

**COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES**  
**110 S. Main St. 2nd Floor, Lockhart, Texas**  
**Commissioners Court February 25, 2020 9:00 a.m.**



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<b>HOPPY HADEN</b>	<b>County Judge</b>	<b>B.J. WESTMORELAND</b>	<b>Commissioner Pct. 1</b>
<b>TERESA RODRIGUEZ</b>	<b>County Clerk</b>	<b>BARBARA SHELTON</b>	<b>Commissioner Pct. 2</b>
		<b>ED THERIOT</b>	<b>Commissioner Pct. 3</b>
		<b>JOE IVAN ROLAND</b>	<b>Commissioner Pct.4</b>

**Call Meeting to Order**

Judge Haden called meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and asked for a moment of silence for Carine Chalfoun, Emergency Management Coordinator.

**Invocation.**

Bob Bush opens the 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 Westmoreland** expressed his condolences to Carine Chalfoun's family. He added that FM150 project was renamed West Caldwell County Transportation study project.

**Commissioner Shelton** expressed her condolences. She attended meetings and fundraisers throughout the county. She mentioned receiving calls from citizens about roads and mowing issues.

**Commissioner Theriot** expressed his condolences. He attended a meeting with Hays County regarding coordination on a few transportation projects.

**Commissioner Roland** expressed his condolences. He attended meetings for projects around the county.

**Judge Haden** expressed his condolences to Carine Chalfoun's family.

Dennis Engelke announced this weekend will be the first cleanup at the Justice Center with the help of Texas State University. He met with the Community Service Foundation in which they elected officers, adopted a mission statement.

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**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).

Joe Colley expressed problems on Homannville road, the project was not complete or done correctly, he experienced personal damage to his vehicle and would like reimbursement from the county.

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

1. **Approve payment of County invoices and County Purchase Orders in the amount of \$528,084.84; Backup: 33**
2. **Ratify re-occurring County Payments**
  - A. **\$317,001.86 (Payroll 1/19/2020 – 2/01/2020); Backup: 21**
  - B. **\$96,320.67 (Payroll Tax 1/19/2020 -2/01/2020); Backup: 2**
  - C. **\$423,433.94 (Comptroller DMV); Backup: 11**
  - D. **\$214.04 (Comptroller TPWD); Backup: 2**
  - E. **\$35,254.20 (DMV Remittance); Backup: 1**
3. **To ratify Proclamation observing February 2020 as Black History Month; Backup: 2**
4. **To accept the January 2020 collection report from the Caldwell County Appraisal District; Backup: 4**
5. **To accept the January 2020 County Extension Agent Report for Wayne Morse; Backup: 3**
6. **To accept the January 2020 County Extension Agent Report for Aaron McCoy; Backup: 3**
7. **To accept Kristianna Aranda as the wellness coordinator; Backup: 2**
8. **To accept the renewal Bond #61287183 for Pamela Ohlendorf, Elections Administrator; Backup: 2**
9. **To accept December 2019 report from Tom Will, Constable, Precinct 2; Backup: 4**

Motion made by Commissioner Shelton, second by Commissioner Theriot that we accept the Consent Agenda, all voting "Aye".

**AGENDA ACTION ITEMS**

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

Judge Haden announced Hector Rangel is in training and the KBDI index is low. Motion made by Commissioner Roland to leave burn ban off and second by Commissioner Theriot. All voting "Aye".

11. **Discussion/Action** to approve Budget Amendment #17 in reference to the Lateral Road Fund allocated by the Texas Legislature and aligning the estimated revenues with appropriations for the total funds received. **Speaker: Judge Haden/ Barbara Gonzales; Backup: 4; Cost: \$23,630.00**

Judge Haden requests to approve budget amendment #17. Motion made by Commissioner Westmoreland, second by Commissioner Shelton. All voting "Aye".



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12. **Discussion/Action** to approve Budget Amendment #18 for Computer Support Items out of Contingency. **Speaker: Judge Haden/ Barbara Gonzales; Backup: 5; Cost: \$43,893.00**

Judge Haden requests approval on budget amendment #18. So moved by Commissioner Theriot, second by Commissioner Westmoreland. All voting "Aye".

