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County Commissioner, Precinct 1

Chris Kirkendall
County Commissioner, Precinct 2



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County Commissioner, Precinct 3

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County Commissioner, Precinct 4

Wayne McDaniel
County Judge

COMMISSIONERS COURT OF HARDIN COUNTY, TEXAS
HARDIN COUNTY COURTHOUSE ■ COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM (A-131)

NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING AND AGENDA
TUESDAY | JANUARY 28, 2025 | 10:00 A.M.

Any attendee of this Open Meeting may be permitted to comment on an Agenda Item for a period of three (3) minutes by raising their hand and being recognized by the Presiding Member prior to the Court acting on any item. Anyone who addresses Commissioners Court must do so from the podium.

- 1) Establish Quorum and Call Meeting to Order | Hon. Wayne McDaniel
- 2) Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance | Hon. Chris Kirkendall
- 3) Consider and possibly approve the January 14, 2025 Regular Meeting [Minutes](#) as presented by Hon. Connie Becton, County Clerk.
- 4) Consider approval of request by Hon. Deborah McWilliams, County Treasurer to cancel all [Registered Claims](#) from January 14, 2025; and Approval of [Cash Statement](#).
- 5) Authorization to pay [County bills](#) as presented by Mrs. Angela Gore, County Auditor.
- 6) [WORKSHOP](#) to discuss particulars concerning the development of a Community Wildfire Defense Grant (CWDG) application and the associated Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) with James Moore / SETRPC.
- 7) Consider approval of [request](#) by Hon. Deborah McWilliams, County Treasurer to open a new interest-bearing bank account titled 'Hardin County Courthouse Cafe' at First Financial Bank.
- 8) Consider, discuss, and possibly approve [request](#) by Hon. Wayne McDaniel to establish a Courthouse Cafe' Change Fund not to exceed \$200.00 in order to make change in connection with Café cash sales.

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- 9) Consider and possibly authorize the following [budget transfer and amendment](#) requested by Hon. Wayne McDaniel for the purpose of ensuring the Courthouse Café has necessary startup funding for payroll, food, goods, supplies and equipment:

FROM	010-401-800 General Fund Contingency	\$10,000.00
TO	010-700-080 Transfers to Enterprise Fund	\$10,000.00

Increase Revenue	080-390-010 Transfers from General Fund	\$10,000.00
Decrease Revenue	080-374-000 Sales	-\$10,000.00

- 10) Consider and possibly authorize the County Judge to sign a [Merchant Processing Agreement](#) with Shift 4 for the purpose of providing a SkyTab Point of Sale (POS) system and software for use at the Courthouse Café.
- 11) [Discuss](#), consider, and possibly authorize request by Hon. L.W. (Nubbin) Cooper, Jr, County Commissioner, to amend the Hardin County Personnel Policy and the Equal Employment Opportunity / Affirmative Action Plan for Hardin County by reverting to former language concerning discrimination.
- 12) Consider approval of request by Ms. ReJena Bolton, Health Inspector, to submit application for the [Walmart Community Grant](#) in the amount of \$4,000.00. If awarded, these grant funds will be utilized for the annual Courthouse Christmas Tree Lighting Event on December 2, 2025.
- 13) Consider approval of request by Ms. ReJena Bolton, Health Inspector, to submit application to the [Entergy Grants Foundation](#) in the amount of \$1,000.00. If awarded, these grant funds will be utilized for the annual Courthouse Christmas Tree Lighting Event on December 2, 2025.
- 14) Consider request by Mr. Aaron Tupper, Emergency Management Coordinator, to adopt two (2) Resolutions authorizing grant submissions, each of which do not require any local match:
- a. [Resolution 3-25](#) authorizing submission of the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Funding Application to the Office of Governor (OOG), Criminal Justice Division (CJD).
 - b. [Resolution 4-25](#) authorizing submission of the State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Funding Application to the OOG, Homeland Security Grant Division (HSGD).
- 15) Consider approval of request by Mr. Aaron Tupper, Emergency Management Coordinator, to authorize the County Judge to execute [DR-4485 Texas Covid-19 Pandemic Sub-Grant Award Contract](#) with Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) outlining the terms of the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) DR-4485, Project 0523, Hardin County Black Creek Drainage Study, in the amount of \$1,113,000.00 including the local cost share of \$106,000.00 to be paid by Hardin County.

