



**MINUTES OF THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING
SEPTEMBER 8, 2015**

STATE OF TEXAS)(
COUNTY OF WILLIAMSON)(

BE IT REMEMBERED that at 9:40 A.M. on **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2015**, a **REGULAR SESSION** of the **Commissioners' Court of Williamson County, Texas**, was held with the following being present, to-wit:

Present: 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
County Clerk Nancy E. Rister

Others Present: Hal C. Hawes, General Counsel to Williamson County Commissioners' Court
Stan O. Springerley, Assistant General Counsel to Williamson County Commissioners' Court
Carolyn Deibler, 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 September 1, 2015 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 Division.

No action was taken on this item.

3. Hear County Auditor concerning invoices, bills, Quick Check Report, wire transfers and electronic payments 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 Lead Nathan Zinsmeyer addressed the Court.

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Motion: To authorize the payment of bills totaling \$2,274,891.54 from the computer printout, Addendum, Wire Transfer, Quick Check Report, and electronic benefit payments 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.

Rick Lutowski of Georgetown and Tommy Horner of Georgetown addressed the Court.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda includes non-controversial and 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 – 18)

5. Discuss, consider and take appropriate action on a line item transfer for Constable Precinct 4.

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Motion: To approve a line item transfer for Constable Precinct #4:

<i>From/To</i>	<i>Acct No.</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<i>From</i>	<i>0100-0554-003311</i>	<i>Uniforms</i>	<i>\$4,000.00</i>
<i>To</i>	<i>0100-0554-005700</i>	<i>Vehicle</i>	<i>\$4,000.00</i>

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, consider, and take appropriate action on line item transfer for the Purchasing Department.

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Motion: To approve a line item transfer for Purchasing Department:

<i>From/To</i>	<i>Acct No.</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<i>From</i>	<i>0100-0494-003900</i>	<i>Membership Dues</i>	<i>\$1,000.00</i>
<i>From</i>	<i>0100-0494-003901</i>	<i>Publications, Books, Periodicals</i>	<i>\$286.00</i>
<i>To</i>	<i>0100-0494-004310</i>	<i>Advertising & Legal Notices</i>	<i>\$1,286.00</i>

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, consider, and take appropriate action on a line item transfer for County Court at Law 3.**

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Motion: To approve a line item transfer for County Court at Law No. 3:

From/To	Acct No.	Description	Amount
From	0100-0428-004010	Visiting Judges	\$1,355.50
To	0100-0428-004232	Training & Conference/Seminars	\$1,355.50

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, consider and take appropriate action on a line item transfer for the Commissioner, Precinct #2 office.**

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Motion: To approve a line item transfer for the Commissioner of Precinct #2 office:

From/To	Acct No.	Description	Amount
From	0100-0212-003010	Comm Pct#2/Computer Equip	\$1,047.65
From	0100-0212-004231	Comm Pct#2/Travel	\$1,279.66
To	0100-0212-001107	Comm Pct#2/Temp Labor	\$2,161.92
To	0100-0212-002010	Comm Pct#2/FICA	\$165.39

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, consider, and take appropriate action on budget line item transfer for request for Juvenile Services.**

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Motion: To approve a line item transfer for Juvenile Services:

From/To	Acct No.	Description	Amount
From	0100-0576-004100	Professional Services	\$13,000.00
From	0100-0576-003307	Pharmaceuticals	\$10,000.00
From	0100-0576-003900	Membership Dues	\$4,000.00
To	0100-0576-004108	Non-Residential Services	\$10,000.00
To	0100-0576-004232	Training & Conferences	\$3,000.00
To	0100-0576-004500	Maintenance Contracts	\$3,000.00
To	0100-0576-003306	Food Service	\$10,000.00
To	0100-0576-003311	Uniforms	\$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

10. Discuss, consider and take appropriate action on a line item transfer for County Jail.

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Motion: To approve a line item transfer for the County Jail:

<i>From/To</i>	<i>Acct No.</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<i>From</i>	<i>0100-0570-005730</i>	<i>Radio Equipment>\$5,000</i>	<i>\$2,833.00</i>
<i>To</i>	<i>0100-0570-005000</i>	<i>Capital Outlay</i>	<i>\$2,833.00</i>

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, consider and take appropriate action on a line item transfer for County Sheriff.

