MAY 11, 2026

WISE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING

On this 11th day of May A.D., 2026 at 9:00 A.M. came on to be had a Regular Meeting of the Commissioners' Court of Wise County, Texas held in the Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 2 Courtroom (200 Rook Ramsey Drive, Decatur, TX) of said County in the town of Decatur with the following members present and presiding:

J.D. Clark	County Judge
John "Biff" Hayes	Commissioner, Precinct No. 1
Kevin Burns	Commissioner, Precinct No. 2
Danny Lambert	Commissioner, Precinct No. 3
Colby Shawn ---------- *absent* ----------	Commissioner, Precinct No. 4

Blanca Tuma, County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of Commissioners' Court when and where the following proceedings were had, to-wit:

All attachments referred to in the minutes of the Wise County Commissioners' Court are designated original or copy and are provided at the time of action by the Court unless otherwise indicated by provider.

County Judge Clark votes aye on all agenda items unless otherwise indicated.

1. Clark called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. All court members were present.

2. Invocation

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Community Forum: None

5. County Correspondence:

    - Clark informs the Court that there is a come-and-go reception for former Bridgeport Mayor Randy Singleton from 3:30 PM to 6:00 PM at Bridgeport City Hall. Singleton served in various capacities throughout the County and Clark intends to surprise him with a Randy Singleton Day Proclamation.

6. Discussion for the purpose of coordination and cooperation for efficiency between precincts: None

7. Plats:

Final Plat

1. Ranch Hills Estates, Phase II (completion of the 2-year maintenance period and final acceptance). (*attachments*)
Precinct 1 (BH)
(Near intersection of CR 2937 and PR 2938)
Kimley-Horn

Re-Plat

1. Hilltop Ranch (*attachments*)
Lots 1R1 and 1R2
Precinct 1 (BH)
(Highland Drive)
Chad Davis-Kiley Vian
(Groundwater availability study variance – 2 existing wells located on the property)

- **Motion made by Hayes, seconded by Burns, and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve the two plats – the final replat for Ranch Hills Estates Phase II and the re-plat of Hilltop Ranch with the variance as noted.**

8. Donations (*attachments*):

- County Treasurer Katherine Hudson shares that in March, (Decatur) Animal Shelter received $6,217 from:
  - Sandra **Dickey**
  - Robert **Moss** Jr.
  - Lori **Wingert**
  - Donation Box
  - Wise County Turkey Trot
- Bruce **Outland** and EN Pack donated various pet food.
- **Motion made by Burns seconded by Lambert and unanimously adopted by the Court to accept the donation with the Court's thanks.**

9. Bids: None

10. Consent Agenda Items:

a. Minutes:
   - April 13, 2026, Regular Minutes

- April 27, 2026, Regular Minutes

b. Department Head Reports (items submitted in Dropbox but not provided for Court Record):

- Treasurer Katherine Hudson presents quarterly investment report for January, February, and March (*attachments*).

- Clark points out that Hudson's report for the first quarter, from January 1st through March 1st, showed over $350,000 in collected interest. He commends her and her team for their diligence in maximing the County's investments.

- Clark requests the Court approve a continuation of the resolution for the Capital Murder Prosecution grant from April 2024 to be extended to allow the District Attorney's Office to continue submitting for reimbursements.

c. Budget Amendments:

- Assistant Auditor Pat Trail states there are various amendments on line items **26-11**.

d. Capital Expenditure: None

e. Claims & Payroll:

- Trail states whatever is on Walk to Court.

- Trail presents Claims and Payroll (*attachments*)

f. Utility Permits/Right of Way: None

g. Interlocal Agreements/Contracts (original contracts and interlocal agreements are filed in the Asset Control Office by Diana Allen):

- Run Away Bay Mutual Aid Equipment – Wood Chipper (*attachment*)

- City of New Fairview and Paradise Police Protection Interlocal Agreement (*no attachment*)

- Training Division (*attachment*)

- First Due (*attachment*)

- **Fully Executed** ((LIST - *for informational purposes only, approval not required, see attachment*)
    - Defense Logistics Agency Renewal FY26 (*attachments*)
- **Renewals and Amendments** (LIST - *for informational purposes only, approval not required, see attachment*)
    - Southern Software RMS and CAD Renewals (*attachments*)
    - Xtreme Renewal (*attachment*)
    - Drawbridge Pipleine Services Renewal (*no attachment*)

- **Motion made by Lambert, seconded by Burns, and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve all other items introduced under Item # 10 as presented, including the continuation resolution for the Capital Murder Prosecution grant.**

11. Joint Venture Project Agreement: None

12. Hazard Mitigation Plan and related grant projects:

- Clark thanks Cody Powell, Coordinator for Office of Emergency Management, and other agencies for organized responses to the recent tornadoes and storms.

13. Right-of-Way Improvements:

- Lambert requests for continued access to private properties due to ongoing storm debris cleanup.

- **Motion made by Lambert seconded by Burns, and unanimously adopted by the Court to extend the County-wide approval for Commissioners to have the necessary acess to private properties to clean or clear County road right -of-way areas for improved public safety due to storm debris cleanup while still ongoing.**

14. Burn Ban: None

15. County Committee Reports: None

16. **Executive Session** with Legal Counsel, for private consultation allowed under **Texas Government Code Sec. 551.071**: discussion and legal updates of pending litigation under **Texas Government Code Section 551.074:**

- **Motion made by Lambert seconded by Hayes, and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve the Court convene into Executive Session for consultation with the County Attorney and deliberations regarding real property at 9:13 AM.**

17. **Reconvenes from Executive Session at 9:35 AM.**

- **Motion made by Hayes seconded by Lambert, and unanimously adopted by the Court to authorize staff to develop bid specifications and make all required legal postings and notices to advertise for bid for potential sale of the Precinct No. 1 barn and real property, receiving bids in excess of $1.2 million, and proposals can include land as part of the proposal, reserving the right to reject any and all bids.**

18. **Clark announced next Holiday as being Monday, May 25, 206, Memorial Day.**

- Clark mentions that the Wise County Veterans Group will host a Memorial Day remembrance ceremony at 11:00 AM at the Wise County Veterans Park.

19. **Clark announced next regular meeting date** as being **Tuesday, May 26, 2026, possibly at the newly-restored Courthouse.**

20. Clark adjourned the meeting at **9:38 AM**, there being no further business to be had by the Court.

Minutes approved this 26th day of May, 2026, as printed.

J.D. Clark, County Judge, Wise County

John "Biff" Hayes, Commr. Pct. No. 1

Kevin Burns, Commr. Pct. No. 2

Danny Lambert, Commr. Pct. No. 3

Colby Shawn, Commr. Pct. No. 4

ATTEST:

Blanca Tuma, County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of Commissioners' Court
Wise County, Texas.

COMMISSIONERS COURT
COUNTY OF WISE, TX

The Wise County Commissioners' Court adopted revised ***Rules of Procedures, Conduct & Decorum at Meetings of Wise County Commissioners' Court*** on March 25, 2019.