

**SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES**  
**110 S Main St. 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Lockhart, Texas**  
**Commissioners Court August 16, 2023, 9:00 a.m.**



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**HOPPY HADEN** County Judge  
**TERESA RODRIGUEZ** County Clerk

**B.J. WESTMORELAND** Commissioner Pct. 1  
**RUSTY HORNE** Commissioner Pct. 2  
**ED THERIOT** Commissioner Pct. 3  
**DYRAL THOMAS** Commissioner Pct. 4

**Call Meeting to Order**

Judge Pro Tem Westmoreland calls the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Judge Haden is not present.

**Invocation**

Commissioner Thomas 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 Pro Tem Westmoreland leads all present in the pledge to both flags.

**Announcements:** Items or comments from Court members or staff.

No Announcements.

No Staff Announcements.

**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>

No Citizens' Comments.

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**DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:**

- 1. Discussion/Action** to approve Order 09-2023, approving a petition for the creation of Caldwell County Emergency Services District No. 5, and ordering an election to submit said issue to the voters of Caldwell County. **Speaker: Judge Haden; Backup: 14; Cost: None**

Chase Goetz, Assistant Criminal District Attorney-Civil handed out an updated copy of the resolution.

Order 09-2023 is read.

Motion made by Commissioner Theriot, seconded by Commissioner Thomas to approve Order 09-2023, approving a petition for the creation of Caldwell County Emergency Services District No. 5, and ordering an election to submit said issue to the voters of Caldwell County. All voting "Aye".

Commissioner Thomas asks for clarification on the extraterritorial jurisdiction, Chase Goetz, Assistant Criminal District Attorney-Civil explains this only applies to incorporated cities within the county.

**MOTION APPROVED.**

- 2. Discussion/Action** to approve Order 09-2023-B, a supplemental order of election to confirm the creation of the Caldwell County Emergency Services District No. 5 and to authorize the imposition of a tax not to exceed \$0.10 per \$100.00 valuation of ad valorem property situated in the District. **Speaker: Judge Haden; Backup: 2; Cost: None**

Order 09-2023-B is read.

Motion made by Commissioner Horne, seconded by Commissioner Theriot to approve Order 09-2023-B, a supplemental order of election to confirm the creation of the Caldwell County Emergency Services District No. 5 and to authorize the imposition of a tax not to exceed \$0.10 per \$100.00 valuation of ad valorem property situated in the district. All voting "Aye".

**MOTION APPROVED.**

- 3. Discussion/Action** to approve Order 10-2023, ordering an election to be held on November 7, 2023, for the purpose of adopting or rejecting the proposed Constitutional Amendments as submitted by the 88th Legislature, Regular Session, of the State of Texas. **Speaker: Judge Haden; Backup: 4; Cost: None**

Order 10-2023 is read.

Motion made by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Horne to approve Order 10-2023, ordering an election to be held on November 7, 2023, for the purpose of adopting or rejecting the proposed Constitutional Amendments as submitted by the 88th Legislature, Regular Session, of the State of Texas. All voting "Aye".

**MOTION APPROVED.**

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**4. Adjournment**

Motion made by Commissioner Theriot, seconded by Commissioner Thomas to adjourn. All voting "Aye".  
The court adjourns at 9:15 a.m.

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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 August 16, 2023.

*Teresa Rodriguez*

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