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Motion: To approve a line item transfer for the County Sheriff:

<i>From/To</i>	<i>Acct No.</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<i>From</i>	<i>0100-0560-004543</i>	<i>Repairs to Equipment</i>	<i>\$1,000.00</i>
<i>To</i>	<i>0100-0560-004715</i>	<i>Vehicle Impound</i>	<i>\$1,000.00</i>

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. Discuss, consider and take appropriate action on a line item transfer for Corrections.

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Motion: To approve a line item transfer for Corrections:

<i>From/To</i>	<i>Acct No.</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<i>From</i>	<i>0100-0409-004100</i>	<i>Non Dept/Prof Svcs</i>	<i>\$51,865.12</i>
<i>To</i>	<i>0100-0570-001110</i>	<i>Corrections/OT</i>	<i>\$51,865.12</i>

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, consider and take appropriate action on a Line Item Transfer for the District Attorney's Office.**

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

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

<i>From/To</i>	<i>Acct No.</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<i>From</i>	<i>0100-0440-003901</i>	<i>Publications</i>	<i>\$1,000.00</i>
<i>From</i>	<i>0100-0440-004350</i>	<i>Printed Materials</i>	<i>\$583.00</i>
<i>To</i>	<i>0100-0440-001125</i>	<i>Longevity</i>	<i>\$1,583.00</i>

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. **Discuss and take action on line item transfer for replacement chairs 11-17 years old for County Clerk.**

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Motion: To approve a line item transfer for replacement chairs 11-17 years old for County Clerk; with corrections to the "From" account number 0100-0404-004350 from \$2,000.00 to \$4,940.00, the "To" account number 0100-0404-003005 from \$2,000.00 to \$4,940.00, delete the "From" account number 0100-0403-003100 in the amount of \$3,600.00, and delete the "To" account number 0100-0403-003005 in the amount of \$3,600.00:

<i>From/To</i>	<i>Acct No.</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<i>From</i>	<i>0100-0404-004350</i>	<i>Printed Materials & Binding</i>	<i>\$4,940.00</i>
<i>To</i>	<i>0100-0404-003005</i>	<i>Office Furniture under \$5k</i>	<i>\$4,940.00</i>

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

15. **Receive and acknowledge Work Authorization No. 3 under Williamson County Contract for Surveying Services between Surveying and Mapping (SAM) LLC and Williamson County dated February 9, 2015 for On Call Professional Survey Services for Williamson County Road and Bridge.**

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Motion: To acknowledge Work Authorization No. 3 under Williamson County Contract for Surveying Services between Surveying and Mapping (SAM) LLC and Williamson County dated February 9, 2015 for On Call Professional Survey Services for Williamson County Road and Bridge.

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

16. **Receive and acknowledge Work Authorization No. 2 under Williamson County Contract for Engineering Services between PaveTex Engineering and Testing, Inc. and Williamson County dated February 10, 2015 for Dense-Graded Hot Mix Lab Testing and Engineering Services for Chandler Road Overlay/Striping Project for Williamson County Road and Bridge.**

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Motion: To acknowledge Work Authorization No. 2 under Williamson County Contract for Engineering Services between PaveTex Engineering and Testing, Inc. and Williamson County dated February 10, 2015 for Dense-Graded Hot Mix Lab Testing and Engineering Services for Chandler Road Overlay/Striping Project for Williamson County Road and 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

17. **Discuss, consider and take appropriate action on authorizing the disposal of various county assets through inter-departmental transfer including, (8) Dell (Optiplex) Desktops, (16) Monitor, (complete list attached) pursuant to Tex. Local Gov't Code §263.152.**

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Motion: To authorize the disposal of various county assets through inter-departmental transfer including, (8) Dell (Optiplex) Desktops, (16) Monitor (complete list attached); pursuant to Texas Local Government Code § 263.152.

