

**MINUTES OF THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT  
MEETING  
JUNE 2, 2009**

STATE OF TEXAS )(

COUNTY OF WILLIAMSON )(

**BE IT REMEMBERED** that at 9:44 A.M. on TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2009, 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. Review and approval of minutes.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey  
Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison ***Motion: To approve 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.**

County Engineer Joe England addressed the Court.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison  
Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To note in the minutes off right-of-way work:  
CR 420, CR 414 - Permission to enter property of Norman Johnson to perform repair to washed out ditch and to reshape ditches. Pct #4 - A.S.***

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.**

Donna Baker Accounts Payable/Payroll Manager addressed the Court.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison ***Motion: To authorize the payment of bills totaling \$2,892,098.20 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 County budget.***

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.**

There were no citizens comments.

#### **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 - 11)

5. **Discuss and consider approving a line item transfer for JP #1.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

***Motion: To approve a line item transfer for JP #1:***

From	0100-0409-004100	Professional Svcs	\$40,000.00	
To	0100-0451-004190	Autopsies/Med Inquests	\$40,000.00	

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 26th District Court.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

***Motion: To approve a line item transfer for the 26th District Court with change of account # 0100-0436-004999 from \$400.00 to \$337.26 and adding account # 0100-0436-004544 Equipment Repair \$62.74:***

From	0100-0436-004999	Miscellaneous	\$337.26	
From	0100-0436-004544	Equipment Repair	\$62.74	

To:	0100-0436-004231	Travel	\$400.00
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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. Consider and take appropriate action on authorizing the transfer of various items including vehicles to auction/donation/destruction. (Complete list filed with official minutes)**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman ***Motion: To authorize the transfer of various items including vehicles to auction/donation/destruction.***

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. Consider approving the investment report for April 2009 which was approved by the investment committee on May 20, 2009.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman ***Motion: To approve the investment report for April 2009 which was approved by the investment committee on May 20, 2009.***

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 two (2) month road closure and detour at 1800 CR 109, Pct. #4.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman ***Motion: To approve a two (2) month road closure and detour at 1800 CR 109, Pct. #4.***

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. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding agreement between Emergency Services District #3, Hutto, TX and Williamson County.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman ***Motion: To approve an agreement between Emergency Services District #3, Hutto, TX 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

11. **Discuss and take appropriate action regarding ESD #3 Hutto's request for 30 day extension from June 1st deadline to file annual audit.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman ***Motion: To approve ESD #3 Hutto's request for 30 day extension from June 1st deadline to file annual audit.***

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**

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

Richard Ridings of HNTB and Mike Weaver of Prime Strategies addressed the Court.

No action was taken.

13. **Cancel public hearing for Long Range Transportation Plan on June 4, 2009 at 6:30 P.M. and reschedule.**

Public Information Officer Connie Watson addressed the Court.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To cancel the scheduled public hearing for Long Range Transportation Plan on June 4, 2009 at 6:30 P.M. and reschedule for Monday, June 29th at 6:30 P.M. at the County Courthouse on the square, 2nd floor Commissioners' Court room.***

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. **Hear presentation from Ivonne Espada-Simeon, US Census Bureau regarding County Participation Program and Overview of 2010 Census.**

No action was taken.

15. **Discuss and consider approving the FY 2010 Family Preservation Resolution.**

Executive Director of Juvenile Services Charly Skaggs addressed the Court.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman ***Motion: To approve the FY 2010 Family Preservation Resolution.***

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. **Discuss and take action on contract amendment on Memorandum of Understanding with Williamson County school districts in regard to the Juvenile Justice Alternative Education Program.**

Executive Director of Juvenile Services Charly Skaggs addressed the Court.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To approve contract amendment on Memorandum of Understanding with Williamson County school districts in regard to the Juvenile Justice Alternative Education 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

17. **Discuss and take action regarding the Jester Williamson County Annex and the Public Safety Building in Round Rock and other matters related thereto.**

No action was taken.

