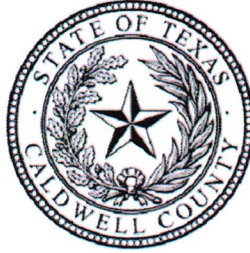


COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES
110 S Main St. 2nd Floor, Lockhart, Texas
Commissioners Court June 10, 2025, 9:00 AM



Hoppy Haden	County Judge	B.J. Westmoreland	Commissioner, Pct. 1
Teresa Rodriguez	County Clerk	Rusty Horne	Commissioner, Pct. 2
		Ed Theriot	Commissioner, Pct. 3
		Dyral Thomas	Commissioner, Pct. 4

A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Judge Haden called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Commissioner Westmoreland is not present.

B. INVOCATION

Pastor Laura Loretta Hardaway, Resurrection Life Church, opens the meeting in prayer.

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE U.S. AND TEXAS FLAGS:

(Texas Pledge: Honor the Texas Flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible.)

Judge Haden leads all present in the pledge to both flags.

D. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Items or comments from Court members or staff.

Commissioner Horne and Judge Haden invite all to the Chisholm Trail festival this weekend.

Commissioner Thomas announces that the Saint John Colony Juneteenth 2025 event is scheduled for Saturday, the 21st, at 189 Carter Road, and everyone is invited.

Ezzy Chan, Executive Assistant, states that 7 people are needed to complete Cyber Training.

E. CITIZENS' COMMENTS:

At this time any person may speak to Commissioners Court if they have filled out a Caldwell County Commissioners Court Participation Form. Comments will be limited to four (4) minutes per person. No action will be taken on these items and no discussion will be had between the speaker(s) and members of the Court. The Court does retain the right to correct factual inaccuracies made by the speakers. (If longer than 30 minutes, then the balance of comments will continue as the last agenda item of the day.) Citizens' Comments may be submitted to the Court by using the form found at: <http://www.co.caldwell.tx/us/page/caldwell.CommissionersCourtForm>

Andrew McClish, a resident of Prairie Lea, spoke during Commissioners Court to express ongoing concerns about unnecessary stop signs in his neighborhood and to address issues related to court rules and regulations.

Martha Joyce, Director of the Central Texas Dispute Resolution Center, invited everyone to a Murder Mystery dinner fundraiser on June 21st. Dinner will be prepared by Lilly's, and tickets are available on Eventbrite.

F. CONSENT AGENDA:

(The following consent items may be acted upon in one motion.)

- F.1.To approve payment of County Invoices and Purchase Orders in the amount of \$838,149.24.**
- F.2.To approve County Payroll payment in the amount of \$462,453.03 (05/18/2025 - 05/31/2025).**
- F.3.To approve County Payroll Tax payment in the amount of \$136,755.62 (05/18/2025 - 05/31/2025).**
- F.4.To accept April 2025 DMV Remittance in the amount of \$84,176.15.**
- F.5.To accept April 2025 Comptroller payment in the amount of \$134,301.18.**
- F.6.To accept the April 2025 Young Farmer's Fee payment to the Texas Agricultural Finance Authority totaling \$245.00.**
- F.7.To accept the May 2025 Indigent Burial Report.**
- F.8.To accept the required Budget Amendment notification from the CCAD.**
- F.9.To accept the Caldwell County ESD #3 Financial Report for FY ending September 30, 2024.**
- F.10To. accept the Caldwell County ESD #4 Financial Report for FY ending on April 30, 2025.**
- F.11To. accept the 2024 Form 990 from Delhi Volunteer Fire Department.**

Motion made by Commissioner Horne, seconded by Commissioner Thomas to Approve . All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

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6 10 2025 AP Payment Register.pdf
6 10 2025 AP Expense Approval Register.pdf
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DMV Remittance April 2025.pdf
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Comptroller April 2025.pdf
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Tx Agricultural Finance Authority Young Farmers April 2025.pdf
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May 2025 Indigent Burial Report.pdf
- F.8 To accept the required Budget Amendment notification from the CCAD. Caldwell County Appraisal District Resolution Proposing Budget Amendment.pdf
- F.9 To accept the Caldwell County ESD #3 Financial Report for FY ending September 30, 2024. ESD #3 Financial Report - FY Ending 9.30.24.pdf
- F.10 To accept the Caldwell County ESD #4 Financial Report for FY ending on April 30, 2025. ESD #4 Financial Report - FY Ending 4.30.25.pdf

F.11 To accept the 2024 Form 990 from Delhi Volunteer Fire Department.
Delhi VFD_Annual Return_Redacted.pdf

G. PRESENTATION:

G.1 2025 Caldwell County Safety Action Plan - Capital Area Metropolitan Planning
Organization (CAMPO) - Dena Snyder, SV Traffic

Dena Snyder with SB Traffic presented a slideshow and an overview of the Caldwell County Safety
Action Plan.