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. **Discuss, consider and take appropriate action on authorizing the disposal of various county assets through auction including, (7) Cash Boxes, (3) Wireless Keyboard/Mouse Combos, (1) Document Holder, (1) Small Table, (1) 4-Shelf Metal Bookcase, (1) 4-Drawer File Cabinet, (6) Sets of Vehicle Tire Chains, (1) VCR, (1) Mobile Vision Vehicle System, (1) Wired Mouse, (4) Dell (Optiplex) Desktops, (44) Motorola Radios, (36) Motorola Chargers (Single & Multiple Charge), (73) Motorola Radio Batteries, (15) Vertex Radios, (26) Vertex Chargers, (25) Vertex Batteries, (complete list attached), pursuant to Tex Local Gov't Code §263.152.**

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Motion: To authorize the disposal of various county assets through auction including, (7) Cash Boxes, (3) Wireless Keyboard/Mouse Combos, (1) Document Holder, (1) Small Table, (1) 4-Shelf Metal Bookcase, (1) 4-Drawer File Cabinet, (6) Sets of Vehicle Tire Chains, (1) VCR, (1) Mobile Vision Vehicle System, (1) Wired Mouse, (4) Dell (Optiplex) Desktops, (44) Motorola Radios, (36) Motorola Chargers (Single & Multiple Charge), (73) Motorola Radio Batteries, (15) Vertex Radios, (26) Vertex Chargers, (25) Vertex Batteries (complete list attached); pursuant to Texas Local Government Code § 263.152.

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

19. **Discuss and take appropriate action on proclamation recognizing suicide as a public health problem and designating the week of September 7th through September 13th, 2015 as "Suicide Prevention Awareness Week" in Williamson County to coincide with the 2015 National Suicide Prevention Week.**

State Representative Tony Dale of Cedar Park addressed the Court.

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Motion: To approve a Proclamation recognizing suicide as a public health problem and designating the week of September 7th through September 13th, 2015 as "Suicide Prevention Awareness Week" in Williamson County to coincide with the 2015 National Suicide Prevention Week.

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, consider, and take appropriate action on a proclamation declaring September as National Childhood Cancer Awareness Month.**

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Motion: To approve a Proclamation declaring September as National Childhood Cancer Awareness Month.

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. **Recognize Cathy Atkinson, Accounting Manager for the Williamson County Tax Assessor/Collector, earning the designation of Certified Tax Administrator.**

This item was pulled from the Agenda.

22. **Discuss, consider and take appropriate action on the Department of Infrastructure projects and issues update.**

Senior Director of Infrastructure Bob Daigh addressed the Court. No action was taken on this item.

23. **Discuss, consider and take appropriate action approving templates for Contract Amendment No. 1 to Williamson County Contract for Engineering Services, Contract Amendment No. 1 to Williamson County Contract for Environmental Services and Contract Amendment No. 1 to Williamson County Contract for Surveying Services in relation to the 2013 Williamson County Road Bond Program and authorize the County Judge to execute such amendments for existing 2013 Williamson County Road Bond Program Contracts for Engineering Services, Environmental Services and Surveying Services.**

Senior Director of Infrastructure Bob Daigh addressed the Court.

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Motion: To approve templates for Contract Amendment No. 1 to Williamson County Contract for Engineering Services, Contract Amendment No. 1 to Williamson County Contract for Environmental Services and Contract Amendment No. 1 to Williamson County Contract for Surveying Services in relation to the 2013 Williamson County Road Bond Program and authorize the County Judge to execute such amendments for existing 2013 Williamson County Road Bond Program Contracts for Engineering Services, Environmental Services, and Surveying Services.

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. Discuss, consider and take appropriate action on a Resolution for an Advance Funding Agreement with TXDOT for the Metropolitan Mobility Project (Overpasses, Ramps and Frontage Roads).

Senior Director of Infrastructure Bob Daigh addressed the Court.

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Motion: To approve a Resolution for an Advance Funding Agreement with Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) for the Metropolitan Mobility Project (Overpasses, Ramps, and Frontage Roads)

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, consider and take appropriate action on a TXDOT Local Transportation Project Advance Funding Agreement for a Metropolitan Mobility Project (Overpasses, Ramps and Frontage Roads).

Senior Director of Infrastructure Bob Daigh addressed the Court.

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Motion: To approve a Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) Local Transportation Project Advance Funding Agreement for a Metropolitan Mobility Project (Overpasses, Ramps, and Frontage Roads)

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 A PUBLIC HEARING AT 10:03 A.M. ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2015.

