

The Commissioner’s Court of McCulloch County met in Regular Session on the 08TH day of June 2026 at 9:00 a.m. with the following present:

Frank Trull	County Judge
Carol Anderson	Commissioner Pct. #1
Randy Deans	Commissioner Pct. #2
Rod Young	Commissioner Pct. #3
Gary Maricle	Commissioner Pct. #4
Christine Jones	County Clerk
Mikkie Williams	County Treasurer
Matt Andrews	County Sheriff

Invocation was given by Commissioner Young followed by the Pledge to the U.S. and Texas Flags.

Public Comment: Don Bratton addressed the Court and expressed opposition to the proposed unified road system. He questioned the purchase of four new pickup trucks and stated that, in his opinion, there had been insufficient public discussion regarding the unified road system. Mr. Bratton also asked whether the Commissioners would consider reducing their salaries to help fund implementation of the system. He requested that the Court table the action item before taking a vote.

Dessie Rodrigue addressed the Court in opposition to the proposed data center and battery energy storage facility. MS. Rodrigue expressed the opinion that such facilities should be located closer to larger cities rather than in rural communities. She also requested that Commissioners Court meetings be held in the evenings to allow working residents an opportunity to attend without having to miss work or lose compensation.

MINUTES:

Minutes from February 09, 2026, were presented and approved. Commissioner Deans made the motion and Commissioner Young seconded. All in favor Motion carries. 5-0

Minutes from February 12, 2026, were presented and approved. Commissioner Anderson made the motion and Commissioner Young seconded. All in favor Motion carries. 3-0. Commissioner Deans and Judge Trull Abstained.

Minutes from February 23, 2026, were presented and approved with corrections. Commissioner Anderson made the motion and Commissioner Maricle seconded. All in favor Motion carries. 5-0

Minutes from March 09, 2026, were presented and approved with corrections. Commissioner Maricle made the motion and Commissioner Young seconded. All in favor Motion carries. 5-0

Minutes from March 18, 2026, were presented and approved. Commissioner Anderson made the motion and Commissioner Deans seconded. All in favor Motion carries. 5-0

Minutes from March 23, 2026, were presented and approved with corrections. Commissioner Anderson made the motion and Commissioner Young seconded. All in favor Motion carries. 5-0

Minutes from April 09, 2026, were presented and approved with corrections. Commissioner Deans made the motion and Commissioner Anderson seconded. All in favor Motion carries. 5-0

Minutes from April 13, 2026, were presented and approved with corrections. Commissioner Young made the motion and Commissioner Maricle seconded. All in favor Motion carries. 5-0

Minutes from April 22, 2026, were presented and approved. Commissioner Anderson made the motion and Commissioner Young seconded. All in favor Motion carries. 5-0

BILLS:

Bills for June 08, 2026, were presented and approved. Commissioner Deans made the motion and Commissioner Anderson seconded. All in favor Motion carried. 5-0

Elected Officials/Department Heads: Commissioner Deans reported that he used the County skid steer grapple to assist with the cleanup of illegal dumping sites. He also advised the Court that he would be using the roller packer during the week and offered its use to any Commissioner who may need the equipment for FEMA work.

Commissioner Anderson reported that progress is being made on FEMA projects within her precinct. She also stated that tree trimming has been completed on several roads. Due to the recent heavy rainfall, the precinct has experienced significant road damage, causing delays in road maintenance and FEMA-related work. Commissioner Anderson noted that the County continues to experience challenges due to ongoing communication issues with FEMA. She also reported that approximately 20 truckloads of prickly pear cactus were removed from Precinct 1 CR 134. Commissioner Maricle reported that road crews continue to work around weather-related delays and have begun work on County Road 454.

Commissioner Young reported that work is progressing on County Roads 322 and 326 and that the projects are moving forward satisfactorily.

County Judge Frank Trull reported that the County continues to experience difficulties with FEMA regarding project requirements and the implementation of new rules and regulations. Judge Trull stated that it is impossible to determine the exact condition or location of damaged areas prior to the disaster, making it difficult to satisfy some of FEMA's documentation requirements for reimbursement.

Discussion:

1. Discussion with Bobby Zesch with Zesch and Pickett to discuss the health renewal from TAC for FY 2027. Mr. Zesch let the court know that there will be small increased on medical and dental, but vision will remain the same. He also informed the court that the company will be selling in the near future but will still be here for another 3 years. .
2. Discussion on email notification and plan of action regarding the NRCS Emergency Watershed Protection Plan from July 2025 Flood Disaster in Precinct #1 and Precinct #2. Kendall Tidwell with NRCS came in to discuss repair and protection of structures damaged by floods. He is hopeful that the county can procure a Grant administrator to help with all aspects including procurement. This does not have to be declared a State of National Disaster to apply for the program.

