

COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES
110 S Main St. 2nd Floor, Lockhart, Texas
Commissioners Court April 8, 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

Howard Thompson with St. Mark's United Methodist 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.

Ezzy Chan, Executive Assistant, informs the court that 90 % of Cyber Security Training is complete.

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>

Andrew McClish, a resident of Prairie Lea speaks to the court regarding unwanted stop signs in his neighborhood.

Linda Hinkle, a resident of Lockhart, will speak during the Public Hearing.

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 \$682,028.94.

F.2.To approve County Payroll payment in the amount of \$444,318.13 (03/09/2025 - 03/22/2025).

F.3.To approve County Payroll Tax payment in the amount of \$130,598.49 (03/09/2025 - 03/22/2025).

F.4.To approve the March 2025 Indigent Burial Report.

- F.5.To ratify Immediate Check Request to Caldwell County Appraisal District in the amount of \$50,323.21 for CCAD Property Refund.**
- F.6.To ratify Immediate Check Request to WEX Exxon Mobil in the amount of \$12,835.70.**
- F.7.To ratify Immediate Check Request to Century Construction Group, LLC in the amount of \$654,363.00 for Pay App #4.**
- F.8.To accept February 2025 DMV Remittance in the amount of \$136,213.98.**
- F.9.To accept February 2025 DMV Comptroller payment in the amount of \$408,247.93.**
- F.10To. accept the Young Farmer's Fee payment to the Texas Agricultural Finance Authority totaling \$320.00 (February 2025).**

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 \$682,028.94. Payment Register 4.8.2025.pdf
Expense Approval Register 4.8.2025.pdf
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Comptroller - February 2025.pdf
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Young Farmer Feb 2025.pdf

G. PRESENTATION:

- G.1 2024 Pre-Trial Bond Program Report - Romelia Elizondo, Adult Probation Deputy Director

Romelia Elizondo, Deputy Director of the Caldwell County Community Supervisor and Corrections Department, introduces Miranda Kelly, Pre-Trial Bond Officer, who presents the 2024 Pre-Trial

I. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

- I.1 To discuss and take possible action regarding the approval of the Minutes for the March 25, 2025, regular meeting. Speaker: Judge Haden/Teresa Rodriguez; Backup: 8; Cost: \$0.00
3.25.25 Filed Agenda.pdf
3.25.25 Commissioner Court Minutes.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

- I.4 To discuss and take possible action regarding the Short Form Plat for Leona Acres 2, a single lot subdivision on approximately 2.265 acres located on FM 713 and Cattlemens Row.
Speaker: Commissioner Westmoreland/Kasi Miles; Backup: 2; Cost: \$0.00
Short Form Plat - Leona Acres 2

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

MOTION APPROVED.

- I.5 To discuss and take possible action regarding the Preliminary Plat for OCLA Acres consisting of five residential lots on approximately 10.010 acres located at Old Colony Line Road and FM 86. Speaker: Commissioner Horne/Kasi Miles; Backup: 2; Cost: \$0.00
Preliminary Plat for OCLR Acres

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

MOTION APPROVED.

- I.6 To discuss and take possible action regarding the Amended Preliminary Plat for Romans Road Subdivision consisting of four residential lots on approximately 21.671 acres located on Bugtussle Ln. and Mineral Springs Rd. Speaker: Commissioner Horne/Kasi Miles; Backup: 2; Cost: \$0.00 Amended Preliminary Plat for Romans Road Subdivision

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

MOTION APPROVED.

- I.7 To discuss and take possible action regarding the Short Form Plat for Pettytown Meadows consisting of two residential lots on approximately 9.956 acres located at FM 86 and Pettytown Road. Speaker: Commissioner Horne/Kasi Miles; Backup: 2; Cost: \$0.00
Short Form Plat - Pettytown Meadows

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

MOTION APPROVED.

- I.8 To discuss and take possible action regarding a variance request from the Caldwell County Development Ordinance, Section 3.7, Subsection (A3), for Mr. Tom Owens for a single lot Short Form Plat for approximately 2.0 acres out of 54.151 acres. Speaker: Commissioner Horne/Kasi Miles; Backup: 6; Cost: \$0.00
Variance Request for Tom Owens

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

MOTION APPROVED.

- I.9 To discuss and take possible action regarding the Preliminary Plat for Southern Meadows subdivision consisting of 674 lots on approximately 120.75 acres located at FM 1984 and William Pettus Road. Speaker: Commissioner Theriot/Kasi Miles; Backup: 8; Cost: \$0.00

Commissioner Theriot made a motion to Table the item to review lot size requirements and the possibility of the City of San Marcos or the Airport regulating that.

Preliminary Plat for Southern Meadows

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

MOTION APPROVED.

- I.10 To discuss and take possible action regarding a variance request from the Caldwell County Development Ordinance, Section 4.3, to allow restroom facilities to be built on to the St. John's Civic Center, an existing structure located at 189 Carter Road in Dale, Texas. Speaker: Commissioner Thomas/Kasi Miles; Backup: 1; Cost: \$0.00

Recess at 9:25 a.m.

