



JOHNSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

Christopher Boedeker
County Judge

Rick Bailey
Commissioner
Precinct 1

Kenny Howell
Commissioner
Precinct 2

Mike White
Commissioner
Precinct 3

Larry Woolley
Commissioner
Precinct 4

**SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF
THE JOHNSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
JOHNSON COUNTY 9-1-1 DISPATCH CENTER
1100 E. KILPATRICK ST., CLEBURNE, TEXAS 76031
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2025 - 11:00 AM**

CALL TO ORDER

BE IT KNOWN that on the 11th day of February 2025, the Honorable Commissioners Court of Johnson County, Texas, met in Special Session at the Johnson County 9-1-1 Dispatch Center thereof, in the City of Cleburne, Johnson County, Texas, for the purpose of transacting any and all business that may lawfully be brought before the same. The meeting was called to order at 11:11 A.M. with all members present. The following items, having been lawfully posted and filed for record in the Office of the County Clerk on January 31, 2025, at 8:27 A.M., were considered:

Judge Boedeker stated for the record that all the Members of the Commissioners Court were present.

INVOCATION

Led by County Judge Christopher Boedeker

ACTION

- A1.** Consider and Approve **Resolution 2025-03** – “Resolution Renaming the Johnson County Emergency Communication Center as the George A. Robinson Emergency Communication Center”

Judge Boedeker stated that members of George Robinson’s family were present, as well as members of his law enforcement family. He said that before they take action on A1 and read the resolution, he wanted to give the Court and some others an opportunity to speak.

Comm. Woolley stated that it was a special day, an anniversary day of Officer Robinson's death, and that it was appropriate that they were doing it on today's date. He stated that this fabulous 911 Call Center is something very special to the residents of Johnson County and that they were so fortunate to be able to build this and now to dedicate it in Officer Robinson's memory and that it is just a very special time. Comm. Woolley stated that they were so glad that they were able to do that and he thanked the family for showing up. He commented that no one else saw the look on their face when they said that they were naming it after Officer Robinson and that he could tell that it made an impact.

Comm. Bailey stated that it was never too late, that it was very fitting, and that it was an emotional day. He stated that they were glad to be there and be a part of it, to share his memory, to thank the family, and to thank all of the officers following in those footsteps. He added that it is just a great day to celebrate the life of Mr. Robinson.

Comm. Howell stated that it was hard to add to what had already been said, but he thanked Officer Robinson. He added that it was so many years ago but if he was looking down right now and seeing this fantastic, absolutely great dispatch center, he thought that it made Mr. Robinson very proud and he thought that he had a big smile on his face. He stated that he wanted to thank him and all the other officers, whether it be law enforcement in general, officers, firefighters, paramedics, EMTs, or anyone who is out there putting their lives on the line. He stated that there is one phone number that you want to make sure that somebody picks up on the other end, and that is 911 because when you make that 911 call, you are in a bad situation. He thanked all the dispatchers who worked in that building and did such a great job and the Robinson Family, who have been a long-time part of law enforcement in Johnson County. He added that he thanked them for being there and thanked Mr. Robinson for his past.

Comm. White stated that he wanted to thank everybody and thank the family and that he wanted to apologize to them that it had taken 54 years for him to be recognized like this.

Judge Boedeker stated that it was fitting that almost a year ago, they gathered to open this building, and at that time, they dedicated this building to the dispatchers. He added that they made special note of the fact that dispatchers are often the forgotten first responders and unless you are involved in law enforcement or government, you may not realize the amount of work that dispatchers do in keeping us all safe. He stated that it was something near and dear to their hearts, and he thought it was incredibly fitting that now this building would share that honor with someone else that in some ways we or other people in law enforcement and the Sheriff's Office forgot to honor. He agreed that it was a shame that it took 54 years, and he is glad that they are doing the right thing today.

MOTION by Comm. Bailey, seconded by Comm. Woolley to approve.

All voted aye; motion carried.

Judge Boedeker read **Resolution 2025-03** for Court Record.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

PA1. Special Presentation by Sheriff Adam King

Sheriff Adam King stated that he wanted to recognize a couple of special guests, Randy and Rebecca Taylor, in the back and of course their extra special guests today, the Robinson family, and he thanked them for being there today. Sheriff King stated that on this day 54 years ago, Johnson County deputy George A. Robinson was killed in an accident when his patrol car collided with a farm animal while responding to an emergency call. He stated that the accident took place on Highway 174 in Cleburne near Blackwood Airport. He stated that he thought it was appropriate that they name this building after George A. Robinson because the last person to talk to him alive was a dispatcher, and he thinks this goes a long way to protect and preserve his memory. Sheriff King said that they are here today to honor George A. Robinson, who lost his life on February 11, 1971, in the service of the citizens of Johnson County, and in doing so, they need to recognize the sacrifice of the entire Robinson Family. He stated that on February 11, 1971, the Robinson Family lost a husband, they lost a father, a brother, and a grandfather, and that they have suffered his absence at Christmases, birthdays, anniversaries, marriages, births of family members, and countless other occasions for many years. Sheriff King said that the extensive loss is multiplied when you realize that one of George's sons, Robert, was killed in the line of duty at Corsicana PD in 1962. He stated that the Robinson Family has given so much and that the ceremony is not just to honor George Robinson but to honor the family of George Robinson and their sacrifices as well. Sheriff King commented that on assuming the role of Sheriff in 2017, he sat down and made a list of two pages on the 14-inch yellow pads of what his duties were as a Sheriff, the things that were important to him, and that number one on that list was to protect and preserve the memory of the fallen officers. He added that in doing so, he sends a strong message to those who currently wear the badge and to those who someday want to wear the badge, that you may be called upon to lay down your life in service of our citizens and that this is not just a job but a calling and if you are willing to step up, much will be expected. He stated that they are a family of men and women who value the opportunity of service, determination, courage, honesty, and integrity and they value care and concern. He stated that they value those who display these traits and have stepped out in harm's way before us, men like George A. Robinson and Clifton Taylor. Sheriff King said when Commissioner Mike White, who is a former Johnson County Deputy, came to him and suggested naming this facility after George A. Robinson, that he was ecstatic for just that reason. He stated that he always felt that they needed to do more to preserve his memory, and it made perfect sense to him because the building next door was already named after Clifton Taylor. Sheriff King said that the Court acted quickly, and Commissioner White's recommendation was delayed until this day, so that they could do it on the anniversary of George Robinson's passing. He stated that he wanted to take the opportunity to thank the Commissioners, and he thanked each of them personally for making this happen today.

He stated that he did not have the authority to do this but that these men did, and he really appreciated them for stepping out and helping to preserve George Robinson's memory.

He stated that they were going to celebrate today and that it was going to be a celebration and not a wake. Sheriff King stated that they were going to celebrate George Robinson. He invited everyone to step outside to do a quick unveiling and said that he was going to let the Robinsons lead the way.

The Court stepped outside for the unveiling.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, the Commissioners Court adjourned at 11:28 A.M.


Approved by: 
Christopher Boedeker, County Judge

STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF JOHNSON §

I, April Long, Johnson County Clerk, attest that the foregoing is a true and accurate accounting of the Commissioners Court's authorized proceedings for February 11, 2025.



FILED & RECORDED
February 24, 2025
Commissioner Court Minutes


April Long, County Clerk
Clerk of Commissioners Court
Johnson County, Texas