

**MINUTES OF THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT  
MEETING  
MAY 4, 2010**

STATE OF TEXAS )(

COUNTY OF WILLIAMSON )(

**BE IT REMEMBERED** that at 9:38 A.M. on TUESDAY, MAY 4, 2010, 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: Henry Prejean, Civil Chief  
Connie Singleton, Deputy County Clerk

**1. Review and approval of minutes.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

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

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.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***To note in minutes the following Right-of-Way Use:***

***Pct #4 - CR 398 property owners: Gwen Ericson, Randall Bohls, Billy Turner Jr. - Replace culvert pipes and clean out drainage channel, remove brush and debris.***

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 3 Valerie Covey

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman ***Motion: To authorize the payment of bills totaling \$3,454,926.55 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.**

The following addressed the Court:

Jerry Tidwell of Weir

Tax Assessor and Collector Deborah Hunt introduced thr new Chief Deputy for Tax Accessor/Collector, Larry Gaddes.

**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 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	Non Dept/Professional Svcs	\$129,698.00	
To	0100-0409-002070	Non Dept/Group Ins-Retirees	\$129,698.00	

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 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:***

To:	0100-0475-004231	Travel	\$1,000.00	
From:	0100-0475-004350	Printed Materials/Binding	\$1,000.00	

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

**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:***

To:	0100-0475-004541	Vehicle Repairs/Maintenance	\$1,000.00	
From:	0100-0475-004350	Printed Materials/Binding	\$1,000.00	

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

**8. Discuss and consider approving a line item transfer for Haz-Mat.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

***Motion: To approve a line item transfer for Haz-Mat:***

From:	0100-0542-004999	Miscellaneous	\$6,000.00	
To:	0100-0542-004541	Vehicle Repair/Maintenance	\$6,000.00	

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

**9. Discuss and consider approving a line item transfer for All County Courts at Law.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

***Motion: To approve a line item transfer for All County Courts at Law:***

From:	0100-0409-004998	Non Dept/Contingencies	\$4,755.00	
To:	0100-0425-004100	All County Courts/Professional Svcs	\$4,755.00	

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. To 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	0200-0210-003010	Computer Equipment<\$5000	\$4,620.00	
To	0200-0210-005751	Office Equipment >\$5000	\$4,620.00	

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

**11. Discuss and consider approving 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	0200-0210-005711	Heavy Equipment > \$5000	\$38,000.00	
To	0200-0210-002070	Group Ins/Retirees	\$38,000.00	

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

**12. Consider various road and lane closures on May 16, 2010 from 7:00 A.M. until 10:30 A.M. for ARC Daisy 5K.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison ***Motion: To approve road and lane closures on May 16, 2010 from 7:00 A.M. until 10:30 A.M. for ARC Daisy 5K.***

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. Consider and take appropriate action on authorizing the transfer of various items through inter-office transfer to County departments and/or auction/donation/destruction. (Complete list filed with official minutes)**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison ***Motion: To authorize the transfer of various items through inter-office transfer to County departments and/or auction/donation/destruction.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

**14. Discuss and consider final plat approval for Batten Subdivision, Pct. #3.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison ***Motion: To approve the final plat for Batten Subdivision, 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

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

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

No action was taken.

**16. Discuss and consider approving URS Corporation Supplemental #1 to Travel Demand Model Professional Service Agreement (PSA).**

This item was removed from the Agenda.

**17. Consider approving Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$39,057.66 for US 183, a Pass Through Financing Project in Precinct 2.**

Senior Director of Infrastructure Bob Daigh addressed the Court.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Moton: To approve Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$39,057.66 for US 183, a Pass Through Financing Project in Precinct 2.***

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

**18. Consider a resolution determining the necessity and authorizing the condemnation of certain property interests required for the construction of US 183 and take appropriate action. (Land Partnership No. 1)**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To approve a resolution determining the necessity and authorize the condemnation of certain property interests required for the construction of US 183. (Land Partnership No. 1)***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

19. **Consider authorizing budget transfer request of 2001 Road Bond monies per Mike Weaver, Road Bond Manager recommendation: transfer \$450,000.00 from P92 (Non Departmental Unallocated Interest) to P149 (SH 195).**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To authorize budget transfer request of 2001 Road Bond monies per Mike Weaver, Road Bond Manager recommendation: transfer \$450,000.00 from P92 (Non Departmental Unallocated Interest) to P149 (SH 195).***

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 consider approving the contracts for purchase of easements for The Highlands at Mayfield Ranch in the Southwest Regional Park.**

Senior Director of Parks & Recreation Jim Rodgers addressed the Court.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To approve the contracts for purchase of easements for The Highlands at Mayfield Ranch in the Southwest Regional 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

21. **Discuss and take appropriate action regarding the appointment of Kerry Russell to serve as Williamson County's representative on the WCCHD board.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman ***Motion: To approve the appointment of Kerry Russell to serve as Williamson County's representative on the Williamson County and Cities Health District (WCCHD) board.***

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 take appropriate action regarding the appointment of Mickie Ross as a member of the Williamson County Historic Commission.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman ***Motion: To approve the appointment of Mickie Ross as a member of the Williamson County Historic Commission.***

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. COMMISSIONERS' COURT RECESSED TO PUBLIC HEARING AT 10:00 A.M.**

Hold a public hearing to change the street name San Gabriel Circle in Durham Park, Liberty Hill to Birdsong Cove.

