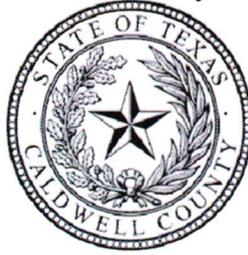


COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES 110 S Main St. 2nd Floor, Lockhart, Texas
Commissioners Court January 22, 2026, 9:00 AM



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

Commissioner Thomas 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.

Commissioner Horne announced that the Luling and Lockhart 4-H and FFA groups will be showing on Friday and Saturday and encouraged the public to come out and support them.

Judge Haden also encouraged everyone to brave the cold and come out to support the 4-H and FFA show.

Hector Rangel, EMC Chief, provided weather updates, shared the locations of local warming stations, and offered information to help citizens prepare for severe weather. He noted that additional information is available through the Warn Central Texas app.

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>

No Citizens' Comments.

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 \$612,143.11.

F.2. To approve County Payroll payment in the amount of \$533,855.63 (12/14/2025 through 12/27/2025).

- F.3.To approve County Payroll Tax payment in the amount of \$162,082.51 (12/14/2025 through 12/27/2025).**
- F.4.To accept the December 2025 Young Farmers Assessment Fee payment to the Texas Agricultural Finance Authority totaling \$265.00.**
- F.5.To accept December 2025 DMV payment to Caldwell County in the amount of \$55,514.60.**
- F.6.To accept December 2025 DMV Remittance in the amount of \$203,583.84.**
- F.7.To accept December 2025 Comptroller payment in the amount of \$323,754.83.**
- F.8.To ratify immediate check request to Audelia Salazar in the amount of \$4,700.00 for Veterans Services.**
- F.9.To ratify payment to Century Construction Group, Inc. in the amount of \$1,500,677.73 for Pay App #13.**
- F.10To. approve updated Per Diem reimbursement rates for 2026.**
- F.11To. accept the December 2025 Tax Collection Report from the Caldwell County Appraisal District.**
- F.12To. accept Caldwell County Constable PCT. 1 December 2025 Report.**
- F.13To. accept Caldwell County Constable PCT. 4 December 2025 Report.**
- F.14To. accept Caldwell County Constable PCT. 2 Racial Profile Report for 2025.**

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

MOTION APPROVED.

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1 22 2026 AP Expense Approval Register.pdf
1 22 2026 AP Payment Register.pdf
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Payroll 12142025 thru 12272025.pdf
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Payroll Tax 12142025 thru 12272025.pdf
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Young Farmers Dec. 2025.pdf
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1 8 2026 AUDSAL Immediate Check Backup - Redacted.pdf
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1 13 2026 CENCNST Immediate Check Backup.pdf
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Per Diem Rates 2026.pdf
2025 Employee Travel Expense form - Fillable.pdf

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- F.13 To accept Caldwell County Constable PCT. 4 December 2025 Report. Monthly Report December 2025.pdf
- F.14 To accept Caldwell County Constable PCT. 2 Racial Profile Report for 2025. PCT 2 Constable Racial Profiling Report Comm Court 2025.pdf

G. DISCUSSION ONLY:

- G.1 To discuss the development agreement for Cozy Pecan Village RV Park located at 321 Mill Street in Maxwell, Texas for up to 55 RV sites. Speaker: Commissioner Theriot/Marshal Brewer/Celso Brewer; Backup: 19; Cost: \$0.00

Marshal Brewer addressed court on development agreement and states a layout of project is provided in packet.
Cozy Pecan Village RV Park- Development Agreement

H. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

- H.1 To discuss and take possible action regarding the approval of the Minutes for the January 8, 2026, regular meeting. Speaker: Judge Haden/Teresa Rodriguez; Backup: 8; Cost: \$0.00
01_08_2026 Agenda.pdf
Commissioner Court Minutes 01_08_2026.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

- H.2 To discuss and take possible action regarding a Proclamation designating February 2026 as Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month. Speaker: Judge Haden/Ashley Rios/Brianna Buenrostro; Backup: 1; Cost: \$0.00

Proclamation is read.

Ashley Rios Program Director and Brianna Buenrostro with Hays Caldwell Women Center state they appreciate Caldwell County support.

Picture is taken.

1.22.26 Proclamation - Dating Violence Awareness Prevention Month 2026.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

- H.3 To discuss and take possible action regarding the Preliminary Plat for Amended Plat of Calvis Estates Re-subdivision consisting of 18 lots on approximately 20.92 acres located on Taylorsville Road. Speaker: Commissioner Horne/Kasi Miles; Backup: 4; Cost: \$0.00
Preliminary Plat for Amended Plat Calvis Estates Re-subdivision

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

MOTION APPROVED.

H.4 To discuss and take possible action regarding the Development Agreement for Chelle Holdings, Inc. consisting of 85.000 acres of land out of the T. Maxwell Survey. Speaker: Commissioner Theriot/Kasi Miles; Backup: 13; Cost: \$0.00
DA- Chelle Holdings, Inc.

