

STATE OF TEXAS

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COUNTY OF HOPKINS

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BE IT REMEMBERED on the 25th, day of MARCH, 2025, there was conducted a **REGULAR** Public Meeting of the Honorable Commissioners' Court of Hopkins County, Texas, on the 1st Floor, Commissioners' Courtroom, in the Courthouse, 118 Church Street, City of Sulphur Springs, Texas, for the purpose of transacting any and all business that may lawfully be brought before the same.

THE COURT MET AT:

9:02 A.M.

PRESENT:

COUNTY JUDGE

WESLEY MILLER
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1

GREG ANGLIN
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 2

TRAVIS THOMPSON
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3

JOE PRICE
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4

ELSIE TORRES
DEPUTY CLERK

ABSENT:

ROBERT NEWSOM

The Meeting Was Called To Order By Judge Pro Tem, Joe Price. Development Coordinator, Steve Hudson, Offered An Invocation And Judge Newsom Lead The Court And Audience In Reciting The Pledge Of Allegiance To The American Flag & Texas Flag.

The Court Considered The Following Matters As Posted And Filed For Record In The Office Of The County Clerk On MARCH 21, 2025 At 2:30 P.M. Judge Pro Tem Price Declared A Quorum With All Members Being Present With The Exception Of Judge Robert Newsom Being Absent.

CONSENT AGENDA

Upon Motion By Commissioner Miller, Seconded By Commissioner Thompson, And Carried Unanimously, To Approve Consent Agenda Items.

i) APPROVE PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

**a) Work Sessions – 3/10/2025
3/11/2025
3/18/2025**

Regular Minutes – 3/11/2025

ii) APPROVAL OF UTILITY EASEMENTS, BURIAL OF TELEPHONE CABLES AND CONSTRUCTION OF WATER DISTRIBUTION FACILITIES:

a) THE COURT TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE A REQUEST FROM ONCOR ELECTRIC DELIVERY TO CONSTRUCT ELECTRICAL POWER DISTRIBUTION FACILITIES WHICH WILL CROSS COUNTY ROAD 1103

A Request From Oncor Electric Delivery To Construct Electrical Power Distribution Facilities Which Will Cross County Road 1103. A Copy Is Attached Hereto And Made A Part Hereof. ([Ex.1](#))

b) THE COURT TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE A REQUEST FROM FARMERS ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE TO CONSTRUCT ELECTRICAL POWER DISTRIBUTION FACILITIES WHICH WILL CROSS COUNTY ROAD 4716

A Request From Farmers Electric Cooperative To Construct Electrical Power Distribution Facilities Which Will Cross County Road 4716. A Copy Is Attached Hereto And Made A Part Hereof. ([Ex.2](#))

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Mack Pitts gave thanks to Pct. 3 Commissioner Thompson for repairing a county road that was impassable. Mr. Pitts also acknowledged Fire Marshall, Andy Endsley and the Brinker Fire Station for volunteering in providing assistance to his family.

OTHER COUNTY BUSINESS

i) THE COURT TO ACKNOWLEDGE TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR CHASITY CAMPBELL FOR SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETING 2 HOURS OF NEW COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR EDUCATIONAL TRAINING AND 1 HOUR OF ETHICS FOR COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTORS EDUCATIONAL TRAINING CERTIFIED BY THE V.G. YOUNG INSTITUTE OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT

The Court Acknowledged Tax Assessor-Collector Chasity Campbell For Successfully Completing 2 Hours Of New County Tax Assessor Educational Training And 1 Hour Of Ethics For County Tax Assessor-Collectors Educational Training Certified By The V.G. Young Institute Of County Government. A Copy Is Attached Hereto And Made A Part Hereof. ([Ex.3](#))

ii) THE COURT TO ACKNOWLEDGE COMMISSIONER GREG ANGLIN AND COMMISSIONER JOE PRICE FOR SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETING THE CONTINUING EDUCATION PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 81.0025 OF THE TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE FOR 2024

The Court Acknowledged Commissioner Greg Anglin And Commissioner Joe Price For Successfully Completing The Continuing Education Provisions Of Article 81.0025 Of The Texas Local Government Code For 2024. A Copy Is Attached Hereto And Made A Part Hereof. ([Ex.4](#))

iii) THE COURT TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE FINAL PLAT OF BROOKSIDE FARMS

Upon Motion By Commissioner Thompson, Seconded By Commissioner Miller, And Carried Unanimously, To Approve The Final Plat Of Brookside Farms. The Developer, Rusty Simmons Was In Attendance. Development Coordinator, Steve Hudson Provided A Review Summary. All The Items For The Final Plat Checklist Were Completed. A Rebuild Of County Road 3513 Is Required By The Developer. County Road Needs To Be Widen From 10 Feet To 20 Feet. Commissioner Thompson Has Agreed To Use County Forces To Complete The Widening. Developer Is Required To Pay For The Labor, Materials, And Equipment And As Required To Widen The Road. Commissioner Thompson Had Prepared An Estimate For The Cost Of The Project And The Developer Has Submitted A Check. The Check Has Been Accepted As A Donation For 80% Of Estimated Cost. There Will Be A Designated Route That Construction Traffic Must Use, If Construction Traffic Is Found On Other Routes, They Will Be Notified Or May Be Fined. The County Has Also Received A Sufficient Bond To Cover The Cost Of Improvements, Water Lines And The Moving Of Utilities Lines Will Be Required On County Roads 3512. A 20,000 Gallon Fire Tank Will Also Be Installed In One Of The Designated Lot In The Subdivision. After Construction Of The Roads, The Developer Will Also Chip Seal The Roads In The Brookside Farms Subdivision Along With The Meadows At Deer Crossing Subdivision. A Draft Copy Of The CCR's Has Been Submitted And A Final Copy Is Brought By The Developer. The North Hopkins Water Has Agreed To Provide Service And Has Adequate Water Supply. Farmers Electric Company Has Agreed And Will Be Moving Poles To The East Of CR3512 And To The Right-A-Way Per The Right-A-Way Dedication. A Copy Is Attached Hereto And Made A Part Hereof. ([Ex.5](#))

