

**MINUTES OF THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT
MEETING
May 6, 2008**

STATE OF TEXAS)(

COUNTY OF WILLIAMSON)(

BE IT REMEMBERED that at 9:32 A.M. on TUESDAY, MAY 6, 2008, a
REGULAR SESSION of the Commissioners' Court of Williamson County, Texas,
was held with the following being present, to-wit:

Present: Dan A. Gattis, County Judge
Lisa Birkman, Commissioner Precinct 1
Cynthia Long, Commissioner Precinct 2
Valerie Covey, Commissioner Precinct 3
Ron Morrison, Commissioner Precinct 4
Nancy E. Rister, County Clerk
Attendees: Dale Rye, County Attorney General Counsel
Connie Singleton, Deputy County Clerk

1. Read and approve the minutes of the last meeting.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To approve the minutes of the last meeting.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis
Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman
Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

2. Consider noting in minutes any off right-of-way work on any County road done by Road & Bridge Unified System.

URS Road Administrator Greg Bergeron addressed the Court.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison ***Motion: To note in minutes off right-of-way work: CR 140 - Permission to enter the property of Leonard Wenzel for the purpose of clearing brush and debris out of channel. (Pct. 3 - EH)***
Also note Utility Requests for Precinct 2 - Colby Co., Inc. - Anderson Mill Road - Road cut for 6" water line.

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis
Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman
Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

3. **Hear County Auditor concerning invoices, bills, Quick Check Report, and Wire Transfers submitted for payment and take appropriate action including, but not limited to approval for payment provided said items are found by the County Auditor to be legal obligations of the County.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long ***Motion: To authorize the payment of bills totaling \$3,611,261.41 from computer printout, Addendum, Wire Transfer, Quick Check Report from the proper line items, if found by the County Auditor to be legal expenses as appropriated in the 2006-07 and 2007-08 County budgets.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

4. **Citizen comments.**

Greg Windham of Georgetown addressed the Court.

Parks Director Jim Rodgers introduced Susie Wiseman of Williamson County Native Plant Society of Texas.

CONSENT AGENDA

***The Consent Agenda includes routine items that the Court may act on with one single vote. The Judge or a Commissioner may pull any item from the Consent Agenda in order that the Court discuss and act upon it individually as part of the Regular Agenda.
(Items 5 - 14)***

5. **Discuss and consider approving a line item transfer for JP3.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

Motion: To approve a line item transfer for JP3:

From	0100-0453-004130	Court Appointed Attorneys	\$500.00
From	0100-0453-004210	Internet/EMail Service	\$400.00
From	0100-0453-004544	Repairs To Office Equipment	\$250.00
From	0100-0453-004999	Miscellaneous	\$400.00
To	0100-0453-003006	Office Equipment <\$5,000	\$1,550.00

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

6. **Discuss and consider approving a line item transfer for the Sheriff's Office.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

Motion: To approve a line item transfer for the Sheriff's Office:

From	0100-0560-004999	Miscellaneous	\$800.00
To	0100-0560-004231	Travel	\$800.00

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

7. Discuss and consider approving a line item transfer for JP 2.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

Motion: To approve a line item transfer for JP 2:

From	0100-0452-004500	Maintenance Contracts	\$2,650.00
To	0100-0452-004232	Training, Conferences, Seminars	\$2,650.00

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

8. Discuss and consider approving a line item transfer for Non-Departmental.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

Motion: To approve a line item transfer for Non-Departmental:

From	0100-0409-004100	Professional Services	\$2,202.20
To	0100-0409-003005	Office Furniture <\$5,000	\$2,202.20

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

9. Discuss and consider approving a line item transfer for Non-Departmental.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

Motion: To approve a line item transfer for Non-Departmental:

From	0100-0409-004999	Miscellaneous	\$306,953.00
To	0100-0409-004711	Tax Appraisal District	\$306,953.00

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

10. **Consider approving Justice of the Peace #4, April 2008, monthly report in compliance with Code of Criminal Procedure 103.005(b).**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison ***Motion: To approve Justice of the Peace #4, April 2008, monthly report in compliance with Code of Criminal Procedure 103.005(b).***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis
Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman
Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

11. **Consider and take appropriate action on authorizing the retirement of (1) vehicle and the transfer of various items from the Sheriff's Office through inter-office transfer to auction/donation. (Complete list filed with official minutes)**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison ***Motion: To authorize the retirement of (1) vehicle and the transfer of various items from the Sheriff's Office through inter-office transfer to auction/donation.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis
Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman
Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

12. **Consider approving the Tax Collection Agreement from the Williamson County Municipal Utility District (MUD) No. 15 and the County of Williamson, Texas.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison ***Motion: To approve the Tax Collection Agreement from the Williamson County Municipal Utility District (MUD) No. 15 and the County of Williamson, Texas.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis
Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman
Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

