

**REGULAR SESSION OF THE
COMMISSIONERS COURT OF VAN ZANDT COUNTY
9:00 A.M., WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 17, 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 and 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. 9:01 A.M. All present

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS. County Judge Andy Reese recognized Jessica DeVille with a five-year pin and certificate. Justice of the Peace Pct. 4 Scott Shinn recognized Tina Lancaster with a twenty-nine-year pin and certificate of service.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (on Agenda items only). None

PRESENTATION OF YOUTH DIVERSION PROGRAM INDIVIDUAL SUCCESS UPDATE. Jennifer Taylor spoke and gave report on the individual Youth Diversion Program success story of Chris Florez, who will be enlisting in the service.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE AUCTION OF FOUR CHEVROLET TAHOES FROM THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT PER THE ATTACHED LIST USING RENE BATES AUCTIONEERS. Sheriff Kevin Bridger spoke and confirmed vehicles to auction, and proceeds are to go back into the Sheriff's budget line item. Motion to approve by Commissioner Cliff Williams and second by Commissioner Bobby Phillips. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER OVER 45-DAY TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT FOR PRECINCT 4 CONSTABLE. Commissioner Brandon Barton spoke and stated this is for uniforms and office supplies. Motion to approve by Commissioner Brandon Barton and second by Commissioner Cliff Williams. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER BOARD APPOINTMENTS FOR ESD #3. Motion to appoint Brian Cummins by Commissioner Cliff Williams and second by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND AWARD BIDS FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE ROAD AND BRIDGE MATERIALS CONTRACT PERIOD OF DECEMBER 17, 2025, THROUGH APRIL 30, 2026, FOR UNBLENDDED ROAD OIL, SOIL CEMENT, AND LIME. Went out for bids on all precincts and no bidders for other items. Blazer Resources only bid for unblended. Motion to accept bid from Blazer Resources for unblended road oil by Commissioner Mitch Curtis and second by Commissioner Cliff Williams. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS PETITION TO THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY FOR THE CREATION OF THE ROCKY CREEK RANCH MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO 1 AND THE REQUEST FOR A PUBLIC HEARING. Judge Andy Reese spoke; Tony Acosta spoke. Located on FM 2965 The majority of this is in Kaufman County. Public comments to TCEQ related to MUD. (No Action)

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AUCTIONING EQUIPMENT FROM ROAD AND BRIDGE USING RENE BATES AUCTIONEERS. Pct. 2, 3, and 4 to participate. Motion to approve by Commissioner Bobby Phillips and second by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN CHANGE ORDER #5 WITH L3 HARRIS FOR CRITICAL SPARE EQUIPMENT. This is for equipment and tower sites. Amount is a \$19,719.80 increase. Motion to reject and have conversation with L3 Harris and for them to attend meeting by Commissioner Brandon Barton and second by Commissioner Bobby Phillips. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER THE RATIFICATION OF VENDOR SELECTION AND COST FOR THE INSTALLATION OF HOLIDAY LIGHTS AND DECORATIONS. Commissioner Cliff Williams spoke and stated we had 7 different bids, money came from Economic Development Fund, Total amount is \$15,497.00. Motion to approve by Commissioner Cliff Williams and second by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER OVER 45-DAY TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT FOR ROAD AND BRIDGE

PRECINCT 1 TRANSFER STATION ATTENDANT. Amount is for \$102.60 for Craig Lott. Motion to approve by Commissioner Mitch Curtis and second by Commissioner Cliff Williams. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF FALCONWOOD REPLAT SUBDIVISION PLAT LOCATED ON VZCR 3811 AND FM 751 IN PRECINCT 3. This is for 15 lots. Motion to approve by Commissioner Bobby Phillips and second by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BHP CREEKSIDER PROPERTY ADDITION SUBDIVISION PLAT LOCATED ON VZCR 4111 IN PRECINCT 4. This includes 6 spaces. Motion to approve by Commissioner Brandon Barton and second by Commissioner Cliff Williams. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING THE ANDREW GIBBS MEMORIAL NURSING SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP FUND AT TRINITY VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION WITH THE FUNDS RECEIVED FROM THE DISSOLUTION OF THE CEDAR CREEK HOSPITAL DISTRICT. Motion to approve by Commissioner Cliff Williams and second by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT BETWEEN DREWERY CONSTRUCTION CO, INC AND COUNTY OF VAN ZANDT, EXECUTED ON FEBRUARY 13, 2025, TO INCLUDE REQUIRED FEMA CONTRACT PROVISIONS. Motion to approve by Commissioner Cliff Williams and second by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN A RICOH USA EQUIPMENT LEASE AGREEMENT FOR EIGHTEEN REPLACEMENT COPIERS. Scott Slaton spoke and advised this will cost an additional \$95.00 per month. Motion to approve by Commissioner Cliff Williams and second by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All voted in favor.

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 NOVEMBER 05, 2025 AND DECEMBER 03, 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 FY2026 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 APPROVAL OF PROPOSED INSTALLATION OF PIPE AND/OR UTILITY LINES

- VZCR 1111 – CHARTER-SPECTRUM
- 1800 VZCR 1512 - ONCOR
- VZCR 2147 – CHARTER-SPECTRUM
- VZCR 2624 – CHARTER-SPECTRUM
- 2491 VZCR 4413 – ONCOR
- 2200 VZCR 4501 - ONCOR
- VZCR 4503 – CHARTER-SPECTRUM

Motion to approve by Commissioner Mitch Curtis and second by Commissioner Bobby Phillips. All voted in favor.

CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION. in compliance with Section 551.0725 of the Texas Government Code, to conduct a closed meeting to deliberate business and financial issues relating to a contract being negotiated.
10:21 A.M. Judge Reese announces Executive Session.
10:30 Executive Session Begins

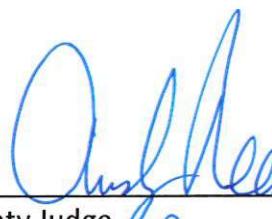
RECONVENE TO OPEN 11:22 A.M. to consider action, if any, on items discussed in Executive Session 11:22 A.M. no action.

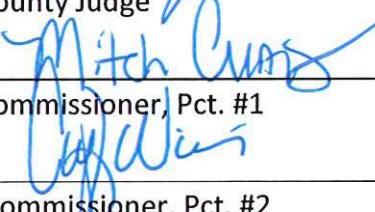
ADJOURNMENT. 11:22 A.M. Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Bobby Phillips and second by Commissioner Mitch Curtis. All voted in favor.

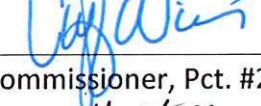
ATTEST:

Susan Strickland, County Clerk
Van Zandt County, Texas

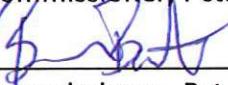
BY: Susan Strickland



County Judge


Commissioner, Pct. #1


Commissioner, Pct. #2


Commissioner, Pct. #3


Commissioner, Pct. #4