2025-06-10 Commissioners Court Presentation_DSnyder.pdf

I. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

I.1 To discuss and take possible action regarding the approval of the Minutes for the May 27, 2025,
regular meeting. Speaker: Judge Haden/Teresa Rodriguez; Backup: 8; Cost: \$0.00

5.27.25 Filed Agenda.pdf

5.27.25 Commissioners Court Minutes.pdf

Motion made by Commissioner Horne, seconded by Commissioner Theriot to Approve. All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

I.2 To discuss and take possible action regarding Resolution 20-2025 establishing the Road to Zero
goal and authorizing adoption of the Caldwell County Safety Action Plan. Speaker:
Commissioner Theriot/Richard Sitton/Amber Quinley; Backup: 116; Cost: \$0.00

Resolution 20-2025 read.

Resolution 20-2025.pdf

Caldwell_County_Safety_Action_Plan_2025-05-28.pdf

Motion made by Commissioner Theriot, seconded by Commissioner Thomas to Approve. All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

I.3 To discuss and take possible action regarding Caldwell County Environmental Protocol. Speaker:
Judge Haden/Maria Castanon; Backup: 16; Cost: \$0.00

5.22.25 Caldwell County Environmental Protocol.pdf

Motion made by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Horne to Approve. All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

I.5 To discuss and take possible action regarding the Final Plat for OCLR Acres consisting of
five residential lots on approximately 10.010 acres located on Old Colony Line Road and
FM 86. Speaker: Commissioner Horne/Kasi Miles; Backup: 2; Cost: \$0.00

Final Plat - OCLR Acres

Motion made by Commissioner Horne, seconded by Commissioner Theriot to Approve. All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

I.7 To discuss and take possible action regarding the Development Agreement for Riata Creek which is
anticipated to consist of 220 single-family lots on approximately 77.863 acres located off Farmers
Road. Speaker: Commissioner Theriot/Tracy Bratton/Richard Sitton/Kasi Miles; Backup: 19; Cost:
\$0.00

Motion made by Commissioner Theriot, seconded by Commissioner Thomas to Approve. All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

- I.10 To discuss and take possible action regarding a Caldwell County Burn Ban. Speaker: Judge Haden/Hector Rangel; Backup: 2; Cost: \$0.00

Hector Rangel, Chief EMC, recommends keeping the burn ban off.

Motion made by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Horne to Approve. All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

- I.11 To discuss and take possible action regarding a request for a 30-day extension for Caldwell County ESD #2 to finalize their financial audit, pursuant to Health and Safety code § 775.082(d). Speaker: Judge Haden; Backup: 1; Cost: \$0.00

ESD #2 Extension Request - Financial Report.pdf

Motion made by Commissioner Horne, seconded by Commissioner Thomas to Approve. All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

- I.12 To discuss and take possible action regarding a request for a 30-day extension for Caldwell County ESD #5 to finalize their financial audit, pursuant to Health and Safety code § 775.082(d). Speaker: Judge Haden; Backup: 1; Cost: \$0.00

ESD #5 Extension Request - Financial Report.pdf

Motion made by Commissioner Horne, seconded by Commissioner Thomas to Approve. All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

H. PUBLIC HEARING 9:30 A.M.:

Public Hearing opens at 9:30 a.m. and closes at 9:32 a.m.

- H.1 Regarding consideration for the Replat of Chamberlin Ranch, Lot 8 and Lot 9 located on Chamberlin Road in Caldwell County

Kasi Miles, Director of Sanitation, stated that the plat is ready but the fees have not been paid.

Judge Haden stated that the item will be brought up at the next court date, pending payment of the fees.

5.15.25 PH Notice - Chamberlin Ranch.pdf

5.22.25 PH Notice - Chamberlin Ranch.pdf

5.29.25 PH Notice - Chamberlin Ranch.pdf

Re-Plat of Chamberlin Ranch - Lot 8 & 9

- I.4 To discuss and take possible action regarding the First Amendment to the Development Agreement for Chisholm Hill LP now known as Blue Sky on approximately 932.461 acres located off Black Ankle Road and Boggy Creek Road. Speaker: Commissioner Westmoreland/Tracy Bratton/Richard Sitton/Kasi Miles; Backup: 15; Cost: \$0.00

Tracy Bratton, County Consulting Engineer, stated that the amendment includes a requirement to donate a site at no cost to Lockhart ISD.

BLUE SKY - DA FIRST Amendment (SIGNED).pdf

Motion made by Commissioner Horne, seconded by Commissioner Theriot to Approve. All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

- I.6 To discuss and take possible action in regard to the Caldwell County Development Ordinance 3.3.1(A)(7) to allow Doucet Engineer to grant an exemption approval for 980 Chalk Road in Harwood, Texas. The property consists of one-tract of approximately 5.00 acres (Lot 31-W) out of 171.055 acres. Speaker: Commissioner Horne/Tracy Bratton/Kasi Miles; Backup: 14; Cost: \$0.00 Exemption- Richard Burns Estate- Settlement

Motion made by Commissioner Horne, seconded by Commissioner Thomas to Approve. All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

- I.8 To discuss and take possible action regarding a Proclamation recognizing June 19, 2025, as Juneteenth, and commemorating the announcement of the abolition of slavery in Texas. Speaker: Commissioner Thomas; Backup: 1; Cost: \$0.00

Commissioner Thomas reads the Proclamation.

