MINUTES OF COMMISSIONER'S COURT

August 11, 2025

At 8:44am a public hearing was offered concerning the proposed budget for fiscal year 2025-2026. The public hearing was adjourned at 9:00am with no public comment made.

Be it remembered that on August 11, 2025, the Honorable Commissioners Court met in Regular Session with these members present, towit: County Judge Kevin Brendle. Commissioners, Dennis Wyatt, Precinct #1; Mike Smith, Precinct 2; Chris Horn, Precinct #3; Greg Arnold, Precinct #4; and Brandi Abbott, Treasurer. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by County Judge, Kevin Brendle. The meeting opened with a prayer by Charlie Morris, 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 July 14th Commissioners Court meeting were reviewed along with the minutes of the Special Meeting and Budget Workshop of July 28th.
- Sheriff Jay Allen presented the Sheriff's Department report.
- Stella Carter, J.P. presented report.
- Rhonda Brendle, Tax Assessor Collector presented the Tax Office report.
- Danay Carnes, County and District Clerk, submitted the Clerk's office report.
- Brandi Abbott, County Treasurer presented the treasurer's report.
- County Commissioners reported on road conditions in their precincts.
- Approve purchase of DEF for Road and Bridge that may exceed the county spending policy.
- Approve renewal of Bonds on Stella Carter, Justice of the Peace and Kaylea Davis, General Administrative Assistant.

Dennis Wyatt made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda Items as submitted. Chris Horn second the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Action Agenda

- 1. Public Comment none
- 2. Ruby Combs presented the Dickens Museum annual report.
- 3. Crystal Jernigan reported concerns regarding county road conditions.
- 4. Chris Horn made a motion to approve Interlocal Agreement for E9-1-1 public Safety Answering Point Services. Greg Arnold second the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- 5. Dennis Wyatt made the motion to approve the Order of the November 4, 2025 Special Election. Mike Smith second the motion. Motion passe unanimously.
- 6. On a motion made by Greg Arnold and second by Dennis Wyatt the court voted unanimously to approve the procedures for Inspecting Sensitive Election Documents in Person.
- 7. No bids were made for the 2001 Mack Truck.
- 8. Chris Horn made the motion to approve the bid for \$650 for the 2004 Chevrolet Pickup. Mike Smith Second the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- 9. Dennis Wyatt made a motion to approve bid for Bulk Office Furniture, Appliances and Outdoor Décor. Greg Arnold second the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- 10. On a motion made by Mike Smith and second by Chris Horn the court voted unanimously to accept bid from Adrienne Bemis for property located at lot 4, blk 9, Freeman Addition to Town of Spur.

Court Recessed at 10:15am

Court Reconvened at 10:25am

- 11. Mike Smith made the motion to approve the salaries, expenses and other allowances of all elected county and precinct officers and employees. Chris Horn second the motion. Motion passed with Dennis Wyatt voting against.
- 12. Mike Smith made the motion to approve the 2025-2026 budget to be balanced by contributions from the General Fund and the Courthouse security Fund. Chris Horn second the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- 13. Rohnda Brendle, Tax Assessor-Collector submitted the no new revenue rate and voter approved rate.
- 14. On a motion made by Mike Smith and second by Greg Arnold the court voted unanimously to approve the Proposed Tax Rate of .85 with .70 for General Fund and .15 for Road and Bridge for FY 2025.

COURT WENT INTO CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 11:40AM

COURT CAME OUT OF CLOSED SESSION AT 12:00PM

REGULAR SESSION AT 12:01

- Motion was made by Dennis Wyatt and second by Greg Arnold to approve action on claims incurred against the county since the last Commissioner's Court. Motion passed unanimously.
- Motion was made by Mike Smith and second by Chris Horn to pay Wyatt Tractor Service. Motion passed with Dennis Wyatt abstaining.
- Motion to pay Historical Commission bills was made by Mike Smith and second by Chris Horn. Motion passed unanimously.
- * No line item Transfers.
- No budget amendments.

Motion to adjourn was made by Greg Arnold with a second by Mike Smith. Motion passed unanimously. Court adjourned at 12:40 PM.

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, at the time and place heretofore set forth as presented to me. DATED at Dickens, Texas, this the 15th day of August 2025.

Danay Caroles

