

STATE OF TEXAS

[September 18, 2017](#)

COUNTY OF JOHNSON

COMMISSIONERS COURT

BE IT KNOWN that on the 18<sup>th</sup> of September, 2017, the Honorable Commissioners Court of Johnson County, Texas, met in Regular Session at the Johnson County Courthouse 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 9:00 A.M., with all members present, and following the Invocation led by Pastor Jeff Foster, First Christian Church, Cleburne, and the Pledge of Allegiance, the following items, having been lawfully posted and filed for record in the Office of the County Clerk on September 14, 2017 at 1:00 P.M., were considered:

IV. WELCOME VISITORS, ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRESENTATIONS

1. ANNOUNCEMENT: THE FIRST REGULARLY SCHEDULED COMMISSIONERS COURT MEETING IN OCTOBER WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2017. THE DEADLINE TO SUBMIT ITEMS FOR THE OCTOBER 13, 2017 AGENDA WILL BE THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2017 AT NOON.

County Judge Roger Harmon announced that the first regularly scheduled Commissioners Court Meeting in October will be held on Friday, October 13, 2017. The deadline to submit items for the October 13, 2017 Agenda will be Thursday, October 5, 2017 at noon.

2. PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION FOR "HUNGER ACTION MONTH"

Commissioners Court proclaimed the month of September 2017 as ["Hunger Action Month"](#).

3. PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION FOR "FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH CLEBURNE 150<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY"

Commissioners Court proclaimed October 7, 2017 as “[First Christian Church of Cleburne](#) Recognition and Appreciation Day”.

4. PRESENTATION REGARDING THE PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT SAFETY KIT PROGRAM (PPE SAFETY KIT) FROM TODD KISEL, TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY’S RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT

A presentation regarding the Personal Protective Equipment Safety Kit Program (PPE Safety Kit) from Todd Kisel, Texas Association of County’s Risk Management Consultant was given to Commissioners Court by Ernesto Galindo in Todd Kisel’s absence.

5. PRESENTATION FROM AMR ON THE IMPLEMENTATION STATUS OF PARAMEDIC CARE AND AMBULANCE SERVICES

A presentation from AMR on the implementation status of Paramedic Care and Ambulance Services was given to Commissioners Court.

V. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS

The Commissioners Court opened a Public Hearing at 9:41 A.M. to discuss:

1. PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2017-2018 BUDGET

County Judge Roger Harmon read the following into Court record: “this [budget](#) will raise more revenue from property taxes than last year’s budget by an amount of \$1,704,350.00 which is a 3.94 percent increase from last year’s budget. The property tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year is \$1,370,497.77”. There being no one else to speak, the hearing was closed at 9:44 A.M.

**BE IT KNOWN** that Commissioners Court met in Executive Session at 9:44 A.M. in accordance with Government Code: a. *Sec. 551.087*-Economic Development Negotiations.

The Commissioners Court reconvened into Open Session at 10:15 A.M. to consider the following:

VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS

The Commissioners Court opened a Public Hearing at 10:16 A.M. to discuss:

2. PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING DESIGNATION OF A JOHNSON COUNTY REINVESTMENT ZONE

Diana Miller, Johnson County Economic Development Director, spoke regarding this [Reinvestment Zone](#). She said this hearing was for setting the Reinvestment Zone only, any future tax abatements, if any, would be discussed at a later time. She said there has been a lot of misinformation about what type of business it would be. Due to confidentiality clauses, the name of the business is closed. She said the business isn't a prison, a game ranch, a tannery, nor a slaughterhouse, but it is light manufacturing. There was a whole host of concerned citizens present to speak against this business. Among them were: Jennie Manasco, Jim Manasco, John McNaughton, Bennie Jeter, Russell Hackler, Bruce Medley, Carolyn McNaughton, April Dunn, Corina Watson, Amy Bledsoe, Meg Barrow, Teresa Monk, Brett Bledsoe and Amber Linder. Among their concerns were the size of the proposed building, not wanting a manufacturing business in the middle of residential properties, the increased noise and traffic, lower property values, and the impact on the air quality. There being no one else to speak, the hearing was closed at 12:37 P.M.

