

**REGULAR SESSION OF THE
COMMISSIONERS COURT OF VAN ZANDT COUNTY
9:00 A.M., WEDNESDAY JANUARY 29, 2025**

The Commissioners' Court of Van Zandt County met at the above-named date and time in the County Courtroom in the Van Zandt County Courthouse in Canton, Texas. Members present were County Judge Andy Reese, Commissioner Pct. 1 Mitch Curtis, Commissioner Pct. 2 Cliff Williams, Commissioner Pct. 3 Bobby Phillips and Commissioner Pct. 4 Brandon Barton. Notice was given by posting in compliance with Section 551.041 of the Government Code on all the following before the Court for consideration:

CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCE QUORUM. 9:00 A.M. All present.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS. Commissioner Brandon Barton announced there will be a Townhall meeting at 6:30 P.M. in Edom on February 3rd.

- **RECOGNITION OF YEARS OF SERVICE FOR VAN ZANDT COUNTY EMPLOYEES AND OFFICIALS**
- Joann Magallion - 10 years of service in the Tax Office (Misty Stanberry)

PUBLIC COMMENTS (ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY). Ann Nelson spoke on item 9.

CONSENT AGENDA

Consent agenda items are considered routine by the commissioner's court and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless the county judge, or a commissioner requests an item be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately.

- A.) **DISCUSS AND CONSIDER DISPENSING WITH THE READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING(S) OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT AND APPROVAL OF SAME FOR DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND JANUARY 2, 2025**
- B.) **DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF COUNTY'S BILLS FOR PAYMENT AS SUBMITTED**
- C.) **DISCUSS AND CONSIDER RATIFYING OF COUNTY'S BILLS AS SUBMITTED**
- D.) **DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF FY2025 LINE-ITEM TRANSFERS**
- E.) **DISCUSS AND CONSIDER MONTHLY REPORTS SUBMITTED BY VARIOUS OFFICES AND DEPARTMENTS OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT AND APPROVAL ENTRY OF SAME IN THE COURT'S MINUTES AS A MATTER OF RECORD**
- F.) **DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACCEPTANCE OF DECEMBER 2024 FINANCIAL & INVESTMENT REPORT OF COUNTY TREASURER TO BE ENTERED INTO THE MINUTES OF COMMISSIONERS COURT**
- G.) **DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PROPOSED INSTALLATION OF PIPE AND/OR UTILITY LINES:**
Motion to approve by Commissioner Bobby Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVING AUDIT ENGAGEMENT LETTER WITH PATILLO, BROWN & HILL, L.L.C. FOR ANNUAL FINANCIAL AUDIT FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2024.
Presented by County Auditor, Catherine Gazda. Motion to authorize County Judge to sign letter by Commissioner Cliff Williams and seconded by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All voted in favor.

UPDATE ON YOUTH DIVERSION PROGRAM BY JUDGE SHINN. Jennifer Taylor updated the court on the program. Committee members include Judge Scott Shinn, Judge Lilia Durham, Odie Phillips, Tonda Curry and Brandon Barton.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER MODIFYING THE WORKERS COMPENSATION RENEWAL FOR 1/2025 TO 1/2026 TO ADD CLASS CODE 088560-VOLUNTEERS-LAW ENFORCEMENT AND AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN. Tonda Curry spoke to the court. Motion to approve by Commissioner Bobby Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Mitch Curtis. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AUTHORIZING COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN CONTRACT WITH GOVERNMENT CAPITAL. Motion to approve by Commissioner Brandon Barton and seconded by Commissioner Bobby Phillips. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AWARDING THE CONTRACT FOR RFP 24-11, FOR DISASTER DEBRIS MONITORING SERVICES, PER COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION. Motion for County Judge to sign and award contract to Debris Tech by Commissioner Brandon Barton and seconded by Commissioner Cliff Williams. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND APPROVE RULES OF PROCEDURE, CONDUCT, AND DECORUM AT MEETINGS OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT FOR 2025 Motion to approve by Commissioner Cliff Williams and seconded by Commissioner Bobby Phillips. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND APPROVE COMMISSIONER'S LIAISON FOR 2025. Amended to show the liaison for Chris Burnett as Brandon Barton in addition to Judge Reese. Motion to approve by Commissioner Brandon Barton and seconded by Commissioner Cliff Williams. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BOND FOR CATHERINE GAZDA, COUNTY AUDITOR IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,000. Motion to approve by Commissioner Bobby Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Mitch Curtis. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND CALL FOR A COUNTYWIDE BOND ELECTION FOR MAY 3, 2025. Motion to table for the February 12, 2025 meeting by Commissioner Brandon Barton and seconded by Commissioner Cliff Williams. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF HOLDEN ESTATES SUBDIVISION PLAT LOCATED ON VZCR 1604 IN PRECINCT 1. Motion to approve for filing purposes by Commissioner Mitch Curtis and seconded by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF SIERRA HOMES PLAT ON VZCR 2120 IN PRECINCT 2. Motion to approve for filing purposes by Commissioner Cliff Williams and seconded by Commissioner Mitch Curtis. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER WOODCREEK ESTATES, PHASE II PLAT LOCATED ON VZCR 4106 IN PRECINCT 4. Motion to approve for filing purposes by Commissioner Brandon Barton and seconded by Commissioner Mitch Curtis. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO SABRE COMMUNICATIONS FOR INVOICES 533870F, 533874F, 533877F, 533917F, 533879F FOR WORK PERFORMED CONSTRUCTING TOWER SITES AND SHELTERS. Motion to approve by Commissioner Brandon Barton and seconded by Commissioner Cliff Williams. All voted in favor.

WORKSHOP – DISCUSS P25 RADIO COMMITTEE. Entered the workshop at 9:35 A.M. and closed the workshop at 9:47 A.M.

WORKSHOP – DISCUSS THE FORMATION OF A 391 COMMISSION. Entered the workshop at 9:47 A.M. Nancy White discussed statutes 391.003, 391.008, and SB 934 (software). Nancy White also announced a meeting on February 20th at the Silver Spur Resort. Motion to place the item on the agenda for the February 12th meeting to form a 391 Commission by Commissioner Cliff Williams. No record of second or vote. Closed the workshop at 10:07 A.M.

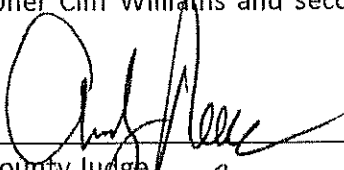
ADJOURNMENT. Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Cliff Williams and second by Commissioner Bobby Phillips. The meeting adjourned at 10:08 A.M.

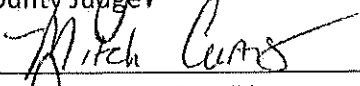
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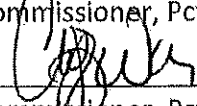
Susan Strickland, County Clerk

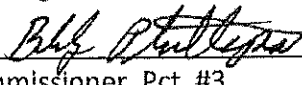
Van Zandt County, Texas

BY: 


County Judge


Commissioner, Pct. #1


Commissioner, Pct. #2


Commissioner, Pct. #3


Commissioner, Pct. #4