Action:

1. The Court acted and approved on appointing Higginbotham Public Sector(HPS) as agent of record with respect to medical and voluntary employee benefits. Commissioner Anderson made the motion to accept the appointment with Commissioner Maricle seconded. Commissioner Deans Against, wanting to have more discussion with Zesch and Pickett. Motion carries. 4-1.
2. The Court DENIED the request by Caprock RE LLC to lease one acre of land out of the 14.38-acre tract owned by McCulloch County for a Battery Energy Storage System project adjacent to the substation. The site is located at 400 E. Hwy 190 Brady, Tx. Commissioner Maricle moved to deny the request by Caprock RE LLC and Commissioner Deans seconded. All in favor Motion carries. 5-0.
3. The Court took NO ACTION on a donation valued at \$288,816.50 from P.W. Gillibrand of Texas LLC to asphalt chip seal 10,477 feet of County Roads 216 and 218. Vickie Roddie asked if there was anything that can be done to fix the road. Commissioner Deans made the motion to take No Action with Commissioner Maricle seconded. All in favor Motion carried. 5-0
4. The Court TABLED until June 29th meeting on approving an Interlocal Agreement between McCulloch County and the City of Brady for Emergency Medical Services (EMS) for FY 2026-2027 in the amount of \$326,600.00. Reasons being the spreadsheet given to the County has more questions needing to be addressed, there was a charge for a EMS related study that was originally not to be the counties responsibility. Commissioner Deans made the motion to Table with Commissioner Maricle seconded. Commissioner Anderson against. Motion carries. 4-1

5. The Court acted and approved a one-year agreement proposal by Ener-Tel Services for an annual Fire Alarm inspection for the McCulloch County Courthouse in the amount of \$945.00. Commissioner Deans made the motion with Commissioner Maricle seconded. All in favor Motion carries. 5-0
6. The Court acted and approved the transition to a voluntary unit road system and appointment of a road superintendent for 2 years as allowed by Texas Local Government Coode 252.201. After a comment by Commissioner Maricle, Charles Hodges with the Brady Standard commented that yes, the Commissioners are in charge but the Court answers to the Citizens of McCulloch County. All Commissioners agreed if budgeted to take a salary change/cut to pay for the superintendent position. Commissioner Maricle made the motion to go to voluntary unit road system with Commissioner Anderson seconded. Commissioner Deans against. Motion carries. 4-1
7. The Court acted and approved a bid proposal from Finished Work Roofing for repairs to the Courthouse roof, gutters, and resealing of metal panels in the amount of \$20,909.28. Commissioner Anderson made the motion with Commissioner Deans seconded. All in favor Motion carries. 5-0
8. The Court acted and approved on a Closed Executive Session pursuant to Government Code Chapter 551 Section 551.074-Personnel Matters. Commissioner Deans made the motion to go into executive session at 12:25 PM with Commissioner Anderson seconded. All in favor Motion carries. 5-0

EXECUTIVE SESSION Ended at 12:37 PM

9. The Court acted and approved to reconvene in open session at 12:45 PM. Commissioner Deans made the motion with Commissioner Young seconded. All in favor Motion carries. 5-0

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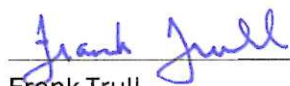
Motion for Recess for Lunch was made by Commissioner Deans at 12:46 PM and seconded by Commissioner Anderson. All in favor Motion carries. 5-0

Reconvened at 1:30 PM

Motion for Budget/ FEMA Workshop was made by Commissioner Deans and Seconded by Commissioner Anderson. All in favor Motion carried. 4-0 Commissioner Young was not present for this vote.

Budget Workshop

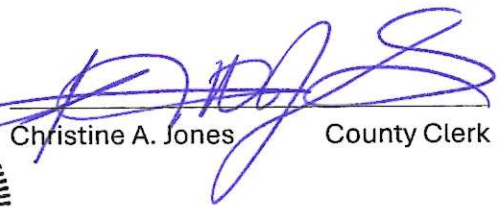
Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:06 PM with Commissioner Maricle making the motion and seconded by Commissioner Deans. All in favor motion carried. 5-0



Frank Trull

County Judge




Christine A. Jones

County Clerk