

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HUTCHINSON

On this 10th day of November 2025, A.D., the Commissioners Court met in a Regular Session with the following members present to wit:

Cindy Irwin	County Judge
Gary Alexander	Commissioner Precinct #1 VIA ZOOM
Dwight Kirksey	Commissioner Precinct #2
Ben Bentley	Commissioner Precinct #3
Chris Prock	Commissioner Precinct #4
Kelly Ratliff	County Clerk & Ex-Officio Clerk of Commissioners Court

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER FOR REGULAR MEETING, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION

Judge Irwin called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. Dwight Kirksey led the pledge and prayer.

PUBLIC COMMENT; 5 MINUTES PER PERSON (WITH SIGNED PARTICIPATION FORM)

None at this time.

CONSENT AGENDA

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE COUNTY AUDITOR'S TABULATED REPORT TO COMMISSIONERS COURT PURSUANT TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE 114.024

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE PAYROLL

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE DISPOSAL OF OBSOLETE OFFICE EQUIPMENT AS REQUESTED BY DEPARTMENTS

ACCEPT CERTIFICATES OF COMPLETION FROM ELECTED OR APPOINTED OFFICIALS

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE REPORTS FROM ELECTED/APPOINTED OFFICIALS REQUIRED BY STATE LGC 114.044

Ben Bentley made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items, seconded by Chris Prock. All voted aye and the motion carried unanimously. Reports have been made part of the minutes.

REGULAR AGENDA

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE FY2026/2027 INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE REGIONAL PUBLIC DEFENDER FOR CAPITAL CASES

Chris Prock made a motion to approve the above stated agenda item pending County Attorney approval, seconded by Ben Bentley. All voted aye and the motion carried unanimously. Agreement has been made part of the minutes.

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE INTERLOCAL FIRE PROTECTION AGREEMENT WITH CARSON COUNTY ESD

Dwight Kirksey made a motion to approve the above stated agenda item, seconded by Chris Prock. All voted aye and the motion carried unanimously. Agreement has been made part of the minutes.

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE ALTERING AN EXISTING PUBLIC ROAD, TO-WIT THE ROAD COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS OLD STINNETT HIGHWAY, LOCATED IN SECTION 68, BLOCK 46, H&TC RY.CO.SURVEY, HUTCHINSON COUNTY, TEXAS

Judge Irwin presented this item as P66, wants to buy this from the county and we have signed a letter of intent. Craig Jones, County Attorney and P66 have been working on verifying good title so Hutchinson County can convey that property to P66. Mr. Jones reported that Hutchinson County does own the property. Under the transportation code the Commissioners have the authority to shorten the public road from end to end, which is what this would do. All the adjoining landowners have been bought out by Phillips except for one that does have an agreement with Phillips for use of property after it's conveyed to Phillips. This is to ask the Commissioners' Court for permission to alter the road. They can then proceed with title insurance and proceed to close the transaction. Commissioner Bentley asked for a legal description, Mr. Jones provided a map and the conveyance to the county is in a deed vol 58 page 460 in the County Clerk's Office. The map was discussed and the legal description and a map showing the altered road will be included in the resolution. Chris Prock made a motion to approve the above stated agenda item, seconded by Ben Bentley. All voted aye and the motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDER AND OR APPROVE CASTING VOTES FOR A POSITION ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE HUTCHINSON COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT

Judge Irwin presented 1384 total votes for this 2-year term. Chris Prock made a motion to approve the votes in the form of 693 to Carrie Kimmel and 691 to Ben Bentley above stated agenda item, seconded by Dwight Kirksey. All voted aye and the motion carried unanimously. Ballot and Resolution have been made part of the minutes.

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE MONTHLY AUDITOR'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2025

Lesha Krieg, Auditor, reported that the Auditor's Report is subject to change as these are unaudited numbers. Dwight Kirksey made a motion to approve the above stated agenda item, seconded by Ben Bentley. All voted aye and the motion carried unanimously. Report has been made part of the minutes.

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE OOMA CONTRACT

Ben Bentley made a motion to approve the above stated agenda item, seconded by Dwight Kirksey. All voted aye and the motion carried unanimously. Quote Summary has been made part of the minutes.

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE THE ISSUANCE OF A COUNTY CREDIT CARD TO ROMAN ALEJANDRO CONSTABLE, PCT. 1

Judge Irwin reported there are cards that can be checked out in the Auditors' office if needed. Lesha Krieg, Auditor, confirmed that is correct. After discussion no action was taken due to no motion being made.

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE CANVASS FOR THE NOVEMBER 4, 2025 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ELECTION

Kelly Ratliff, County Clerk, presented Canvass for review. Dwight Kirksey made a motion to approve the above stated agenda item, seconded by Gary Alexander. All voted aye and the motion carried unanimously. Canvass and Summary of Precinct Returns have been made part of the minutes.

UPDATE ON ARP GRANT PROJECTS

None

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE BURN BAN OR RESCIND BURN BAN

No action taken at this time.

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE REQUESTS FOR USE OF CLUBROOMS AT BORGER LIBRARY OR FRITCH

Chris Prock had no requests for the Borger Library Clubroom. Dwight Kirksey submitted a schedule for the Fritch Library Clubroom through November 22, 2025. Dwight Kirksey made a motion to approve the above stated agenda item, seconded by Ben Bentley. All voted aye and the motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE LINE ITEM CHANGES, TRANSFERS, AND/OR BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Dwight Kirksey made a motion to approve the transfer from contingency in the amount of \$831.81 as presented by auditor, seconded by Chris Prock. All voted aye and the motion carried unanimously. Order has been made part of the minutes.

Dwight Kirksey made a motion to approve the transfer of SB22 grant funds as presented by the auditor, seconded by Chris Prock. All voted aye and the motion carried unanimously. Order has been made part of the minutes.

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE ADVERTISING, OPENING, ACCEPTING OR AWARDING BIDS

Judge Irwin presented the Notice to Architects for the Stinnett Annex renovation project. Ben Bentley made a motion to approve the above stated agenda item, seconded by Chris Prock. All voted aye and the motion carried unanimously. Notice to Architects and Request has been made part of the minutes.

LIFI project is still open until the 20th.

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE DONATIONS TO HUTCHINSON COUNTY

None at this time.

DISCUSSION OF COUNTY JUDGES' AND COMMISSIONERS' PRECINCTS DAILY OPERATIONS

Judge Irwin reported there was a big crowd at the County Application Dinner, it went great.

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE SALE OF STRUCK OFF TAX PROPERTIES AND TAX DEEDS

Clinton Bohn submitted an offer of \$100.00 for Lot 37, Block 14, Unit B, Sage Mesa, Hutchinson County, Texas. The appraised value is \$2,200.00. Dwight Kirksey made a motion to counter offer \$250.00, seconded by Ben Bentley. All voted aye and the motion carried unanimously. Offer has been made part of the minutes.

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE MOTION TO ADJOURN

Gary Alexander made the motion to approve the above stated agenda item, seconded by Ben Bentley. All voted aye and the motion carried unanimously. Adjourn 10:00 a.m.



Cindy Irwin
CINDY IRWIN – COUNTY JUDGE

ATTEST:

Kelly Ratlife
KELLY RATLIFE – COUNTY CLERK