

**REGULAR SESSION OF THE
COMMISSIONERS COURT OF VAN ZANDT COUNTY
9:00 A.M., WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 31, 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. 9:01 A.M. All present.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS. Commissioner Brandon Barton recognized Jimmie Shepard with a 10 year pin.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY) Steve Horwitz spoke on item #11. Ann Nelson spoke on item # 11.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER BOARD APPOINTMENTS FOR ESD #1. Ross Hamilton, Tom Troll, William Scott Adams (reappointments) Motion to approve by Commissioner Phillips. (Motion is withdrawn). Judge Andy Reese suggested an evening meeting. Motion to table item by Commissioner Brandon Barton and second by Commissioner Mitch Curtis. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER BOARD APPOINTMENTS FOR ESD #2. John David Savage, Kelly Walker. Motion to table item by Commissioner Mitch Curtis and second by Commissioner Bobby Phillips. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER THE CHANGE ORDER REQUEST IN ROAD & BRIDGE MATERIALS FROM 4M TRUCK TRAILER AND EQUIPMENT, FOR CRUSHED ROCK 1 ¼" FLEX BASE DELIVERED FOR PCT. 2 AND PCT. 3 ONLY, AND TO CONFIRM PRICE FROM NEXT LOWEST BIDDER, WOODRUM CONSTRUCTION. Representative from 4 M Steve McLaughlin stated price increase of at least 10% \$32.00/ton. Representative from Woodrum Brian Woodrum pricing for Pct. 2 is \$32.00/ton and for Pct. 3 \$30.00/ton. No action on item.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AWARDING OF ROAD & BRIDGE MATERIALS FOR CRUSHED ROCK 1 ¼" FLEX BASE DELIVERED FOR PCT. 2 AND PCT. 3 ONLY, BASED ON CHANGE ORDER REQUEST OR NEXT LOWEST BIDDER. Motion to approve by Commissioner Cliff Williams 1 ¼ crushed at \$32.00/ton for Pct. 2 from 4M and Woodrum and \$30.00/ton from Woodrum for Pct. 3 only second by Commissioner Bobby Phillips. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER SOLICITATION OF BIDS FOR THE ROAD & BRIDGE MATERIALS FOR THE REMAINING OF THE CONTRACT PERIOD FROM FEBRUARY 11, 2026 THRU APRIL 30, 2026, FOR UNDELIVERED ON CRUSHED ROCK ¾", CRUSHED ROCK 1' OR LESS, CRUSHED ROCK 1 ¼" FLEX BASE, CRUSHED ROCK 1 ¼" STATE BASE, PEA GRAVEL WASHED 3/8", RECYCLED CRUSHED CONCRETE 1 ¼"; AND DELIVERED & UNDELIVERED ON OVER-SIZED AGGREGATE, 3X5, 3X8, & 12X24. Motion to approve by Commissioner Cliff Williams and second by Commissioner Bobby Phillips. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER (1) 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 Brandon Barton. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER REPLAT OF KICKAPOO ESTATES SUBDIVISION, LOTS 3, 4 & 5 LOCATED ON VZCR 4207 IN PRECINCT 4. (Moving lot lines only). Commissioner Cliff Williams stated that all signatures blocks must be on surveys. Motion to approve by Commissioner Brandon Barton and second by Commissioner Bobby Phillips. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO APPLY FOR THE TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION COURTHOUSE PRESERVATION PROGRAM (THCPP) COURTHOUSE RESTORATION GRANT IN 2026. 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 REVISED INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT NORTH TEXAS REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY (NET RMA) TO PROVIDE ADVISORY SERVICES REGARDING ROADWAY MAINTENANCE METHODOLOGIES AND PLANS RELATED TO ROAD PROJECTS WITHIN THE COUNTY. Motion to approve by Commissioner Cliff Williams and second by Commissioner Mitch Curtis. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN AGREEMENT WITH SMARSH FOR THE ARCHIVING OF TEXT MESSAGES ON COUNTY PROVIDED MOBILE DEVICES. Scott Slaton spoke cost is \$14,774.00 one time cost first net and (8x8). Judge Andy Reese recommended a workshop to establish retention policy. Motion to table by Commissioner Cliff Williams and second by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER PURCHASE OF SERVICES FROM LOFTIN EQUIPMENT FOR INSTALLATION AND CONFIGURATION OF INTERFACE WITH KOHLER GENERATORS FOR ALARM SIGNALING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,253.95 TO BE PAID OUT OF ARPA INTEREST FUNDS. Motion to table by Judge Andy Reese and second by Commissioner Cliff Williams. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACCEPTANCE OF A CHECK FROM THE CITY OF FRUITVALE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,207.60 FOR PAYMENT OF MATERIALS PER INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT. Multiple culverts on Southside of City and rock to fix drainage issue. Motion to approve by Commissioner Mitch Curtis 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 DECEMBER 05, 2025 AND DECEMBER 17, 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 ACCEPTANCE OF NOVEMBER 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

- VZCR 2120 – FRONTIER SOUTHWEST

Commissioner Brandon Barton stated that he spoke with the District Clerk and she would be turning in her report. Motion to approve by Commissioner Cliff Williams and second by Commissioner Mitch Curtis. All voted in favor.

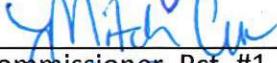
ADJOURNMENT. 9:52 A.M. Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Cliff Williams and second by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All voted in favor.

ATTEST:

Susan Strickland, County Clerk
Van Zandt County, Texas

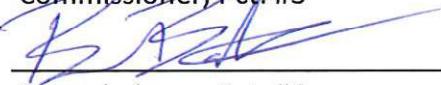
BY: Susan Strickland


County Judge


Commissioner, Pct. #1


Commissioner, Pct. #2


Commissioner, Pct. #3


Commissioner, Pct. #4