VII. PRECEDING BUSINESS

5. CONSIDERATION OF ORDER #2017-28 – “DESIGNATION OF JOHNSON COUNTY REINVESTMENT ZONE”

Comm. Bailey made a motion to deny **Order #2017-28** –  
“Designation of Johnson County Reinvestment Zone”.

No second, motion died.

Comm. Stringer, seconded by Comm. Howell, made a motion to  
approve **Order #2017-28** – “Designation of Johnson County Reinvestment Zone”.

No vote taken.

Comm. Woolley, seconded by Comm. Bailey, moved to table this  
item.

All voted aye; motion carried.

The Commissioners Court recessed at 12:57 P.M. and reconvened at 2:21 P.M. to consider  
the following:

6. CONSIDERATION OF REQUEST TO PAY BILLS

Comm. Bailey, seconded by Comm. Howell, made a motion to pay  
[bills as presented](#).

All voted aye; motion carried.

7. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF THE COUNTY AUDITOR’S  
REPORTS TO THE COMMISSIONERS COURT

The Commissioners Court acknowledged the receipt of the County Auditor’s Reports.

8. CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATION FOR REZONING REQUEST TO THE  
CITY OF CLEBURNE FOR 201 HARRELL STREET, CLEBURNE, TEXAS,  
AND SUBMIT TOGETHER WITH A PREVIOUSLY APPROVED  
APPLICATION-PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Comm. Bailey, seconded by Comm. Woolley, made a motion to approve the [Application for Rezoning Request to the City of Cleburne for 201 Harrell Street](#), Cleburne, Texas, and submit together with a previously approved application-Public Works Department.

All voted aye; motion carried.

9. CONSIDERATION OF VARIANCE GRANTING A SECOND RESIDENCE AT 1217 SCOTT STREET (WILLOWCREEK ESTATES, BLOCK 3, LOT 1), LOCATED IN PRECINCT #3-PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Comm. Stringer, seconded by Comm. Howell, made a motion to approve a [variance granting a second residence at 1217 Scott Street](#) (Willowcreek Estates, Block 3, Lot 1), located in Precinct #3-Public Works Department.

All voted aye; motion carried.

10. CONSIDERATION OF VARIANCE FOR SECOND SEPTIC SYSTEM TO BE INSTALLED ON LESS THAN TWO ACRES AT 1217 SCOTT STREET (WILLOWCREEK ESTATES, BLOCK 3, LOT 1), LOCATED IN PRECINCT #3-PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Comm. Stringer, seconded by Comm. Bailey, made a motion to approve a variance for a second septic system to be installed on less than two acres at [1217 Scott Street \(Willowcreek Estates, Block 3, Lot 1\)](#), located in Precinct #3-Public Works Department.

All voted aye; motion carried.

XI. WORKSHOP

The Commissioners Court convened into Workshop Session at 2:29 P.M. to discuss the Budget.

The Commissioners Court reconvened into Open Session at 3:00 P.M.

**BE IT KNOWN** that Commissioners Court met in Executive Session at 3:00 P.M. in accordance with Government Code: a. *Sec. 551.087*-Economic Development Negotiations.

The Commissioners court reconvened into Open Session at 3:55 P.M. to consider the following:

**XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**1. Government Code:**

**a. *Sec. 551.087*-Economic Development Negotiations**

No Action.

**XI. WORKSHOP**

The Commissioners Court convened into Workshop Session at 3:58 P.M. to discuss the Budget and Overtime Policy and the 207K Plan-Sheriff's Office.

The Commissioners Court reconvened into Open Session at 4:25 P.M. to consider the following:

**VII. PRECEDING BUSINESS**

**1. CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT THE BUDGET FOR 2017-2018**

Comm. Stringer, seconded by Comm. Howell, made a motion to adopt the Budget for 2017-2018.

Comm. Rick Bailey	Aye
Comm. Kenny Howell	Aye
County Judge Roger Harmon	Aye
Comm. Jerry Stringer	Aye
Comm. Larry Woolley	Aye

Motion carried.

2. CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT THE TAX RATE FOR THE 2017 TAX YEAR

Comm. Stringer, seconded by Comm. Howell, made a motion to adopt the Tax Rate for the 2017 Tax Year as read into Court record by Commissioner Jerry Stringer, Precinct #3: the property tax rate for 2017 Tax Year be increased by the adoption of a rate of \$0.472000 per \$100.00 taxable valuation which is effectively a 2.48 percent increase to the tax rate.

Comm. Rick Bailey	Aye
Comm. Kenny Howell	Aye
County Judge Roger Harmon	Aye
Comm. Jerry Stringer	Aye
Comm. Larry Woolley	Aye

Motion carried.

3. CONSIDERATION OF **ORDER #2017-29** – “ORDER RATIFYING PROPERTY TAX INCREASE FOR THE 2017 TAX YEAR”

Comm. Stringer, seconded by Comm. Woolley, made a motion to approve [Order #2017-29](#) – “Order Ratifying Property Tax Increase for the 2017 Tax Year”.

Comm. Rick Bailey	Aye
Comm. Kenny Howell	Aye
County Judge Roger Harmon	Aye
Comm. Jerry Stringer	Aye
Comm. Larry Woolley	Aye

Motion carried.

4. CONSIDERATION OF **ORDER #2017-26** – “ORDER SETTING TAX RATE FOR THE COUNTY OF JOHNSON FOR THE 2017 TAX YEAR AND DIRECTING THE ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION THEREOF”

Comm. Stringer, seconded by Comm. Woolley, made a motion to approve [Order #2017-26](#) – “Order Setting Tax Rate for the County of Johnson for the 2017 Tax Year and Directing the Assessment and Collection Thereof”. Commissioner Jerry Stringer, Precinct #3, read the following into Court record: the property tax rate for 2017 Tax Year be increased by the adoption of a rate of \$0.472000 per \$100.00 taxable valuation which is effectively a 2.48 percent increase to the tax rate, with M & O Tax Rate, \$0.406872 per \$100.00 valuation; Debt Service Tax Rate, \$0.034828 per \$100.00 valuation; and FMLR Tax Rate, \$0.030300 per \$100.00 valuation for a Total Tax Rate for 2017 of \$0.472000 per \$100.00 valuation.

Comm. Rick Bailey	Aye
Comm. Kenny Howell	Aye
County Judge Roger Harmon	Aye
Comm. Jerry Stringer	Aye
Comm. Larry Woolley	Aye

Motion carried.

#### VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. CONSIDERATION OF ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN, SPECIFICATION, FINANCIAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS, AND CONTRACTS FOR THE JOHNSON COUNTY JAIL EXPANSION AND RENOVATION PROJECT

Discussion. No Action.

#### IX. NEW BUSINESS

1. CONSIDERATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS/PROPOSALS

No Action.

2. CONSIDERATION OF 2018 SHERIFFS' AND CONSTABLES' FEES, AS REQUIRED UNDER TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 118.131-CONSTABLE, PRECINCT #2



Comm. Stringer, seconded by Comm. Bailey, made a motion to approve the [2018 Sheriffs' and Constables' Fees](#), as required under Texas Local Government Code Section 118.131-Constable, Precinct #2.

All voted aye; motion carried.

3. CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT OF JAMES CAMP, GRANDVIEW ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF, AS FIRE MARSHALL FOR THE RUNNING RACE MASS GATHERING

Comm. Woolley, seconded by Comm. Howell, made a motion to approve the appointment of James Camp, Grandview Assistant Fire Chief, as Fire Marshall for the Running Race Mass Gathering.

All voted aye, motion carried.

4. CONSIDERATION OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF BURLESON, TEXAS, AND JOHNSON COUNTY, TEXAS, FOR MAINTENANCE OF CERTAIN ROADS WITHIN JOINT JURISDICTION-PRECINCT #3

Comm. Stringer, seconded by Comm. Howell, made a motion to approve the [Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Burleson, Texas, and Johnson County, Texas](#), for maintenance of Certain Roads within joint jurisdiction-Precinct #3 with the roads read into Court record by Commissioner Stringer, Precinct #3, as attached to these Minutes and to give the County Judge the authorization to sign.

All voted aye; motion carried.

