

A Regular Meeting of the Commissioners' Court of Robertson County, Texas was held on the 16th day of September at 2 PM in the Robertson County Historic Courthouse, County Courtroom, 3<sup>rd</sup> 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. BUDGET WORKSHOP
  - A. Discussion on budget related matters:  
No action taken.
  - B. Discussion and possible action on budget related matters.  
No action taken.
  - C. Discuss and take action on amendments to proposed budget.  
No action taken.
  - D. Discuss and take action on filing amended proposed budget.  
No action taken.
  - E. Discuss and take action on scheduling any future public hearings on proposed budget and tax rate.  
No action taken.
5. STEPHANIE SANDERS, COUNTY CLERK
  - A. Discuss and take action to approve minutes from September 2, 2025 special meetings & regular meeting. Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to approve the minutes from the September 2, 2025 special meetings & regular meeting, seconded by Commissioner Threadgill and motion carried unanimously.
  - B. Discuss and take action to approve minutes from September 9, 2025 special meeting. Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve the minutes from the September 9, 2025 special meeting, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.
  - C. Discuss and take action to approve monthly report for August 2025. Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve the monthly report for August 2025, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.
  - D. Approve bonds and oaths.  
No action taken.
6. BARBARA AXTELL, DISTRICT CLERK
  - A. Discuss and take action to approve monthly report for August 2025. Motion was made by Commissioner Hairston to approve the monthly report for August 2025, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.
7. REBEKAH CALLAWAY, ELECTION ADMINISTRATOR
  - A. Discuss and take action on election related matters. Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to place of record the 2025 Petition for the Local Option Election initiated by Sargento's Mexican Restaurant, LLC Officer, Jose Uceda (Petition failed for lack of signatures), seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.
8. DEE DEE FERRELL, 911 ADDRESSING COORDINATOR
  - A. Discuss and take action on naming a private road off Holly Road in Precinct 3 – Pebble Drive. Motion was made by Commissioner Hairston to approve naming a private road off of Holly Road in Precinct 3 – Pebble Drive, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and motion carried unanimously.
9. 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.
10. CHARLES PALCER, DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE/MAINTENANCE
  - A. Discuss and take action on maintenance related matters.  
Discussion was held.

**11. TY RAMPY, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 1**

- A. Discussion and possible action on approval to purchase a bushhog mower.  
Discussion was held.

**12. DONALD THREADGILL, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 2**

- A. Discussion and possible action on presentation from Andrew Chandler for approval/rejection on Preliminary Subdivision Plat/Final Subdivision Plat – Pin Oak Hills Estate and to name road – Sunny James Lane in Precinct 2, Robertson County, Texas.  
Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve the Preliminary Subdivision Plat for Pin Oak Hills Estate in Precinct 2, Robertson County, Texas, pending legal, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.

**13. CHUCK HAIRSTON, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 3**

- A. Discussion and possible action on motor grader.  
Motion was made by Commissioner Hairston to approve the purchase of a motor grader in the amount of \$227,888.44 from John Deere Tractor and allow the check to be cut, pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Threadgill and motion carried unanimously.

