

A public hearing was called to order at 8:45. The purpose of this hearing was to receive public comment on the proposed Sanders Hollow Energy Center Project Area Reinvestment Zone. No public comment was made and the hearing was Adjourned at 9:00am

## MINUTES OF COMMISSIONER'S COURT

**January 12, 2026**

Be it remembered that on January 12, 2026, the Honorable Commissioners Court met in Regular Session with these members present, to-wit: County Judge Kevin Brendle. Commissioners, Dennis Wyatt, Precinct #1; Mike Smith, Precinct #2; Chris Horn, Precinct #3; Greg Arnold, Precinct #4; Danay Carnes, County Clerk and Brandi Abbott, Treasurer. The meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m. by County Judge, Kevin Brendle. The meeting opened with a prayer by Kevin Brendle, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag and the Texas Flag.

Whereupon the following business was transacted and is now placed of record in the minutes of said Court:

**The following Consent Agenda Items were submitted to the court for approval:**

- Minutes of the December 8<sup>th</sup> and December 18<sup>th</sup> 2025, Commissioners Court meeting were reviewed.
  - Sheriff Jay Allen Presented the Sheriff's Department report.
  - Stella Carter, J.P. Presented the Justice of the Peace report.
  - Rhonda Brendle, Tax Assessor Collector presented the Tax Office report.
  - Danay Carnes, County and District Clerk, presented the Clerk's office report.
  - Brandi Abbott, County Treasurer presented the treasurer's report.
  - Amanda Spiva, county Extension Agent, presented the County Extension Office report.
  - Matt Hindman, County EMC gave his report.
  - County Commissioners reported on road conditions in their precincts.
  - Approved Invoice from Kologic for the JP office.
  - Approved purchase of 8 tires for the Sheriff's office that exceeds the County Spending Policy.
- Chris Horn made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda Items as submitted. Dennis Wyatt second the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

**Action Agenda**

1. No public comment.
2. On a motion made by Mike Smith and second by Greg Arnold the court voted unanimously to approve the resolution for the Sanders Hollow Energy Center Project Area Reinvestment Zone.
3. Mike Smith made a motion to approve Articles of Formation for the Dickens County Economic Development Corporation. Chris Horn second the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
4. Dennis Wyatt made a motion to authorize the County Judge to submit application for annual ambulance grant. Greg Arnold second the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
5. Mike Smith made a motion to approve mutual aide agreement for complex emergency response and investigation planning. Chris Horn second the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
6. On a motion made by Mike Smith and second by Dennis Wyatt the court voted unanimously to approve resolution supporting legislation to exempt Texas counties from the state hotel occupancy tax.
7. Ryan Randolph Discussed Application for Tax abatement for Outrider BESS, LLC.
8. Dennis Wyatt made a motion to take no action on the county purchasing their own butane tanks. Greg Arnold second the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
9. Greg Arnold made a motion to take no action on courthouse security surveillance. Chris Horn second the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
10. Chris Horn made a motion to approve the county hauling materials donated to the Spur Fire Department. Dennis Wyatt second the motion. Motion passed with Greg Arnold abstaining.

COURT RECESSED AT 10:15AM

COURT RECONVENED AT 10:25AM

- ❖ Motion was made by Greg Arnold and seconded by Chris Horn to approve action on claims incurred against the county since the last Commissioner's Court. Motion passed unanimously.
- ❖ Motion to pay Historical Commission bills was made by Dennis Wyatt and seconded by Greg Arnold. Motion passed unanimously.
- ❖ No line item transfers.
- ❖ No budget amendments.

Motion to adjourn was made by Dennis Wyatt with a second by Greg Arnold. Motion passed unanimously.  
Court adjourned at 11:48 A.M.

I, Danay Carnes, Dickens County Clerk, attest that the above and foregoing is a true and complete transcript of the Commissioners Court of Dickens County, Texas, given to me at the time and place heretofore set forth.  
DATED at Dickens, Texas, this the 13th day of January 2026.



*Danay Carnes*

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