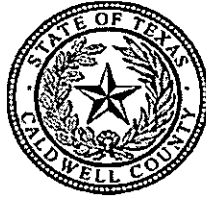


COMMISSIONS COURT MINUTES  
110 S Main St. 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Lockhart, Texas  
Commissioners Court July 28 , 2020 9:00 a.m.



HOPPY HADEN County Judge  
TERESA RODRIGUEZ County Clerk

B.J. WESTMORELAND Commissioner Pct. 1  
BARBARA SHELTON Commissioner Pct. 2  
ED THERIOT Commissioner Pct. 3  
JOE IVAN ROLAND Commissioner Pct. 4

**Call Meeting to Order**

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

**Invocation.**

Judge Haden opens 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.

Judge Haden reminds everyone about the dress code in the courtroom.

Commissioner Shelton attended a Board meeting via Zoom with Community Action.

Commissioner Theriot reports that improvements for Hwy 21 have begun.

Judge Haden reports the Confederate Monument Committee has met.

Dennis Engelke provided update on a few events within the county.

Barbara Gonzales thanks Shanna and Vicky for the updates on the Tax rate and roll back rates.

4. **Discussion/Action** regarding the burn ban. **Speaker: Judge Haden / Hector Rangel; Backup: 2;**  
**Cost: None**

Hector Rangel recommends to keep the Burn Ban on. Motion made by Commissioner Roland, second by Commissioner Theriot. All voting "Aye".

19. **Discussion/Action** to discuss the FY 2021 contribution to Combined Community Action, Inc. on behalf of Meals on Wheels program. **Speaker: Judge Haden; Cost: Not to Exceed \$8,000; Backup: 3**

Kelly Franke, with Combined Community Action Inc, requested contribution to Meals on Wheels program for FY 2021. Motion made by Commissioner Shelton, second by Commissioner Westmoreland. All voting "Aye".

**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 at:

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

Pursuant to Executive Order GA-28 access to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Courtroom will be limited to the County Judge, Commissioners, essential staff, and one (1) other person at a time. These measures are necessary to abide by the Governor's Executive Order and are intended to facilitate communication between members of the public and public officials. Participants and speakers will be allowed to enter the courtroom when the Court takes up their respective item on the agenda. Face coverings are required when inside the building except as provided by Executive Order GA-29. The meeting will be broadcast over the internet and may be viewed at <http://www.co.caldwell.tx.us/page/caldwell.CommissionersCourtLive-OnDemand>

8 Caldwell County Citizens shared their views on the Confederate Monument on the Courthouse lawn. 2 citizen spoke about the landfill as well.

3 Citizens from out of town spoke about Confederate Monument, 1 introduced himself on behalf of Item 24 on the agenda.

Judge Haden request a 5 minute recess, court back in session at 10:14 a.m.

5. **Discussion/Action** to consider and take possible action on the recommendation from the Confederate Monument Committee to move the Confederate Monument. **Speaker: Judge Haden; Cost: None; Backup: 1**

Judge Haden reports an update from Confederate Monument Committee, after discussions, suggestions and research the committee concluded to preserve and move the monument to the museum and to place a statue honoring all residents. Commissioner Shelton made a motion to table discussion until a detailed outline of cost and procedures is provided. Judge Haden asked for a second, no

second, motion failed. Commissioner Theriot made motion to draw up resolution to move the monument to the museum with a plaque. Second by Commissioner Roland. Commissioner Shelton oppose. 4 "Ayes" 1 oppose. Motion passes.

6. **Discussion/Action** to approve Resolution 31-2020 extending and continuing the State of Disaster within Caldwell County. **Speaker: Judge Haden/ JJ Wells; Cost: None; Backup: 3**

Judge Haden read Resolution 31-2020 extending and continuing the State of Disaster within Caldwell County to August 25, 2020 at 11:59 p.m. so moved by Commissioner Westmoreland, second by Commissioner Shelton. All voting "Aye".