**14. 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.

**15. JOE DAVID SCARPINATO, COUNTY JUDGE**

- A. Discussion and possible action on any budget related matters or county business.  
Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve filing the monthly reports for May and June 2025, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.  
Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve R & B Precinct 1 to rent a roller from Mustang Cat in the amount of \$3,963.77 and allow the Judge to sign the contract, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.
- B. Discuss and take action on Proposed Budget for Fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025.  
Motion was made by Judge Scarpinato to approve the Proposed Budget for Fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025 as presented, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and motion carried unanimously.
- C. Discuss and take action on Proposed Tax Rate for Fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025.  
Motion was made by Judge Scarpinato to approve the Proposed Tax Rate for Fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025 as .454; seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.
- D. Discuss and take action to purchase 2026 Chevrolet Truck and custom over the rail dog box for Sheriff's Office.  
Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve the purchase of a 2026 Chevrolet Truck and custom over the rail dog box for the Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$44,078.20(to be paid out of the Tobacco Funds), pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried.  
Commissioner Threadgill opposed.
- E. Discuss and take action to approve 2025-2026 Generator Service Contracts for Sheriff's Office and Courthouse and approval for Judge to e-sign.  
Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve the 2025-2026 Generator Service Contracts for the Sheriff's Office and Courthouse and approve for the Judge to e-sign, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.
- F. Discuss and take action on approval of the Liability Renewal Questionnaire for:  
a. Privacy or Security Event Liability and Expense Coverage  
b. Public Official Liability  
Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to approve the Liability Renewal Questionnaire for the Privacy or Security Event Liability and Expense Coverage and the Public Official Liability, pending the Judges signature and any other necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and motion carried unanimously.
- G. Discuss and take action to place of record the Certificate of Compliance to certify the Robertson County Jail was inspected on August 26, 2025 and is in compliance with the Texas Minimum Jail Standards.  
Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to place of record the Certificate of Compliance to certify the Robertson County Jail was inspected on August 26, 2025 and is in compliance with the Texas Minimum Jail Standards, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.
- H. Discuss and take action to place of record the letter of acceptance from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) on the Robertson County Order Adopting Rules for On-Site Sewage Facilities effective September 1, 2025.  
Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to place of record the letter of acceptance from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) on the Robertson County Order Adopting Rules for On-Site Sewage Facilities effective September 1, 2025, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.
- I. Discuss and take action to place of record Implementation of Judicial Pay Legislation by the Supreme Court of Texas.  
Motion was made by Judge Scarpinato to place of record Implementation of Judicial Pay Legislation by the Supreme Court of Texas, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.
- J. Discuss and take action to place of record the monthly report for August 2025 for the Veterans Service Officer.  
Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to place of record the monthly report for August 2025 for the Veterans Service Officer, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and motion carried unanimously.



- K. Discuss and take action to place of record the August 2025 Commissioners Court Report from the Extension Office.  
Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to place of record the August 2025 Commissioners Court Report from the Extension Office, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.
- L. Discuss and take action to designate dates and times for regular Commissioners' Court meetings.  
Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to designate the dates and times for regular Commissioners' Court meetings as presented, seconded by Judge Scarpinato and motion carried unanimously.
- M. Discuss and take action to approve 2026 Holiday Schedule.  
Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve the 2026 Holiday Schedule as presented, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.

**16. 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 Threadgill to approve the budget adjustment for 911 Dispatch (see attached adjustment), seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried.  
Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve the budget adjustment for the Sheriff's Office (see attached adjustment), seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried.  
Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve the budget adjustment for the Jail (see attached adjustment), seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried.  
Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve the budget adjustment for the Jail (see attached adjustment), seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried.  
Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve the budget adjustment for R & B Precinct 3 (see attached adjustment), seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried.  
Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve the budget adjustment for R & B Precinct 2 (see attached adjustment), seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried.  
Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve the budget adjustment for R & B Precinct 3 (see attached adjustment), seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried.  
Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve the budget adjustment for the County Agent (see attached adjustment), seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried.  
Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve the budget adjustment for 911 Dispatch (see attached adjustment), seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried.  
Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve the budget adjustment for the Elections Office (see attached adjustment), seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried.  
Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve the budget adjustment for Adult Probation (see attached adjustment), seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried.  
Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve the budget adjustment for JP Precinct 4 (see attached adjustment), seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried.  
Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve the budget adjustment for Emergency Management (see attached adjustment), seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried.
- 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 \$681,929.24 pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and motion carried unanimously.
- C. Discuss and take action to approve Payroll Order for Fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025.  
Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve the Payroll Order for Fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025 as presented, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.
- D. Discuss and take action to consider and approve any changes to the proposed budget.  
No action taken.
- E. Discuss and take action to adopt the 2025-2026 Budget for Robertson County and take record vote.  
Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to adopt the 2025-2026 Budget for Robertson County and take a record vote and any needed signatures, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.  
Commissioner Rampy- Aye  
Commissioner Threadgill -Aye  
Commissioner Hairston- Aye  
Commissioner Taylor – Aye  
Judge Scarpinato - Aye
- F. Discuss and take action to ratify the property tax increase reflected in the budget.  
Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to ratify the property tax increase reflected in the budget of 5.40 percent, seconded by Judge Scarpinato and motion carried unanimously.

