

**COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES**  
**110 S Main St. 2nd Floor, Lockhart, Texas**  
**Commissioners Court July 9, 2024, 9:00 AM**



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<b>Hoppy Haden</b>	<b>County Judge</b>	<b>B.J. Westmoreland</b>	<b>Commissioner, Pct. 1</b>
<b>Teresa Rodriguez</b>	<b>County Clerk</b>	<b>Rusty Horne</b>	<b>Commissioner, Pct. 2</b>
		<b>Ed Theriot</b>	<b>Commissioner, Pct. 3</b>
		<b>Dyral Thomas</b>	<b>Commissioner, Pct. 4</b>

**A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Judge Haden called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**B. INVOCATION**

Commissioner Thomas opens the meeting in prayer.

**C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE U.S. AND TEXAS FLAGS:**

(Texas Pledge: Honor the Texas Flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible.)

Judge Haden leads all present in the pledge to both flags.

**D. ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Items or comments from Court members or staff.

Judge Haden recognizes the Emergency Management Crew for preparing for the predicted weather.

No Court Announcements.

No Staff Announcements.

**E. CITIZENS' COMMENTS:**

At this time any person may speak to Commissioners Court if they have filled out a Caldwell County Commissioners Court Participation Form. Comments will be limited to four (4) minutes per person. No action will be taken on these items and no discussion will be had between the speaker(s) and members of the Court. The Court does retain the right to correct factual inaccuracies made by the speakers. (If longer than 30 minutes, then the balance of comments will continue as the last agenda item of the day.) Citizens' Comments may be submitted to the Court by using the form found at: <http://www.co.caldwell.tx/us/page/caldwell.CommissionersCourtForm>

Andrew McClish Prairie Lea resident addressed neighborhood safety and the traffic safety study to the court.

**F. CONSENT AGENDA:**

(The following consent items may be acted upon in one motion.)

**F.1.To approve payments of County Invoices and Purchase Orders in the amount of \$582,948.79.**

**F.2.To approve County Payroll payment in the amount of \$424,586.50 (6/16/2024 - 6/29/2024).**

**F.3.To approve County Payroll Tax payment in the amount of \$123,892.11 (6/16/2024 - 6/29/2024).**

**F.4.To accept the June 2024 Indigent Burial Report.**

**F.5.To accept the Caldwell County ESD #1 Financial Report for FY ending September 30, 2023.**

**F.6.To approve bond for Dulce Arellano, Purchasing Assistant.**

**F.7.To accept the required 15 hours of County Investment Academy Member Training for FY 2023-2024 for Gloria Garcia, County Treasurer.**

Motion made by Commissioner Horne, seconded by Commissioner Westmoreland to Approve. All voting "Aye."

**MOTION APPROVED.**

- F.1 To approve payments of County Invoices and Purchase Orders in the amount of \$582,948.79.  
7 9 2024 AP Expense Approval Register.pdf  
7 9 2024 AP Payment Register.pdf
- F.2 To approve County Payroll payment in the amount of \$424,586.50 (6/16/2024 - 6/29/2024).  
Payroll 06162024 - 06292024.pdf
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June 2024 Indigent Burial Report.pdf
- F.5 To accept the Caldwell County ESD #1 Financial Report for FY ending September 30, 2023. ESD #1 Financial Report FY 2022-2023.pdf
- F.6 To approve bond for Dulce Arellano, Purchasing Assistant.  
06.20.24 Bond\_Arellano\_Redacted.pdf
- F.7 To accept the required 15 hours of County Investment Academy Member Training for FY 2023-2024 for Gloria Garcia, County Treasurer.  
G.Garcia TAC 2024 Conf. of the County Investment Academy C.E. FY23-24.pdf
- G.8 Regarding the Caldwell County CIP Program including transportation matters and update on public involvement and comments received to date. Speaker: Judge Haden/Will Conley/Steve Widacki; Cost: \$0.00

Will Conley Principal and Steve Widacki Principal Senior Project Manager with American Structure Point provide a presentation on proposed projects.

A Workshop is to be scheduled with a revised list with cost estimates with the understanding that the County Judge's office is authorized to produce a working draft of estimated cost on July 18th at 9:00 a.m.

Judge Pro-Tem B.J. Westmoreland steps in for Judge Haden.