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- 16) Consider adoption of [Resolution 5-25](#) authorizing submission of the FY26 Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Activities (LETPA) Sustaining Tactical Response Team Project Grant Funding application in the amount not to exceed \$25,000.00 to the Office of the Governor (OOG), Criminal Justice Division (CJD), as requested by Mr. Clay Woodward, Grants Coordinator.
- 17) Consider adoption of [Resolution 6-25](#) authorizing submission of the FY26 Project Safe Neighborhoods Grant Program Funding application in the amount not to exceed \$50,000.00 to the Office of Governor (OOG), Criminal Justice Division (CJD) as requested by Mr. Clay Woodward, Grants Coordinator.
- 18) Consider approval of request by Mrs. Misty Sims, Purchasing Agent, to authorize the County Judge to execute [Engagement Letter](#) with CapRisk Consulting Group for actuarial services to Hardin County from FY2024 – FY2029.
- 19) Consider approval of [request](#) by Mrs. Misty Sims, Purchasing Agent, to present results of bids received for overlaying approximately 4,400 sq. yards (2,200' x 18' x 2") on Barrows Drive, Kountze, Texas, located in Precinct 1 and possibly award to successful vendor.
- 20) Consider approval of [request](#) by Mrs. Misty Sims, Purchasing Agent, to present results of bids received for overlaying approximately 2,444 sq. yards (1,100' x 20' x 2") on Bryan Lane, Kountze, Texas, located in Precinct 1 and possibly award to successful vendor.
- 21) Consider and possibly [authorize](#) the Purchasing Agent to solicit bids for materials and emulsions for all Road & Bridge Departments.
- 22) Consider and possibly [authorize](#) the Purchasing Agent to solicit bids for Emergency/Disaster Debris Removal and Debris Monitoring.
- 23) Consider and possibly approve [request](#) by Assistant Chief Juvenile Probation Officer Jarrod Fountain, for approval of outside detention contracts with Anderson, Angelina, Austin, Chambers, Cherokee, Coryell, Ellis, 33rd and 424th Judicial District and Gillespie, Grimes, Houston, 1st Judicial District in Jasper, Newton, Sabine, and San Augustine, Johnson, Kleberg-Kenedy, Leon, Liberty, Limestone/Freestone, Madison, Navarro, Orange, Polk, San Jacinto and Trinity, Shelby, Tyler, Walker, Waller, Wharton and Wood Counties, effective January 31, 2025.
- 24) Consider approval of request by Ms. Sharon Whitley, Health Director, to authorize the County Judge to execute [Interlocal Cooperation Agreement](#) between the City of Lumberton and Hardin County for a Satellite Clinic. This agreement will allow Hardin County Health Services to house the Health Inspector Program and provide Immunization and WIC Services at the designated office space provided by the City of Lumberton at 826 N. Main Street, Lumberton, Texas.

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- 25) Consider approval of request by Ms. Sharon Whitley, Health Director, to authorize the County Judge to execute Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Hardin County Health Services and different social services organizations. This will allow Hardin County Health Services to assist eligible clients by connecting them to the appropriate resources and services through referrals.
- 26) Consider, discuss, and possibly direct the County Judge to explore the purchase of approximately 15 acres of real property located on the Courthouse Square, behind 445 W. Monroe Street, Kountze, Texas.
- 27) Consider, discuss and accept application for Property Tax Abatement Exemption on property taxes associated with personal property investments in machinery and equipment submitted by Ace Green Recycling, Inc. into the Minutes of the Court; and possible setting of Public Hearing on the consideration of a Tax Abatement Agreement.
- 28) Acceptance of retirement notice submitted by Hon. Jacqueline Werner, Justice of the Peace, Precinct 6, effective February 28, 2025.
- 29) Discussion on any other non-agenda item without taking action, including reports from Elected Officials / Department Heads; or announcements which may be of interest to the public.
- 30) Adjourn.



Wayne McDaniel
HARDIN COUNTY JUDGE



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