5. CONSIDERATION OF JOHNSON COUNTY LIVE SCAN PROGRAM GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$40,590.00-SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Comm. Woolley, seconded by Comm. Howell, made a motion to approve the [Johnson County Live Scan Program Grant](#) in the amount of \$40,590.00-Sheriff's Office.

All voted aye; motion carried.

6. CONSIDERATION OF RENEWAL OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION PROGRAM WITH THE TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES-PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT

Comm. Bailey, seconded by Comm. Woolley, made a motion to approve the renewal of [Workers' Compensation Program](#) with the Texas Association of Counties-Personnel Department and to give the County Judge and HR Director the authorization to sign.

Comm. Rick Bailey	Aye
County Judge Roger Harmon	Aye
Comm. Jerry Stringer	Aye
Comm. Larry Woolley	Aye
Comm. Kenny Howell	Abstained

Motion carried.

7. CONSIDERATION OF WALGREENS COMMUNITY OFF-SITE CLINIC AGREEMENT FOR ADMINISTERING FLU SHOTS TO ALL COUNTY EMPLOYEES-PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT

Comm. Stringer, seconded by Comm. Bailey, made a motion to approve the [Walgreens Community Off-Site Clinic Agreement for administering Flu Shots](#) to all County Employees-Personnel Department, with the dates being Wednesday, October 11, 2017 and Thursday, October 12, 2017 and to give HR Director the authorization to electronically sign and execute the agreement.

Comm. Rick Bailey	Aye
County Judge Roger Harmon	Aye
Comm. Jerry Stringer	Aye
Comm. Larry Woolley	Aye
Comm. Kenny Howell	Abstained

Motion carried.

8. CONSIDERATION OF ANNUAL JOHNSON COUNTY EMPLOYEE CHRISTMAS PARTY AND DATE OF PARTY-PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT

Comm. Howell, seconded by Comm. Woolley, made a motion to approve the annual [Johnson County Employee Christmas Party](#) and date of Party-Personnel Department, with Saturday, December 9, 2017 chosen for the date of the party.

All voted aye; motion carried.

9. CONSIDERATION OF USE OF INMATE LABOR AT THE SHEPHERD'S VALLEY COWBOY CHURCH, ALVARADO, TEXAS, TEXAS YOUTH RANCH RODEO ASSOCIATION EVENT TO BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 23-24, 2017-SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Comm. Woolley, seconded by Comm. Bailey, made a motion to approve the use of inmate labor at the Shepherd's Valley Cowboy Church, Alvarado, Texas, Texas Youth Ranch Rodeo Association Event to be held on September 23-24, 2017-Sheriff's Office.

All voted aye; motion carried.

10. CONSIDERATION OF BUDGET WORKSHOP ITEMS

Comm. Stringer, seconded by Comm. Howell, made a motion to approve the Budget Workshop Items.

All voted aye; motion carried.

11. CONSIDERATION OF OVERTIME POLICY AND THE 207K PLAN-SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Comm. Bailey, seconded by Comm. Woolley, made a motion to approve the Overtime Policy and the 207K Plan-Sheriff's Office, for Patrol Division only and being effective on October 1, 2017.

All voted aye; motion carried.

10. CONSIDERATION OF BUDGET WORKSHOP ITEMS

Comm. Stringer, seconded by Comm. Howell, made an amended motion to approve the Budget Workshop Items to add the \$25,000.00 back to the Sheriff's Overtime Budget.

All voted aye; motion carried.

X. CONSENT AGENDA

Comm. Stringer, seconded by Comm. Howell, made a motion to approve all items on the [Consent Agenda](#).

All voted aye; motion carried.

There being no further business before the Court concerning this agenda, Commissioners Court adjourned at 5:19 P.M.

Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Roger Harmon, County Judge

STATE OF TEXAS           §  
COUNTY OF JOHNSON   §

I, Becky Ivey, Johnson County Clerk, attest that the foregoing is a true and accurate accounting of the Commissioners Court's authorized proceedings for September 18, 2017.



**FILED & RECORDED  
October 13, 2017  
Commissioner Court Minutes**

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**[Becky Ivey, County Clerk](#)  
Clerk of Commissioner's Court  
Johnson County, Texas**