THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HUTCHINSON

On this 8th day of June 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
Jackie Ortiz	Deputy County Clerk & Ex-Officio Clerk of Commissioners Court

AGENDA

1.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.

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

None at this time.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

2.CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS

3.CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE PAYROLL

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

5.ACCEPT CERTIFICATES OF COMPLETION FROM ELECTED OR APPOINTED OFFICIALS

6.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

1.CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN HUTCHINSON COUNTY AND TROY TIMMONS, LPC, LSOTP FOR CONSULTING SERVICES WITH THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

Clay Carr, Assistant District Attorney, explained that Mr. Timmons requires a contract before services and requests approval. Trial that was set for the 15th has been vacated and asks that they approve the contract. It comes out of already budgeted income.

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.

2.ACCEPT THE ANNUAL AUDITOR'S REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2025

Lesha Krieg, Auditor, presented an Auditor's report containing unaudited numbers and may need a few minor adjustments once she receives numbers from the outside auditors.
Report goes over Primary funds that are broken down by categories and the bigger categories by subcategories as well as departments.
Chris Prock made a motion to approve the above stated agenda item, seconded by Gary Alexander. All voted aye and the motion carried unanimously. Presentation has been made part of the minutes.

3.ACCEPT THE MONTHLY AUDITOR'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH ENDING APRIL 30, 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. Report has been made part of the minutes.

4.CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE THE 2026 BUDGET PLANNING CALENDAR

Judge Irwin presented a calendar made by her and Carrie Kimmell, Tax Assessor, with dates that correlate every year to the same dates. Calendar does state 2025 because whoever puts on website has not updated it yet, but they are working on it.
Ben Bentley made a motion to approve the above stated agenda item, seconded by Gary Alexander. All voted aye and the motion carried unanimously. Calendar has been made part of the minutes.

5.CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE RENTAL RATES FOR AIRPORT HANGARS

Judge Irwin attached rates from a meeting she had with the board. Their recommendation at present is to approve rates as presented until the Airport board does more research. The reason they want to approve them now; they want to look in to other things with the hangars if we need to raise or lower them. As of current, they would like to adopt the rates that we have so that we can get leases with all the tenants to get them current and updated. Discussion was made.
Gary Alexander made a motion to approve the above stated agenda item, seconded by Ben Bentley. Dwight Kirksey opposed, Chris Prock abstained, not enough information. Rental rates have been made part of the minutes.

6.CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE PROHIBITING THE SALE OR USE OF RESTRICTED FIREWORKS IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF THE COUNTY FOR THE 4TH OF JULY HOLIDAY

Alan Wells, EMC/County Fire Marshall, reported that the drought minimum as of today is 303 with a maximum of 611 with an average of 468 down 7 at present time, we do not meet the requirements to restrict the sale or use of these fireworks. No action at this time.

7.CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE RURAL AMBULANCE SERVICE GRANT AGREEMENT

Judge Irwin presented this agreement for Rural Ambulance for $350,000.00 that goes towards the truck or equipment for the truck. Our only ambulance service provider at present is City of Borger that is also providing services to Stinnett. Craig Jones, County Attorney, has reviewed this agreement and suggests we approve with condition that the interlocal agreement needs to be extended. Chris Prock made a motion to approve the above stated agenda item, seconded by Ben Bentley. All voted aye and the motion carried unanimously. Grant Agreement has been made part of the minutes.

8.UPDATE ON ARP GRANT PROJECTS

None at this time.

9.CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE BURN BAN OR RESCIND BURN BAN

Alan Wells, EMC/County Fire Marshall, reported that with our numbers maintained we need to keep burn ban in place, however if we continue to receive moisture, we may look at removing it next meeting. No action taken at this time.

10.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. Dwight stated that Nancy Criswell, Library Director, has asked that we recognize the Summer Reading program signups are June 17th and June 24th the Discovery Center will be in the Fritch clubroom at 4 PM and 2 PM at Borger.

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

Chris Prock made a motion to approve the Line Item Transfer for the Airport as presented, seconded by Ben Bentley. All voted aye and the motion carried unanimously. Order has been made part of the minutes.

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

None at this time.

13.CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE DONATIONS TO HUTCHINSON COUNTY

Judge Irwin presented the Hutchinson County Museum Monthly Box Donations for May 2026 in the amount of $51.00. Chris Prock 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.

14.DISCUSSION OF COUNTY JUDGES' AND COMMISSIONERS' PRECINCTS DAILY OPERATIONS

Ben Bentley reported the refurbish on the Ten commandments memorial outside should start in 2 to 3 weeks. Putting in a sidewalk by jail to get to the boiler room and the generator, so they aren't having to walk through the mud, as well as redoing a small section of the sprinklers.

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

Chris Prock made a motion to approve Daniel Duran Tax Deed (R17208) in the amount of $500.00, seconded by Ben Bentley. All voted aye and the motion carried unanimously. Tax Deed has been made part of the minutes.

Chris Prock made a motion to approve Daniel Duran Tax Deed (R17213) in the amount of $500.00, seconded by Ben Bentley. All voted aye and the motion carried unanimously. Tax Deed has been made part of the minutes.

Isaac Harris submitted an offer of $250.00 for Lot 3, Tract 23, Bugbee Heights, Hutchinson County, Texas. The appraised value is $690.00. Dwight Kirksey made a motion to approve the offer of $250.00, seconded by Chris Prock. All voted aye and the motion carried unanimously. All offers and Tax Deeds are made part of the minutes.

16.BUDGET WORKSHOP

Charla Rose with Upshaw Insurance presented Hutchinson County Employee Benefits with current and renewals at a 4% increase on the Insurance rate and 1.5% on Dental this also includes our claims experience from TAC. **Presentation and options have been made part of the minutes.** She stated Amarillo Medical Specialist and BCBS haven't reached an agreement on their contract, BCBS not responding to AMS and was hoping it'd take care of itself by the time the contract terminated which was May 1st and AMS still hasn't heard anything. Employees can apply for a Continuity of Care program, but Mrs. Rose said she does not see them approved with the primary care physicians, only with the specialist within AMS but only for 90 days. Mrs. Rose said if we want to make changes to the Copay plan, they would need to know by 6/26/2026. Judge Irwin stated she will put this on the agenda for next meeting on 6/22/2026, to decide on what to do with the Increase.

Sheriff Langwell presented that he had met with Judge Irwin and the District Judge's on hiring a Reserved Deputy to fill in for Deputy Homan when he is out and District Judge's recommended using Courthouse Security Funds to do so. Commissioner Bentley asked what that requires and Sheriff Langwell stated that they would go through the same process as any other deputy. They would need to have a discussion on off duty rate for that reserved position but is thinking roughly around $5000.00 a year. Will talk more about this when budgeting for next year comes around.

Lesha Krieg, Auditor, reported that she needs to plug in Department budgets into the software spreadsheet. Judge Irwin thanks everyone for getting those in.

17.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 10:33 a.m.

Cindy Irwin

CINDY IRWIN – COUNTY JUDGE

COMMISSIONERS COURT ★ HUTCHINSON COUNTY TEXAS ★

ATTEST:

JOrtiz

JACKIE ORTIZ – DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK