

**COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES**  
**110 S Main St., 2nd Floor, Lockhart, Texas**  
**Commissioners Court March 25, 2025, 9:00 AM**



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

**A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

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

**B. INVOCATION**

Pastor Jodi Fischer of Old Lytton Springs 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.

No Court Announcements.

No Staff Announcements.

**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: <http://www.co.caldwell.tx/us/page/caldwell.CommissionersCourtForm>

Pastor Jodi Fischer of Old Lytton Springs Church introduces herself and expresses gratitude for the improved response from law enforcement and Constables in the downtown Lytton Springs area. She also invites everyone to the Easter Egg Hunt on April 19th.

Andrew McClish, a resident of Prairie Lea, addresses safety concerns in the neighborhood related to stop signs.

**F. CONSENT AGENDA:**

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

- F.1.To approve payments of County Invoices and Purchase Orders in the amount of \$656,433.18.**
- F.2.To approve County Payroll payment in the amount of \$448,600.41 (02/23/2025 - 03/08/2025).**
- F.3.To approve County Payroll Tax payment in the amount of \$131,704.74 (2/23/2025 - 03/08/2025).**
- F.4.To approve the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) local contribution match of \$1,654.00 for FY 2025.**
- F.5.To accept the Caldwell County Semi-annual Long-term Debt Report (February 2025).**
- F.6.To accept the February 2025 Tax Collection Report from the Caldwell County Appraisal District.**
- F.7.To accept Caldwell County Constable PCT. 1 February 2025 Report.**
- F.8.To accept Caldwell County Constable PCT. 4 January and February 2025 Reports.**

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

**MOTION APPROVED.**

- F.1 To approve payments of County Invoices and Purchase Orders in the amount of \$656,433.18.  
3 25 2025 AP Expense Approval Register.pdf  
3 25 2025 AP Payment Register.pdf
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CAMPO FY 2025.pdf
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2-2025 County's Long Term Debt Report- Semi-Annual.pdf
- F.6 To accept the February 2025 Tax Collection Report from the Caldwell County Appraisal District. CCAD February 2025 Report.pdf
- F.7 To accept Caldwell County Constable PCT. 1 February 2025 Report.  
February Monthly Report.docx
- F.8 To accept Caldwell County Constable PCT. 4 January and February 2025 Reports.  
Monthly Report January 2025.pdf  
Monthly Report February 2025.pdf

**H. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:**

- H.1 To discuss and take possible action regarding the approval of the Minutes for the March 11, 2025, regular meeting. Speaker: Judge Haden/Teresa Rodriguez; Backup: 7; Cost: \$0.00  
3.11.25 Filed Agenda.pdf  
3.11.25 Commissioners Court Minutes.pdf

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

**MOTION APPROVED.**

- H.3 To discuss and take possible action regarding public improvements in Hartland Ranch Phase 1 for permanent County maintenance and release Maintenance Bond No. 275975G in the amount of \$245,005.18 back to JL Construction, Inc. Speaker: Judge Haden/Commissioner Westmoreland/Donald Leclerc; Backup: 3; Cost: \$0.00  
Bond No. 276975G.pdf

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

**MOTION APPROVED.**

H.4 To discuss and take possible action regarding the Preliminary Plat for Mineral Springs Ranch consisting of 17 lots on approximately 166.184 acres located on Mineral Springs Road and State Highway 183. Speaker: Commissioner Horne/Kasi Miles; Backup: 4; Cost: \$0.00  
Preliminary Plat for Mineral Springs Ranch

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

**MOTION APPROVED.**

H.5 To discuss and take possible action regarding the amended Preliminary Plat for Cotton Gateway Subdivision consisting of 1,519 lots on approximately 390.68 acres located East of Highway 21 and William Pettus Road. Speaker: Commissioner Theriot/Kasi Miles; Backup: 12; Cost: \$0.00  
Amended Preliminary Plat for Cotton Gateway

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

**MOTION APPROVED.**

H.6 To discuss and take possible action regarding the amended Preliminary Plat for Schulle Farms consisting of 941 residential lots on approximately 180.889 acres located at Highway 142 and Misty Lane. Speaker: Commissioner Theriot/Kasi Miles; Backup: 11; Cost: \$0.00  
Amended Preliminary Plat for Schulle Farms

