

A Regular Meeting of the Commissioners' Court of Robertson County, Texas was held on the 22nd day of July at 2 PM in the Robertson County Historic Courthouse, County Courtroom, 3rd Floor, Franklin, Texas.

The following members were present:

Joe David Scarpinato, County Judge

Ty Rampy, Commissioner Precinct #1

Donald Threadgill, Commissioner Precinct #2

Chuck Hairston, Commissioner Precinct #3

James Taylor, Commissioner Precinct #4

Stephanie M. Sanders, County Clerk

Candace Anderson, County Auditor

1. **VERIFICATION OF QUORUM / CALL TO ORDER**
2. **PRAYER AND PLEDGES**
3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
 - A. Maximum of 3 minutes and must have the completed Public Participation Form turned into the County Judges or County Clerk's Office by 2pm the day before the meeting of the Court.
No action taken.
4. **PUBLIC HEARING**
 - A. Public discussion on Chapter 312 Tax Abatement Agreements for Tidwell Prairie, LLC phase 3 (Barton Branch IA LLC) & Tidwell Prairie phase 4 (Bee Branch IA LLC).
Discussion was held.
5. **PUBLIC HEARING**
 - A. Public discussion on Chapter 312 Tax Abatement Agreement for GATX Corporation.
Discussion was held.
6. **LAURIE DITTO, COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER OF ROBERTSON COUNTY**
 - A. Discussion and possible action on presentation from Laurie Ditto regarding FY2025 funding report for the Robertson County Community Resource Center.
Presentation was given.
7. **STEPHANIE SANDERS, COUNTY CLERK**
 - A. Discuss and take action to approve minutes from July 8, 2025 regular meeting.
Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to approve the minutes from the July 8, 2025 regular meeting, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.
 - B. Discuss and take action to approve minutes from July 15, 2025 special meeting.
Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve the minutes from the July 15, 2025 special meeting, seconded by Commissioner Threadgill and motion carried unanimously.
 - C. Approve bonds and oaths.
No action taken.
8. **REBEKAH CALLAWAY, ELECTION ADMINISTRATOR**
 - A. Discuss and take action on election related matters.
No action taken.
9. **MICHAEL BREWER, TAX ASSESSOR/COLLECTOR**
 - A. Discuss and take action to approve monthly report for June 2025.
Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to approve the monthly report for June 2025, seconded by Judge Scarpinato and motion carried unanimously.
10. **BILLY HUGGINS, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR**
 - A. Discuss and take action on EMC related matters.
Discussion was held.
 - B. Discuss and take action on County Burn Ban.
No action taken.
11. **CHARLES PALCER, DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE/MAINTENANCE**
 - A. Discuss and take action on maintenance related matters.
Discussion was held.
12. **BILL RULAND, SHERIFF**
 - A. Discussion and possible action on any Sheriffs' Office & Jail related matters.
Discussion was held.
 - B. Discussion and possible action on any Courthouse Security related matters.
No action taken.
13. **JOE DAVID SCARPINATO, COUNTY JUDGE**
 - A. Discussion and possible action on any budget related matters or county business.
Discussion was held.

