

COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES  
110 S. Main St. 2nd Floor, Lockhart, Texas  
Commissioners Court December 8, 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 called meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**Invocation.**

Commissioner Roland opens meeting with 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.

Commissioner Theriot thanks everyone for a great job with the Dickens Parade. He will be attending a Commissioner Court training on Friday.

Judge Haden reminds everyone of Special Commissioner's Court Meeting scheduled for 12-9-2020 at 1:00 p.m.

**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>

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>

No citizens' comments.

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

1. **Approve payment of County invoices and County Purchase Orders for in the amount of \$290,864.00; Backup: 23**
2. **Ratify re-occurring County Payments**
  - A. **\$334,310.09 (Payroll 11/08/2020 – 11/21/2020)**
  - B. **\$100,200.09 (Payroll Tax 11/08/2020 – 11/21/2020)**
3. **Approve the Bond #15530860 for Jennifer Watts JP 3**
4. **Approve the November 2020 Indigent Burial Report**
5. **Approve County Extension Agent Wayne Morse November report**

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

**Discussion/Action Items:**

6. **Discussion/Action** regarding the burn ban. **Speaker: Judge Haden/ Hector Rangel; Backup: 3; Cost: None**

Hector Rangel highly recommends keeping the burn ban on. Motion made by Commissioner Roland, second by Commissioner Theriot. All voting "Aye".

7. **Discussion/Action** regarding the restriction of certain fireworks. **Speaker: Judge Haden/ Hector Rangel; Backup:2; Cost: None**

Hector Rangel recommends no projectile fireworks due to fire danger. Judge Haden reads Resolution order prohibiting restriction and certain fireworks.. So moved by Commissioner Theriot, second by Commissioner Westmoreland. All voting "Aye".

8. **Discussion/Action** to approve Resolution 07-2021, amending the Caldwell County Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance. **Speaker: Judge Haden/ JJ Wells; Backup: 3; Cost: None**

J.J. Wells requests to approve Resolution 07-2021. Motion to table item 8 made by Commissioner Shelton, due to changes to ordinance and clarification on dates. Second by Commissioner Theriot. All voting "Aye".

9. **Discussion/Action** to approve Resolution 08-2021, Designating Physical and Email Addresses for Receiving Written Requests for Public Information. **Speaker: Judge Haden/ JJ Wells; Backup: 3; Cost: 3**

J.J. Wells requests to approve Resolution 08-2021 to designate an email and fax number for Public Information requests. Judge Haden reads Resolution 08-2021. So moved by Commissioner Shelton with pending updates, second by Commissioner Westmoreland. All voting "Aye".

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10. **Discussion/ Action** to approve Budget Amendment #14 to allocate CDBG Draw Infrastructure Funds to appropriate expense line items. **Speaker: Judge Haden/ Barbara Gonzales/ Dennis Engelke; Backup: 4; Cost: Net Zero**

Dennis Engelke request to approve Budget Amendment 14. So moved by Commissioner Westmoreland, second by Commissioner Roland. All voting "Aye".

11. **Discussion/Action** to approve Budget Amendment #15 for five additional Equipment Operators/ Road Workers from Contract Mowing, approved in Commissioner's Court Tuesday November 24, 2020. **Speaker; Judge Haden/ Barbara Gonzales; Backup: 3; Cost: Net Zero**

Judge Haden requests to approve Budget Amendment 15. So moved by Commissioner Shelton, second by Commissioner Westmoreland. All voting "Aye".

12. **Discussion/Action** to approve Budget Amendment #16 to roll 014 HAVA Fund from FY 19-20 into FY 20-21. **Speaker: Judge Haden/ Barbara Gonzales; Backup: 4; Cost: \$37,789.62**

Judge Haden requests approval of Budget Amendment 16. So moved by Commissioner Roland, second by Commissioner Theriot. All voting "Aye".

13. **Discussion/Action** to approve Budget Amendment #17 to pay the outstanding invoices to ESS (Election System & Software, LLC) for the ballot supplies from the contingency account. **Speaker: Judge Haden/ Barbara Gonzales; Backup: 15; Cost: Net Zero**

Judge Haden requests approval of Budget Amendment 17. So moved by Commissioner Theriot, second by Commissioner Westmoreland. All voting "Aye".

