

**MINUTES OF THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT  
MEETING  
AUGUST 12, 2008**

STATE OF TEXAS )(

COUNTY OF WILLIAMSON )(

BE IT REMEMBERED that at 9:30 A.M. on TUESDAY, AUGUST 12, 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  
Valerie Covey, Commissioner Precinct 3  
Ron Morrison, Commissioner Precinct 4  
Nancy E. Rister, County Clerk  
Absent: Cynthia Long, Commissioner Precinct 2  
Attendees: Hal Hawes, Assistant County Attorney  
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 3 Valerie Covey

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison ***Motion: To approve the minutes of the last meeting.***

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

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey Motion: To note in minutes Utility Request: Precinct 4: J. M. Utilities - Agarita @ Aster Way - Road cut for 6" water line.

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

Accounts Payable/Payroll Manager Donna McKittrick addressed the Court.

**Commissioner Birkman** abstained in regards to invoice for Gabriels Funeral Chapel. (Conflict of Interest Affidavit attached)

Motion By: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison ***Motion: To authorize the payment of bills totaling \$3,968,953.68 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 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

4. **Citizen comments.**

Pat Jones of Liberty Hill, Jose Orta representative of LULAC 4721, Liberty Hill citizen Jim Dillon, Greg Windham of Georgetown, Greg Douglass of Round Rock and Scott Supak of Georgetown addressed the Court.

**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 - 16)*

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

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

***Motion: To approve a line item transfer for Debt Service:***

From	0600-0600-006223	2007 Road Bond Prinicipal	\$1,030,000.00
From	0600-0600-006624	2007 Parks Interest	\$28,310.03
To	0600-0600-006623	2007 Unl Road Bonds Interest	\$1,058,310.01
To	0600-0600-006620	2006 Pass Through Toll - In	\$.02

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

6. **Discuss and consider approving a line item transfer for the County Attorney.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

***Motion: To approve a line item transfer for the County Attorney:***

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From	0100-0475-004999	Miscellaneous	\$600.00
To	0100-0475-003900	Membership Dues	\$600.00
From	0100-0475-003006	Office Equipment<\$5000	\$1,350.00
To	0100-0475-004621	Copier Rental and Supplies	\$1,350.00

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

**7. Discuss and consider approving a line item transfer for the County Attorney'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 County Attorney's Office:***

From	0100-0475-003005	Furniture<\$5000	\$500.00
To	0100-0475-004210	Internet/Email Service	\$500.00

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

**8. Discuss and consider approving a line item transfer for Emergency Operations Center.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman  
Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

***Motion: To approve a line item transfer for Emergency Operations Center:***

From	0100-0409-004999	Miscellaneous	\$107,788.95
To	0100-0583-005752	Communication Equipment > \$5000	\$107,788.95

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

**9. Discuss and take appropriate action on the approval of a line item transfer for URS.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman  
Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

***Motion: To approve a line item transfer for URS:***

From	0200-0210-003551	Base & Stabilizer	\$40,000.00
From	0200-0210-003556	Aggregate/Rock Materials	\$20,000.00
To	0200-0210-003544	Contract Hauling	\$60,000.00

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

10. Discuss and consider approving a line item transfer for the County Wide Records Management Fund.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**Motion: To approve a line item transfer for the County Wide Records Management Fund:**

From	0390-0390-004543	Repairs to Equipment	\$250.00
To	0390-0390-003301	Gasoline, Oil	\$250.00

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

11. Discuss and consider approving a line item transfer for the Juvenile Services Department.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**Motion: To approve a line item transfer for the Juvenile Services Department (with change of dollar amount on account # 0100-0576-002080 to \$330, 0100-0576-003105 to \$23, 0100-0576-003318 to \$330 and 0100-0576-003905 to \$23) :**

