

Mills County
Commissioners Court Minutes
March 23, 2026 – 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 4th Street, Goldthwaite, Texas 76844.

Present in the Courtroom: Judge Jett Johnson, Commissioners Williams, Partin, Head and Sullivan, County Attorney – Bill Malone, and County Clerk – Sonya Scott. Present via Zoom: Annette Watson and Kara McKinney. See sign in sheet for public attendance.

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

1. Judge Johnson called the meeting to order noted the presence of a quorum; Judge Johnson led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance with Commissioner Williams providing the opening prayer.
2. Review of minutes March 9, 2026–Commissioner Williams moved to approve the minutes with corrections with a second from Commissioner Head. Motion carried 5-0.
3. Audience with Individuals – none
4. Consider and Act on approving Accounts Payable –Motion to approve from Commissioner Head with a second from Commissioner Sullivan. Motion carried 5-0.
5. Consider and Act on Proclamation Declaring April as Child Abuse Prevention month, and related matters – CASA present for signing of Proclamation. 4 active cases with 5 children in Mills County at this time. Judge Johnson moved to approve April as Child Abuse Prevention Awareness month with a second Commissioner Williams. Motion carried 5-0.
6. Consider and Act on reinstating Burn Ban, and related matters – Texas is in a high risk danger for fires. Motion made to approve by Judge Johnson to reinstate the burn ban with a second from Commissioner Head. Motion carried 5-0.
7. Discussion on the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Audit, and related matters – Sheriff Jones addressed the Court. Last Tuesday the Law Enforcement underwent an audit and the audit was very successful. No findings from the audit. Discussion only.
8. Consider and Act on Bids Notice for Hauling Materials, and related matters –Commissioner Williams addressed the Court. Request for Bids presented that will be in the paper for at least 2 weeks. Commissioner Head made a motion to approve the bid form with a second from Commissioner Partin. Motion carried 5-0.
9. Consider and Act to Declare the 140 G CAT as Surplus, and related matters – Commissioner Partin addressed the Court. Offer is for \$30,000 for older maintainer. The money will offset the purchase price of a new maintainer. Commissioner Partin moved to approve with a second from Commissioner Sullivan. Motion carried 5-0.

10. Consider and Act on the Burnt 12 G, and related matters – Judge Johnson provided that this is in precinct 1. Caught on fire at one time and declared a total loss with insurance (\$63,000). Commissioner Williams moved to make the burned 12 G as salvage with a second with a second from Commissioner Head. Motion carried 5-0.

11. Discussion on Hoof & Horns Subdivision, and related matters – Judge Johnson addressed the Court. Court was told in Commissioners Court that all parties had signed off on plat. Upon review, none of the signatures were on the final plat. Judge Johnson, Commissioner Partin and County Attorney Bill Malone visited with TxDot. There are many things from the point of view of TxDot that are not completed and TxDot will not approve the plat with out several changes. Subdivision applied for a residential instead of commercial subdivision. A turn lane would be required for the turn lane. Subdivision would have to pay for the turn lanes prior to TxDot approval. Malone surmised that the Court had to approve the final plat when we did but the issue is getting TxDot approval. There is a time limit and as the County has approved the final plat. Discussion only. Court will not sign off on plat until other parties have signed.

12. Commissioners' Request and Reports -

Commissioner Precinct 1 – working on county road 423, blading and packing. Moving to 424 after this road complete.

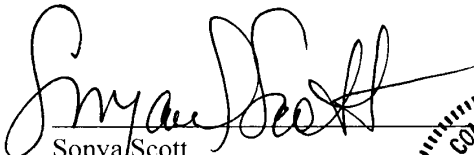
Commissioner Precinct 2 – hauling on 325, ditch work also on 250, will work on a FEMA project soon. Mower demonstration tomorrow from Max Mowers.

Commissioner Precinct 3 – visited with TxDot on deadline for completion of bridge on 508 – completed hopefully on June 1. Blading. Meeting on the 30th regarding FEMA. Boxcar have engineer reports. Only one route will work. Will have to be approved in court after posting.

Commissioner Precinct 4 – bid notices are out but no bids received for low water crossing. Working on 527. Working on 508. Safety meeting needs to be scheduled for the summer.

13. County Judge's Report – Courthouse will be closed April 3 for Good Friday. Working on pressure washing on courthouse. Guy Burns addressed the Court. Will be adding a sealant that last for 5 years. Project will take approximately 2 weeks. Will be repairing the hole in the treasurer's office and replacing the copper piece that is missing. Mortar repair. Courthouse had defibrillator training last week.

14. Judge Johnson moved to adjourn; Commissioner Head seconded. Motion Carried 5-0.


Sonya Scott
Mills County Clerk



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