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

**MOTION APPROVED.**

H.7 To discuss and possibly accept public streets and drainage of Sage Hills Estates Subdivision as complete and ready to begin the two-year performance period of said public improvements as evidenced by a maintenance bond in the amount of \$25,190.50. Speaker: Judge Haden/Commissioner Theriot/Donald Leclerc; Backup: 3; Cost: \$0.00  
Bond No. HSHNSU0858192.pdf

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

**MOTION APPROVED.**

H.8 To discuss and take possible action regarding the Final Plat for Lytton Creek Ranch, Phase 1 consisting of 16 residential lots on approximately 23.89 acres located on Hidden Path Road. Speaker: Commissioner Thomas/Kasi Miles; Backup: 3; Cost: \$0.00  
Final Plat for Lytton Creek Ranch, Phase 1

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

**MOTION APPROVED.**

H.9 To discuss and possibly reappoint Mr. Peter Reinecke as Vice President and Board of Director, to a four-year term to the Plum Creek Conservation District Board of Directors. Speaker: Commissioner Horne; Backup: 2; Cost: \$0.00  
2025 Reappt of PCCD Director Reinecke.pdf  
PCCD Reappointment (PCT. 2) - P. Reinecke.pdf

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

**MOTION APPROVED.**

H.10 To discuss and possibly reappoint Mrs. Lucy Knight as Treasurer-Secretary, to a four-year term to the Plum Creek Conservation District Board of Directors. Speaker: Commissioner Westmoreland; Backup: 2; Cost: \$0.00  
2025 Reappt of PCCD Director Knight.pdf  
PCCD Reappointment (PCT. 1) - L. Knight.pdf

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

**MOTION APPROVED.**

H.11 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 3.25.25.pdf

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

H.12 To discuss and take possible action regarding the timeline on 2024 Road Bond with Specialized Public Finance, and consideration of first bond issuance amount. Speaker: Judge Haden/Jennifer Ritter; Backup: 0; Cost: \$0.00

Jennifer Ritter, Financial Advisor, provides an update on 2024 Road Bond timelines and announces a scheduled meeting in late April or early May for project updates.

Commissioner Theriot requested that Jennifer Ritter continue working on identifying specifics on the amount of bond set.

The meeting is recessed until 9:30 a.m.

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

**MOTION APPROVED.**

**G. PUBLIC HEARING @ 9:30 A.M.:**

Public Hearing opens at 9:30 a.m. and closes at 9:32 a.m.

G.1 Regarding the Regulations of Thru Traffic on Designated County Roads There are no speakers.

Public Hearing closes at 9:32 a.m.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE REGULATION OF THRU TRAFFIC ON COUNTY ROADS.docx  
3.6.25 PH Notice - Soda Springs.jpg

H.2 To discuss and take possible action regarding an amendment to the Order Prohibiting Thru Traffic on Designated County Roads, Section 3 - Designated Roads. Speaker: Commissioner Horne/Richard Sitton; Backup: 3; Cost: \$0.00

Commissioner Horne addresses the court regarding concerns from citizens about a daily delivery truck company's traffic on Soda Springs Road. He requests an amendment to the Order Prohibiting Thru Traffic on Designated County Roads to include Soda Springs Road, also known as County Road 130.

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Amendment to Order Prohibiting Traffic adding Soda Springs Road.pdf

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

**MOTION APPROVED.**

H.13 To discuss and take possible action regarding the reorganization of the Environmental Unit. Speaker: Judge Haden; Backup: 0; Cost: \$0.00

Commissioner Westmoreland motions to reallocate Environmental Enforcement Unit budget as follows: \$1,200.00 per pay period as a stipend to each of the constables' offices, the reallocation of existing county-owned vehicles and or the purchase of new vehicles to Unit Road along with the posting of 2 additional positions within the Unit Road department, the salaries will be determined at a later court date. The remainder of the stipend in the D.A.'s office to prosecute the case that are turned in.

Amendment added: allocation of 1 vehicle to Unit Road as listed.

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

**MOTION APPROVED.**

**I. ADJOURNMENT:**


Court adjourns at 10:01 a.m.

Motion made by Commissioner Theriot, seconded by Commissioner Horne to Adjourn. 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 March 25, 2025.



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