26. **Conduct a public hearing at 10:00 A.M. pursuant to Section 26.001, et. seq. of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Code regarding the feasibility of the use of the dedicated public parkland located west of Parmer lane near the intersection of Parmer Lane and Sage Grouse Drive for a City of Austin wastewater line.**

Senior Director of Parks and Recreation Randy Bell and Project Manager for the City of Austin Public Works Department for Parmer Lane Interceptor Wastewater Improvements Steven Parks, and Kathy Fretwell of Kennedy/Jenks Consultants addressed the Court. No action was taken on this item.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT RECONVENED FROM THE PUBLIC HEARING AT 10:15 A.M. ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2015.

27. **Discuss, consider and take appropriate action on a wastewater easement to the City of Austin through a portion of the parkland located west of Parmer lane near the intersection of Parmer Lane and Grouse Drive.**

No action was taken on this item.

28. **Discuss and consider making certain findings pursuant to Section 26.001, et. seq. of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Code regarding the City of Austin's proposed location of a wastewater within a County park located west of Parmer Lane near the intersection of Parmer Lane and Grouse Drive, to-wit: (1) whether there is a feasible and prudent alternative for the City of Austin to use a portion of the parkland for a wastewater easement, and (2) whether the location of said wastewater line minimizes harm to the land as a park resulting from the use or taking.**

No action was taken on this item.

29. **Discuss, consider and take appropriate action on a request for the Parks Department to apply for a Local Parks Non-Urban Outdoor Recreation Grant for the Expo Center from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.**

Senior Director of Parks and Recreation Randy Bell and Kathy Pierce, Executive Assistant to Commissioner Precinct #2, addressed the Court.

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

Motion: To approve a request for the Parks Department to apply for a Local Parks Non-Urban Outdoor Recreation Grant for the Expo Center from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

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. **Discuss, consider, and take any appropriate action regarding Services Contract with Dennis Steel, Inc. for Steel Fabrication on Splash Pad Roof Project.**

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

Motion: To approve a Services Contract with Dennis Steel, Inc. for Steel Fabrication on Splash Pad Roof Project.

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, consider, and take any appropriate action regarding Services Contract with Whitetail Construction, Inc. for masonry work on Splash Pad Project.

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

Motion: To approve a Services Contract with Whitetail Construction, Inc. for masonry work on Splash Pad Project.

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. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding the adoption of the 2015 tax rates for Williamson County.

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Motion: To adopt a tax rate of 0.274029 per \$100.00 of taxable value for the purpose of Maintenance and Operations (M& O) / General Fund.

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

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Motion: To adopt a tax rate of 0.1675 per \$100.00 of taxable value for the purpose of Interest and Sinking Service / Debt 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

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Motion: To adopt a tax rate of 0.04 per \$100.00 of taxable value for the purpose of Road and Bridge Fund.

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Motion: To approve a property tax rate increase by the adoption of a tax rate of 0.481529, which is effectively a 5.69% increase in the tax rate; and authorize the County Judge to execute the Order.

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. **Discuss, consider and take appropriate action on a Resolution of the Commissioners Court of Williamson County, Texas requesting that the Williamson Central Appraisal District reappraise properties affected by the recent 2015 severe weather, devastating tornados and historic flooding, as authorized by Texas Tax Code Section 23.02.**

General Counsel Hal Hawes and Rebecca Clemons, Executive Assistant to the County Judge, and County Tax Assessor/Collector Deborah Hunt addressed the Court.

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Motion: To approve a Resolution of the Commissioners Court of Williamson County, Texas requesting that the Williamson Central Appraisal District reappraise properties affected by the recent 2015 severe weather, devastating tornados, and historic flooding; as authorized by Texas Tax Code Section 23.02.

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. **Discuss and consider acknowledging extension of the Contract for Commissary Services for the Williamson County Jail.**

General Counsel Hal Hawes addressed the Court.

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Motion: To acknowledge extension of the Contract for Commissary Services for the Williamson County Jail.

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. **Discuss, consider and take any appropriate action regarding approval and receipt of agreements for vehicle reimbursements during off-duty work conducted by Sheriff's Office deputies with:**
a. N-Line Traffic Maintenance
b. Twentieth Century Fox Television

First Assistant County Auditor Julie Kiley and General Counsel Hal Hawes addressed the Court.

