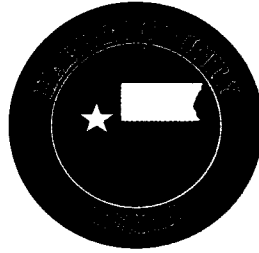


**L. W. "Nubbin" Cooper Jr.**  
County Commissioner, Precinct 1



**Amanda Young**  
County Commissioner, Precinct 3

**Chris Kirkendall**  
County Commissioner, Precinct 2

**Ernie Koch**  
County Commissioner, Precinct 4

**Wayne McDaniel**  
County Judge

**COMMISSIONERS COURT OF HARDIN COUNTY, TEXAS**  
**HARDIN COUNTY COURTHOUSE ■ COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM (A-131)**

**NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING AND AGENDA**  
**TUESDAY | AUGUST 8, 2023 | 10:00 A.M.**

**AGENDA & MINUTES**

**BE IT REMEMBERED THAT ON AUGUST 8, 2023, THERE WAS BEGUN AND HOLDEN A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF HARDIN COUNTY, TEXAS, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF THE COURT PRESENT:**

**HONORABLE WAYNE MCDANIEL**  
**HONORABLE L.W. COOPER, JR.**  
**HONORABLE CHRIS KIRKENDALL**  
**HONORABLE AMANDA YOUNG**  
**HONORABLE ERNIE KOCH**  
**HONORABLE CONNIE BECTON**

**HARDIN COUNTY JUDGE**  
**COMMISSIONER PCT. 1**  
**COMMISSIONER PCT. 2**  
**COMMISSIONER PCT. 3**  
**COMMISSIONER PCT. 4**  
**HARDIN COUNTY CLERK**

**WHEN THE FOLLOWING PROCEEDINGS WERE HAD AND ORDERS MADE TO-WIT; IN ADDITION TO THE ROUTINE BUSINESS OF THE COUNTY, THE SUBJECT OF SAID MEETING WILL BE THE FOLLOWING:**

- 1) Call meeting to order.
- 2) Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance. *Commissioner Amanda Young*
- 3) Approve Minutes of the July 25, 2023 Regular Meeting and August 1, 2023 Special Meeting as presented by *Connie Becton, County Clerk*.  
**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER YOUNG**  
**SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER KOCH**  
**IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.**  
**ACTION: APPROVED AS PRESENTED**

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- 4) Consider approval of request to cancel all Registered Claims from July 25, 2023; and Approval of Cash Statement as presented by *Deborah McWilliams, County Treasurer*. (SEE ATTACHED)  
MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER YOUNG  
SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER COOPER  
IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.  
ACTION: APPROVED AS PRESENTED
- 5) Authorization to pay County bills as presented by *Angela Gore, County Auditor* (SEE ATTACHED)  
MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER COOPER  
SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER KOCH  
IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.  
ACTION: APPROVED AS PRESENTED
- 6) Recognize Irene Brooks, Tax Deputy, for Hardin County Tax Office for 9 years of dedicated service to Hardin County, and wish her well on her retirement. (SEE ATTACHED)
- 7) Consider request to accept CLR Silsbee Property Owner, LLC application for Property Tax Abatement Exemption into the Minutes of the Court; and set Public Hearing to discuss designating the property located at 735 FM 92, Silsbee, Texas as a Reinvestment Zone. (SEE ATTACHED)  
MOTION BY: JUDGE MCDANIEL  
SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL  
IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.  
ACTION: ACCEPTED AND APPROVED TO SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR AUGUST 22, 2023 AT 9:00 A.M.
- 8) Consider acceptance of the Compiled Financial Statements for the year ending December 31, 2022, for the Village Mills Emergency Service District № 8. (SEE ATTACHED)  
MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL  
SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER COOPER  
IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.  
ACTION: APPROVED
- 9) Consider approval of request by *Chief Monica Kelley, Juvenile Probation Department*, for approval of outside detention contract with Coryell County. (SEE ATTACHED)  
MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER COOPER  
SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER KOCH  
IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.  
ACTION: APPROVED