14. **Discussion/Action** to approve the payment of past due ESS invoices once Budget Amendment #17 is approved. **Speaker: Judge Haden/ Barbara Gonzales; Backup: 13; Cost: \$35,054.44**

Judge Haden requests to approve Budget Amendment 17. So moved by Commissioner Westmoreland, second by Commissioner Roland. All voting "Aye".

15. **Discussion/Action** to approve requisition REQ00642 for Caldwell County Appraisal District to be generated into a Blanket Purchase Order in the amount of \$110,887.32. **Speaker: Judge Haden/ Danie Blake; Backup: 3; Cost: \$110,887.32**

Judge Haden requests to approve requisition REQ00642 into a blanket purchase order. So moved by Commissioner Shelton, second by Commissioner Theriot. All voting "Aye".

16. **Discussion/Action** to approve requisition REQ00643 for Caldwell County Appraisal District to be generated into a Blanket Purchase Order in the amount of \$425,332.04. **Speaker: Judge Haden/ Danie Blake; Backup: 3; Cost: \$425,332.04**

Judge Haden requests to approve requisition REQ00643 into a blanket purchase order. So moved by Commissioner Roland, second by Commissioner Westmoreland. All voting "Aye".

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- 17. Discussion/Action** to appoint Dan Gibson as Primary voting member and John Westbrook, from the City of Luling as the Alternate voting member to the 2020 CAMPO Caldwell County Smaller Cities Technical Advisory Committee. **Speaker: Judge Haden; Backup: 2; Cost: None**

Judge Haden requests to appoint Primary and Alternate members to the 2020 CAMPO Caldwell County Smaller Cities Technical Advisory Committee. So moved by Commissioner Theriot, second by Commissioner Shelton. All voting "Aye".

- 18. Discussion/Action** to approve the reappointments of Bill Hamilton and Ross Purcell to the Emergency Services District (ESD) #3 as Commissioners to the Board of Directors. **Speaker: Judge Haden; Backup: 2; Cost: None**

Judge Haden requests reappointment of Bill Hamilton and Ross Purcell to ESD, Board of Directors. So moved by Commissioner Theriot, second by Commissioner Roland. All voting "Aye".

- 19. Discussion/Action** to approve the reappointments of Peter Reinecke and Lucy Knight to a four-year term to the Plum Creek Conservation District Board of Directors. **Speaker: Judge Haden; Backup: 3; Cost: None**

Judge Haden requests reappointment of Peter Reinecke and Lucy Knight to the Plum Creek Conservation District Board of Directors. Motion made by Commissioner Roland, second by Commissioner Shelton. All voting "Aye".

- 20. Discussion/Action** to discuss rescheduling the December 22, 2020 Commissioners Court Meeting. **Speaker: Commissioner Shelton; Backup: 1; Cost: 1**

Commissioner Shelton discusses rescheduling December 22, 2020 Commissioners Court Meeting. Motion made by Commissioner Shelton to reschedule to December 29, 2020 second by Commissioner Roland. All voting "Aye".

- 21. Discussion/Action** to discuss the approval of an Order authorizing the filing of a Final Plat (Short Form Procedure) for Ridges Acres on FM 20. **Speaker: Commissioner Shelton/ Kasi Miles; Backup: 7; Cost: None**

Kasi Miles requests to approve Final Plat for Ridges Acres on FM 20. Motion made by Commissioner Shelton, second by Commissioner Westmoreland. All voting "Aye".

- 22. Discussion/Action** to discuss the approval of an Order authorizing the filing of a Final Plat ( Short Form Procedure) for Ramirez Place on FM 20 and Pettytown Road CR 158). **Speaker: Commissioner Shelton/ Kasi Miles; Backup: 23; Cost: None**

Kasi Miles requests to approve Final Plat for Ramirez Place on FM 20 and Pettytown Road CR 158. Motion made by Commissioner Shelton, second by Commissioner Theriot. All voting "Aye".

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23. **Adjournment.**

Motion made by Commissioner Shelton, second by Commissioner Westmoreland that we adjourn.  
All voting "Aye". Court adjourns at 9:34 a.m.

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 December 8, 2020

*Teresa Rodriguez*

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