Receipt for Variance Request for St. John's Civic Center

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

MOTION APPROVED.

H. PUBLIC HEARING @ 9:30 A.M.:

- H.1 Regarding the consideration of Replat of Carpol Subdivision, Lot 4 in Block A located off Political Road

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

Linda Hinkle, a Lockhart resident, spoke in favor of the Replat of the Carpol Subdivision.

3.13.25 PH Notice - Replat of Carpol Subdivision.jpg

3.20.25 PH Notice - Replat of Carpol Subdivision.jpg

3.27.25 PH Notice - Replat of Carpol Subdivision.jpg

Replat of Lot 4- Carpol Subdivision

- H.2 Regarding the consideration of Replat of Paz Acres, Lot 1B and Lot 2A located off Homannville Road

Public Hearing opens at 9:32 a.m. and closes at 9:33 a.m.

Linda Hinkle, a Lockhart resident, spoke in favor of the Replat of Paz Acres.

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3.20.25 PH Notice - Replat of Paz Acres.jpg

3.27.25 PH Notice - Replat of Paz Acres.jpg

- I.2 To discuss and take possible action regarding the Replat of Carpol Subdivision, Lot 4 in Block A located off Political Road. Speaker: Commissioner Theriot/Kasi Miles; Backup: 4; Cost: \$0.00

Kasi Miles, Director of Sanitation states that the replat is not ready and requests to Table the item.

3.13.25 PH Notice - Replat of Carpol Subdivision.jpg

3.20.25 PH Notice - Replat of Carpol Subdivision.jpg

3.27.25 PH Notice - Replat of Carpol Subdivision.jpg

Replat of Carpol Subdivision - Lot 4

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

MOTION APPROVED.

- I.3 To discuss and take possible action regarding the Replat of Paz Acres, Lot 1B and Lot 2A located off Homannville Road. Speaker: Commissioner Theriot/Kasi Miles; Backup: 3; Cost: \$0.00

Kasi Miles, Director of Sanitation, requests to Table this item.

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

MOTION APPROVED.

- I.11 To discuss and take possible action regarding the rewrite of the Caldwell County Development Ordinance. Speaker: Judge Haden/Tracy Bratton; Backup: 0; Cost: \$0.00

Tracy Bratton, County Consulting Engineer, speaks on the rewrite of the Caldwell County Development Ordinance.

Linda Hinkle spoke on the Caldwell County Development Ordinance being available for review when rewriting and amendments are being made.

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

MOTION APPROVED.

- I.12 To discuss and take possible action regarding flag lots. Speaker: Judge Haden/Tracy Bratton; Backup: 0; Cost: \$0.00

Commissioner Westmoreland made a motion that we interpret the ordinance as it is currently written with the understanding that flag lot variances are allowed to come to the commissioner's court for approval or denial.

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

MOTION APPROVED.

- I.13 To discuss and take possible action on a Proclamation designating April 26 - May 4, 2025, as Caldwell-Travis Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD) Stewardship Week. Speaker: Judge Haden/Ann Schroeder/Rodney Purswell; Backup: 3; Cost: \$0.00

Proclamation is read.

Rodney Purswell and Ann Schroeder, members of Caldwell-Travis Soil & Water Conservation District, thank the County for their support.

Proclamation Request - SWCD Stewardship Week
2025.pdf Caldwell-Travis SWCD Agenda Item Request
Form.pdf 2025 Stewardship Week Proclamation.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

- I.14 To discuss and take possible action on a Proclamation recognizing April 2025 as Caldwell County Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month. Speaker: Judge Haden/Ashley Rios/Sarah Guckian; Backup: 1; Cost: \$0.00
Proclamation is read.

4.8.25 Proclamation - CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION AND AWARENESS MONTH (APRIL 2025).docx

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

MOTION APPROVED.

- I.15 To discuss and take possible action on a Proclamation recognizing April 2025 as Caldwell County Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month. Speaker: Judge Haden/Ashley Rios/Sarah Guckian; Backup: 1; Cost: \$0.00

Proclamation is read.

Ashley Rios, Program Director with Roxanna's House the Child Advocacy Center at the Hays-Caldwell Women Center thanks the County for support and recognition of April as both Child Abuse Awareness Month and Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

4.8.25 Proclamation - SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS PREVENTION MONTH (APRIL 2025).docx

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

MOTION APPROVED.

- I.16 To discuss and take possible action regarding the Mass Gathering Permit Application for the Old Settler's Music Festival scheduled to be held on April 24-27, 2025, at 1616 FM 3158 Dale, Texas 78616. Speaker: Judge Haden/Richard Sitton/Mike Lane/Hector Rangel/Dr. Charles Laurence; Backup: 70; Cost: \$0.00
3.31.25 UPDATED - OSMF Mass Gathering Application.pdf
3.28.25 Health Authority Feedback - Old Settler's Music Festival.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

I.17 To discuss and take possible action regarding Animal Shelter Fees. Speaker: Judge Haden; Backup: 1; Cost: \$0.00
Judge Haden updates the court that they are still gathering information.
2.27.25 Animal Control Budget Report.pdf

I.18 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 off.

