Mills County Commissioners Court Minutes September 4, 2025 Workshop – 9 00 am No Action Taken – Discussion Only

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 4th Street, Goldthwaite, Texas 76844

Present in the Courtroom were Judge Johnson, Commissioners Craig Sullivan, Robert Head, Dale Partin, Jason Williams, Deputy Clerk Shawnee Martinez, Emergency Management Coordinator, David Shaw, County Attorney Bill Malone and Certified Public Accountant Charles Miles

Meeting called to order 9 01 am

- 1 Opening Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer
- 2 Audience with Individuals N/A
- 3 Budget Workshop Discussion on Pilot Program Financial Numbers, and related matters
- Commissioner Partin talked with Charles Miles to differentiate the difference in abatement percentages. As long as the county is making money it is not an abated tax. Charles Miles then addressed the court with the 265-million-dollar evaluation, anticipating the value will decrease each year, over 10-year period a total tax of \$10,279,456.00 Pilot program is asking for a 50% discount which would roughly be \$803,082.50 Mr. Miles then addressed the evaluation of the previous wind projects on the depreciation percentages, due to the numbers the depreciation will then be more than the 8% number that was given in presentation. Commissioner Williams then asked Mr. Miles about variables and methods of collecting income on this Pilot Program project. Commissioner Chastain from Brown County stated that their project nearly bottomed out at year 5. Commissioner Head asked if increasing the Road and Bridge tax to help with the depreciation in the long run, questioning if 30% would be within marginal area. Judge Johnson then mentioned he would like to see the numbers at 10% or 20% scenario tax rate, wanting the best for Mills County overall. Commissioners agreed they all enjoy the stability of this project for 10 years. Commissioner Williams addressed to the court that this project they are currently speaking about is only 1 out of 3 programs that are looking into Mills County.
- 4 Adjournment Motion to adjourn made by Judge Johnson with a second from Commissioner Head Motion carried 5-0

Meeting adjourned 9 40 am

By Shawnee Martinez

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County Clerk, Mills County Texas

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