

**REGULAR SESSION OF THE
COMMISSIONERS COURT OF VAN ZANDT COUNTY
9:00 A.M., WEDNESDAY JUNE 3, 2026**

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. 9:02 A.M. Commissioner Mitch Curtis came in at 9:11 A.M.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS. Emily Bettinger received a 5-year pin and certificate. Estella Grisham received a 20-year pin and certificate.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY). None

Went to item Workshop #14 at 9:08 A.M. Closed Workshop at 10:13 A.M. 10 minute recess.

Back in session at 10:22 A.M. Resumed agenda at #4.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER PROCLAIMING JUNE 14, 2026 AS FLAG DAY AND THE WEEK STARTING JUNE 7, 2026 AS FLAG WEEK. Proclamation read by Judge Reese. Motion to approve by Commissioner Brandon Barton and second by Commissioner Cliff Williams. All voted in favor.

WORKSHOP – DISCUSS HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWAL PRESENTED BY TAC WELLNESS CONSULTANT MICHELLE GIFFORD, TAC EMPLOYEE BENEFITS SPECIALIST RASHAWN COLLINS AND D’ANN MILLER WITH HIBB’S HALLMARK. Started at 10:24 A.M. 8.5 % increase. Must be submitted by June 26, 2026. Closed at 10:40 A.M.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #3 FOR FACILITIES LOCATED AT 24630 ST HWY 64E SUITE A FOR USE BY THE TAX ASSESSOR/COLLECTOR AND FIRE MARSHAL. Lease will be in the amount of \$1,650.00 per month with additional \$100.00 per year renewal each year. Motion to approve by Commissioner Brandon Barton and second by Commissioner Cliff Williams. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF WINDY HILLS SUBDIVISION PLAT LOCATED ON VZCR 4607 IN PRECINCT 4. Motion to approve by Commissioner Brandon Barton and second by Commissioner Bobby Phillips. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FORMATION OF AND PARTICIPATION IN A SUB REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION WITH SMITH COUNTY PURSUANT TO TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE, CHAPTER 391. Smith County is not moving forward with 391 Commission. No action.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPOINTING TWO MEMBERS OF THE VAN ZANDT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT TO THE SUBREGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION WITH SMITH COUNTY PURSUANT TO TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE, CHAPTER 391.006. No action.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER RESOLUTION REGARDING A CONTRACT FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING A 2016 CAT RECLAIMER RM-500B , SERIAL #: MB900124. \$255,000.00 FULL COST. Motion to approve by Commissioner Bobby Phillips and second by Commissioner Mitch Curtis. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER A DOWN PAYMENT REGARDING A 2016 CAT RECLAIMER RM-500B , SERIAL #: MB900124. Motion to approve \$25,000.00 down payment with \$230,000.00 left to finance by Commissioner Bobby Phillips and second by Commissioner Mitch Curtis. 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 MAY 6, 2026 AND MAY 20, 2026.

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

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G.) DISCUSS AND CONSIDER THE RENEWAL OF THE BOND FOR CHIEF DEPUTY TREASURER, APRIL TAWATER, FOR \$5000 FOR THE TERM BEGINNING JUNE 8, 2026 AND ENDING JUNE 8, 2027.

H.) DISCUSS AND CONSIDER 30-DAY EXTENSION REQUEST FOR THE APPLICATION FOR FILING OF AUDIT REPORT FOR VAN ZANDT COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 2

Motion to approve by Commissioner Brandon Barton and second by Commissioner Bobby Phillips. All voted in favor.

WORKSHOP - DISCUSS CURRENT COUNTY PARTICIPATION IN THE CELEBRATION OF AMERICA'S 250TH BIRTHDAY WHICH WILL BE CELEBRATED ON JULY 4, 2026, MARKING THE 250TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SIGNING OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE IN 1776.

Started at 10:56 A.M. Discussed possibly having a resolution and/or possible ideas of partnering with the City of Canton. Closed at 10:58 A.M.

WORKSHOP – Discuss the creation of County Assistance District(s). Started at 9:08 A.M. Closed at 10:13 A.M. (10-minute recess)

CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 551.089 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE,

- (1) TO DELIBERATE SECURITY ASSESSMENTS OR DEPLOYMENTS RELATING TO INFORMATION RESOURCES TECHNOLOGY;**
- (2) NETWORK SECURITY INFORMATION AS DESCRIBED BY SECTION 2059.055(B); OR**
- (3) THE DEPLOYMENT, OR SPECIFIC OCCASIONS FOR IMPLEMENTATION, OF SECURITY PERSONNEL, CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE, OR SECURITY DEVICES. 10:58 A.M.**

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION TO CONSIDER ACTION, IF ANY, ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION 11:40 A.M.

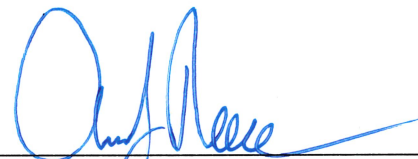
DISCUSS AND CONSIDER INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL COURTHOUSE SECURITY POLICY MEASURES. (No action).

ADJOURNMENT. 11:43 A.M. Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Cliff Williams and second by Commissioner Bobby Phillips. All voted in favor.


ATTEST:

Susan Strickland, County Clerk
Van Zandt County, Texas

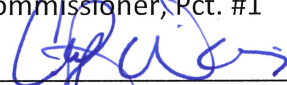
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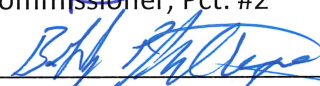
County Judge



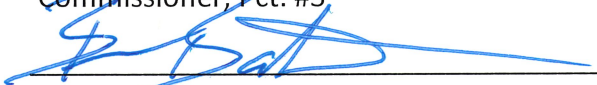
Commissioner, Pct. #1



Commissioner, Pct. #2



Commissioner, Pct. #3



Commissioner, Pct. #4