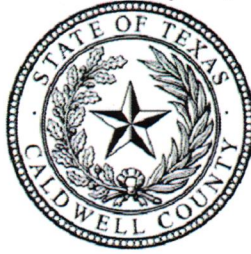


COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES
110 S Main St. 2nd Floor, Lockhart, Texas
Commissioners Court July 23, 2026, 9:00 AM



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

A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

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

B. INVOCATION - Timothy Parker

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 lead all present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas Flag.

D. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Items or comments from Court members or staff.

Commissioner Thomas thanked the Constables and Precinct 4 staff for their efforts in making the July 18 Dump Event a success.

Judge Haden announced that he and Richard Sitton, Assistant Criminal District Attorney–Civil, signed a pre-sale agreement with Loan Acquisition Group for a potential data center project.

Judge Haden also announced that Richard Sitton's employment had been terminated. He advised the Commissioners not to discuss the matter among themselves or with him to avoid the risk of a walking quorum. Judge Haden stated that an agenda item regarding the replacement of Richard Sitton and the future operations of the Civil Division and what pertains to Judge Haden's office would be presented at a future meeting.

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: <https://www.co.caldwell.tx.us/page/CommissionersCourtForm>

Fred Weber, Criminal District Attorney, addressed a real estate transaction involving Judge Haden and Richard Sitton, Assistant Criminal District Attorney–Civil, concerning the potential sale of their ranch properties to a company interested in developing data centers. Mr. Weber stated that, in his opinion, the transaction could present the appearance of a conflict of interest. He further stated that he believed he had an obligation to address the matter and provide transparency to the public and taxpayers.

Andrew McClish, a resident of Prairie Lea, congratulated the Court on retaining the all-way stop signs in his neighborhood. He also questioned the Court regarding his request on the traffic safety study, and an explanation of its findings.

F. CONSENT AGENDA:

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

F.1.To approve County Invoices and Purchase Orders in the amount of \$909,782.69.

F.2.To approve County Payroll payment in the amount of \$544,926.19 (06/14/2026 through 06/27/2026).

F.3.To approve County Payroll Tax payment in the amount of \$162,063.24 (06/14/2026 through 06/27/2026).

F.4.To ratify immediate check request to Johnny & Son's, LLC for \$8,595.22.

F.5.To accept June 2026 Tax Collection Report from the Caldwell County Appraisal District.

F.6.To approve notary bond for Constable PCT. 1 Administrative Assistant, Samantha Vasquez.

F.7.To approve bond for Constable PCT. 1 Administrative Assistant, Samantha Vasquez.

F.8.To approve blanket bond for Constable Deputies.

F.9.To accept The Caldwell County Constable PCT. 1 June 2026 Report.

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

MOTION APPROVED.

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7 23 2026 AP Payment Register.pdf

7 23 2026 AP Expense Approval Register.pdf

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Payroll 06142026 thru 06272026.pdf

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Payroll Tax 06142026 thru 06272026.pdf

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Emergency Packet - Johnny Sons REQ04608.pdf

F.5 To accept June 2026 Tax Collection Report from the Caldwell County Appraisal District. CCAD June 2026 Report.pdf

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F.8 To approve blanket bond for Constable Deputies. Constable_Blanket Bond_Redacted.pdf

F.9 To accept The Caldwell County Constable PCT. 1 June 2026 Report.
Constable PCT. 1 June 2026 Report.pdf

H. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

H.1 To discuss and take possible action regarding the approval of the Minutes for the July 9, 2026, regular meeting. Speaker: Judge Haden/Teresa Rodriguez; Backup: 11; Cost: \$0.00
7.9.26 Agenda.pdf
7.9.26 Minutes.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

H.4 To discuss and take possible action regarding the Final Plat for Bollinger Subdivision, Phase 5A consisting of one-lot on approximately 4.411 acres located on Bollinger Boulevard and off FM 2720. Speaker: Commissioner Theriot/Kasi Miles; Backup: 2; Cost: \$0.00
Final Plat for Bollinger - 5A

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

MOTION APPROVED.

H.5 To consider the public street and drainage in Carpol Subdivision as complete and ready to begin the two-year performance period as evidenced by a maintenance bond in the amount of \$ 48,755.00 for maintenance security. Speaker: Judge Haden/Commissioner Theriot/Donald Leclerc; Backup: 3; Cost: \$0.00
Bond No. WSC 30280534 LMIC 016255645.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

H.6 To discuss and take possible action to authorize the execution of Contract Amendment No.1 and Supplemental Work Authorization No. 1 to Work Authorization No. 3 for the William Pettus Road (CR 238) project between Caldwell County and Pape-Dawson Consulting Engineers, LLC. The amendment adds B2Z as a subconsultant and increases the amount payable under WA No. 3 from \$1,868,426.67 to \$1,872,384.87. Speaker: Judge Haden/Commissioner Theriot/Maria Castanon; Backup: 25; Cost: \$3,958.20
20260723-WilliamPettusRd-PapeDawson-ContractAmendment01.pdf
20260723-WilliamPettusRd-PapeDawson-SWA 1 to WA 3.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