From:	0100-0576-001100	Full-time Salaries	\$35,000.00
From:	0100-0576-001101	Part-time Salaries 20-30 Hrs/wk	\$3,500.00
From:	0100-0576-002080	Random Drug Testing	\$330.00
From:	0100-0576-003105	Paper Supplies	\$23.00
To:	0100-0576-001110	Overtime	\$35,000.00
To:	0100-0576-001103	Part-time Salaries 30-40 Hrs/wk	\$3,500.00
To:	0100-0576-003318	Janitorial Supplies	\$330.00
To:	0100-0576-003905	Bottled Water	\$23.00

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

12. Discuss and consider line item transfer for EMS.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**Motion: To approve a line item transfer for EMS:**

From	0100-0540-001101	Part-time Salaries 20-30 Hrs/wk	\$1,250.00
To	0100-0540-001102	Part-time Salaries <20 Hrs/wk	\$1,250.00

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

13. 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	0100-0560-005700	Vehicles>\$5000	\$4,000.00
To	0100-0560-003003	Radio Equipment <\$5000	\$4,000.00

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

14. **Consider approving Justice of the Peace #4, July 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, July 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 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

15. **Consider approving request by the Cedar Park High School Band Booster Club to hold a band Marchathon on August 16th from 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. throughout Cedar Park neighborhoods.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison ***Motion: To approve request by the Cedar Park High School Band Booster Club to hold a band Marchathon on August 16th from 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. throughout Cedar Park neighborhoods.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

16. **Consider and take appropriate action on authorizing the retirement of vehicles and the transfer of an item from Williamson County Jail 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 vehicles and the transfer of an item from Williamson County Jail to auction/donation.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

17. **Acknowledge the County Purchasing Department for receiving the Achievement of Excellence in Procurement Award for 2008. (Williamson County has received the award for nine consecutive years and is one of only eight counties in Texas to receive the National Award.)**

Purchasing Director Bob Space acknowledged Patrick Strittmatter from Purchasing for his excellent work in professional services.

Motion By: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To acknowledge and congratulate the County Purchasing Department for receiving the Achievement of Excellence in Procurement Award for 2008.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**18. Discuss and take appropriate action on the appointment of Tina Geiselbrecht to ESD #7.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman ***Motion: To approve the appointment of Tina Geiselbrecht to ESD #7.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**19. Discuss and take appropriate action on road bond program.**

Richard Ridings of HNTB introduced new Project Managers James Klotz and Laura Harris.

**20. Discuss and consider approving Road Bond Re-Certification review team recommendations for pre-qualification (RFQ #08WCRFQ804).**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To approve Road Bond Re-Certification review team recommendations for pre-qualification (RFQ #08WCRFQ804).***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**21. Discuss and consider approving TCB, Inc. Supplemental #2 to their Ronald Reagan Blvd. South, Phase 2 Professional Service Agreement (PSA).**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman ***Motion: To approve TCB, Inc. Supplemental #2 to their Ronald Reagan Blvd. South, Phase 2 Professional Service Agreement (PSA).***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**22. 10:19 Continue Public Hearing on revised Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance.**

**10:44 Public Hearing closed.**

Director of Environmental Services Paulo Pinto, General Counsel Dale Rye, Liberty Hill citizen Jim Dillon and Dr. Orlynn Evans of Hutto addressed the Court.

**23. Discuss and take appropriate action on Williamson County revised Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison ***Motion: To approve Williamson County revised Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**24. Discuss and consider Interlocal Agreement with North Austin Municipal Utility District No. 1 regarding the Rattan Creek Hike and Bike Trail.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison ***Motion: To approve Interlocal Agreement with North Austin Municipal Utility District No. 1 regarding the Rattan Creek Hike and Bike Trail.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**25. Discuss and take appropriate action on Change Order request for Steven William Carothers Association (SWCA) Work Authorization No. 1.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To approve Change Order request for SWCA Work Authorization No. 1.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**26. Discuss and take appropriate action on County Tax Rate, including but not limited to taking a record vote on proposed tax rate and setting dates for public hearings. (1st Public Hearing 8/15/08 8:30 A.M. and 2nd Public Hearing 8/19/08 at 10:00 A.M.)**

County Auditor David Flores, and Chief Deputy Tax Assessor/Collector Joe Pondrom addressed the Court.

