

Mills County
Commissioners' Court Regular Meeting Minutes

July 14, 2025

This Regular Meeting session of the Mills County Commissioners' Court opened in the due form of law at 9:00 a.m. in the Mills County Commissioners' Courtroom located at 1011 4th Street, Goldthwaite, Texas 76844.

Present in the Courtroom: Commissioners Craig Sullivan, Robert Head, Dale Partin and Jason Williams and County Judge Jett Johnson for a legal quorum. Also present at the meeting are County Attorney Bill Malone, County Deputy Clerk Joy Nowell, Spring Grosenbacher, Terri Stifflemire, Melissa Womack, Anthony Pool, Guy Burns, Duane Rawson, Kim Avants.

1. Opening – Pledge of allegiance & Prayer
Commissioner Jason Williams lead in the prayer.
2. Review and Act on Minutes of June 23, June 25, June 26, June 30, and July 1, 2025
Motion made by to accept all the minutes Robert Head and seconded by Commissioner Jason Williams.
All agreed.
3. Audience with Individuals – Public participation with Spring Grosenbacher
Discussion on the Solar panels.
4. Review and Act on Accounts Payable.
Motion was made by accepting Accounts Payable Commissioner Robert Head and seconded by Commissioner Craig Sullivan. All agreed.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. Monthly County Treasurer Report
- b. Quarterly County Treasurer Report
- c. Quarterly Investment Report
- d. MCAD Monthly Collection Report
- e. County/District Clerk Report
- f. County Tax Collector
- g. County Extension Report – no report
- h. Facilities Report – no report
- i. Sheriff's Report
- j. Justice of the Peace
- k. County Judge's Receipts
- l. Hamilton EMS
- m. Veterans Service Officer
- n. Emergency Management Coordinator
Don't have Facilities report and County Extension report.
Motion was made to accept all Consent Agenda Commissioner Robert Head and seconded by Judge Jett Johson.
All agreed.

ACTION AGENDA

5. Consider and Act on Budget Amendments, and related matters
Motion was made by Commissioner Jason Williams and seconded by Commissioner Craig Sullivan.
All agreed.
6. Consider and Act on Budget Amendment for Road & Bridge Line 15, and related matters.
Taking out of Road & Bridge an amount of \$10,000 put into Maintenance.
Motion made by Commissioner Dale Partin to move line #15 \$10,0000 from Road & Bridge and put into repairs and seconded by Commissioner Robert Head. All agreed.

7. Consider and Act on Peace Officer Training Reimbursement Agreement with Tommy Purcell and Michael Bryan Miller and related matters.

Presented by Anthony Pool about the new Peace Officers Training Reimbursement Agreement. The motion was made by Commissioner Jason Williams to approve the Peace Officers Training Reimbursement Agreement for Officer Tommy Purcell and Michael Bryan Miller and seconded by Commissioner Dale Partin. All agreed.

8. Discussion Regarding Financial Proposals and Potential Incentives related to Solar Energy Development Project, and related matters.

Commissioner Jason Williams and County Attorney Bill Malone have done a lot of research on this presentation in consecutive sessions. As this time need to table. Solar projects want to put their presentation on the financial side of it. Commissioner Jason Williams reached out to TAC and got a different answer. And the Attorney General that you can't have a third party in executive session. The statute says you can. County Attorney Bill Malone statute to him is not confusion, I believe that definition of liberate or liberation definition of reading each of which in contemplation in close session court can bring in any other person to discuss the matter under consideration. However, TAC that the court have only staff members come and take question for the court to take to the third person.

9. Budget Discussion

County Judge Jett Johnson still does not have any numbers from MCAD.

Have not discussed Courthouse Christmas lights, Guy Burns. Recommendation put up and take down every year is expense. Tears up the lawn. To reach a company on a type of lift that will reach from the street costs a couple of hundred dollars more. To put up the frames and leave. Just replace any LED bulbs that need replacing every year. This is the last time for this year to put up. Also, window seals to repair when they are put up.

10. Commissioners' Requests and Reports

Precinct #1 - CR 412 hauled base out and bladed it again. I had a report that it washed out again and will have to repair it again. CR 505 cleaning out bar ditches. Some of the tin horns completely stopped up.

Precinct #2 - Hauled on CR 307. had multiple low crossings washed out. Working getting debris out of low water crossing. Regrade and repack CR 307.

Precinct #3 - We had 3 miles roads to haul it was to dry so, watered in. Start raining. Did not get it packed. People started siding off. The road is close to local traffic. Roads are still soft. Had 8 plus inches of rain. Bar ditches are deep. Had 300 yards wash out and will have to replace. Pompey Creek washed out.

Precinct #4 - Right way work on CR 508 and 530 been working on them. Several tree limbs in the road. Working on Freightliner and been using Shredder because with all this rain Johnson grass it growing. Several roads are damage mainly towards San Saba. Phone calls from McCullough County from Commissioner Anderson may shut down their courthouse due to server to roof damage. Commissioner Lebowe contacted him about TXDOT on signs. The river was 19 feet in a few hours with 9 inches of rain. Hamilton County Commissioner Dixie Clary, all of his FEMA stuff is gone.

11. County Judge's Report.

Thanks for all the prayers, letters and flowers for his father-in-law, Amy's dad. She is still in Florida. Next week we have a meeting with Commissioner Dale Partin and the Burns and Northern RR representatives on CR 508 issue. We had 3.75 inches of rain according to Guy Burns here at the courthouse. The good news is work done by several these companies here at the courthouse worked. Guy Burns reported on flooding project of Heart of Texas mechanical install base drain lines and 3.75 inches of rain run all the way out. The last repair waiting

on parts will finish up tomorrow, that's where convert went from 8 inch to 6 inch to back to 8-inch pipe. Only the left part is under the sidewalk of the east entrance. Calvary Construction will start tomorrow with a bentonite injection. Have on the north side strip that goes between the wall Treasure office and handicap entrance is 8 ft by 38 ft I've already talked to master plumber for architect. I've talked to Brasher and consultant with calvary construction that everybody agrees that after the bentonite injection needs to be cemented. So, it will have a 1-inch slope away from building and 1 inch grade. The French drain that is there there's three drain not lateral line. I still have an open permit for the 1888 jail with the Texas Historic Commission we can just do an add on and good to go. Then get a proposal with Calvary on quote for the wall in treasurer office. We had Top cut lawn care that we had a contractor with to do the 1888 jail on lawn. Johnny Escobar was out of town. He was out of state, a matter of fact. Had to have pipe repaired irrigation system repaired Heart of Texas when digging it up. So, I switch company, Brasher, work many times with everything that came out and got all the repairs done.

Commissioner Jason Williams posted on roads and website roads will be close. Having Louise Coronado going to do FEMA projects on road.

12. Adjournment.

Motion was made to adjourn by Commissioner Robert Head and seconded by Judge Jett Johnson.

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