H.7 To discuss and take possible action to authorize the execution of Contract Amendment No. 1 for the SH 142 West Project. The amendment adds Transcend Engineering as a subconsultant to the Professional Services Agreement for engineering services between Caldwell County and American Structurepoint. Supplemental Work Authorization No. 1 will be brought forth for Commissioners Court approval at a later date. Speaker: Judge Haden/Commissioner Westmoreland/Commissioner Theriot/ Maria Castanon ; Backup: 11; Cost: TBD
SH142-Caldwell-Contract Amendment No.1 to PSA_AMD 1.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

- H.8 To discuss and take possible action regarding the FY 2027 Air Quality Program Funding request from CAPCOG in the amount of \$2,884.00. Speaker: Judge Haden/Commissioner Westmoreland; Backup: 7; Cost: \$2,884.00
Air Quality Funding Request Letter_Caldwell.pdf
Memo_CAPCOG FY 2027 Air Quality Funding Request_7.3.2026.pdf
2019-2026 Regional Air Quality Plan Scope of Work Revisions_Revised.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

- H.9 To discuss and take possible action regarding the appointment of Tommy Yankovoy to the ESD #3 Board to fill the remaining term of Commissioner David Murdoch, who moved out of state and resigned, with the term expiring on December 31, 2027. Speaker: Judge Haden/Commissioner Theriot; Backup: 1; Cost: \$0.00
ESD #3 Appointment - T. Yankovoy.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

- H.10 To discuss and take possible action regarding the Interlocal Agreement for the 2026-2027 Constable Security Program with Lockhart ISD. Speaker: Commissioner Westmoreland; Backup: 11; Cost: \$0.00
LISD IA CSP 26-27.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

- H.11 To discuss and take possible action regarding an Electronic Services Agreement between Grant Street Group, LLC and the Caldwell County, Texas Tax Assessor-Collector. Speaker: Judge Haden/Debbie Sanders; Backup: 28; Cost: \$0.00
FINAL Caldwell, Co TX TAC PaymentExpress Agreement.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

- H.12 To discuss and take possible action on the revised Caldwell County Emergency Management Basic Plan that includes designating the Caldwell County Community and Evacuation Center as the primary evacuee lodging facility, prohibiting pets (per the GLO grant), and permitting service animals for individuals with disabilities.
Speaker: Judge Haden/Joann Garza-Mayberry/Hector Rangel; Backup: 31; Cost: \$0.00
Annex C Shelter and Mass Care Revised 7Jul26 JGM.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

- H.13 To discuss and take possible action regarding a Caldwell County 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 7.23.26.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

- H.14 To discuss and take possible action regarding Budget Transfer 15- 2026 moving \$15,670.00 for Unit Road Purchase. Speaker: Judge Haden/Danie Teltow; Backup: 3; Cost: \$0.00
BT 15-2026 UR Brush cutter.pdf
2 Brush Cutters for Skid Steers.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

- H.15 To discuss and take possible action regarding Budget Transfer 16-2026, moving \$42,000.00 to cover unforeseen case expenditures in District Court. Speaker: Judge Haden/Danie Teltow; Backup: 1; Cost: \$0.00
BT 16-2026 District Judge.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

G. PUBLIC HEARING 9:30 A.M.:

- G.1 Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Elected Officials' Salaries Public
Hearing opens at 9:30 a.m. and closes at 9:32 a.m.

There are no speakers.

7.9.26 PH Notice - EO Salaries FY 26-27 Lockhart Post-Register.jpg
7.9.26 PH Notice - EO Salaries FY 26-27 Luling Newsboy.pdf

- G.2 Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Proposed Budget
Public Hearing opens at 9:32 a.m. and closes at 9:34 a.m.

There are no speakers.

7.9.26 PH Notice - Proposed Budget FY 26-27 Lockhart Post-Register.jpg
7.9.26 PH Notice - Proposed Budget FY 26-27 Luling
Newsboy.pdf Proposed Budget FY 26-27.pdf

- H.2 To discuss and take possible action regarding the Elected Officials' Salaries for Fiscal Year 2026-2027. Speaker: Judge Haden/Danie Teltow; Backup: 2; Cost: \$0.00
7.9.26 PH Notice - EO Salaries FY 26-27 Lockhart Post-Register.jpg
7.9.26 PH Notice - EO Salaries FY 26-27 Luling Newsboy.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

- H.3 To discuss and take possible action to adopt the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Proposed Budget. Speaker: Judge Haden/Danie Teltow; Backup: 269; Cost: \$0.00
County Auditor Danie Teltow requested that all department heads and elected officials review the proposed budget and submit any necessary corrections or revisions prior to the adoption of the final budget. Auditor
Danie Teltow advised that written confirmation via email would be appreciated, including confirmation from those who have no requested changes.

7.9.26 PH Notice - Proposed Budget FY 26-27 Lockhart Post-Register.jpg
7.9.26 PH Notice - Proposed Budget FY 26-27 Luling
Newsboy.pdf Proposed Budget FY 26-27.pdf

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

MOTION APPROVED.

I. ADJOURNMENT:

Court adjourns at 9:36 a.m.

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

MOTION APPROVED.

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 23, 2026.



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

