

# IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF FALLS COUNTY

## THE STATE OF TEXAS TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES COUNTY OF FALLS

### COMMISSIONER'S COURT MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 12, 2024

1. Proof of posting of notice in accordance with the provisions of Title 5, Chapter 551, Government Code (Vernon's Texas Codes Ann. 1994) as amended, known as the Texas Open Meetings Act.

Judge Elliott requested proof of posting, and the same was affirmed by Deputy County Clerk, Sharon Scott that the Agenda was posted on the north and south entrances of the Courthouse, as well as the second floor bulletin board.

2. Public comments.

No public comments

3. Elected official reports.

No reports were made.

4. Discussion and/or action concerning American Rescue Plan.

Nothing at this time.

5. Discussion and/or action concerning burn ban and allowing for exemption for any burns supervised by an authorized Volunteer Fire Department.

The fire rating has finally gone below 700; however, we institute a burn ban when the rating is above 650. The ninety -day ban is expiring at this time. Commissioner Green moved to reinstate the burn ban for another 90 days, which was seconded by Commissioner Wuebker. The burn ban was reinstated by unanimous vote.

6. Discussion and/or action concerning Appraisal District board of directors 2025-2026 ballot.

Following a brief discussion, Commissioner Willberg moved to apply 369 votes for Ian Giesler and 370 votes for Bryleen Terry; Commissioner Green seconded. Motion carried.

7. Discussion and/or action concerning approval of changes to the Falls County Employee Handbook.

Commissioner Green moved to approve the changes to the handbook. Commissioner Willberg seconded. Motion carried.

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8. Discussion and/or action concerning approving public resale of tax trust properties.

John Banks presented a list of proposed trust properties to be sold on the Courthouse steps on January 7, 2024 with beginning bid to be at 20% of the current market value as determined by the Falls County Central Appraisal District. He also noted that research had been done that indicated those properties that are landlocked, which if not purchased by a neighboring landowner, would have to have suits filed in order to obtain ingress and egress. Following discussion, Commissioner Green moved to approve the sale, Commissioner Albright seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Green also moved to approve the resolution. Commissioner Wuebker seconded. Motion also carried.

9. Discussion and/or action concerning Central Texas Mortuary.

Ben Parker appeared for Central Texas Mortuary. Also present were 3 Falls County Justices of the Peace. A discussion regarding best ways to handle death removals. No action was necessary.

10. Discussion and/or action concerning 2025 cybersecurity training.

Commissioner Wuebker moved to have Texas Association of Counties provide our Cyber training Materials. Commissioner Green seconded. Motion carried.

11. Discussion and/or action concerning part-time employee in District Clerk's Office.

Following a brief discussion, no action was taken, since it was not budgeted.

12. Discussion and/or action concerning modifying payroll for December.

Commissioner Green moved to modify the payroll to have the 31<sup>st</sup> payroll to be made on December 23, 2024. Commissioner Albright seconded. Motion carried.

13. Discussion and/or action concerning changing the 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioners Court date in December due to holiday.

Commissioner Green moved to change the Commissioner Court meeting from the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month to December 18, 2024. Commissioner Willberg seconded, Motion carried.

14. Discussion and/or action concerning employee appreciation luncheon Dec. 13, 2024.

The MMCA building has been reserved. Commissioner Green moved to schedule the Employee Appreciation Luncheon for December 13, 2024. Commissioner Albright seconded. Motion carried.

15. Discussion and/or action concerning resolution for 2025 Home-Delivered Meal Grant Program.

Commissioner Wuebker moved to approve the resolution for the 2025 Home Delivery Meal Grant Program. Commissioner Albright seconded. Motion carried.

16. Discussion and/or action concerning CHIRP SFY25 IGT (indigent health care) payment in the amount of \$84,858.05.

Commissioner Albright moved to approve the payment for the CHIRP IGT in the amount of \$84,858.05. Commissioner Green seconded. Motion carried. Unanimously.

17. Discussion and/or action concerning approving county official's bond.

Commissioner Albright moved to approve the bonds for the county officials as presented. Commissioner Willberg seconded. Motion carried.

18. Discussion and/or action concerning Rodeo Springs Addition plat.

Information was not available at this time. No action taken.

19. Discussion and/or action concerning Bahia Pipeline, LLC road use agreement and bonds.

Nothing available.

20. Discussion and/or action concerning purchase of power washer for Road & Bridge.

There are three quotes. They are all hot water pressure washers. Road and Bridge would prefer the less expensive of the three quotes. Commissioner Willberg moved to approve the purchase of North Star. Commissioner Green seconded. Motion carried.

21. Discussion and/or action concerning proposals for motor graders.

Following a lengthy discussion regarding the bids received and the comparison of the costs and comparisons, Commissioner Albright moved to lease two Cat graders and two John Deere graders. Commissioner Green seconded. Motion carried. The representatives from each of the companies were requested to complete paperwork reflecting the changes.

22. Discussion and/or action concerning jail commission results.

Sheriff Lopez noted that most of the initial complaints have been corrected. He is talking to Limestone and McClennan counties regarding housing our extra inmates over 48.

23. Discussion and/or action concerning canvassing the votes.

Commissioner Albright moved to approve the canvassing of the votes. Commissioner Wuebker seconded. Motion carried.

24. Review and discussion of Road and Bridge precinct work reports, including Administrator's progress report.

Jeff Jackson reported that he is working on preparing surplus items for auction. It will probably be January when the sale is conducted. A new CDL driver has been hired. Mower Max is scheduled for delivery in Mid-December. Still going back and forth with FEMA, but currently have all of the required paperwork turned in.



25. Discussion and/or action concerning the approving of payment of bills, including reimbursements, late charges, the transfer of cash or funds from any line item or departments to another, book transfers and any budget amendments; including but not limited to discussion and action concerning department or non-departmental items with line items that go past their budgeted amounts.

Georgie Patterson auditor, noted the payments out of the ordinary bills. Commissioner Green moved to approve the payment of bills. Commissioner Wuebker seconded. Motion carried.

26. Approval of minutes of prior meetings of Commissioner's Court.

Commissioner Wuebker moved to approve the minutes. Commissioner Willberg seconded. Motion carried.

27. Adjournment.

Meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

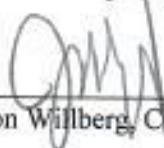
Signed this 25<sup>th</sup> day of November 2024.

  
Jay Y. Elliott, County Judge

  
F. A. Green, Commissioner Pct #2

  
Nita Wuebker, Commissioner Pct. #4

  
Milton Albright, Commissioner Pct. #1

  
Jason Willberg, Commissioner Pct. #3

  
Sharon Scott, Deputy County Clerk