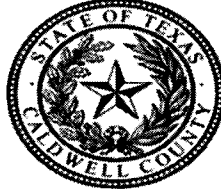


COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES
110 S. Main St. 2nd Floor, Lockhart, Texas
Commissioners Court January 14, 2019 9:00 a.m.



HOPPY HADEN	County Judge	B.J. WESTMORELAND	Commissioner Pct. 1
TERESA RODRIGUEZ	County Clerk	BARBARA SHELTON	Commissioner Pct. 2
		ED THERIOT	Commissioner Pct. 3
		JOE IVAN ROLAND	Commissioner Pct. 4

Call Meeting to Order.

Judge Haden calls the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. All members are present.

Invocation. Lockhart Ministerial Alliance

Bob Bush 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).

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

Announcements. Items or comments from Court members or staff.

Commissioner Westmoreland welcomes Commissioner Shelton.

Commissioner Shelton says thank you to her Precinct 2 constituents.

Commissioner Theriot says he attended Greater San Marcos Partnership meetings.

Commissioner Roland says good morning.

Judge Haden announces CASA's Grand Opening Thursday January 31st in San Marcos and Texas Parks and Wildlife's Doe Days meeting Thursday January 17th. He also thanks constituents for his appointment.

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).

Martha Joyce works for Central Texas Dispute Resolution Center and announces an upcoming free Legal Clinic on January 24th at the Office of Del Prado Dietz in Luling.

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

1. **Approve payment of County invoices in the amount of \$ 198,026.28**
2. **Ratify re-occurring County payments in the amount of:**
 - A. **\$ 285,632.31 (Payroll for 12/09/2018 – 12/22/2018)**
 - B. **\$ 85,233.91 (Payroll Tax for 12/09/2018-12/22/2018)**
 - C. **\$ 32,555.87 (Utilities)**
 - D. **\$ 152,061.61 (Department of Motor Vehicle Fees)**
 - E. **\$ 341,910.79 (State Comptroller: Texas Motor Vehicle Sales/Use Tax and Surcharge)**
 - F. **13,566.00 (State Comptroller: Texas Motor Vehicle Surcharge and/or Title Application Fee)**
3. **Accept and approve the County & District Clerks Association of Texas Certificate of Completion for the required 20 hours of Continuing Education for 2018 as prescribed in Section 51.605 of the Texas Government Code for District Clerk Tina M. Freeman.**
4. **Accept and approve the Tax Assessor-Collector Continuing Education Transcript showing completion of required hours for the period of 1/02/2018 to 1/01/2019 for Tax Assessor-Collector, Darla Law.**
5. **Accept and approve the Commissioners Court Members Certification for Credit from the 96th Annual County Judges and County Commissioners Association of Texas Conference showing completion of required hours of Continuing Education for 2018 for Commissioner, Precinct Three, Ed Theriot.**
6. **Approve payment and accept Surety Bond #64467357 for Debra Flores, Chief Deputy County Clerk for a one year term commencing on January 2, 2019.**

Motion made by Commissioner Shelton, second by Commissioner Westmoreland that we accept the Consent Agenda. All voting "Aye".

AGENDA ACTION ITEMS

7. **Discussion/Action** regarding the burn ban. **Cost: None; Speaker: Judge Haden/Carine Chalfoun; Backup: None.**

Carine Chalfoun recommends leaving the burn ban off. Motion made by Commissioner Roland, second by Commissioner Westmoreland that we leave the burn ban off. All voting "Aye".

Carine Chalfoun announces Hector Rangel is the new Deputy Chief and he introduces himself.

8. **Discussion/Action** to approve the Caldwell County Historical Commission Membership Appointments for the 2019-2020 term. **Cost: None; Speaker: Judge Haden; Backup: 2.**

Judge Haden reads the appointees' names into the record. Motion made by Commissioner Shelton, second by Commissioner Westmoreland to accept item number 8. All voting "Aye".

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9. **Discussion/Action** to approve the appointment of The Luling Foundation’s director representing Caldwell County, Gary Dickenson, to serve another two-year term. **Cost: None; Speaker: Judge Haden; Backup: 1.**

Judge Haden introduces the agenda item and Julie Zimmerman with the Luling Foundation endorses Gary Dickenson’s appointment. Motion made by Commissioner Westmoreland, second by Commissioner Theriot to accept the appointment. All voting “Aye”.

10. **Discussion/Action** to approve Resolution 01-2019 appointing County Judge Hoppy Haden to the Board of Directors of the Capital Area Housing Finance Corporation for the remainder of a four year term ending October 21, 2021. **Cost: None; Speaker: Judge Haden; Backup: 8.**

Judge Haden reads the agenda item. So moved by Commissioner Theriot, second by Commissioner Roland. All voting “Aye”.

11. **Discussion/Action** to appoint Judge Pro Tem of the Commissioners Court for the calendar year 2019. **Cost: None; Speaker: Judge Haden; Backup: None.**

Motion made by Commissioner Westmoreland, second by Commissioner Roland that Commissioner Theriot be appointed the Judge Pro Tem of the Commissioners Court for 2019. All voting “Aye”.

12. **Discussion/Action** to approve the site of meetings of Commissioners Court for the calendar year 2019. **Cost: None; Speaker: Judge Haden; Backup: None.**

Court members discuss changing the meetings to Tuesdays. Motion made by Commissioner Shelton that we change the day from Monday to Tuesday the 2nd and 4th of the month. The motion is not seconded.

