## Mills County Commissioners Court Minutes Regular Session & Public Hearing August 18, 2025–9:00 a.m.

This regular session of the Mills County Commissioners' Court opened in due form of law at 9:00 am in the Mills County Commissioners' Courtroom located at 1011 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Goldthwaite, Texas 76844.

Present in the Courtroom were Judge Johnson, Commissioners Craig Sullivan, Robert Head, Dale Partin and Jason Williams, County Clerk – Sonya Scott, County Attorney Bill Malone, Treasurer – Summer Campbell, and Sheriff James Jones. Audience sign-in sheet is attached to the minutes.

The meeting is available to the public to view on the Mills County YouTube channel.

## Agenda: -

- 1. Judge Johnson called the meeting to order noted the presence of a quorum; Judge Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance with Commissioner Williams providing the opening prayer.
- 2. Review of minutes Minutes of August 7, 2025 and August 11, 2025 (both sets of minutes) Commissioner Williams moved to approve as presented for both meetings. The second was provided by Commissioner Head. Motion carried 5-0.
- 3. Audience with Individuals none
- 4. Consider and Act on Updated Agreement with Goldsmith Solutions, LLC Judge Johnson moved to approve the agreement. Commissioner Head provided the second. Motion carried 4-1 with Commissioner Partin voting against.
- 5. Public Hearing on County Budget for 2025-2026 and related matters Judge Johson moved at 9:05 to go into recess for a public hearing on budget with a second from Commissioner Head. Motion carried 5-0. Judge Johnson moved at 9:06 am to continue regular session with a second from Commissioner Sullivan. Motion carried 5-0.
- 6. Consider and Act on approving Salaries and Allowances of Elected officials and related matters Judge Johnson moved to approve with a second from Commissioner Sullivan. Motion carried 4-1 with Commissioner Partin voting against the matter.
- 7. Consider and Act on 2025-2026 County Budget, and related matters Judge Johnson moved to approve the 2025-2026 budget as present with a second from Commissioner Head Motion carried 3-2 with Commissioners Williams and Partin voting against.
- 8. Consider and Act on Tax Rate, and related matters Judge Johnson moved to approve the tax rate as presented. Discussion on the posting in the newspaper is the tax rate is published correctly in the correct size font. Commissioner Williams also noted that the road and bridge tax rate needs to be increased. Commissioner Partin would like to see a progressive tax increase to help with the short falls in the road and bridge area. Commissioner Sullivan provided the second. Motion carried 3-2 with Commissioners Williams and Partin voting against the measure.

- 9. Consider and Act on 2026 Holidays and Regular Commissioners' Court schedules and related matters Commissioner Williams noted that in the last year we did not follow the proposed holiday schedule. Several offices were closed for some half days prior to the approved holiday. Commissioner Williams moved to approve the schedules as written with Commissioner Sullivan providing the second. Motion carried 5-0.
- 10. Commissioners' Reports and requests

Commissioner Sullivan, Pct. 1 – blading roads 315 and 327. Hauling material on 327. Will work on 423 next.

Commissioner Head, Pct. 2 – working on 235 replacing tin horns. Hauling material and building road back up.

Commissioner Partin, Pct. 3 - 545 road work where it was washed out. Working on bulldog lane towards the school. 262 wash out repairs too.

Commissioner Williams, Pct. 4 – road work, trees down, met with several people regarding solar farm projects. Will be out of pocket Wednesday through Friday.

- 11. County Judge's Report— EMS service mutual aid with Brownwood and Llano county. Response time was elevated due to several calls in the Priddy area. Next week will vote on the Red River Abatement
- 14. Adjournment -Judge Johnson moved to adjourn; Commissioner Head provided the second. Motion carried 5-0.

Sonya Scott, County Clerk

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