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Motion: To approve and acknowledge receipt of agreements for vehicle reimbursements during off-duty work conducted by Sheriff's Office deputies with:

a. N-Line Traffic Maintenance

b. Twentieth Century Fox Television

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. **Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action on an agreement between Williamson County and Weir Fire Department for establishing EMS ambulance and personnel housing at 450 FM 1105 Georgetown, TX 78626.**

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Motion: To approve an agreement between Williamson County and Weir Fire Department for establishing Emergency Medical Services (EMS) ambulance and personnel housing at 450 Farm-to-Market (FM) 1105 Georgetown, Texas 78626; with a change on page 2, item B from "Consideration" to "Obligations of the County" and on item C to add term dates of "September 8, 2015" and "September 30, 2016".

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

37. **Discuss, consider, and take any appropriate action regarding approval of a renewal agreement with Taser International, Inc. for Evidence.com services (on-officer cameras and cloud-based data storage) for Williamson County Constable, Pct. 2 to support law enforcement operations.**

Deputy Constable Precinct #2 Kevin Thomas addressed the Court.

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

Motion: To approve a renewal agreement with Taser International, Inc. for Evidence.com services (on-officer cameras and cloud-based data storage) for Williamson County Constable, Precinct #2 to support law enforcement operations.

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

38. **Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action on Interlocal Agreement between Williamson County and the City of Leander for a 10 foot wide reinforced concrete trail on the east side of Bagdad Road from the end of the current trail in Benbrook Ranch to CR 280.**

Commissioner Birkman abstained from voting on this item. (Conflict of Interest Affidavit attached).

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Motion: To approve Interlocal Agreement between Williamson County and the City of Leander for a 10 foot wide reinforced concrete trail on the east side of Bagdad Road from the end of the current trail in Benbrook Ranch to County Road (CR) 280.

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

Other: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman (Abstain)

39. **Discuss, consider and take appropriate action on Interlocal Agreement between Williamson County and the City of Leander for the widening of Bagdad Road from FM 2243 to CR 280.**

Commissioner Birkman abstained from voting on this item. (Conflict of Interest Affidavit attached).

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Motion: To approve an Interlocal Agreement between Williamson County and the City of Leander for the widening of Bagdad Road from Farm-to-Market (FM) 2243 to County Road (CR) 280.

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

Other: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman (Abstain)

40. **Discuss, consider and take appropriate action on Interlocal Agreement between Williamson County and the City of Leander for road improvements to Hero Way, also known as old 2243, from Old 183 to Lakeline Boulevard.**

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Motion: To approve Interlocal Agreement between Williamson County and the City of Leander for road improvements to Hero Way, also known as old 2243, from Old 183 to Lakeline Boulevard.

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

41. **Discuss, consider and take appropriate action on nomination of Alisa Starks to the Williamson County Historical Commission (WCHC) Board of Directors.**

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Motion: To approve nomination of Alisa Starks to the Williamson County Historical Commission (WCHC) Board of Directors.

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

42. **Discuss, consider and take any appropriate action regarding proposal to add the Williamson County Veterans Court to approved list of juror donations pursuant to H.B. 3996 and authority granted under amended Tex. Gov't Code § 61.003(a) to support court operations.**

Kathy Pierce, Executive Assistant to Commissioner Precinct #2, First Assistant County Auditor Julie Kiley, County Clerk Nancy Rister, and County Treasurer Jerri Jones addressed the Court. No action was taken on this item.

43. **Discuss, consider and take appropriate action on authorizing the renewal of Tennis Pro Manager for Williamson County Regional Park for same pricing, terms and conditions as existing contract for the term of October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016 with Mark Nayden.**

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Motion: To authorize the renewal of Tennis Pro Manager for Williamson County Regional Park for same pricing, terms, and conditions as existing contract for the term of October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016 with Mark Nayden.

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

44. **Discuss, consider and take appropriate action on awarding proposals received for the Landscape Services for Williamson County Parks, #1506-006 to the best proposal meeting specifications Heart of Texas Landscape and Irrigation.**

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Motion: To award proposals received for the Landscape Services for Williamson County Parks, #1506-006 to the best proposal meeting specifications Heart of Texas Landscape and Irrigation.

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

45. **Discuss, consider and take appropriate action on awarding bids received for Metal Beam Guard Fence Replacement and-or Installation, Bid #1507-002 to RHB Construction.**

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Motion: To award bids received for Metal Beam Guard Fence Replacement and-or Installation, Bid #1507-002 to RHB Construction.