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- 10) Consider request by *Constable Cory Jeffcoat*, to authorize the County Judge to execute Memorandum of Understanding between Hardin County Constable's Office, Precinct 4, and Hardin-Jefferson ISD regarding four Deputy Constables serving as School Resource Officers for the 2023-2024 school year. (SEE ATTACHED)  
**MOTION BY: JUDGE MCDANIEL**  
**SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER COOPER**  
**IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.**  
**ACTION: APPROVED TO TABLE**
- 11) Consider and possibly approve *Constable Cory Jeffcoat's* request to appoint Mr. Jesse Orr as a Deputy Constable for Hardin County Constable's Office, Precinct 4, pursuant to § 86.011 LGC to serve as a School Resource Officer for Hardin-Jefferson ISD. (SEE ATTACHED)  
**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER YOUNG**  
**SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER KOCH**  
**IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.**  
**OPPOSED: COMMISSIONER COOPER**  
**ACTION: APPROVED**
- 12) Consider and possibly authorize the County Judge to sign Texas Historical Commission Antiquities Permit Application Form as requested by *Alex Parker, Floodplain Administrator*, on behalf of SWCA Environmental Consultants concerning the Blackfin Pipeline Project which proposes to pass through property owned by Hardin County located on FM 770 in the Kountze area. (SEE ATTACHED)  
**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL**  
**SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER COOPER**  
**IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.**  
**ACTION: APPROVED**
- 13) Consider approval of request by *Misty Sims, Purchasing Agent*, to present results of bids submitted for Disaster/Emergency Debris Removal Services and possibly award to successful bidder(s). If approved, consider authorizing the County Judge to execute agreements(s) for Disaster/Emergency Debris Removal Services. (SEE ATTACHED)  
**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER YOUNG**  
**SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL**  
**IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.**  
**ACTION: APPROVED TFR ENTERPRISES, INC WHO WAS LOW BIDDER, CTC DISASTER RESPONSE AS #2 AND DRC AS #3 AS THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS.**

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- 14) Consider request by *Misty Sims, Purchasing Agent*, to authorize the County Judge to sign renewal agreement with DebtBook related to Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB 87 & 96) for FY24, utilizing the National Cooperative Purchasing Alliance Contract No. 14-03. (SEE ATTACHED)

**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER COOPER**

**SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER YOUNG**

**IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.**

**ACTION: APPROVED**

- 15) Consider and possibly approve request by *Jennifer Walters, Interim HCCVAC Director* to approve job descriptions for positions in the Hardin County Crime Victims Assistance Center, to begin September 1, 2023, as follows: Sexual Assault Advocate and Victims Advocate/ Education Prevention/Outreach Bilingual Sexual Assault Advocate. These positions will be 100% grant funded. (SEE ATTACHED)

**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER YOUNG**

**SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER COOPER**

**IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.**

**ACTION: APPROVED**

- 16) Consider request by *Aaron Tupper, Emergency Management Coordinator*, to deallocate American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) funding in the amount of \$960,000.00 from the Records Management Software Implementation and Support (District and County Courts), previously allocated in Commissioner Court on March 28, 2023. This project is no longer a desired project of these Courts/Clerks. (SEE ATTACHED)

**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER COOPER**

**SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER YOUNG**

**IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.**

**ACTION: APPROVED**

- 17) Consider request by *Aaron Tupper, Emergency Management Coordinator*, to allocate American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) funding in the amount of \$500,000.00 to the Silsbee Communications Tower Project. These funds will be utilized to cover project cost overage from the CDBG-DR 4332 tower project. (SEE ATTACHED)

**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER COOPER**

**SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER YOUNG**

**IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.**

**ACTION: APPROVED**

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- 18) Consider and possibly approve request by *Chief Kevin Cummings, Adult Probation Department*, to trade a 2017 Ford F150 (VIN...1138) toward the purchase of a truck not to exceed \$49,999.00. If approved, this purchase will be paid from line item 805-501-426 'Basic Supervision Travel'. (SEE ATTACHED)  
**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL**  
**SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER COOPER**  
**IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.**  
**ACTION: APPROVED TOTAL PURCHASE PRICE OF \$27,376.90 AFTER TRADE IN OF \$23,000 AND APPLICABLE TAXES.**
- 19) Consider approval to publish increases of salaries and expenses for Elected County and Precinct Officers in The Silsbee Bee pursuant to § 152.013 Local Government Code. (SEE ATTACHED)  
**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER COOPER**  
**SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER YOUNG**  
**IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.**  
**ACTION: APPROVED**
- 20) Setting of Public Hearing to receive comments from citizens of Hardin County concerning the Fiscal Year 2024 Hardin County Budget (October 1, 2023 - September 30, 2024); and publish notice of same pursuant to § 111.007(c) Local Government Code. (SEE ATTACHED)  
**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER YOUNG**  
**SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER COOPER**  
**IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.**  
**ACTION: APPROVED AND SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR AUGUST 22, 2023 AT 9:00 A.M.**
- 21) Setting of Public Hearing to receive comments from citizens of Hardin County concerning the proposed Tax Rate of \$0.540835 per \$100 valuation for the 2023 tax year; and publish notice of same pursuant to § 26.06 Tax Code. (SEE ATTACHED)  
**MOTION BY; COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL**  
**SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER YOUNG**  
**IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.**  
**ACTION: APPROVED AND SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR AUGUST 22, 2023 AT 9:00 A.M.**
- 22) Discussion only by Any County Official of any item not on the Agenda without taking any action.
- 23) Adjourn.  
**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL**  
**SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER COOPER**  
**IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.**  
**ACTION: APPROVED**

*\*Any attendee of this Open Meeting may be permitted to comment on an Agenda item for a period of three (3) minutes by raising their hand and being recognized by the Presiding Member prior to the Court acting on any item. Anyone who addresses Commissioners Court must do so from the podium.*

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,



Wayne McDaniel  
HARDIN COUNTY JUDGE



Connie Becton  
HARDIN COUNTY CLERK