- B. Discuss and take action on Texas Association of Counties – Blue Cross Blue Shield, PPO, Non-Stop Health renewals and employee benefits.
Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve selecting option two (as presented on handout) for the Blue Cross Blue Shield, PPO, Non-Stop Health renewal and employee benefits for the upcoming 2025/2026 fiscal year, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.
Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve any required signatures, seconded by Commissioner Rampy, and motion carried unanimously.
- C. Discuss and take action to approve purchase of vehicle laptop and printer for Constable Precinct 1 to be paid from Justice Court Technology Fund.
Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to approve the purchase of a vehicle laptop and printer for Constable Precinct 1 in the amount of \$3,957.18 to be paid from the Justice Court Technology Fund, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.
- D. Discuss and take action on approval for Candy Anderson and Shelley Smith to register in SAM.gov.
Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve for Candy Anderson and Shelley Smith to register for SAM.gov, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.
- E. Discussion and possible action on First Net cell phone accounts.
No action taken.
- F. Discussion on HB1522 that amends the Government Code to change the minimum duration for which the notice of a meeting of a governmental body must be posted under state open meetings law from 72 hours before the scheduled time of the meeting to three (3) business days before the scheduled date of the meeting that will become the law effective September 1, 2025.
No action taken.
- G. Discuss and take action on Resolution Opposing Prohibition of Taxpayer-Funded Lobbying.
Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve the Resolution Opposing Prohibition of Taxpayer-Funded Lobbying, pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.
- H. Discuss and take action to file with the Commissioners Court and place of record the Robertson County ESD Auditor's Report and Financial Statements.
Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to file and place of record the Robertson County ESD Auditor's Report and Financial Statements, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.
- I. Discuss and take action to place of record the final report for FY25 Books from Birth early literacy outreach program in Robertson County.
Motion was made by Commissioner Hairston to approve and place of record the final report for FY25 Books from Birth early literacy outreach program in Robertson County, pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and motion carried unanimously.
- J. Discuss and take action to place of record the activity for the months of April through June 2025 for the Amber Alert Network Brazos Valley for Robertson County.
Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to place of record the activity for the months of April through June 2025 for the Amber Alert Network Brazos Valley for Robertson County, pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.
- K. Discuss and take action to approve and sign a Proclamation recognizing August 2025 as National Emergency Management Awareness and Appreciation month.
Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to approve and sign a Proclamation recognizing August 2025 as National Emergency Management Awareness and Appreciation month, pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Threadgill and motion carried unanimously.
- L. Discuss and take action to place of record the Extended Order – Disaster Declaration Related to Severe Weather that started on April 23, 2025 and expires on August 8, 2025.
No action taken.
- M. Discussion and possible action for court to consider Tidwell Prairie phase 3 (Barton Branch IA LLC) & Tidwell Prairie phase 4 (Bee Branch IA LLC) Chapter 312 tax abatement agreements for a battery storage project in Robertson County, Precinct 4.
Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve the Tidwell Prairie phase 3 (Barton Branch IA LLC) & Tidwell Prairie phase 4 (Bee Branch IA LLC) Chapter 312 tax abatement agreements for a battery storage project in Robertson County, Precinct 4, pending road use agreement and any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried.
Commissioner Threadgill opposed.
- N. Discussion and possible action for court to consider GATX Corporation Chapter 312 tax abatement agreement for improvements and expansion to rail service and maintenance facilities in Robertson County, Precinct 2.
Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve the GATX Corporation Chapter 312 tax abatement agreement for improvements and expansion to rail service and maintenance facilities in Robertson County, Precinct 2, pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried.
Commissioner Threadgill opposed.

14. CANDY ANDERSON, COUNTY AUDITOR

- A. Discuss and take action on approving budget adjustments, budget amendments, credit applications, lease agreements, or cell phone allowances.
Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to approve the budget adjustment for Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 (see attached adjustment), seconded by Commissioner Threadgill and motion carried unanimously.
Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve the budget adjustment for R & B Precinct 3 (see attached adjustment), seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.

- B. Settlement of Accounts: Discussion, consideration and possible action to settle and pay all accounts against the county as per Texas Local Government Code Section 115.021.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to approve accounts payable in the amount of \$202,947.76 pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.

15. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. Closed meeting (Executive Session) pursuant to Section §551.071 of the Texas Government Code – Consultation with Attorney - Discussion with attorney regarding a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas conflicts with Texas Government Code Section 551 - Open Meetings Act; or discussion with attorney regarding a matter of contemplated litigation or a settlement offer or both; to wit: No action taken.
- B. Announcement of time and date closed meeting (executive session) for this matter ends and reconvene in open session.
No action taken.
- C. The Robertson County Court reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed above as authorized by the Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultations with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Properties), 551.073 (Deliberations regarding Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations regarding Security Devices or Security Audits), and 551.087 (Deliberations regarding Economic Development Negotiations).
No action taken.


16. RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION


- A. The Robertson County Commissioners' Court will reconvene in a public meeting to discuss and take action on related matters.
No action taken.

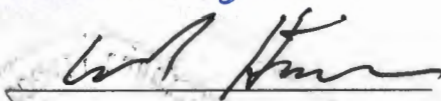
17. ADJOURN

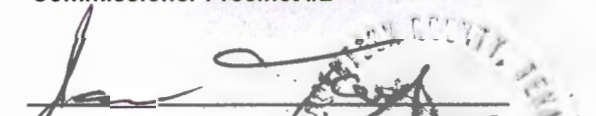
Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and motion carried unanimously.

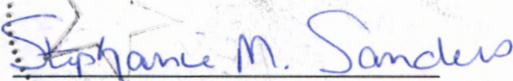

Robertson County Judge

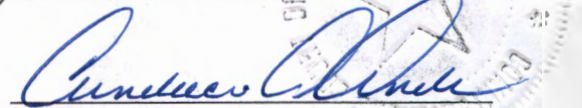

Commissioner Precinct #1


Commissioner Precinct #2


Commissioner Precinct #3


Commissioner Precinct #4


Stephanie M. Sanders
County Clerk


County Auditor

August 5, 2025