13. **Discussion/Action** to approve Budget Amendment #19 to receive a Solid Waste grant of \$14,743.01 from CAPCOG/TCEQ to fund five (5) community clean-up events in 2020. **Speaker; Judge Haden/ Dennis Engelke; Backup: 2; Cost: Net Zero**

Judge Haden requests to table budget amendment #19 at this time. Motion made by Commissioner Shelton, second by Commissioner Theriot. All voting "Aye".

14. **Discussion/Action** to approve a property lease between the County and the Caldwell County Fair Association. **Speaker: Judge Haden/ Jordan Hinckley; Backup: 8; Cost: None**

Judge Haden requests approval of property lease between the County and Caldwell County Fair Association. Motion made by Commissioner Roland, second by Commissioner Westmoreland. All voting "Aye".

15. **Discussion/Action** to approve a contract between Caldwell County and Allison, Bass, and Magee L.L.C., for the flat rate/fixed fee contract for professional services. **Speaker: Judge Haden; Backup: 14; Cost: \$5,000.00**

Judge Haden requests approval of contract between Caldwell County and Allison, Bass and Magee L.L.C. Motion made by Commissioner Shelton, second by Commissioner Westmoreland. All voting "Aye".

16. **Discussion/Action** to approve the Interlocal Agreement between Region 8 Education Services Center and Caldwell County. (TIPS Purchasing Cooperative) **Speaker: Judge Haden/ Danie Blake; Backup: 5; Cost: None**

Danie Blake requests approval for Education Services Center aka TIPS Purchasing Cooperative. Motion made by Commissioner Theriot, second by Commissioner Roland. All voting "Aye".

17. **Discussion/Action** to approve amending the Depository Contract referencing the pledged securities. **Speaker: Judge Haden/Barbara Gonzales; Backup: 3; Cost: None**

Barbara Gonzales explains the increase in pledged securities and requests to approve amendment of Depository Contract. So moved by Commissioner Westmoreland, second by Commissioner Shelton. All voting "Aye".

18. **Discussion/Action** to approve the annual local contribution for the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization. **Speaker: Judge Haden; Backup: 3; Cost: None**

Judge Haden requests to approve local contribution. So moved by Commissioner Theriot, second by Commissioner Roland. All voting "Aye".

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19. **Discussion/Action** to approve \$130 donation to GBRA. **Speaker: Judge Haden; Backup: 2; Cost: \$130.00**

Judge Haden requests approval of donation to GBRA. Speaker for GBRA, Stephen Risinger informed funds would be providing a dinner for the Plum Creek Water Shed Partnership. So moved by Commissioner Westmoreland, second by Commissioner Shelton. All voting "Aye".

20. **Discussion/Action** regarding potential amendments to the County's Thru Traffic ordinance. **Speaker: Commissioner Shelton/ Judge Haden; Backup: 1; Cost: None**

Commissioner Shelton and JJ Wells discussed the ordinance amendments regarding thru traffic in Prairie Lea, mentioned signs have been ordered and should be in placed in 7-10 days. No action taken. Motion made by Commissioner Shelton to table item, second by Commissioner Westmoreland. All voting "Aye".

21. **EXECUTIVE SESSION** Pursuant to section 551.087 of the Texas Government Code; consultation with counsel and deliberation regarding economic development negotiations associated with Project Cali. Possible action may follow in open court. **Speaker: Judge Haden/ JJ Wells, Christian Duran; Backup: to be distributed; Cost: None**

Judge Haden opens the Executive Session at 9:36 a.m. Commissioner Westmoreland, Commissioner Shelton, Judge Haden, Commissioner Theriot, Commissioner Roland, JJ Wells, and Christian Duran are all present. The Executive Session ends at 9:52 a.m. No action taken.


22. **Adjournment.**

Motion made by Commissioner Shelton, second by Commissioner Westmoreland that we adjourn. All voting "Aye". Court adjourns at 9:53 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 February 10, 2020.



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