Motion By: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman ***Motion: To approve County Tax Rate of .468324 (General Fund - .271291, Road & Bridge - .028899, Debt Service - .168134).***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**27. Discuss and take appropriate action concerning Sick Leave Pool Policy.**

Associate Director of Human Resources Lisa Zirkle addressed the Court.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman ***Motion: To remove from the table.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**28. Discuss and take appropriate action on request for an official declaration or resolution of support for the City of Cedar Park's Quiet Zone application.**

Executive Assistant to Commissioner of Precinct 2 Kathy Grimes, Transportation Planner for the City of Cedar Park, Tom Gdala and General Counsel Dale Rye addressed the Court.

Motion By: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman ***Motion: To approve official declaration or resolution of support for the City of Cedar Park's Quiet Zone application.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**29. Discuss and take appropriate action on the Interlocal Agreement for the use of Emergency Services equipment by the Williamson County Emergency Services District No. 4.**

First Assistant County Auditor Julie Kiley addressed the Court.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To approve the Interlocal Agreement for the use of Emergency Services equipment by the Williamson County Emergency Services District No. 4.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**30. Discuss and take appropriate action on Interlocal Agreement for the use of Emergency Services equipment by the City of Granger, Texas.**

First Assistant County Auditor Julie Kiley addressed the Court.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To approve Interlocal Agreement for the use of Emergency Services equipment by the City of Granger, Texas.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis



Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman  
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey  
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**31. Discuss and take action in regards to the appointment of Laura Wiess to the Williamson County Audit Committee.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman ***Motion: To approve the appointment of Laura Wiess, CFO of St. David's Hospital in Georgetown to the Williamson County Audit Committee.***

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

**32. Discuss 2008-2009 County Budget.**

Budget Manager Ashlie Koenig, Director of Human Resources John Willingham, County Auditor David Flores, Director of Facilities Joe Latteo, Public Information Officer Connie Watson, First Assistant County Auditor Julie Kiley and Treasurer Vivian Wood addressed the Court.

**33. Discuss and take appropriate action on the contract renewal amendment with the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS).**

Regional Budget Analyst for DFPS, Stephen Borrego, General Counsel Dale Rye and 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 the contract renewal amendment with the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS).***

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

**34. Discuss and take appropriate action on one time adjustment to the Budget Order policy concerning overnight hotel accommodations for an employee of the Treasurer's Office.**

Treasurer Vivian Wood addressed the Court.

Motion By: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison ***Motion: To approve one time adjustment to the Budget Order policy concerning overnight hotel accommodations for an employee of the Treasurer's Office.***

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

**35. Hear a brief presentation on the County's Pictometry project.**

GIS Coordinator/Analyst Richard Semple addressed the Court.

**36. Discuss and take appropriate action on the Pictometry interlocal agreement with WCAD.**

GIS Coordinator/Analyst Richard Semple addressed the Court.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To approve the Pictometry interlocal agreement with WCAD.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**37. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding space for District Office for State Representative.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To approve space for District Office for State Representative.***

Aye: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

Other: County Judge Dan A. Gattis (Abstain)

**38. Consider awarding Ergon Asphalt as secondary vendor for Asphalt Emulsions Bid.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To award Ergon Asphalt as secondary vendor for Asphalt Emulsions Bid.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**39. Consider rejecting bids received for Aggregate on items one through six.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To approve rejecting bids received for Aggregate on items one through six.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**40. Consider authorizing advertising and setting date of September 3, 2008 at 3:00 P.M. in the Purchasing Department to receive bids for Aggregate.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To authorize advertising and set date of September 3, 2008 at 3:00 P.M. in the Purchasing Department to receive bids for Aggregate.***