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

46. **Discuss, consider and take appropriate action on extending RFP #14RFP00212 Patient Monitoring Devices for Williamson County EMS with Philips Healthcare through August 25, 2016.**

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Motion: To extend Request for Proposal #14RFP00212 Patient Monitoring Devices for Williamson County Emergency Medical Services (EMS) with Philips Healthcare through August 25, 2016.

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

47. **Discuss, consider and take appropriate action on regarding approval of a Renewal Agreement for Investment Advisory Services with First Southwest Asset Management, Inc. and the exemption of those services from the competitive bid/proposal requirements of the County Purchasing Act pursuant to the discretionary exemption for personal or professional services as set forth under Section 262.024(a)(4) of the Texas Local Government Code.**

Motion by: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Second by: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Motion: To approve a Renewal Agreement for Investment Advisory Services with First Southwest Asset Management, Inc. and the exemption of those services from the competitive bid/proposal requirements of the County Purchasing Act pursuant to the discretionary exemption for personal or professional services as set forth under Section 262.024(a)(4) of the Texas Local Government Code.

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

48. **Discuss, consider and take appropriate action on an order declaring an emergency and a grave necessity due to unforeseeable circumstances and approve a budget amendment to acknowledge additional revenues for the Road & Bridge Fund.**

This item was pulled from the Agenda.

49. **Discuss, consider and take appropriate action on an order declaring an emergency and a grave necessity due to unforeseeable circumstances and approve a budget amendment to acknowledge additional revenues for the Road & Bridge Fund.**

This item was pulled from the Agenda.

50. **Discuss, consider and take appropriate action on FY15/16 Budget Order.**

This item was pulled from the Agenda.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT RECESSED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 11:13 A.M. ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2015.

- 51. Discussion regarding economic development negotiations pursuant to Texas Government Code, Section 551.087:**
- a) Business prospect(s) that may locate or expand within Williamson County.**
 - b) Discuss Pearson Road District.**
 - c) Discuss North Woods Road District.**
 - d) Discuss Kaufman Loop.**

No action was taken in Executive Session.

- 52. Discuss real estate matters (EXECUTIVE SESSION as per VTCA Govt. Code sec. 551.072 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.)**
- A. Real Estate Owned by Third Parties**
- 1. Preliminary discussions relating to proposed or potential purchase or lease of property owned by third parties**
- a) Discuss proposed acquisition of property for right-of-way for SH 195**
 - b) Discuss proposed acquisition of property for proposed SH 29 project.**
 - c) Discuss proposed acquisition of property for SW 183 and SH 29 Loop.**
 - d) Discuss possible acquisition of property with endangered species for mitigation purposes.**
 - e) Discuss the acquisition of real property: Sneed Loop**
 - f) Discuss the acquisition of real property: Neenah Blvd.**
 - g) Discuss the acquisition of real property: CR 119**
 - h) Discuss the acquisition of real property: Tradesman Park.**
 - i) Discuss the acquisition of real property for proposed CR 110 project. (All sections)**
 - j) Discuss the acquisition of real property: CR 258**
 - k) Discuss the acquisition of real property: Kruger property exchange (3901 CR 130 Hutto, TX)**
 - l) Discuss the acquisition of real property: Arterial H.**
 - m) Discuss the acquisition of real property for County Facilities.**
 - n) Discuss the acquisition of real property for the Williamson County Expo Center.**
 - o) Discuss the acquisition of Easement interests on CR 240.**
 - p) Discuss the acquisition of Easement interests for the Brushy Creek Trail Project.**
- B. Property or Real Estate owned by Williamson County**
- 1). Preliminary discussions relating to proposed or potential sale or lease of property owned by the County**
- a) Discuss County owned real estate containing underground water rights and interests.**
 - b) Discuss proposed sale of real estate on Inner Loop**
 - c) Discuss proposed trade of real estate adjacent to Chandler Rd. and CR 130**
 - d) Discuss proposed exchange of property with Mr. Kruger**
 - e) Discuss real estate at 355 Texas Ave.**

No action was taken in Executive Session.