Proclamation - Juneteenth 2025.pdf

Motion made by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Theriot to Approve. All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

- I.9 To discuss and take possible action regarding the Rules of Procedure, Conduct, and Decorum for All Commissioners Court Meetings. Speaker: Judge Haden/Richard Sitton; Backup: 26; Cost: \$0.00

Ezzy Chan, Executive Assistant, stated that a recent ruling clarified the September 1st agenda filing period as three business days, not 72 hours.

Judge Haden recommended a motion to table item I.9.

AMENDED 1.24.23 Court Rules of Procedure Conduct and Decorum.pdf

DRAFT - 2025 Rules of Procedure, Conduct, and Decorum at Meetings of the Caldwell County Commissioners Court.pdf

Motion made by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Horne to postpone. All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

- I.13 To consider the Texas Association of Counties Health and Employee Benefits Pool (TAC HEBP) and determine the amount for county portions dependent coverage for FY 2025 - 2026. Speaker: Commissioner Westmoreland/Bob Bush; Backup: 13; Cost: \$0.00

TAC 2025-2026 Renewal Notice and Benefit Confirmation.pdf

Motion made by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Horne to Approve. All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

I.14 To discuss and take possible action on an Amendment to Resolution 19-2025 Authorizing Caldwell County to apply for the Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority (MVCPA) FY 2026 SB 224 Catalytic Converter Grant. Speaker: Judge Haden/Amber Quinley; Backup: 15; Cost: \$0.00

Amendment to Resolution 19-2025 read.
Amended Resolution 19-2025.pdf
Resolution 19-2025, SIGNED.pdf
MVCPA Grant Letter Caldwell County Constable PCT. 2.pdf
FY26_MVCPA_SB224_RFA_Posting.pdf

Motion made by Commissioner Horne, seconded by Commissioner Theriot to Approve. All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

I.15 To discuss and take possible action on approving the proposal between the County and Doucet - A Kleinfelder Company for the provision of revising and updating Caldwell County Subdivision Ordinance. Speaker: Judge Haden/Richard Sitton/Merari Gonzales; Backup: 14; Cost: \$0.00

Caldwell Development Regulations Proposal 2025-05-16- Final.pdf

Motion made by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Theriot to Approve. All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

I.16 To discuss and take possible action regarding Purchasing Department End of Year Purchasing memo. Speaker: Judge Haden/Merari Gonzales; Backup: 1; Cost: \$0.00

EOY Purchases FY 24-25 .pdf

Motion made by Commissioner Theriot, seconded by Commissioner Thomas to Approve. All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

J. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Executive Session began at 10:00 a.m. and closed at 11:14 a.m.

No action taken.

J.1 Discussion with legal counsel of Allison, Bass & Magee, L.L.P. regarding Texas Tribune, Mano Amiga, and Caldwell/Hays Examiner v. Caldwell County, Civil Action No. 1:23-CV-910; United States District Court, Western District of Texas, Austin Division and any potential action needed. [Executive Session is Attorney)].

Recess at 11:15 a.m. Court back in session at 11:41 a.m.

I.17 To discuss and take possible action regarding Order 07-2025 by the Commissioners Court of Caldwell County, Texas authorizing the issuance of "Caldwell County, Texas General Obligation Bonds, Series 2025"; levying an annual Ad Valorem Tax, within the limitations prescribed by law, for the payment of the bonds; and providing an effective date. Speaker: Judge Haden/Richard Sitton/Danie Teltow; Backup: 133; Cost: \$0.00

Commissioner Westmoreland is present.

Jennifer Ritter with Specialized Public Finance, as County Financial Advisor, and Stephanie Leibe with Norton Rose, acting as Bond Attorney, provides an overview of the 2025 Texas General Obligation Bonds.

Letter.pdf

1. Order 07-2025.pdf

1. Caldwell County General Obligation Bonds 2025 BPA 5-30-2025.pdf
2. Clerk Certificate.pdf
3. Paying Agent Registrar Agreement.pdf
4. General Certificate.pdf
5. Signature and No-Litigation Certificate.pdf
6. Certificate as to Official Statement.pdf
7. Certificate as to Tax Exemption.pdf
8. IRS Form 8038-G.pdf
9. Paying Agent Registrar Letter.pdf
10. Receipt.pdf
11. Initial Bond.pdf
12. Definitive Bonds.pdf

Motion made by Commissioner Theriot, seconded by Commissioner Thomas to Approve. All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

K. ADJOURNMENT:

Court adjourns at 11:41 a.m.

Motion made by Commissioner Horne, seconded by Commissioner Thomas to Adjourn. All voting "Aye."

MOTION APPROVED.

I, TERESA RODRIGUEZ, COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT, do hereby certify that the foregoing contains a true and accurate record of the proceedings held by the Caldwell County Commissioners' Court on June 10, 2025.



TERESA RODRIGUEZ, COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO
CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF CALDWELL
COUNTY, TEXAS.