13. **Discuss and take appropriate action on agreement between Thrall Volunteer Fire Dept. and Williamson County.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison ***Motion: To approve agreement between Thrall Volunteer Fire Dept. and Williamson County.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis
Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

14. **Consider accepting donation from the Williamson County Native Plant Society of Texas in the amount of \$900 for tree and plant information signs at Berry Springs and Champion Park.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison ***Motion: To accept a donation from the Williamson County Native Plant Society of Texas in the amount of \$900 for tree and plant information signs at Berry Springs and Champion Park.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman
Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

REGULAR AGENDA

15. **Recognize Sheriff James Wilson and the Williamson County Jail on the receipt of the Certificate of Compliance from the Texas Commission on Jail Standards. The Certificate attests, signifies and demonstrates the department's dedication and professionalism in maintaining a safe, secure and sanitary facility.**

County Sheriff James R. Wilson recognized Assistant Chief Deputy of Corrections Richard Elliott, Sheriff's Chief Deputy Tony Marshall and Maintenance Supervisor Joe Latteo for their efforts to improve Jail standards.

Motion By: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman ***Motion: To recognize Sheriff James Wilson and the Williamson County Jail on the receipt of the Certificate of Compliance from the Texas Commission on Jail Standards.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman
Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

16. **Hear presentation regarding David Hollingsworth, a volunteer with the Williamson County Historical Commission, being named the Texas Historical Commission's George Christian Volunteer of the Year for 2007 by Bob Brinkman, Chairman of the Williamson County Historical Commission.**

Chairman of the Williamson County Historical Commission, Bob Brinkman recognized David Hollingsworth as the Texas Historical Commission's George Christian Volunteer of the Year for 2007.

17. **10:13 A.M.**

Conduct Public Hearing on changing the spelling of Atesia Bend to Artesia Bend in Vista Oaks Section 2A Phase 1.

No one addressed the Court.

10:14 A.M. Commissioners' Court was reconvened.

- 18. Consideration and action with respect to "Changing the spelling of Atesia Bend to Artesia Bend in Vista Oaks Section 2A Phase 1."**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman ***Motion: To approve changing the spelling of "Atesia Bend" to "Artesia Bend" in Vista Oaks Section 2A Phase 1.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis
Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman
Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

- 19. Hear May 2008 Monthly Construction Summary Report for Road Bond and Pass Through Financing Projects.**

Richard Ridings of HNTB addressed the Court.

- 20. Discuss and take appropriate action on road bond program.**

Richard Ridings of HNTB addressed the Court.

- 21. Discuss and consider approving URS Corporation Professional Service Agreement (PSA) for development of a Williamson County Travel Demand Model.**

Mike Weaver of Prime Strategies addressed the Court.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long ***Motion: To approve URS Corporation Professional Service Agreement (PSA) for development of a Williamson County Travel Demand Model.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis
Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman
Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

- 22. Discuss and consider approving Wilbur Smith Associates Supplemental #1 to their Professional Service Agreement (PSA).**

Mike Weaver of Prime Strategies addressed the Court.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To approve Wilbur Smith Associates Supplemental #1 to their Professional Service Agreement (PSA).***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman
Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

23. **Discuss and take appropriate action on TxDOT Advance Funding Agreement for Williamson County #0015-08-128 for I-35 NB Ftg: SH 29 south to north Blue Springs Boulevard for construction of frontage roads with braided ramps over San Gabriel River.**

Mike Weaver of Prime Strategies addressed the Court.

This item was removed from the Agenda.

24. **Discuss and take appropriate action on resolution for TxDOT Advance Funding Agreement Williamson County #0015-08-128 for I-35 NB Ftg: SH 29 south to north of Blue Springs Boulevard for the construction of frontage roads with braided ramps over San Gabriel River.**

Mike Weaver of Prime Strategies addressed the Court.

This item was removed from the Agenda.

25. **Discuss and consider granting approval of preliminary plat of Corn Hill Commercial, Pct. 3.**

County Engineer Joe England addressed the Court.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison ***Motion: To approve of preliminary plat of Corn Hill Commercial, Pct. 3.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

26. **Consider and take appropriate action on a resolution for a Multiple Use Agreement (MUA) with Texas Department of Transportation (TxDot) for the Brushy Creek Trail under Parmer Lane Bridge.**

Parks Director Jim Rodgers addressed the Court.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long ***Motion: To approve a resolution for a Multiple Use Agreement (MUA) with Texas Department of Transportation (TxDot) for the Brushy Creek Trail under Parmer Lane Bridge.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

27. **Discuss and take appropriate action on Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for Medical Examiner Services Between Travis County and Williamson County.**

Motion By: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long ***Motion: To approve Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for Medical Examiner Services Between Travis County and Williamson County.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

28. **Discuss and take appropriate action on Texas Electronic Framework Standard Service Level Agreement between BearingPoint, Inc. and Williamson County.**

Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 Dain Johnson addressed the Court.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To approve Texas Electronic Framework Standard Service Level Agreement between BearingPoint, Inc. and Williamson County.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

29. **Discuss and take appropriate action on lease renewal for County owned property at 306-B West 7th Street, Georgetown.**

Maintenance Supervisor Joe Latteo addressed the Court.

