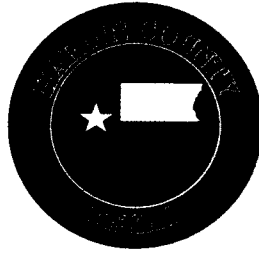


L. W. "Nubbin" Cooper Jr.
County Commissioner, Precinct 1



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 SPECIAL MEETING AND AGENDA
TUESDAY | AUGUST 1, 2023 | 10:00 A.M.

AGENDA AND MINUTES

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT ON AUGUST 1, 2023, THERE WAS BEGUN AND HOLDEN A SPECIAL 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 led by Commissioner Young.
- 3) Consider request by the County Judge to authorize a continuation of the Declaration of Disaster and Order Restricting Outdoor Burning issued on July 27, 2023, as a result of current and forecasted extreme drought conditions in Hardin County. **(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 AND CONTINUED FOR 30 DAYS.

- 4) Acceptance of Vehicle Allowance Declination Affidavits from Constable Ben Hawthorne, Precinct 2, Constable Trey Brothers, Precinct 3 and Constable Ross Jordan, Precinct 5. (SEE ATTACHED)
MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER COOPER
SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL
IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.
ACTION: APPROVED
- 5) Consider approval of request by *Judge Wayne McDaniel*, to rescind the action taken by Commissioners Court on July 25, 2023, to transfer \$49,442.00 from R&B Fund Balance to newly created line item 017-621-649 'Auto Note Principal' in the amount of \$47,896.00 and newly created line item 017-621-670 'Auto Note Interest' in the amount of \$1,546.00; and consider approval to authorize a transfer of \$49,495.00 from R&B Fund Balance to newly created line item 017-621-648 'Auto Note Principal' in the amount of \$47,897.00 and newly created line item 017-621-671 'Auto Note Interest' in the amount of \$1,598.00 for the purpose of paying off the current auto note on a 2022 F250 Crew Cab Truck (VIN...1021). If approved, authorize payoff in the amount of \$49,494.41 effective immediately. (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
- 6) 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 2022 Ford F-150 Truck (VIN...5135). Total purchase price, less trade-in, being \$22,690.00 from line item 805-501-426 'Basic Supervision Travel'. (SEE ATTACHED)
MOTION BY: JUDGE MCDANIEL
SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER COOPER
IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.
ACTION: TABLE
- 7) Consider and possibly approve request by Sharon Whitley, Health Director, to approve job descriptions and pay rates for positions in the Health Services Department, to begin October 1, 2023 and will be 100% funded by grants, as follows: Administrator Manager, \$22.00 per hour; WIC Certified Specialist, \$23.00 per hour; and Health Inspector, \$21.00 per hour. (SEE ATTACHED)
MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL
SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER YOUNG
IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.
OPPOSED: COMMISSIONER COOPER
ACTION: APPROVED 4 TO 1

- 8) Consider approval of request by Sharon Whitley, Health Director, to amend the Indigent Health Care Clerk/WIC Clerk job description to IHC Case Worker/WIC Counselor at an increased rate of \$20.00 per hour effective October 1, 2023. Funding for this position will be partially funded by the Indigent Health Care Budget and a WIC Grant. If approved, this increase will be covered 100% by grant funds and will not result in an increase in expenditure to the General Fund. (SEE ATTACHED)
MOTION BY: JUDGE MCDANIEL
SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL
IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.
OPPOSED: COMMISSIONER COOPER AND COMMISSIONER YOUNG
ACTION: APPROVED 3 TO 2
- 9) Consider approval of request by *Sharon Whitley, Health Director*, to increase the hourly rate for the Health Department Custodian from \$14.63 to \$16.50 per hour effective October 1, 2023. This position is 100% grant funded. (SEE ATTACHED)
MOTION BY: JUDGE MCDANIEL
SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER KOCH
IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.
OPPOSED: COMMISSIONER COOPER
ACTION: APPROVED 4 TO 1
- 10) Consider approval of request by *Sharon Whitley, Health Director*, to increase the hourly rate for the Health Inspector Manager position from \$24.37 per hour to \$26.13 per hour effective October 1, 2023. This request is due to the Health Inspector Manager attaining a Certified Professional – Food Safety Certification on July 1, 2022, and, if approved, will be covered 100% grant funds without an increase in expenditure to the General Fund. (SEE ATTACHED)
MOTION BY: JUDGE MCDANIEL
SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER YOUNG
IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.
OPPOSED: COMMISSIONER COOPER
ACTION: APPROVED 4 TO 1
- 11) Consider approval of request by Matthew Minick, County Attorney, for a \$300 annual stipend from the County Attorney's Pre-Trial Diversion Fund to the County Attorney Investigator effective August 1, 2023. If approved, also consider approval to create a new FY23 Budget line item, 020-475-104 'Salaries-Investigator', in the amount of \$300.00 and transfer funds from the PTD fund balance. (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

12) Consider approval of request by *Matthew Minick, County Attorney*, for the County Attorney Investigator to receive TCOLE Peace Officer Certification pay effective August 1, 2023. The Certificate Pay would be based upon the proficiency level of the Investigator as of October 1st each year and not subject to COLA, as follows: (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

Intermediate Proficiency Certificate	\$1,500.00
Advanced Proficiency Certificate	\$1,800.00
Master Proficiency Certificate	\$2,100.00

13) Consider and possibly accept the FY 2024 Proposed Budget, presented by *Judge Wayne McDaniel*. (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 TO ACCEPT THE FY 2024 PROPOSED BUDGET AS PRESENTED

14) Discussion and possible action to set proposed Tax Rate for year 2023. (SEE ATTACHED)

MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL

SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER COOPER

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

ACTION: UNANIMOUS VOTE ADOPTING PROPOSED TAX RATE OF 0.540835

15) Discussion only by Any County Official of any item not on the agenda without taking any action.

16) 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