**COMMISSIONERS' COURT RECONVENED FROM PUBLIC HEARING AT 10:01 A.M.**

**24. Discuss and take appropriate action to change the street name San Gabriel Circle in Durham Park, Liberty Hill to Birdsong Cove.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To approve the name change of San Gabriel Circle in Durham Park, Liberty Hill to Birdsong Cove.***

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 an agreement between Williamson County and the Third Administrative Judicial Region for payroll accounting and internal audit services.**

This item was removed from the Agenda.

**26. Consider approval of conversion of six County Jail Administrative Technician positions to Corrections Officers.**

County Sheriff James R. Wilson addressed the Court.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To approve the conversion of six County Jail Administrative Technician positions to Corrections Officers as required by the State 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

**27. Consider awarding bids received for Bid # 10WC806, Hazardous Materials Response Unit Trailer, to the lowest and best bidder meeting specifications- R.A. Adams Enterprises, Inc.**

This item was removed from the Agenda.

28. Consider authorizing advertising and setting date of May 25, 2010 at 3:00 P.M. in the Purchasing Department to receive bids for road construction project, CR 313 East, Phase II, bid number 10WC814.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey **Motion: To authorize advertising and set date of May 25, 2010 at 3:00 P.M. in the Purchasing Department to receive bids for road construction project, CR 313 East, Phase II, bid number 10WC814.**

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. Consider declaring an emergency and approving a budget amendment to acknowledge additional expenditures for JP #1.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

**Motion: To declare an emergency and approve a budget amendment to acknowledge additional expenditures for JP #1:**

From/To	Acct No.	Description	Amount	
	0100-0451-004430	JP1\ Utilities	\$3,000.00	

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

30. Consider declaring an emergency and approving a budget amendment to acknowledge additional expenditures for JP #1.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

**Motion: To declare an emergency and approve a budget amendment to acknowledge additional expenditures for JP #1:**

From/To	Acct No.	Description	Amount	
	0100-0000-362021	JP1\Transaction Fee	\$3,000.00	

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

31. Consider an order declaring an emergency and a grave necessity due to unforeseeable circumstances and approve a budget amendment for the Round Rock Annex Grand Opening 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 the Round Rock Annex Grand Opening donations:***

From/To	Acct No.	Description	Amount	
	0100-0000-367400	Donations	\$100.00	

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

32. Consider an order declaring an emergency and a grave necessity due to unforeseeable circumstances and approve a budget amendment to acknowledge use of the Round Rock Annex Grand Opening 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 the Round Rock Annex Grand Opening donations:***

From/To	Acct No.	Description	Amount	
	0100-0211-003670	Use of Donations	\$100.00	

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 RECESSED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 10:03 A.M. ON TUESDAY, MAY 4, 2010.**

33. Discuss real estate matters (EXECUTIVE SESSION as per VTCA Govt. Code sec. 551.0721 Deliberation Regarding Real Estate Property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the governmental body in negotiations with third person).

1. Proposed or potential purchase or lease of property by the County:

- a) Discuss proposed acquisition of property for right-of-way for RM 2338 Phase II.
- b) Discuss proposed acquisition of property for right-of-way for SH 195 0.805 south of Bell County Line to IH 35.
- c) Discuss proposed acquisition of property for right-of-way for US 183 Extension from 1,000 feet south of San Gabriel to 1,000 feet north of SH 29.
- d) Discuss proposed acquisition of property for right-of-way for O'Connor Boulevard and 620 project.
- e) Discuss proposed acquisition of property for right-of-way for Ronald Reagan Blvd. Phase III and Phase IV.

- f) Discuss proposed acquisition of property for proposed SH 29 project.
- g) Discuss proposed acquisition of property for right-of-way on Haybarn Lane.
- h) Discuss proposed acquisition of property for right-of-way on CR 274/San Gabriel Parkway.
- i) Discuss proposed acquisition of property for right-of-way along Lakeline extension.
- j) Discuss proposed acquisition of property for right-of-way along Great Oaks extension.
- k) Discuss proposed acquisition of property for right-of-way along SW By-Pass.
- l) Discuss proposed acquisition of property for right-of-way along Pearson and Neenah.

No action was taken in Executive Session.

## **COMMISSIONERS' COURT RECONVENED FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 10:52 A.M. ON TUESDAY, MAY 4, 2010.**

34. Discuss and take appropriate action on real estate.

No action was taken.

35. Comments from Commissioners.

**Commissioner Birkman** noted that she has moved into her new office and has new business cards available.

**Commissioner Covey** said she and **Commissioners Birkman and Long** participated last Saturday with Habitat for Humanity.

## **COMMISSIONERS' COURT ADJOURNED AT 10:52 A.M. ON TUESDAY, MAY 4, 2010.**

THE FOREGOING MINUTES had at a Regular Session of Commissioners' Court of Williamson County, Texas, having been read are hereby approved this 11th day of May, 2010.



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

By: Connie Singleton, Deputy