REVIEW THE MONTHLY REPORT FROM COUNTY OFFICES

The Monthly Reports From The Following Offices Were Reviewed By The Court And Recorded In The Minutes: Auditor, Agri-Life Extension Office, Constable #1, Constable #2, County Clerk, District Clerk, Fire Department, Homeland Security, JP #1, JP #2, Sheriff's Office, Tax Assessor-Collector And Treasurer. A Copy Is Attached Hereto And Made A Part Hereof. ([Ex.6](#))

BUDGET AMENDMENTS AND LINE ITEM TRANSFERS

NO ACTION TAKEN

BILLS, REVENUES AND EXPENSES PAYROLL AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

All Bills, Revenue, Expenses, Payroll And Financial Statements, On File In The Office Of The County Clerk Were Approved, Upon Motion By Commissioner Anglin, Seconded By Commissioner Thompson, And Carried Unanimously.

GRANTS

NO ACTION TAKEN

DONATIONS

Upon Motion By Commissioner Anglin, Seconded By Commissioner Thompson, And Carried Unanimously, To Approve The Donation From Brookside Farms For County Road 3512 48,000 To Aid The County And Road Construction. A Copy Is Attached Hereto And Made A Part Hereof. ([Ex.7](#))

CONTRACTS

i) THE COURT TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE ACH PROCESSING SERVICES AGREEMENT

Upon Motion By Commissioner Anglin, Seconded By Commissioner Miller, And Carried Unanimously, To Approve the ACH Processing Services Agreement. Tax Assessor Chasity Campbell spoke about the agreement. She wanted to offer customers another online option to pay with E-Check where it is a \$2.00 flat fee compared to if they pay with Credit Card is a percentage. It still goes through the same credit card processing company, Certified Payments. A Copy Is Attached Hereto And Made A Part Hereof. ([Ex.8](#))

PERSONNEL MATTERS

NO ACTION TAKEN

DISPOSAL OF ASSETS

NO ACTION TAKEN

RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS**i) THE COURT TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE RESOLUTION OPPOSING ELIMINATION OF COUNTYWIDE POLLING PLACE PROGRAM**

Upon Motion By Commissioner Anglin, Seconded By Commissioner Thompson, And Carried Unanimously, To Approve The Resolution Opposing Elimination Of Countywide Polling Place Program. County Clerk, Tracy Smith Spoke About The Program, Where For Many Years The Voters Can Go To Any Polling Location Within The County And Vote Instead Of Going To Their Specific Precinct. There Are Several Bills In The Legislation Right Now That Want To Do Away With The Polling Place Program. If They Were To Do Away With The Program, That Would Make Us Go Back To Precinct Voting To Where Every Voter Would Have To Go To Their Specific Precinct To Vote. Most Counties Are Showing Their Support To Keep The Program. The Resolution Is Asking The County To Agree To Keep The Polling Place Program. A Citizen Made A Statement To Keep The Program, If It Was To Go Away It Would Affect The Elderly And The Disabled, The Program Has To Stay. A Copy Is Attached Hereto And Made A Part Hereof. ([Ex.9](#))

ii) THE COURT TO PROCLAIM CHILD ABUSE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION MONTH

Judge Pro Tem, Price Read The Proclamation Of Child Abuse Awareness And Prevention. Lauren Zastany, Director Northeast Texas Child Advocacy Center Spoke On Behalf Of Many Partners And Expressed Her Gratitude. The Northeast Texas Child Has Served Almost 12,000 Children In 27 Years' Time And 114 Children In Hopkins County Last Year. The Center Helps A Child When They Make An Outcry Of Abuse, Supports The Child And Their Family Through Family Advocates In Whatever Way They Need, Housing Assistance, Financial Assistance, Transportation And They Also Receive Trauma Focus Therapy At The Center, Free Of Charge. A Copy Is Attached Hereto And Made A Part Hereof. ([Ex.10](#))

THE COURT TO ADJOURN

There Being No Further Business To Come Before The Court, Upon Motion By Commissioner Anglin, Seconded By Commissioner Miller, And Carried Unanimously, The Meeting Was **ADJOURNED AT 9:33 A.M.**

MINUTES APPROVED APRIL 8, 2025:

County Judge

Commissioner #1

Commissioner #2

Commissioner #3

Commissioner #4

ATTEST:

**County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk
Of the Commissioners' Court of Hopkins County, Texas**