Burn Ban Order 4.8.25.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

I.19 To discuss and take possible action to adopt Resolution 13-2025 expressing intent to reimburse project expenditures from proceeds of future tax-exempt obligations, in connection with all roadways and related expenditures approved in the November 2024 election as the Caldwell County Road Bond Proposition (Proposition A), in an amount not to exceed \$150,000,000.00. Speaker: Judge Haden/Richard Sitton/Danie Teltow; Backup: 5; Cost: \$0.00

Resolution 13-2025 is read.

Resolution 13-2025 Caldwell County Reimbursement.docx

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

MOTION APPROVED.

I.20 To discuss and take possible action to execute HNTB Work Authorization Agreement to provide engineering management services required to initiate and monitor production of contract documents and required to initiate and monitor construction of projects in Caldwell County regarding the 2024 Road Bond. Speaker: Judge Haden/Danie Teltow; Backup: 14; Cost: \$0.00

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

MOTION APPROVED.

I.21 To discuss and take possible action to authorize PCT. 1 Constable and PCT. 2 Constable to adjust one part-time position to a full-time position. Speaker: Judge Haden/Danie Teltow; Backup: 0; Cost: \$0.00

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

MOTION APPROVED.

I.22 To discuss and take possible action regarding Budget Amendment #06 transferring \$9,600.00 from 001-3201-1060 (Investigator) to 001-3201-1043 (Constables ETF Stipend). Speaker: Judge Haden/Danie Teltow; Backup: 1; Cost: \$9,600.00
4.8.25 BA #06 Environmental.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

- I.23 To discuss and take possible action to add two additional Equipment Operator positions for the Unit Road Department. Speaker: Judge Haden/Kristianna Ortiz/Donald LeClerc; Backup: 4; Cost: \$43,000.00/per position

Unit Road - Equip Operator 4.01.2025.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

- I.24 To discuss and take possible action regarding Budget Amendment #08 transferring funds from Contingency to Unit Road - Road Workers, for the new Construction Inspector position. Speaker: Judge Haden/Danie Teltow; Backup: 1; Cost: \$51,000.00

4.8.25 BA #08 Construction Inspector Salary.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

- I.25 To discuss and take possible action regarding Budget Amendment #07 transferring \$63,000.00 from Contingency to Building Maintenance Courthouse expense GL for lawn care and repair. Speaker: Judge Haden/Danie Teltow; Backup: 6; Cost: \$63,000.00

4.8.25 BA #07 Courthouse Lawn Repair.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

- I.26 To discuss and take possible action regarding a deposit to Good Neighbor Lawn & Landscaping in the amount of \$17,174.98 for start of Caldwell County Courthouse Landscaping. Speaker: Judge Haden/Merari Gonzales; Backup: 5; Cost: \$17,174.98

Caldwell County Courthouse Landscaping.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

- I.27 To approve or reject award for RFQ24CCP03Q Public Improvement District (PID) Administration Consulting Services to P3 Works, LLC. Speaker: Judge Haden/Merari Gonzales; Backup: 5; Cost: \$0.00

PID RFQ24CCP03Q Danie Teltow.pdf

PID RFQ24CCP03Q Jennifer Ritter.pdf

PID RFQ24CCP03Q Judge Haden.pdf

Commissioner's Court PID Services Rec 04.08.2025.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

- I.28 To discuss and take possible action on submitting a grant application for Caldwell County Constable PCT. 3 to the Texas Department of Transportation Traffic Safety - 2026 STEP Comprehensive Grant. Speaker: Judge Haden/Amber Quinley/David Saenz; Backup: 38; Cost: TBD

STEP RFP 2026.pdf

STEP Terms and Conditions 2026.pdf

STEP Responsibilities Subgrantee 2026.pdf

STEP Responsibilities Dept 2026.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

I.29 To discuss and take possible action regarding an agreement with Ford, Powell & Carson Architects and Planners, Inc. (FPC), for the planning and development of the Caldwell County Courthouse Master Plan. Speaker: Judge Haden/Amber Quinley; Backup: 11; Cost: \$202,200.00
Fee Proposal_Caldwell Courthouse MP_2024 02 18 2025.pdf

B105-2017 - CALDWELL MP_Final_FPC signed.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

J. DISCUSSION ONLY:

J.1 To discuss the Development Agreement for Riata Creek, a new proposed subdivision consisting of 220 residential lots located off of Farmers Road. Speaker: Commissioner Theriot/Tracy Bratton/Charles Brigance; Backup: 1; Cost: \$0.00

Brock Becker speaks on behalf of DR Horton and provides a presentation for the proposed future community of Riata Creek.

Riata Creek Display Exhibit 3-19-25 (1).pdf

K. ADJOURNMENT:

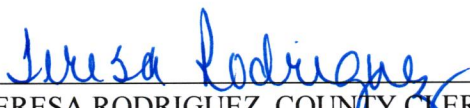
Court adjourns at 10:38 a.m.

Motion made by Commissioner Westmoreland, 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 April 8, 2025.




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