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

MOTION APPROVED.

H.5 To discuss and take possible action regarding the Amended and Restated Development Agreement for Schulle Farm Partners, L.P consisting of 141.626 acres of land out of the T. Maxwell Survey. Speaker: Commissioner Theriot/Kasi Miles; Backup: 21; Cost: \$0.00
Amended and Restated Development Agreement- Schulle Farms

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

MOTION APPROVED.

H.6 To discuss and take possible action designating Danie Teltow, Caldwell County Auditor, to obtain a Local Government Project Procedures (LGPP) certification as issued by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), on behalf of the County. Speaker: Commissioner Theriot/Steve Widacki/Will Conley; Backup: 1; Cost: TBD
LGPP Training Information.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

H.7 To discuss and take possible action to adopt Resolution 11-2026 supporting Hays County's submission of a grant application to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) 2028-2031 Call for Projects for the Hays County FM 2001 East Project from Graef Road to Existing FM 2001 Southeast of SH 21. Speaker: Judge Haden/Commissioner Theriot/Maria Castanon; Backup: 3; Cost: \$0.00
FM 2001 East One-Pager.pdf
Resolution 11-2026 FM 2001 East .pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

H.8 To discuss and take possible action to adopt Resolution 12-2026, authorizing support for, and a 20% financial commitment toward the submission of an application to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) for the 2028-2031 Call for Projects funding program for the FM 2720 Widening Project. Speaker: Judge Haden/Commissioner Theriot/Maria Castanon; Backup: 2; Cost: TBD
Resolution 12-2026 FM 2720 Widening.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

H.9 To discuss and take possible action to adopt Resolution 13-2026, authorizing support for, and a 20%

financial commitment toward the submission of an application to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) for the 2028 -2031 Call for Projects funding program for the US 183 Turn Lane Addition (Magnolia Avenue to the Plum Creek Turnaround) project. Speaker: Judge Haden/Commissioner Theriot/Maria Castanon; Backup: 2; Cost: TBD Resolution 13-2026 US 183 Turn Lane Addition.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

H.10 To discuss and take possible action to adopt Resolution 14-2026, authorizing support for, and a 20% financial commitment toward the submission of an application to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) for the 2028-2031 Call for Projects funding program for the SH 142 Widening (Windsor Boulevard to SH 80) project. Speaker: Judge Haden/Commissioner Theriot/Maria Castanon; Backup: 2; Cost: TBD Resolution 14-2026 SH 142 Widening Windsor to SH 80.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 to adopt Resolution 15-2026, authorizing support for, and a 20% financial commitment toward the submission of an application to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) for the 2028- 2031 Call for Projects funding program for the SH 142 Widening (Windsor Boulevard to Borchert Loop) project. Speaker: Judge Haden/Commissioner Theriot/Maria Castanon; Backup: 2; Cost: TBD

Steve Widacki Senior Program Manager American Structure Point explains the alternative project from Borchert Loop to Windsor Boulevard.

Resolution 15-2026 SH 142 Widening Windsor to Borchert.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

H.12 To discuss and take possible action to adopt Resolution 16-2026, authorizing support for, and a 20% financial commitment toward the submission of an application to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) for the 2028-2031 Call for Projects funding program for the North Magnolia Avenue Widening (E. Austin Street (SH 80) to E. Pierce Street (US 183) project. Speaker: Judge Haden/Commissioner Theriot/Maria Castanon; Backup: 2; Cost: TBD Resolution 16-2026 N Magnolia Ave Widening.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

H.13 To discuss and take possible action to adopt Resolution 17-2026, authorizing support for, and a 20% financial commitment toward the submission of an application to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) for the 2028-2031 Call for Projects funding program for the FM 20 Realignment (S. Medina Street to S. Commerce Street) project. Speaker: Judge Haden/Commissioner Theriot/Maria Castanon; Backup: 2; Cost: TBD Resolution 17-2026 FM 20 Realignment.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

H.14 To discuss and take possible action regarding Resolution 18-2026, appointing Commissioner B.J. Westmoreland as the CAPCOG Clean Air Coalition representative for a period of two years. Speaker: Judge Haden/Commissioner Westmoreland; Backup: 1; Cost: \$0.00
Sample Clean Air Coalition Appointment Resolution.docx
Resolution 18-2026 Clean Air Coalition Nominee.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

H.15 To discuss and take possible action regarding the reappoint of David Murdoch, Robert Moreno, and Mark Junger to the Caldwell County ESD #3 Board of Directors for a two-year term, commencing January 1, 2026. Speaker: Judge Haden/Commissioner Theriot; Backup: 1; Cost: \$0.00
ESD3 reappointments.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

H.16 To discuss and take possible action regarding the reappoint of Jerry Doyle, Andrew Reyes, and Greg Pope to the Caldwell County ESD #4 Board of Directors for a two -year term, commencing January 1, 2026. Speaker: Commissioner Westmoreland/Commissioner Horne/Martin Richey; Backup: 1; Cost: \$0.00
ESD 4 Reappointments 2026.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

