

Mills County
Commissioners Court Minutes
April 14, 2025
Regular Meeting – 9 00 AM

This regular session of the Mills County Commissioners Court opened in due form of law at 9 00 AM at the Mills County Courthouse at 1011 4th Street, Goldthwaite Texas, 76844

Present in the Courtroom were Judge Johnson, Commissioners Craig Sullivan, Robert Head, Dale Partin and Jason Williams, County Attorney Bill Malone and Deputy Clerk Shawnee Martinez Via Zoom, Annette Watson, Court Coordinator

Discussion -

1 Opening Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer

2 Review and Act on Minutes of March 24, 2025

Motion to approve the minutes as written by Commissioner Williams with a second by Commissioner Head

Motion carried 5-0

3 Audience with individuals – N/A

4 Review and Act on Accounts payable –

Motion to approve accounts payables by Judge Johnson with a second by Commissioner Williams

Motion carried 5-0

Discuss Departmental Monthly Reports – Consent Agenda

- a Monthly County Treasurer Report
- b Quarterly County Treasurer Report
- c Quarterly Investment Report
- d MCAD Monthly Collection Report
- e County / District Clerk Report
- f County Tax Collector – Assessor Report
- g County Extension Report
- h Facilities Report
- i Justice of the Peace
- j County Judges Report
- k Hamilton EMS
- l Veterans Service Officer

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented made by Commissioner Williams with a second by Commissioner Sullivan

Motion Carried 5-0

5 Consider and Act on Burn Ban, and related matters

Motion to prohibit outdoor burning made by Judge Johnson with a second from Commissioner Williams

Motion Carried 5-0

6 Sheriff's Presentation of Outstanding Citizen Award – Sheriff Jones presented an award of appreciation for Outstanding Citizen Award to Stephan Geltz

7 Mike Smith, District Judge Discussion with Commissioners Regarding the appointment of a Mills County Auditor – Judge Mike Smith approached the commissioners court with statues and information regarding a County Auditor Judge Smith has spoken to others about appointing County Auditor's for other smaller counties and expressed it would help make the county more financially sound, robust and further help with checks and balances If the commissioner's court agrees one is needed, Judge Smith said he would be more than glad to speak with the Commissioner's if there are any questions or concerns

Discussion Only

8 Consider and Act on Resolution for Criminal Justice E-Grant, and related matters – David Shaw presented an explanation of the resolution, such as enhancements and monetary that has been incorporated and clarified this is not a matching fund grant Judge Johnson then read the resolution to the court

Judge Johnson motioned to approve the Resolution for Criminal Justice E-Grant with a second by Commissioner Head

Motion Carried 5-0

9 Consider and Act on TAC HEBP Interim COBRA Administration Agreement – HEBP (Heath and Employment Benefit Pool) TAC – (Texas Association of Counties) May 1, 2025, Willis Towers Watson's BenefitConnect/ COBRA will begin handling COBRA Administration on behalf of TAC HEBP Since the transition is occurring mid-year, TAC HEBP will cover the new costs of participants Qualifying Event Notice fees with BenefitConnect/COBRA until our county's renewal date After the renewal date, the county will then be responsible for their current COBRA administration fees during the interim period

Judge Johnson made a motion to approve the agreement with a second from Commissioner Williams

Motion Carried 5-0

10 Consider and Act on to establish Grievance Committee of 9 Citizens (TLGC 152 014(2)), and related matters

Motion made to approve the selection of Grievance Committee members by Judge Johnson with a second from Commissioner Partin

Motion carried 5-0

11 Selection of Grievance Committee members

- 1 Julie Jacqueline Hagey
- 2 David Smith
- 3 Walker Van Item
- 4 Roy Britten Roberts
- 5 Alva Watson
- 6 Van Fisher
- 7 Shelby Webb
- 8 Mary Kemper
- 9 Rebecca Cagle

Alternates

- 1 Katana Howard
- 2 Anna Barrera
- 3 Laurel Denniece Jones
- 4 Alexander James Barrington
- 5 Carl Wesson
- 6 Joseph Ramos
- 7 Logan Campbell
- 8 Allen Dale Knight
- 9 Lonnie Rhesa Williams

12 Consider and Act on Declaring 1991 International Dump Truck, Serial #1HTSDNTNXMH372702, as Surplus to Be Auctioned Off at Live Oak Auction on April 26, 2025, and related matters – Commissioner Head stated this is a small dump truck that is not necessarily used and would like to auction it off for surplus at the upcoming sale

Motion made to declare the International Dump truck surplus and sell at the Live Oak Auction April 26, 2025, by Commissioner Head with a second from Commissioner Sullivan

Motion carried 5-0

13 Commissioners Request and Reports

PCT #1 – Commissioner Sullivan reported they were continuing to work on CR 412, hauling base, bladed and packed down county roads that tie into CR 412. When completed, PCT #1 then plans on working on county roads in the 300's as long as budget allows. Filters and oil have been replaced on equipment.

PCT #2 – Commissioner Head, stated they hauled 66 loads of RAP (reclaimed asphalt pavement) to county roads to the community of Star, also took RAP to the Toddy House Road while ending up hauling base to CR 260. Mack truck is needing a new injector, Commissioner Head mentioned he would touch base with mechanic.

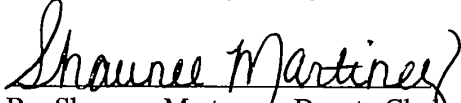
PCT #3- Commissioner Partin stated there has been extensive repair on the maintainer, hauled dirt on county roads.

PCT #4 - Commissioner Williams, re-topped CR 550 about a mile long and completed With the small amount of moisture received they were able to cap county roads 408,406,432,433,531 and 550 Freightliner was down which had to do with the def system Volvo dump truck is out of service due to needing a new fuel pump Repairs are happening this week

14 County Judges Report – Has been informed from Appraisal District that the Interim Chief Appraiser has been hired, Michael Hall Judge had a meeting with Bill Pentak with Red River Clean Energy, the individual would like to come back and speak more to the Commissioners Court Received SAL permit for Louis Coronado to begin the work on concrete work / handicap entrance on east side When repairs begin the east entrance will be closed 3-4 days This information has been given to the Eagle Newspaper and posted on the county website to make the public aware The Texas Association of Counties of Risk Management Pool recognized Mills County for zero lost time for the year 2024 The courthouse will be closed Friday 4/18/25 for Good Friday

15 Adjournment

Motion made to Adjourn by Commissioner Head with a second from Judge Johnson


By Shawnee Martinez – Deputy Clerk
Sonya Scott, County Clerk
Mills County



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