

**Regular Meeting of the Commissioners' Court
February 10, 2025**

Be it remembered that the Honorable Commissioners' Court of Hemphill County, Texas met in a regular meeting on this the 10th day of February, 2025.

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, Chief Dispatcher, Kristopher Hogan, City Manager, Joe Jarosek Treasurer, Kay Smallwood and County Attorney, Kyle Miller, Tax Assessor/Collector, Chris Jackson, Lacy Hanes, Spencer Hanes, John Julian, Remelle Farrar, Laurie Brown and Wendy Cook

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 January 13, 2025 meeting.

Tim moved to approve the minutes from the January 13, 2025 commissioners court meeting. Dawn seconded the meeting which carried unopposed.

Burn Ban.

Dale moved to reinstate the burn ban for 45 days. Dawn seconded the motion which carried unopposed.

Public Comments.

Remelle said she wanted to publicly thank the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association and National Cattlemen's Beef Association for adding to their priority agenda: Their efforts towards fire mitigation and conservation projects at the federal level for funding to help support the ranchers. She said she also wanted to thank the local team, Greg Alvey, Jason Abraham, James Anderson and Lynn Latiker for meeting regularly with the associations and the Texas Forrest Service to present their request. Remelle said last week she received a call from the rodeo coach, the rodeo coach from Frank Phillips College. The coach said that the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association is reassigning colleges across the nation to different regions. Remelle said if this division changes there is the possibility of a rodeo in Canadian every year instead of every other year.

Consider /Approve Smokehouse Disaster Declaration Extension.

No action was taken.

Presentation of Hydrological Study of potential water source for City of Canadian Water Acquisition by Michelle Sutherland, Hydrologist, P. E.

Judge Johnson said she received notice from Michelle Sutherland that she is unable to make the presentation. The presentation will be moved to the March Commissioners Court Meeting.

Receive update on plans for City Hall from City Manager, Joe Jarosek.

City Manager, Joe Jarosek went over some changes to the plans for the City Hall do to budgetary reasons.

Receive report from Spencer Hanes regarding Hemphill County Historical Markers.

Spencer Hanes presented to the court the Hemphill County Historical Commission Historical Markers Audit report.

Consider/Approve 2025-2026 one-year extension on Mowing Maintenance Contract at Edith Ford Memorial Cemetery with Rosemary Koetting.

Tim moved to approve the 2025-2026 one-year extension on mowing maintenance contract at Edith Ford Memorial Cemetery with Rosemary Koetting. Nicholas seconded the motion which carried unopposed.

Consider/Approve request from Sheriff Brent Clapp to purchase gym memberships form Assets Forfeiture Funds.

Dale moved to approve Sheriff, Brent Clapp's request to purchase gym memberships for his stagg from Asset Forfeiture Funds. Nicholas seconded the motion which carried unopposed.

Consider/Approve purchase of Kologik Software for the Sheriff's Office.

Judge Johnson moved to approve the purchase of Kologik Software for the Sheriff's Office. Pending approval of the contract by County Attorney, Kyle Miller. Nicholas seconded the motion which carried unopposed.

Announcements

Judge Johnson went over some legislative updates.

Judge Johnson was accepted to the V.G. Young CCLA. The first session is April 8-10 in Austin.

Judge Johnson said she could set up safety training on for the road hands in March or April. She told the commissioners if they had a topic they wanted to cover to let her know. Otherwise she will ask the TAC Risk Management Safety Consultant to give her a list of topics for them to choose form.

Future Agenda Items

None were presented.

Approve Bills, Budget Amendments

Dawn moved to approve the January 31, 2025 Treasurer's 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.

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

Dawn moved to approve an invoice form Alexanders Grocery & Deli in the amount of \$85.89 for coffee for the Sheriff's office. Nicholas seconded the motion which carried with Tim abstaining.

Nicholas moved to approve three invoices from Schafer Services, first for the amount of \$6.95 for a mic wind screen for the fire department, second in the amount of \$14.95 for a head set antenna for the fire department and third in the amount of \$200.00 for contract labor at the Sheriff's office. Tim seconded the motion which carried with Dale abstaining

Adjourn

Tim moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:50 a.m. Dale seconded the motion which carried unopposed.

The meeting took place at the city of Canadian, Texas on February 10, 2025.

ATTEST *Lisa Johnson* COUNTY JUDGE

ATTEST *Stephanie Johnson* COUNTY CLERK