

**REGULAR SESSION OF THE
COMMISSIONERS COURT OF VAN ZANDT COUNTY
9:00 A.M., WEDNESDAY APRIL 23, 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. Wendall Hayes from R & B Pct. 4 received his 10-year service pin and certificate. Tony Elam from R & B Pct. 4 received his 20-year pin and certificate. James Warrington from R & B Pct. 2 received his 5-year pin and certificate. The County Judge gave update on debris removal pct 2 has been completed. Total cubic yard so far is 13,850 that has been removed. Currently in Pct. 4. Tonda Curry gave an update on BESS facility TRO. Judge Andy Reese announced Nation Day of Prayer May 1, 2025 at 12:15p.m.-12:45p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY). Jackie Risner on item #12, Lee Ann Risner on item #12, Brian Cummins on item #12, Christy Becham on item #18, Jim Wise on item #12, and Sue Baugh on item #12.

CONSENT AGENDA

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS ARE CONSIDERED ROUTINE BY THE COMMISSIONERS 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 APRIL 9, 2025 AND APRIL 10, 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 MARCH 2025 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
- h.) DISCUSS AND CONSIDER RATIFYING TAC HEBP INTERIM COBRA ADMINISTRATION AGREEMENT

Motion to approve by Commissioner Brandon Barton and second by Commissioner Cliff Williams. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS, CONSIDER, AND TAKE ACTION ON PREVIOUS AWARDING OF ROAD AND BRIDGE MATERIAL BID FOR HOT MIX ROAD PROCEDURES OPTION # 3 TO AREA WIDE PAVING, FOR THE CONTRACT PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2025 THRU APRIL 30, 2026. Motion to approve withdrawing awarded bid by Commissioner Brandon Barton and second by Commissioner Cliff Williams. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS, CONSIDER, AND TAKE ACTION ON RE-AWARDING OF ROAD AND BRIDGE MATERIAL BID FOR HOT MIX ROAD PROCEDURES OPTION # 3, FOR THE CONTRACT PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2025 THRU APRIL 30, 2026. Motion to award bid to Texana Land & Asphalt by Commissioner Bobby Phillips and second by Commissioner Mitch Curtis. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF DAWSONS CREEK, PHASE 1 SUBDIVISION PLAT LOCATED ON VZCR 2115 IN PRECINCT 2. 4 lots 1 acre or greater; all have county road frontage. Motion to approve by Commissioner Cliff Williams and second by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF VACATING FAIRVIEW ESTATES SUBDIVISION PLAT LOCATED ON VZCR 2621 IN PRECINCT 2. Mr. Stewart spoke to modify /vacate Fairview Estates in its entirety dissolve property lines and dissolve public dedications with the exception of 4 lots owned by others. Motion to approve by Commissioner Cliff Williams and second by Commissioner Bobby Phillips. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF NAPEAGUE ESTATES, LOT 1 SUBDIVISION PLAT LOCATED ON VZCR 4106 IN PRECINCT 4. Consists of 1 lot at 5.94 acres with county road frontage. Motion to approve by Commissioner Brandon Barton and second by Commissioner Mitch Curtis. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPOINTING A SCORING COMMITTEE TO SCORE THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL SUBMISSIONS FOR ENGINEERING ANALYSIS SERVICES FOR THE JAIL. Motion to table by County Judge Andy Reese and second by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A BLANKET AUTHORITY FOR THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY TO SPEND UP TO \$10,000.00 WITHOUT SEPARATE COMMISSIONER APPROVAL FOR CIVIL LITIGATION PURPOSES. (Specific to BESS facilities). Motion to approve by Commissioner Cliff Williams and second by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER RESOLUTION REGARDING CO FOR COURTHOUSE RESTORATION AND 1930 N TRADES DAY BLVD RENOVATION. Cliff Williams spoke about the Resolution. Motion to approve by Commissioner Cliff Williams and second by Commissioner Judge Andy Reese. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL FOR APPROVAL FOR BOND RENEWAL FOR LISA HUTCHERSON, ASSISTANT COUNTY AUDITOR, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,000. Motion to approve by Commissioner Cliff Williams and second by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ROAD AND BRIDGE PRECINCT 3 TO PROVIDE INSTALLATION ONLY SERVICES OF PRIVATE DRIVEWAY CULVERTS ON VZCR 3504. Commissioner Bobby Phillips stated that if the public will purchase the culvert PCT. 3 will agree to install the culvert. Motion to approve by Commissioner Bobby Phillips and second by Commissioner Cliff Williams. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND APPROVE (2) 6 MONTH LEASE AGREEMENT AND PAYMENT CONCERNING BELLY DUMP TRAILER FROM BRAZOS TRAILERS FOR PRECINCT 3. Motion to approve by Commissioner Bobby Phillips and second by Commissioner Cliff Williams. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND APPROVE ORDER AUTHORIZING MEMORIAL DAY FIREWORKS SALES (BEGINNING MAY 21, 2025 AND ENDING AT MIDNIGHT ON MAY 26, 2025). Motion to approve by Commissioner Brandon Barton and second by Commissioner Bobby Phillips. All voted in favor.

CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION 10:28 A.M. IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 551.074 OF THE TEXAS

GOVERNMENT CODE,

- (1) TO DELIBERATE THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATION, REASSIGNMENT, DUTIES, DISCIPLINE, OR DISMISSAL OF A PUBLIC OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE; OR
- (2) TO HEAR A COMPLAINT OR CHARGE AGAINST AN OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE

CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 551.072 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, TO DELIBERATE THE PURCHASE, EXCHANGE, LEASE, OR VALUE OF REAL PROPERTY

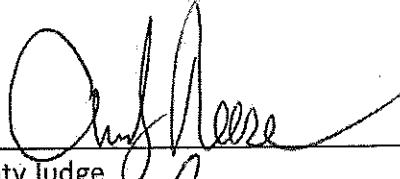
RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION 11:43 A.M TO CONSIDER ACTION, IF ANY, ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION. Motion to approve by County Judge Andy Reese to authorize District Attorney Tonda Curry to renegotiate contract and second by Commissioner Bobby Phillips. All voted in favor.

ADJOURNMENT. 11:44 A.M. Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Brandon Barton and second by Commissioner Cliff Williams. All voted in favor.

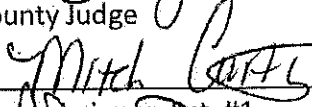
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Susan Strickland, County Clerk
Van Zandt County, Texas

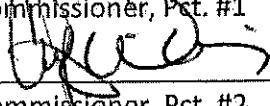
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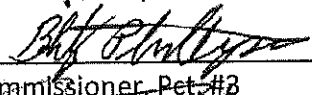
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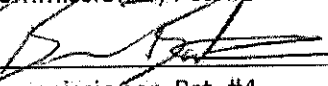
Commissioner, Pct. #1



Commissioner, Pct. #2



Commissioner, Pct. #3



Commissioner, Pct. #4