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

1. **Approve payment of County invoices and County Purchase Orders in the amount of \$387,219.78; Backup: 30**
2. **Ratify re-occurring County Payments**
  - A. **\$137,117.58 DMV Remittance**
  - B. **\$391,409.25 DMV Comptroller**
  - C. **\$3,602.78 Boat Comptroller**
3. **Accept the renewal bond #63317145 for Auditor, Barbara Gonzales**

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

**AGENDA ACTION ITEMS**

7. **Discussion/Action** to approve Resolution 32-2020 to updated Caldwell County COVID Pay Policy. **Speaker: Judge Haden; Cost: None; Backup: 3**

Judge Haden request to approve Resolution 32-2020 with updates to COVID Pay Policy. Motion made by Commissioner Westmoreland, second by Commissioner Roland. All voting "Aye".

8. **Discussion/Action** to approve Budget Amendment #54 to increase Purchase Order REQ00412 SWAGGIT for new video streaming and increase in indigent funeral. **Speaker: Judge Haden/ Barbara Gonzales; Cost: Net Zero; Backup: 7**

Barbara Gonzales request to approve Budget Amendment #54 with corrections. So moved by Commissioner Shelton, second by Commissioner Theriot. All voting "Aye".

9. **Discussion/Action** to approve Budget Amendment #55 to receive training reimbursement for canceled County Agent Office Training due to COVID-19. **Speaker: Judge Haden/ Barbara Gonzales; Cost: Net Zero; Backup: 2**

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Judge Haden request to approve Budget Amendment #55. So moved by Commissioner Roland, second by Commissioner Theriot. All voting "Aye".

10. **Discussion/Action** to approve Budget Amendment #56 to receive training reimbursement for canceled conference. **Speaker: Judge Haden/ Barbara Gonzales; Cost: Net Zero; Backup: 2**

Judge Haden request to approve Budget Amendment #56. So moved by Commissioner Westmoreland, second by Commissioner Shelton. All voting "Aye".

11. **Discussion/Action** to approve Budget Amendment #57 for the allocation \$18,750 from the Fund for Veterans Assistance Grant to VSO. **Speaker: Judge Haden/ Dennis Engelke/ Al Dos Santos; Cost: Net Zero; Backup: 2**

Dennis Engelke request to approve Budget Amendment # 57. So moved by Commissioner Shelton, second by Commissioner Roland. All voting "Aye".

12. **Discussion/Action** to approve Budget Amendment #58 to move money from Repairs/Maintenance (002-1102-4510) to Supplies/Small Tools (002-1102-3136). **Speaker: Judge Haden/ Barbara Gonzales; Cost: Net Zero; Backup: 2**

Judge Haden request to approve Budget Amendment #58. So moved by Commissioner Theriot, second by Commissioner Westmoreland. All voting "Aye".

13. **Discussion/Action** to approve Budget Amendment #59 to move money from Contract Mowing (002-1102-3142) to Vegetation Management (002-1101-4640) to compensate for the shortfall. **Speaker: Judge Haden/ Barbara Gonzales; Cost: None; Backup: 2**

Judge Haden request to approve Budget Amendment #59. So moved by Commissioner Roland, second by Commissioner Shelton. All voting "Aye".

14. **Discussion/Action** to approve Budget Amendment #60 for the Hazard Mitigation Action Plan H20, to budget remaining award in FY19 -20. **Speaker: Judge Haden/ Barbara Gonzales/ Dennis Engelke; Cost: Net Zero; Backup: 5**

Dennis Engelke request to approve Budget Amendment #60, final payment to H20 contract work. So moved by Commissioner Westmoreland, second by Commissioner Shelton. All voting "Aye".

15. **Discussion/Action** to approve annual Seth Thomas tower clock maintenance contract with Ben Courtney for 2020-2021. **Speaker: Judge Haden; Cost: \$2,600.00; Backup: 2**

Judge Haden request to approve 2020-21 clock maintenance contract with Ben Courtney So moved by Commissioner Shelton, second by Commissioner Westmoreland. All voting "Aye".