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

41. **Consider authorizing advertising and setting date of September 3, 2008 at 2:00 P.M. in the Purchasing Department to receive proposals for Short Term Disability, Cobra and Flex Account Spending.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To authorize advertising and set date of September 3, 2008 at 2:00 P.M. in the Purchasing Department to receive proposals for Short Term Disability, Cobra and Flex Account Spending.***

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

42. **Consider authorizing price increase to Wilson Culvert for contract, Culverts - Corrugated Metal.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To authorize price increase to Wilson Culvert for contract, Culverts - Corrugated Metal.***

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

43. **Consider an order declaring an emergency and a grave necessity due to unforeseeable circumstances and approve a budget amendment to acknowledge use of Park Donations.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To approve an order declaring an emergency and a grave necessity due to unforeseeable circumstances and approve a budget amendment to acknowledge use of Park Donations:***

<b><i>From/To</i></b>	<b><i>Acct No.</i></b>	<b><i>Description</i></b>	<b><i>Amount</i></b>
	<b><i>0100-0510-003670</i></b>	<b><i>Donations</i></b>	<b><i>\$100.00</i></b>

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

44. **Consider an order declaring an emergency and a grave necessity due to unforeseeable circumstances and approve a budget amendment for Park Donations.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

***Motion: To approve an order declaring an emergency and a grave necessity due to unforeseeable circumstances and approve a budget amendment for Park Donations:***

From/To	Acct No.	Description	Amount
	0100-0000-367403	Park Donations	\$100.00

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

**COMMISSIONERS' COURT ADJOURNED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 12:53 P.M. ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2008.**

45. Discuss real estate (EXECUTIVE SESSION as per VTCA Govt. Code sec. 551.0721 deliberation regarding real property.)

No action was taken in Executive Session.

46. 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.

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

No action was taken in Executive Session.

48. Deliberation regarding economic development negotiations (EXECUTIVE SESSION as per VTCA Govt. Code sec. 551.087 deliberation regarding economic development negotiations.)

No action was taken in Executive Session.

**COMMISSIONERS' COURT RECONVENED FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 1:40 P.M. ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2008.**

49. Discuss and take appropriate action on real estate.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman ***Motion: To authorize County Judge to execute a contract with Richardson for acquiring 5.33 acres (parcel 24) for Phase 3 of the Chandler Road Project.***

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

50. Discuss and take appropriate action on pending or contemplated litigation.

No action was taken.

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

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

Second By: County Judge Dan A. Gattis ***Motion: To instruct our attorneys to begin negotiations with Waste Management on a new Landfill Contract.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**52. Discuss and take appropriate action concerning deliberation regarding economic development negotiations.**

No action was taken.

**53. Comments from Commissioners.**

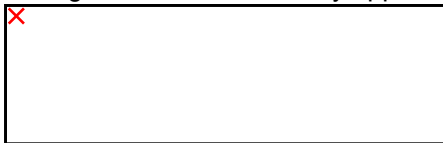
**Judge Gattis** commended the Fire Departments in Williamson, Travis and Bell County, our Fleet Group, Communications, Fish and Wildlife, Fort Hood, Sheriff's office, and Constables office who were involved in fighting the fire at Florence this last week.

**Commissioner Birkman** said she discovered she is a distant relative to the Williams family who owns land involved in the purchase of land for the park land south of Hwy 29. Because of this she is going to recuse herself in the discussions and votes on the park land.

**Judge Gattis** said that in regards to the Item 51 motion for Landfill contract negotiations he requested that in the spirit of fair negotiations, the Commissioners and staff should refrain from any open comments on the contract itself while the contract is in negotiations.

**COMMISSIONERS' COURT ADJOURNED AT 1:49 P.M. ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2008.**

THE FOREGOING MINUTES had at a Regular Session of Commissioners' Court of Williamson County, Texas, having been read are hereby approved this 19th day of August, 2008.



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

By: Connie Singleton, Deputy