This item was removed from the Agenda.

30. **Discuss and take appropriate action on increasing a Vacant Operator position from a 18.3 to a 18.8 and to downgrade a Crew Member position from a 16.10 to a 16.1.**

URS Road Administrator Greg Bergeron addressed the Court.

Motion By: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman ***Motion: To approve increasing a Vacant Operator position from a 18.3 to a 18.8 and to downgrade a Crew Member position from a 16.10 to a 16.1.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

31. **Discuss and consider awarding bids received for Swift Water Rescue Boat for the Williamson County Sheriff's Office to the low bid meeting specifications; Fiber-Works Marine Service.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison ***Motion: To award Swift Water Rescue Boat for the Williamson County Sheriff's Office to the low bid meeting specifications; Fiber-Works Marine Service.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis
Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman
Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

32. **Consider authorizing advertising and setting date of May 28, 2008 at 2:00 P.M. in the Purchasing Department to receive responses to Request for Qualifications for the RE-CERTIFICATION OF ENGINEERING FIRMS FOR 2006 ROAD BOND PROGRAM.**

Mike Weaver of Prime Strategies addressed the Court.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To authorize advertising and set date of May 28, 2008 at 2:00 P.M. in the Purchasing Department to receive responses to Request for Qualifications for the RE-CERTIFICATION OF ENGINEERING FIRMS FOR 2006 ROAD BOND PROGRAM.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis
Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman
Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

33. **Consider authorizing advertising and setting closing date of June 11, 2008 at 4 P.M. CST for GovDeals Inc. to provide an online auction of County surplus property.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison ***Motion: To authorize advertising and set closing date of June 11, 2008 at 4 P.M. CST for GovDeals Inc. to provide an online auction of County surplus property.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis
Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman
Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

34. **To declare an emergency and a grave necessity due to unforeseeable circumstances and approving a budget amendment for the new Facilities Building.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

Motion: To declare an emergency and a grave necessity due to unforeseeable circumstances and approve a budget amendment for the new Facilities Building.

From/To	Acct No.	Description	Amount
	0100-0409-000777	Transfer to Projects	\$252,986.00

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis
Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

35. **Consider an order declaring an emergency and a grave necessity due to unforeseeable circumstances and approving a budget amendment for payment from Tax Office Discretionary Funds to be used in part-time personnel.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

Motion: To approve an order declaring an emergency and a grave necessity due to unforeseeable circumstances and approve a budget amendment for payment from Tax Office Discretionary Funds to be used in part-time personnel.

From/To	Acct No.	Description	Amount
	0100-0000-370516	3rd Party Reimbursement	\$35,502.00

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

36. **Consider an order declaring an emergency and a grave necessity due to unforeseeable circumstances and approving a budget amendment for payment from Tax Office Discretionary Funds to be used in part-time personnel.**

First Assistant County Auditor Julie Kiley addressed the Court.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

Motion: To approve an order declaring an emergency and a grave necessity due to unforeseeable circumstances and approve a budget amendment for payment from Tax Office Discretionary Funds to be used in part-time personnel.

From/To	Acct No.	Description	Amount
	0100-0499-001103	Part-time Salaries 30-40 hrs/wk	\$30,000.00
	0100-0499-002010	FICA	\$2,295.00
	0100-0499-002020	Retirement	\$3,207.00

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

COMMISSIONERS' COURT ADJOURNED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 10:44 A.M. ON TUESDAY, MAY 6, 2008.

37. **Discuss real esate (EXECUTIVE SESSION as per VTCA Govt. Code sec. 551.0721 deliberation regarding real property.)**

No action was taken in Executive Session.

38. **Discuss pending or contemplated litigation (EXECUTIVE SESSION as per VTCA Govt. Code sec. 551.071 consultation with attorney.)**

No action was taken in Executive Session.

39. **Discuss County Landfill (EXECUTIVE SESSION as per VTCA Govt. Code sec. 551.071 consultation with attorney.)**

No action was taken in Executive Session.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT RECONVENED FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 12:15 P.M. ON TUESDAY, MAY 6, 2008.

40. **Discuss and take appropriate action on real estate.**

No action was taken.

41. **Discuss and take appropriate action on pending or contemplated litigation.**

No action was taken.

42. **Discuss and take appropriate action on the County Landfill.**

No action was taken.

43. **Comments from Commissioners.**

No comments from Commissioners.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT ADJOURNED AT 12:15 P.M. ON TUESDAY, MAY 6, 2008.

THE FOREGOING MINUTES had at a Regular Session of Commissioners' Court of Williamson County, Texas, having been read are hereby approved this 13th day of May, 2008.

ATTEST: Nancy E. Rister, Clerk of County Court
Commissioners' Court, Williamson County, Texas

By: Connie Singleton, Deputy