- G. Discuss and take action on Order adopting the 2025 tax rate for Robertson County and take record vote. Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to move that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of 0.45400, which is effectively a 5.40 percent increase in the tax rate and take a record vote, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously
- Commissioner Rampy- Aye  
Commissioner Threadgill -Aye  
Commissioner Hairston- Aye  
Commissioner Taylor – Aye  
Judge Scarpinato - Aye
- Motion was made by Judge Scarpinato to approve the Order adopting the 2025 tax rate for Robertson County as presented, an order levying the tax rate for County of Robertson for the year 2025 with .43055 General Fund – Maintenance & Operations, .02345 Debt Service – Interest & Sinking Fund with a total of .45400 Tax Rate and all signatures required, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.

**17. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

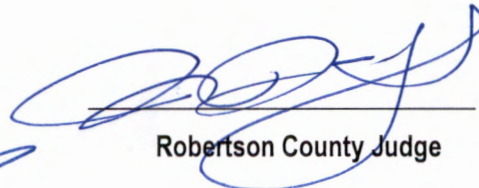
- A. Closed meeting (Executive Session) pursuant to Section §551.071 of the Texas Government Code – Consultation with Attorney - Discussion with attorney regarding a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State 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.

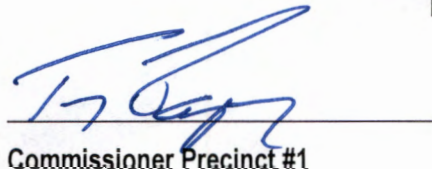
**18. RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION**

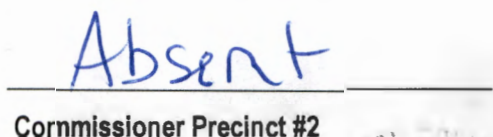
- A. The Robertson County Commissioners' Court will reconvene in a public meeting to discuss and take action on related matters.  
No action taken.

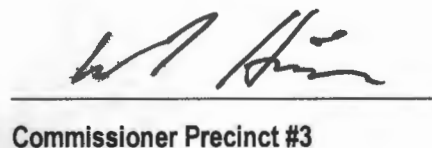
**19. ADJOURN**

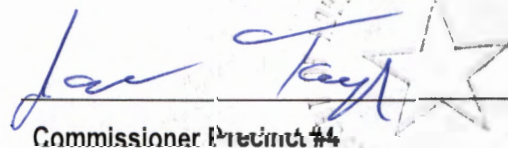
Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.

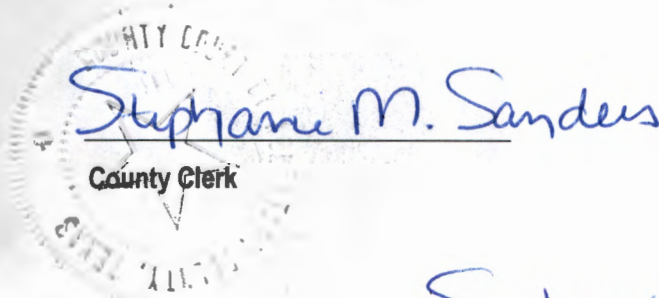
  
Robertson County Judge

  
Commissioner Precinct #1

  
Commissioner Precinct #2

  
Commissioner Precinct #3

  
Commissioner Precinct #4

  
County Clerk

  
County Auditor

September 30, 2025