Judge Haden asks for a motion to approve the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month. Motion made by Commissioner Theriot, second by Commissioner Roland to keep it the same way. Commissioner Westmoreland, Commissioner Theriot, and Commissioner Roland vote “Aye”. Commissioner Shelton votes “Nay”. Motion carries.

13. **Discussion/Action** to approve Certificate of Obligation Fund expenses as updated by Certificates of Obligation (C.O.) Fund Committee members. **Cost: TBD; Speaker: Judge Haden; Backup: 3.**

Judge Haden corrects the number of backup pages from 3 to 2. Court members, Danie Blake, Barbara Gonzales, and Donald LeClerc discuss the updates to be approved.

Motion made by Commissioner Westmoreland, second by Commissioner Shelton to approve the updated Certificate of Obligation Fund expense list. All voting “Aye”.

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14. **Discussion/Action** regarding acceptance of current quote from John Deere to purchase 6 (six) motor graders for Caldwell County Unit Road Department. **Cost: TBD; Speaker: Judge Haden; Backup: 3.**

Danie Blake, Judge Haden, Donald LeClerc, and Commissioner Theriot discuss potential lease negotiations and the purchasing process.

Motion made by Commissioner Theriot, second by Commissioner by Commissioner Shelton to go with the low bid for John Deere motor graders conditioned upon you [Danie Blake] working with RDO or John Deere to achieve a possible reduction of the overage charge and that you come back to us with the results. All voting "Aye".

15. **Discussion/Action** to approve the Purchasing Agent's recommendation to the Commissioners Court to award a contract to Abescape Landscaping LLC for RFB 18CCP02A Mowing Maintenance contract for Caldwell County at \$100,650 or \$55.00 per acre. **Cost: \$100,650 or \$55.00 per acre; Speaker: Judge Haden/Danie Blake; Backup: 69.**

Danie Blake confirms a contract correction for Commissioner Shelton and Donald LeClerc answers Commissioner Roland's question. Motion made by Commissioner Shelton, second by Commissioner Westmoreland with the correction of the 30 to 60. All voting "Aye".

18. **PUBLIC HEARING at 9:30 AM** concerning the approval of a Preliminary Plat for Fox Meadows to include 12 lots on approximately 34.81 acres located on FM 713 and Fox Lane (CR 198). **Cost: None; Speaker: Commissioner Shelton/Kasi Miles; Backup: 6.**

Public Hearing opens at 9:31 a.m. and Kasi Miles invites anyone who would like to speak.

There are no speakers. The Public Hearing closes at 9:32 a.m.

19. **Discussion/Action** to consider the approval of the Preliminary Plat for Fox Meadows to include 12 lots on approximately 34.81 acres located on FM 713 and Fox Lane (CR 198). **Cost: None; Speaker: Commissioner Shelton/Kasi Miles; Backup: 41.**

Kasi Miles explains the details and answers Commissioner Shelton's question. Motion made by Commissioner Shelton, second by Commissioner Theriot that we approve the Preliminary Plat for Fox Meadows with the corrections to be made during final revision. All voting "Aye".

16. **Discussion/Action** authorizing the County Judge to execute a revision to the Interlocal Agreement by and between Caldwell County and Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service for the Feral Hog Abatement Program. **Cost: None; Speaker: Judge Haden/Dennis Engelke; Backup: 19.**

Dennis Engelke explains the Interlocal Agreement and asks for approval. Motion made by Commissioner Roland, second by Commissioner Westmoreland. All voting "Aye".

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Adriana Cruz – Greater San Marcos Partnership Yearly update

Adriana Cruz provides updates regarding local Economic Developments and answers questions from court members.

17. **Discussion/Action** pertaining to the approval of submitting a State Homeland Security Program grant to the Office of the Governor through the Capital Area Council of Governments (CAPCOG) for the purpose of reconstituting the “Caldwell County CERT Program.” **Cost: None; Speaker: Judge Haden/Dennis Engelke; Backup: 1.**

Dennis Engelke explains the agenda item and Judge Haden asks if there is a motion to approve. So moved by Commissioner Shelton, second by Commissioner Roland. All voting “Aye”.

20. **Discussion/Action** concerning approval of an Order authorizing the filing of a Final Plat (Short Form Procedure) for Replat of Longhorn Ranch and Cattle Co. Subdivision Lot # 43 on Verbena Trail (CR 311) and Primrose Lane (CR 314). **Cost: None; Speaker: Commissioner Shelton/Kasi Miles; Backup: 12.**

Kasi Miles explains the agenda item and asks for the court’s approval. Motion made by Commissioner Shelton, second by Commissioner Westmoreland that we approve the plat. All voting “Aye”.


Judge Haden introduces the new County Treasurer, Angela Rawlinson, the new County Clerk, Teresa Rodriguez, and Assistant Criminal District Attorney Cassandra Benoist-Templeton (filling in for Amanda Montgomery).

21. **Adjournment.**

Judge Haden asks for a motion to adjourn. So moved by Commissioner Westmoreland, second by Commissioner Shelton. All voting “Aye”.

Court adjourns at 10:04 a.m.

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 January 14, 2019.


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