

**Regular Meeting of the Commissioners' Court
March 9, 2026**

Be it remembered that the Honorable Commissioners' Court of Hemphill County, Texas met in a regular meeting on this the 9th day of March, 2026.

Those present and presiding were:

Lisa Johnson	-	Hemphill County Judge
Dawn Webb	-	Commissioner Precinct #1
Tim Alexander	-	Commissioner Precinct #2
Dale Schafer	-	Commissioner Precinct #3
Nicholas Thomas	-	Commissioner Precinct #4
Sylvia Guerrero	-	Clerk and Ex Officio Member of Commissioners' Court

Others present were: Sheriff, Brent Clapp, Treasurer, Kay Smallwood, Tax Assessor/Collector, Chris Jackson, Remelle Farrar, Sena Brainard and Lacy Hanes.

Call to Order.

Judge Johnson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. She noted that all members of the Court were present.

Approve Minutes from February 9 and February 24, 2026 meetings.

Dawn moved to approve the minutes from February 9 and February 24, 2026 commissioners court meetings. Dale seconded the motion which carried unopposed.

Burn Ban.

Dale moved to extend the burn ban through April 1, 2026, with a review scheduled for the March 30th meeting. Tim seconded the motion which carried unopposed

Public Comments.

No public comments were made.

Consider/Approve renewal of Computer Support and Maintenance Agreement with Kerrigan Technology.

Tim moved to approve the Computer Support and Maintenance Agreement with Kerrigan Technology. Dawn seconded the motion which carried unopposed.

Consider/Approve 2026-2027 one-year extension on Mowing Maintenance Contract at the Edith Ford Memorial Cemetery with Rosemary Koetting.

Dale moved to approve the one-year contract extension on mowing maintenance contract at the Edith Ford Memorial Cemetery with Rosemary Koetting. Nicholas seconded the motion which carried unopposed.

Consider/Approve new County Extension Employee.

The agenda item to consider/approve new County Extension employee was tabled until the next meeting.

Consider/Approve donation from Hemphill County Sheriff's Office to Canadian Volunteer Fire Department of 4 Whelen light bars with control systems

Sheriff Brent Clapp said his department has four Whelen light bars that could be donated to the fire department. The light bars will be removed from the Tahoes before they are sold at auction.

Nicholas moved to approve the donation from Hemphill County Sheriff's Office of four Whelene light bars with control systems to the Canadian Volunteer Fire Department. Dale seconded the motion which carried unopposed.

Consider/Approve 2026 Sealcoat Bids.

Oscar Ostos with Hi-Plains Civil Engineers recommended accepting the lowest bid from Bryer's Paving, LLC of Amarillo in the amount of \$114,380.00.

Dale move to accept the bid from Byer's Paving, LLC for Sealcoat project for this year. Dawn seconded the motion which carried unopposed.

Consider/Approve renewal of DPS Lease Agreement for office space in the Courthouse.

Tim moved to approve the renewal of DPS Lease Agreement for office space in the Courthouse as presented. Nicholas seconded the motion which carried unopposed.

Consider/Approve appointment of Lipscomb County Judge, Dori Roots, to the Texas Panhandle Centers Board of Directors.

Dawn moved to approve the appointment of Lipscomb County Judge, Dori Roots, to the Texas Panhandle Center board of Directors. Tim seconded the motion which carried unopposed.

Consider/Approve Resolution supporting Legislation to improve County Road Infrastructure and Safety.

Dale moved to approve the Resolution supporting legislation to improve county road infrastructure and safety. Dawn seconded the motion which carried unopposed.

Consider/Approve Computer System, Lease /License Agreement with Pritchard, Abbott, Inc for Tax Office.

Tim moved to approve Computer System, Lease /License Agreement with Pritchard, Abbott, Inc for the Hemphill County Tax Office. Dawn seconded the motion which carried unopposed.

Consider/Approve Resolution in support of Application for Law Enforcement Grant Program established by SB 8, 89th Legislative Session.

Nicholas moved to approve the Resolution in support of Application for Law Enforcement Grant Program established by SB 8, 89th Legislative Session. Tim seconded the motion which carried unopposed.

Receive Report from Remelle Farrar for May Rodeos

Ramelle reported that a few months ago the Court committed \$20,000 if rodeos with the same impact as the college rodeos could be hosted. She informed the Commissioners that two rodeos for the National Senior Pro Rodeo Association will be hosted. She also discussed a few requests for the rodeo arena and thanked the Court for their support.

Announcements

Judge Johnson said she met with Nick Agorichas with TAC on February 26, and he will schedule a safety meeting with road hands in the Fall, possibly in October.

Judge Johnson said that the work at the pavilion will be completed this week. She said Jeff will be at meeting on March 30 to give a report.

Future Agenda Items

Consider/Approve new County Extension Employee.

Road closure for Precinct 3

Approve Bills, Budget Amendments

Tim moved to approve the February, 2026 Monthly Budget and Financial Report as presented. Dale seconded the motion which carried unopposed.

Dawn moved to approve the computer-generated bills. Tim seconded the motion which carried unopposed.

Tim moved to approve the hand stamped bills. Dale seconded the motion which carried unopposed.

Tim moved to approve three invoices from Schafer Services as follows:

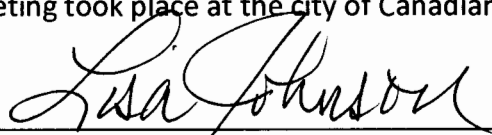
1. \$54.95 – Antenna for Precinct 3
2. \$50.95 - Headset and microphone for the Fire Department
3. \$200.00 – For contract labor at the Sheriff's Office.


Dawn seconded the motion. The motion carried, with Dale abstaining.

Adjourn

Tim moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:05 a.m. Dawn seconded the motion which carried unopposed.

The meeting took place at the city of Canadian, Texas on March 9, 2026.

ATTEST  COUNTY JUDGE

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