haden/Richard Sitton/Maria Castanon; Backup: 0; Cost: \$0.00

Motion made by Commissioner Horne, seconded by Commissioner Westmoreland to Approve . All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

G.5 To discuss and take possible action regarding authorization of the execution of a Professional

Services Agreement and Work Authorizations between Caldwell County and Pape Dawson Consulting Engineers, Inc. to provide design services on the Creekside Drive at Plum Creek project and Seawillow (CR 205) at Sixmile Branch and Wattsville (CR 140) at Copperas Creek project in Precinct 1 and Precinct 2. Speaker: Judge Haden/Commissioner Westmoreland/Commissioner Horne/Maria Castanon; Backup: 97; Cost: \$3,100,000.00
CaldwellCountyRoadBond-ProjectPSAandWA-URLfor12112025.pdf

Motion made by Commissioner Westmoreland, seconded by Commissioner Horne to Approve . All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

- G.7 To discuss and take possible action regarding Resolution 06-2026 declaring Caldwell County's support for the State Hwy. 46 Expansion Project. Speaker: Judge Haden; Backup: 3; Cost: \$0.00 How_a_highway_project_gets_funded.pdf
Resolution 06-2026 Support for Regional Expansion of State Hwy 46.pdf

Motion made by Commissioner Theriot, seconded by Commissioner Thomas to Approve . All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

- G.8 To discuss and take possible action regarding the 2026 Texas Association of Counties Annual Cybersecurity Training at a cost of \$5.00 per person. Speaker: Judge Haden/Ezzy Chan; Backup: 8; Cost: TBD
Ezzy Chan, Executive Assistant, notes that Commissioners Court approval is required for the State-mandated cybersecurity course.
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2026_TAC_Cybersecurity_enrollment_form.pdf

Motion made by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Horne to Approve . All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

- G.9 To discuss and take possible action regarding a Caldwell County Burn Ban. Speaker: Judge Haden/Hector Rangel; Backup: 2; Cost: \$0.00
Hector Rangel, Chief EMC, recommends keeping the burn ban on.
Burn Ban Order 12.11.25.pdf

Motion made by Commissioner Horne, seconded by Commissioner Westmoreland to Approve . All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

- G.10 To discuss and take possible action regarding Budget Amendment 03-2026 for moving funds from Contingency to Engineering & Subdivision. Speaker: Judge Haden/Danie Teltow; Backup: 1; Cost: \$27,171.93

Gabi Saldana, First Assistant Auditor, states that the budget amendment is intended to cover Doucett invoices.
BA 03-2026.pdf

Motion made by Commissioner Theriot, seconded by Commissioner Thomas to Approve. All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

H. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Executive Session opens at 9:16 a.m. and ends at 9:48 a.m.

H.1 Pursuant to Government Code Section 551.087, the discussion and deliberation with Counsel on economics of a proposed Interlocal Agreement with the City of Lockhart for the Seawillow TIRZ. Action followed in court.

H.2 Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.087, the discussion of deliberation regarding economic development negotiations associated with Project Ignition Point. Possible action may follow in open court.
No Action taken.

H.3 Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.087, the discussion of deliberation regarding economic development negotiations associated with Project Tangled Web. Possible action may follow in open court.
No Action taken.

H.4 Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.087, the discussion of deliberation regarding economic development negotiations associated with Project Talon Stay. Possible action may follow in open court.
No Action taken.

H.5 Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.087, the discussion of deliberation regarding economic development negotiations associated with Project Bumble Bee. Possible action may follow in open court.
No Action taken.

G.11 To discuss and take possible action regarding updates on proposed Interlocal Agreement with the City of Lockhart for the Seawillow TIRZ. Commissioners Court may provide further instruction or take necessary action as appropriate. Speaker: Judge Haden/Richard Sitton/Kasi Miles; Backup: 0; Cost: TBD
Commissioner Westmoreland motions to authorize the County Judge and County Attorney to prepare the necessary documents and return them at the earliest convenience.

Motion made by Commissioner Westmoreland, seconded by Commissioner Theriot to Approve.
All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

G.12 To discuss and take possible action regarding updates on Project Ignition Point economic development negotiations. Commissioners Court may provide further instruction or take necessary action as appropriate. Speaker: Judge Haden; Backup: 0; Cost: TBD
Motion to Table

Motion made by Commissioner Horne, seconded by Commissioner Thomas to Postpone . All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

G.13 To discuss and take possible action regarding updates on Project Tangled Web economic development negotiations. Commissioners Court may provide further instruction or take necessary action as appropriate. Speaker: Commissioner Thomas; Backup: 0; Cost: TBD
Motion to Table

Motion made by Commissioner Horne, seconded by Commissioner Thomas to Postpone . All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

G.14 To discuss and take possible action regarding updates on Project Talon Stay economic development negotiations. Commissioners Court may provide further instruction or take necessary action as appropriate. Speaker: Judge Haden; Backup: 0; Cost: TBD
Motion to Table.

Motion made by Commissioner Horne, seconded by Commissioner Thomas to Postpone . All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

G.15 To discuss and take possible action regarding updates on Project Bumble Bee economic development negotiations. Commissioners Court may provide further instruction or take necessary action as appropriate. Speaker: Judge Haden; Backup: 0; Cost: TBD
Motion to Table.

Motion made by Commissioner Horne, seconded by Commissioner Thomas to Postpone . All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

G.6 To discuss and take possible action to review the procedures for the 2026 CAMPO call process. The court may prioritize which projects Caldwell County will submit to MPO/CAMPO. Speaker: Judge Haden/Commissioner Theriot/Will Conley/Steve Wadaki; Backup: 8; Cost: \$0.00
Steve Wadaki, Senior Project Manager with American Structure Point, provides detailed information on project procedures, local priorities, and an overview of the application process. CAMPO Call for Projects 2025 - Presentation.pdf

Motion made by Commissioner Westmoreland, seconded by Commissioner Theriot to Adjourn. All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.


I. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by Commissioner Theriot, seconded by Commissioner Horne to Adjourn Court adjourns at 10:28 a.m. All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

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 held by the Caldwell County Commissioners' Court on December 11, 2025.




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