Open House and Survey Report (Preliminary).pdf

Caldwell County CIP Open House Boards.pdf

Motion made by Commissioner Westmoreland, seconded by Commissioner Theriot to Approve. All voting "Aye."

**MOTION APPROVED.**

**G. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:**

G.1 To approve the Short Form Plat for De Jesus Subdivision consisting of three residential lots on approximately 10.181 acres located on Plant Road and Horseshoe Bend Drive. Speaker: Commissioner Horne/Kasi Miles; Backup: 2; Cost: \$0.00

Short Form Plat: De Jesus Subdivision

Motion made by Commissioner Horne, seconded by Commissioner Thomas to Approve. All voting "Aye."

**MOTION APPROVED.**

G.2 To approve the Short Form Plat for Mule Creek Estates consisting of two residential lots on approximately 5.862 acres located on Mule Creek Road. Speaker: Commissioner Horne/Kasi Miles; Backup: 2; Cost: \$0.00

Short Form Plat- Mule Creek Estates

Motion made by Commissioner Horne, seconded by Commissioner Theriot to Approve. All voting "Aye."

**MOTION APPROVED.**

G.3 To approve the Final Plat for Spanish Oak Acres, Phase 2 consisting of 12 residential lots on approximately 20.100 acres located on Old Colony Line Road and Spanish Oak Road. Speaker: Commissioner Horne/Kasi Miles; Backup: 3; Cost: \$0.00

Spanish Oaks Acres, Phase 2- Final Plat

Motion made by Commissioner Horne, seconded by Commissioner Thomas to Approve.  
All voting "Aye."

**MOTION APPROVED.**

G.4 To approve the Short Form Plat for Pettytown Subdivision consisting of four residential lots on approximately 13.188 acres located on Pettytown Road. Speaker: Commissioner Horne/Kasi Miles; Backup: 2; Cost: \$0.00

Pettytown Subdivision Short Form Plat

Motion made by Commissioner Horne, seconded by Commissioner Theriot to Approve. All voting "Aye."

**MOTION APPROVED.**

G.5 To approve a request for a six-month extension for the approved plat of Maxwell Farms on approximately 80.355 acres located on Farmers Road. Speaker: Commissioner Theriot/Kasi Miles; Backup: 6; Cost: \$0.00

Maxwell Farms- six-month extension request

Motion made by Commissioner Theriot, seconded by Commissioner Horne to Approve. All voting "Aye."

**MOTION APPROVED.**

G.6 To consider approval of Sunset Oaks, Section V development agreement assignment to Starlight Homes Texas, LLC. Speaker: Commissioner Theriot/Kasi Miles; Backup: 37; Cost: \$0.00

Correction to show Starlight Homes Texas, LLC to Sunset LB, LLC.  
Sunset Oaks, Phase V DA to Starlight Homes Texas, LLC



Motion made by Commissioner Theriot, seconded by Commissioner Thomas to Approve. All voting "Aye."

**MOTION APPROVED.**

G.7 To approve the Final Plat for FM 672 Acres consisting of nine residential lots on approximately 13.453 acres located on FM 672. Speaker: Commissioner Thomas/Kasi Miles; Backup: 3; Cost: \$0.00  
FM 672 Acres- Final Plat

Motion made by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Horne to Approve. All voting "Aye."

**MOTION APPROVED.**

G.9 Regarding the burn ban. Speaker: Judge Haden/Hector Rangel; Backup: 2; Cost: \$0.00  
Hector Rangel Chief EMC recommends keeping the burn ban off.  
Burn Ban Order 7.9.24.pdf

Motion made by Commissioner Theriot, seconded by Commissioner Thomas to Approve. All voting "Aye."

**MOTION APPROVED.**

G.10 To consider and approve reallocation of American Rescue Plan (ARPA) funding. Speaker: Judge Haden/Danie Teltow; Backup: 1; Cost: \$0.00  
Danie Teltow, County Auditor requests to allocate \$50,000.00 for the upgrades on lab-taps, desktops, and monitors.  
County Judge Pro-Tem Westmoreland requests to table item G10 for later in court.  
Motion by Commissioner Theriot, Seconded by Commissioner Horne

**MOTION TO TABLE APPROVED.**

G.12 To approve Budget Amendment #21 moving \$ 3,070.00 from 001-3200-5310 Machinery and Equipment to 001-3200-3110 Office Supplies. Speaker: Judge Haden/Danie Teltow; Backup: 1; Cost: \$0.00  
BA #21 Machinery Equipment to Office Supplies DA PDF.pdf

Motion made by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Horne to Approve. All voting "Aye."