18. **Discuss and take appropriate action on renewal agreement with the Texas Workforce Commission for Precinct Two Constable.**

Constable Precinct 2 Dale Vannoy addressed the Court.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman ***Motion: To approve renewal agreement with the Texas Workforce Commission for Precinct Two Constable.***

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. **Discuss and take appropriate action on terminating the Third Party Administration and Utilization Management Services Agreement with Covenant Management Systems, LP (Mediview).**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long ***Motion: To approve terminating the Third Party Administration and Utilization Management Services Agreement with Covenant Management Systems, LP (Mediview).***

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

20. **Discuss and take appropriate action on allocating \$250,000 of FY2008 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for the City of Jarrell Water Project to help pay for engineering and infrastructure costs.**

Grants Coordinator Sally Bardwell addressed the Court.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman ***Motion: To approve allocating \$250,000 of FY2008 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for the City of Jarrell Water Project to help pay for engineering and infrastructure costs.***

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

21. **Discuss and take action on appointing Ashley Reeves to ESD #5. Ashley Reeves will be replacing Scott Kreller whose term expires November 17, 2010.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second By: County Judge Dan A. Gattis ***Motion: To approve the appointment of Ashley Reeves to ESD #5.***

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. **Consider authorizing advertising and setting date of July 9, 2009 at 2:00 P.M. in the Purchasing Department to receive RFQ responses for professional architectural/engineering design services for the Williamson County Emergency Services Operations Center project, RFQ# 09WCRFQ907.**

Emergency Operations Director John Sneed and Maintenance Supervisor Joe Latteo addressed the Court.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison ***Motion: To authorize advertising and set date of July 9, 2009 at 2:00 P.M. in the Purchasing Department to receive RFQ responses for professional architectural/engineering design services for the Williamson County Emergency Services Operations Center project, RFQ# 09WCRFQ907.***

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. **Consider awarding contract to RVi Planning and Landscape Architecture and Graphic Design for landscape architectural services for Southwest Regional Park water play area, RFQ# 09WCRFQ905.**

Parks Director Jim Rodgers addressed the Court.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman ***Motion: To award contract to RVi Planning and Landscape Architecture and Graphic Design for landscape architectural services for Southwest Regional Park water play area, RFQ# 09WCRFQ905 with the new contract amount of \$200,000.***

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

24. **Consider declaring an emergency and approving a budget amendment to acknowledge additional expenditures for the Health District.**

Assistant Director of Williamson County and Cities Health District Bride Roberts addressed the Court.

Motion By: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

***Motion: To declare an emergency and approve a budget amendment to acknowledge additional expenditures for the Health District:***

From/To	Acct No.	Description	Amount
	0100-0630-004905	Hlth Dist/Pymt to Indigents	\$1,600,000.00
	0100-0630-000346	Hlth Dist/Tsfr to Medicaid UPL	\$100,000.00

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

25. **Discuss and take appropriate action regarding current pending legislation.**

No action was taken.

**COMMISSIONERS' COURT ADJOURNED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 11:00 A.M. ON TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2009.**

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

No action taken in Executive Session.

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

No action taken in Executive Session.

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

No action taken in Executive Session.

29. **Discuss personnel issues (EXECUTIVE SESSION as per VTCA Govt. Code sec. 551.074 matters concerning personnel.)**

No action taken in Executive Session.

## **COMMISSIONERS' COURT RECONVENED FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 12:44 P.M. ON TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2009.**

30. **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 the County Judge to execute a contract for right-of-way for Chandler Road Section 3B, for the Wolbrueck tract #37 in the amount of \$225,000.***

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 take appropriate action on pending or contemplated litigation.**

No action was taken.

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

No action was taken.

33. **Discuss and take appropriate action concerning personnel matters.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Second By: County Judge Dan A. Gattis ***Motion: To redefine an existing position for a Director of Infrastructure and instruct HR to post it today.***

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. Comments from Commissioners.**

There were no comments.

**COMMISSIONERS' COURT ADJOURNED AT 12:48 P.M. ON TUESDAY,  
JUNE 2, 2009.**

THE FOREGOING MINUTES had at a Regular Session of Commissioners' Court of Williamson County, Texas, having been read are hereby approved this 9th day of June, 2009.



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

By: Connie Singleton, Deputy