- 53. Discuss pending or contemplated litigation, settlement matters and other confidential attorney-client legal matters (EXECUTIVE SESSION as per VTCA Govt. Code sec. 551.071 consultation with attorney.), including the following:**
- a) Litigation or claims or potential litigation or claims against the County or by the County**
 - b) Status Update-Pending Cases or Claims;**
 - c) Civil Action No.1:13- CV- 505, Robert Lloyd v. Lisa Birkman, et al., In The United States District Court for the Western District of Texas, Austin Division**
 - d) Employee/personnel related matters**
 - e) Other confidential attorney-client matters, including contracts and certain matters related to county defense issues in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body within the attorney/client relationship clearly conflicts with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.**

- f) Civil Action No. 1:11-cv-907, Sarah Doe et al. v. Jerald Neveleff et al., In the United States District Court for the Western District of Texas Austin Division
- g) Cause No. 12-0721-C277; W. Paul Reed et al. v. Williamson County et al.; In the District Court of Williamson County, Texas; 277th District Court
- h) Cause No. 15-0064-C277, Gordon v. Dollahite et al., In The District Court of Williamson County, Texas, 277th District
- i) County Road 241 utility and Right-of-Way Issues and matters;
- j) Cause No. D-1-GN-15-000875, Houston v. Bank of America et al., In The District Court of Travis County, Texas, 345th Judicial District
- k) Civil Action No. 1:15-cv-431; Herman Crisp v. Williamson County, et al.; In the USDC-WD-Austin Division
- l) Cause No. 12-1226-C368; Williamson County, Texas v. James Broaddus d/b/a Broaddus & Associates, and Broaddus & Associates, Inc.; In the 368th Judicial District Court of Williamson County, Texas
- m) Notice of Claim - In Re Jessica Palmer
- n) Floodplain Regulation Issue
- o) Carolyn Barnes v. Austin American Statesman, et al.; Cause # D-1-GN-15-002626, in the 353rd Judicial District Court of Travis County, Texas
- p) Carolyn Barnes, et al. v. Texas Attorney General, et al.; Cause # D-1-GN-15-000877, in the 419th Judicial District Court of Travis County
- q) Civil Action No. 1:15-cv-00679-RP, OCA-Great Houston and Mallika Das v. State of Texas, et al., In the United States District Court for the Western District
- r) Notice of Claim – In Re Ray Steven Rose
- s) Appeal of IRS Proposed Worker Classification Changes and Proposed Tax Adjustments 2011 -2013; and Payment of Disputed Employment Taxes Pending Appeal
- t) Utility damage claim that occurred on or about 02/19/2014 on CR 488 (Claim # TXPR141360)

No action was taken in Executive Session.

- 54. Deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline and/or dismissal of Williamson County officers, directors, employees and/or positions, including but not limited to conducting deliberation and discussion pertaining to annual reviews of department heads and appointed officials (Executive Session as per Tex. Gov. Code Section 551.074 – Personnel Matters).

No action was taken in Executive Session.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT RECONVENED FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 2:28 P.M. ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2015.

- 55. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding economic development.

No action was taken on this item.

- 56. Discuss and take appropriate action on real estate.

No action was taken on this item.

- 57. Discuss and take appropriate action on pending or contemplated litigation, settlement matters and other confidential attorney-client legal matters, including the following:
 - a) Litigation or claims or potential litigation or claims against the County or by the County
 - b) Status Update-Pending Cases or Claims;
 - c) Civil Action No.1:13- CV- 505, Robert Lloyd v. Lisa Birkman, et al., In The United States District Court for the Western District of Texas, Austin Division
 - d) Employee/personnel related matters
 - e) Other confidential attorney-client matters, including contracts and certain matters related to county defense issues in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body within the attorney/client relationship clearly conflicts with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

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- r) Notice of Claim – In Re Ray Steven Rose
- s) Discuss, consider and take appropriate action regarding possible appeal of IRS Proposed Worker Classification Changes and Proposed Tax Adjustments 2011 -2013; and approval of payment of disputed employment taxes pending appeal
- t) Utility damage claim that occurred on or about 02/19/2014 on CR 488 (Claim # TXPR141360)

No action was taken on this item.

58. Discuss, consider and take appropriate action regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline and/or dismissal of Williamson County officers, directors or employees, including but not limited to any necessary action pertaining to conducting annual reviews of department heads and appointed officials.

No action was taken on this item.

59. **Comments from Commissioners.**

There were no comments.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT ADJOURNED AT 2:28 P.M. ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2015.

THE FOREGOING MINUTES had at a Regular Session of Commissioners' Court of Williamson County, Texas, having been read are hereby approved this 15th day of September 2015.



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

By: Carolyn Deibler, Deputy