**MOTION APPROVED.**

G.13 To approve Budget Amendment #22 moving \$900.00 from 001-6560-3050 Dues and Subscriptions and \$900.00 from 001-6560-4810 Training to 001-6560-3110 Office Supplies. Speaker: Judge Haden/Danie Teltow; Backup: 2; Cost: \$0.00

BA #22 Dues and Training to Office Supplies - CC.pdf      Commissioners Court - New Chairs.pdf

Motion made by Commissioner Theriot, seconded by Commissioner Thomas to Approve. All voting "Aye."

**MOTION APPROVED.**

G.14 To approve payment of Dewitt Poth & Sons Invoice #760298-0 in the amount of \$1,935.00. Speaker: Judge Haden/Ezzy Chan; Backup: 1; Cost: \$1,935.00

Dewitt Invoice.pdf

Motion made by Commissioner Horne, seconded by Commissioner Thomas to Approve. All voting "Aye."

**MOTION APPROVED.**

G.15 To approve the award for RFP 24CCP01P Caldwell County Hazard Mitigation Plan Development Services. Speaker: Judge Haden/Carolyn Caro; Backup: 6; Cost: \$0.00

Carolyn Caro Purchasing Agent requests approval to award Langford Community Management Services for Caldwell County Hazard Mitigation Plan Development Services.

07.09.24 Agenda RFP 24CCP01P Award.pdf

Motion made by Commissioner Theriot, seconded by Commissioner Horne to Approve. All voting "Aye."

**MOTION APPROVED.**

G.16 To approve payment of invoice number #40694 in the amount of \$104,553.75 to Texas Association of Counties for 2023-2024 property coverage. Speaker: Judge Haden/Danie Teltow; Backup: 4; Cost: \$104,553.75

Motion made by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Theriot to Approve. All voting "Aye."

**MOTION APPROVED.**

Motion made to go into recess by Commissioner Theriot, seconded by Commissioner Horne at 10:15 a.m. Judge Haden returns at 10:56 a.m. and re-opens Item G.10. To consider and approve the reallocation of American Rescue Plan (ARPA) funding. Speaker: Judge Haden/Danie Teltow; Backup: 1; Cost: \$0.00

Allocations of ARPA funding will consist of Justice Center remodel, computer upgrades, Unit Road equipment, and County Infrastructure.

After the recess, Commissioner Westmoreland motions to Approve \$ 50,000.00 for computer equipment, \$300,000.00 for renovation, \$450,000.00 for Unit Road, and the remainder of funds to be used for County buildings Seconded by Commissioner Horne.

Reallocation of ARPA funds.pdf

G.11 To approve execution of Budget Amendment pending approval on reallocation of ARPA funding. Speaker: Judge Haden/Danie Teltow; Backup: 1; Cost: \$0.00

Danie Teltow County Auditor provides a list of ARPA fund projects: \$300,000.00 for renovations, \$50,000.00 for desktop/laptop upgrades, \$450,000.00 to Unit Road, and \$517,896.00 for Building Infrastructure.

Reallocation of ARPA funds.pdf

Motion made by Commissioner Westmoreland, seconded by Commissioner Thomas to Approve. All voting "Aye"

**MOTION APPROVED.**

**H. EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Executive Session opens at 11:05 a.m. and closes at 11:17 a.m.

H.1 Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section 551.071(1): Discussion of Petition for Prairie Lea Public Improvement District. Speaker: Judge Haden; Backup: 12; Cost: \$0.00

**No Action Taken.**

**I. ADJOURNMENT:**

Court adjourns at 11:17 a.m.

Motion made by Commissioner Westmoreland, seconded by Commissioner Thomas to Adjourn. All voting "Aye."

**MOTION APPROVED.**

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I, TERESA RODRIGUEZ, COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT do hereby certify that the foregoing contains a true and accurate record of the proceedings held by the Caldwell County Commissioners' Court on July 9, 2024.

*Teresa Rodriguez*

TERESA RODRIGUEZ, COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF CALDWELL COUNTY, TEXAS.