H.17 To discuss and take possible action regarding the reappoint of Sherilyn Adcock to the Caldwell County ESD #5 Board of Directors for a two-year term, commencing January 1, 2026. Speaker: Judge Haden/Commissioner Theriot; Backup: 3; Cost: \$0.00
ESD5 reappointment_Adock.pdf
Order_04-2024_appointing_Board_of_Commissioners.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

H.18 To approve the reappointment of Billy Ray Buckner to the Luling Foundation Farm Board as the Caldwell County representative. Speaker: Judge Haden/Wayne Morse; Backup: 0; Cost: \$0.00

Wayne Morse, Luling Foundation Board requested the re- appointment of Billy Ray Buckner to the Luling Foundation Farm Board.

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

MOTION APPROVED.

H.19 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 1.22.26.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

H.20 To discuss and take possible action regarding Order 02-2026 authorizing the sale of fireworks for Texas Independence Day. Speaker: Judge Haden/Hector Rangel; Backup: 3; Cost: \$0.00

Order 02-2026 is read.

2026 TAC Template - Texas Independence Day Fireworks Order.pdf
02-2026 Order Texas Independence Day Fireworks.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

H.21 To discuss and take possible action to adopt Resolution 07-2026 authorizing the submittal of a grant application to the Office of the Governor (OOG), Public Safety Office (PSO) for the FY 2027 Body-Worn Camera Grant Program. Speaker: Judge Haden/Amber Quinley; Backup: 9; Cost: TBD

Amber Quinley Grants Administrator asks to Table item H.21 due to pending quotes, also states there is a 25% match and will have update at next Commissioners Court meeting.

Body-Worn Camera Grant Program, FY2027 _ eGrants.pdf
OOG PSO- CEO-Law Enforcement Certifications and Assurances
Form.pdf Resolution 07-2026, draft.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

H.22 To discuss and take possible action to adopt Resolution 08-2026 authorizing the submittal of a grant application for Caldwell County Constable PCT. 2 to the Office of the Governor (OOG), Public Safety Office (PSO) for the FY 2027 Criminal Justice Grant Program. Speaker: Commissioner Horne/Amber Quinley/Constable Easterling; Backup: 16; Cost: \$0.00

Constable Easterling requested approval to apply for federal grant funding through the Edward Burn Memorial Justice Assistance grant program to support traffic safety within Precinct 2, specifically along Highway 86 and Highway 80.

CJGP-JAG REQUEST- CONST. PCT 2.pdf
Criminal Justice Grant Program, FY2027 _ eGrants.pdf
py_27_CJ-timeline.pdf
OOG PSO- CEO-Law Enforcement Certifications and Assurances
Form.pdf Resolution 08-2026, draft.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

H.23 To discuss and take possible action regarding Resolution 09-2026 designating an alternate location for the Main Early Voting Polling Place. Speaker: Devante Coe; Backup: 3; Cost: \$0.00

Devonte Coe, Elections Administrator, informed the Court of new election location requirements and requested approval to relocate early voting to the Lockhart ISD gym.

Moving Main Early Voting ComCourt1_22_26.docx
Resolution_09-2026_Main_Voting_Location.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

H.24 To discuss and take possible action regarding Resolution 10-2026 designating early voting polling locations, including the Main Early Voting Polling Place and branch locations, and to establish early voting days and hours for the upcoming primary election, as presented by the Elections Administrator. Speaker: Judge Haden/Devante Coe; Backup: 3; Cost: \$0.00

Devonte Coe, Elections Administrator, recommended the Lockhart ISD gym as the main early voting location, with the Luling Civic Center and Three Rivers Community Church as branch locations, and proposed adjusting voting hours to 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. to accommodate citizens. Resolution 10-2026 Early Voting Dates Times and Polling Places.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

I. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Executive Session opens at 9:48 a.m. and closed at 10:43 a.m.

I.1 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 to follow in court.

I.2 Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.087, the discussion of deliberation regarding economic development negotiations with respect to 2021 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act Grant funding Project.

No action to follow in court.

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

MOTION APPROVED.

H.25 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

Request to Table item H.25.

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

MOTION APPROVED.

H.26 To discuss and take possible action regarding updates on 2021 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act Grant funding Project economic development negotiations. Commissioners Court may provide further instruction or take necessary action as appropriate. Speaker: Judge Haden; Backup: 0; Cost: TBD

Request to Table item H.26.

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

MOTION APPROVED.

J. ADJOURNMENT:

Judge Haden stated that a correction is needed for Item H.24; the polling location address should read St. Mark's Methodist Church, 602 Live Oak St., not 206 Live Oak St.

Court adjourns at 10:44 a.m.

Motion made by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Theriot 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 January 22, 2026.



Teresa Rodriguez

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