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- 16. Discussion/Action** to discuss the Imposition of Optional Fees for Calendar year 2021.  
**Speaker: Judge Haden; Cost: None; Backup: 3**

Judge Haden request to leave Optional Fees the same for 2021. So moved by Commissioner Roland, second by Commissioner Westmoreland. All voting "Aye".

- 17. Discussion/Action** to ratify the First Amendment to the contract between Texas State University and Caldwell County Constable's office, Precinct 3. **Speaker: Judge Haden/ Steve Kinney; Cost: None; Backup: 2**

Dennis Engelke request approval of ratification of the First Amendment to contract with Texas State University and Caldwell County Precinct 3. So moved by Commissioner Shelton, second by Commissioner Theriot. All voting "Aye".

- 18. Discussion/Action** to renew the Interlocal Agreement for 9-1-1 Geographic Information System Database Management between Capital Area Council of Government (CAPCOG) and Caldwell County. **Speaker: Judge Haden; Cost: None; Backup: 25**

Judge Haden request to renew contract with CAPCOG. So moved by Commissioner Westmoreland, second by Commissioner Roland. All voting "Aye".

- 20. Discussion/Action** to approve the contract with DK Haney Roofing for Caldwell County Scott Annex roof repairs and upgrade. **Speaker: Judge Haden/ Danie Blake; Cost: \$99,078.00; Backup: 5**

Danie Blake request to approve contract with DK Haney Roofing. So moved by Commissioner Shelton, second by Commissioner Theriot. All voting "Aye".

- 21. Discussion/Action** to approve the final draft of bid proposal for re-striping the Caldwell County Justice Center and Scott Annex parking Lots. **Speaker: Judge Haden/ Danie Blake; Cost: None; Backup:10**

Danie Blake request to approve final draft bid proposal for re-striping the Justice Center and Scott Annex parking lots. So moved by Commissioner Theriot, second by Commissioner Roland. All voting "Aye".

Commissioner Theriot recuses himself for the next 2 Agenda Items.

- 22. Discussion/Action** to approve the award opportunity to Doucet & Associates for Caldwell County for professional engineer services on the GLO-CDBG-MIT Grant (RFQ-20CCP01Q). **Speaker: Judge Haden/ Danie Blake; Cost: None; Backup: 54**

Danie Blake request approval to award Doucet & Associates engineer service on GLO-CDBG-MIT Grant. So moved by Commissioner Shelton, second by Commissioner Westmoreland. All voting "Aye".

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23. **Discussion/Action** to approve the award opportunity to Doucet & Associates for Caldwell County Professional engineer services on the TWDB Grant (RFQ-20CCP02Q). **Speaker: Judge Haden/ Danie Blake; Cost: None; Backup: 35**

Danie Blake request approval to award Doucet & Associates engineer service on TWDB Grant. So moved by Commissioner Westmoreland, second by Commissioner Roland. All voting "Aye".

Commissioner Theriot returned to courtroom

24. **Discussion/Action** to approve the award opportunity to Pape-Dawson Engineers for Caldwell County for professional engineer services on the TxDOT Transportation Grant (RFQ – 20CCP03Q). **Speaker: Judge Haden/ Danie Blake; Cost: None; Backup: 46**

Danie Blake requests approval of the award opportunity to Pape-Dawson Engineers for engineer service on TxDOT Transportation Grant. Motion made by Commissioner Theriot, second by Commissioner Shelton. All voting "Aye".

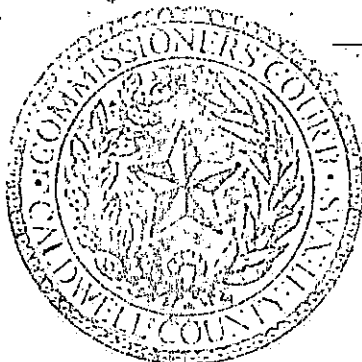
25. **Adjournment.**

So moved by Commissioner Shelton, second by Commissioner Westmoreland that we adjourn. All voting "Aye". Court adjourned at 11:13 a.m.

Judge Haden request 5 minute recess before Budget Workshop.

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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 July 28, 2020.



*Teresa Rodriguez*

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