THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HUTCHINSON

On this 11th day of May 2026, 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
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. Judge Irwin 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 Gary Alexander. All voted aye and the motion carried unanimously. Reports have been made part of the minutes.

REGULAR AGENDA

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE MONTHLY AUDITOR'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH ENDING MARCH 31, 2026

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

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE THE SALE OF FIREWORKS FOR THE MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY

Judge Irwin reported that Gross Sales is requesting to sale fireworks for the Memorial Day Holiday. This is not a legal holiday so we can ban the sale of fireworks for Memorial Day. Alan Wells, EMC/Fire Marshal, recommends that we do not approve the sale of fireworks due to the extreme drought conditions, all agreed. This agenda item dies for lack of a motion.

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE JUDGE MOSLEY TO ATTEND THE NATIONAL FAMILY JUSTICE CONFERENCE IN NASHVILLE, TN JULY 18-22, 2026

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

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH GOVSTACK

Richard Hein, IT Director presented the Govstack agreement with the changes suggested by Craig Jones, County Attorney. Gary Alexander made a motion to approve the above stated agenda item, seconded by Ben Bentley. All voted aye and the motion carried unanimously. Agreement has been made part of the minutes.

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE CONTRACT AMENDMENT WITH DPS FOR RADIO FREQUENCY

Alan Wells, EMC/Fire Marshal, reported this is the original 5-year agreement amended to the following language: This contract is effective on the execution date for 10 years from that date and will automatically renew for a period of 10 years. Allowing us to use the DPS radio frequency at zero cost. Craig Jones, County Attorney, has approved this contract amendment. Ben Bentley made a motion to approve the above stated agenda item, seconded by Chris Prock. All voted aye and the motion carried unanimously. Contract Amendment has been made part of the minutes.

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE AUTHORIZING JUDGE IRWIN TO SIGN CLOSING DOCUMENTS FOR OLD STINNETT HIGHWAY PROPERTY TO WRB REFINING

Judge Irwin presented this Resolution; the sale of the property was approved in previous Commissioner Court. This allows Judge Irwin to sign the closing documents set for tomorrow. This was submitted and approved by Craig Jones, County Attorney. Dwight Kirksey made a motion to approve the above stated agenda item, seconded by Chris Prock. All voted aye and the motion carried unanimously. Resolution has been made part of the minutes.

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE TFS PIPER HANGER LEASE

Craig Jones, County Attorney, reported he was given terms by the Airport Director with the airport board's recommendation to present to the Commissioners Court for approval. This is a 60-month lease at $1,500.00 per month with provisions at the end of the 5-year term with notice they can renew the lease for an additional 5-years. Mr. Jones advised after approval he will send this to TFS and if they have any changes he will review and bring that back to Commissioners Court. Gary Alexander made a motion to approve the above stated agenda item, if changes are requested it will come back for approval, seconded by Ben Bentley. All voted aye and the motion carried unanimously. Hangar Lease Agreement has been made part of the minutes.

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE APOLLO MEDFLIGHT LEASE

Craig Jones, County Attorney, reported the previous Apollo Med-flight agreement had been submitted by the previous Airport Manager which won't happen anymore. Mr. Jones is presenting this lease form as he is proposing for all the hangars, but this one is specifically for Apollo. He would like to propose a 12-month lease at $2,000.00 per month. All of these are set to commence on the 1st of July to give us some time to get them out. Gary Alexander made a motion to approve the above stated agenda item, seconded by Ben Bentley. All voted aye and the motion carried unanimously. Hangar Lease Agreement has been made part of the minutes.

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE LEASE FOR AIRPORT HANGARS WITH PROPOSED RENTAL RATES FOR TENANTS

Craig Jones, County Attorney, presented a general lease form with no lessees or rates filled in. There is a list of proposed rates provided and once that's approved these agreements can be filled out and sent out to the lessees. It was asked how long these rates have been in place. Mr. Medrano said for at least 6-7 years, and the Airport Advisory Board agrees the rates should come up. Mr. Medrano will do some research and bring proposed increased rates to the next meeting for approval. Chris Prock made a motion to approve the proposed lease agreement pending the rental rates later, seconded by Ben Bentley. All voted aye and the motion carried unanimously. General Hangar Lease Agreement and current rental rates have been made part of the minutes.

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE PROHIBITED WEAPONS POLICY

Ben Bentley made a motion to approve the above stated agenda item, seconded by Gary Alexander. All voted aye and the motion carried unanimously. Prohibited Items Policy has been made part of the minutes.

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH PRPC FOR PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND CONSULTING FOR THE HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM

Judge Irwin presented this agreement and Craig Jones, County Attorney, has approved. Dwight Kirksey made a motion to approve the above stated agenda item, seconded by Gary Alexander. All voted aye and the motion carried unanimously. Agreement has been made part of the minutes.

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE $5,000.00 BOND FOR ALAN WELLS, COUNTY FIRE MARSHALL

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

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE SAMSARA USER LIST

Alan Wells, EMC/Fire Marshall presented this along with the attached Proposed Samsara User Roles. He did mention everyone with a fuel card should install the Driver App and upload a picture of each fuel receipt; the Sheriff's Deputies are already doing this. Dwight Kirksey made a motion to approve the above stated agenda item, seconded by Ben Bentley. All voted aye and the motion carried unanimously.

UPDATE ON ARP GRANT PROJECTS

Commissioner Alexander reported the Borger Annex doors have been installed.

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE BURN BAN OR RESCIND BURN BAN

Alan Wells, EMC/County Fire Marshall, reported we are in extreme drought conditions. 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 had no requests for the Fritch Library Clubroom.

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

Ben Bentley made a motion to approve the above stated agenda item, seconded by Gary Alexander. 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

None at this time.

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE DONATIONS TO HUTCHINSON COUNTY

Judge Irwin presented the Hutchinson County Museum Box Donations for April 2026 in the amount of $49.20. Amy Back, Treasurer also presented a $100.00 donation from Jim Ray to the County Judge for employees. Chris Prock made the motion to approve the above stated agenda item, seconded by Ben Bentley. All voted aye and the motion carried unanimously. Donations have been made part of the minutes.

DISCUSSION OF COUNTY JUDGES' AND COMMISSIONERS' PRECINCTS DAILY OPERATIONS

Commissioner Alexander reported the doors and blinds at the Borger Annex have been installed. He is also looking at changing some of the benches/pads in the hallways.

Alan Well, EMC/Fire Marshall reported the FMAG Grant has been approved from the Double S Fire for Law Enforcement, Fire and Admin portion of the grant, he is still waiting on the category B approval. Total of the grant is around $35,000.00 from the Double S Fire that occurred in March 2025.

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

None at this time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – SECTION 551.076 (DELIBERATIONS ABOUT SECURITY DEVICES)

Convened into Executive Session at 10:02 a.m.
Reconvened into Regular Session at 10:26 a.m.

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE ANY ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

No action at this time.

BUDGET WORKSHOP

Judge Irwin reported the budget worksheets have been sent out to Department Heads and Elected Officials.

Richard Hein, IT Director, mentioned he sent an email and offered to help anyone with their technology budget.

Judge Irwin will get the Salary Survey data together.

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE MOTION TO ADJOURN

Chris Prock made the motion to approve the above stated agenda item, seconded by Ben Bentley. All voted aye and the motion carried unanimously. Adjourn 10:29 a.m.

Cindy Irwin

CINDY IRWIN – COUNTY JUDGE

COMMISSIONERS COURT HUTCHINSON COUNTY TEXAS

ATTEST:

Kelly Ratliff

KELLY RATLIFF – COUNTY CLERK