

STATE OF TEXAS

[September 10, 2018](#)

COUNTY OF JOHNSON

COMMISSIONERS COURT

BE IT KNOWN that on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of September 2018, 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 County Judge, Roger Harmon 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 6, 2018 at 1:06 P.M., were considered:

**IV. WELCOME VISITORS, ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRESENTATIONS**

1. **ANNOUNCEMENT: ON SEPTEMBER 24, 2018 AT 9:00 AM IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM, JOHNSON COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 2 MAIN STREET, CLEBURNE, TEXAS, THE COMMISSIONERS COURT WILL CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2018-2019 BUDGET**

County Judge, Roger Harmon announced that on September 24, 2018 at 9:00 AM in the Commissioners Courtroom, Johnson County Courthouse, 2 Main Street, Cleburne, Texas, the Commissioners Court will conduct a Public Hearing on the 2018-2019 Budget.

2. **ANNOUNCEMENT: ON SEPTEMBER 24, 2018 AT 9:00 AM IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM, JOHNSON COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 2 MAIN STREET, CLEBURNE, TEXAS, THE COMMISSIONERS COURT WILL VOTE ON THE PROPOSED 2018-2019 BUDGET AND TAX RATE FOR THE 2018 TAX YEAR**

County Judge, Roger Harmon announced that on September 24, 2018 at 9:00 AM in the Commissioners Courtroom, Johnson County Courthouse, 2 Main Street, Cleburne, Texas, the Commissioners Court will Vote on the Proposed 2018-2019 Budget and Tax Rate for the 2018 Tax Year.

3. **ANNOUNCEMENT: THE FIRST REGULARLY SCHEDULED COMMISSIONERS COURT MEETING IN OCTOBER WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2018. THE DEADLINE TO SUBMIT ITEMS FOR THE OCTOBER 5, 2018 AGENDA WILL BE THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2018 AT NOON**

County Judge, Roger Harmon announced that on the First Regularly Scheduled Commissioners Court Meeting in October will be Held on Friday, October 5, 2018. The Deadline to Submit Items for the October 5, 2018 Agenda will be Thursday, September 27, 2018 at Noon.

4. **PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION FOR NATIONAL POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAYS**

County Judge, Roger Harmon and the Members of Commissioners Court presented the [Proclamation for National POW/MIA Recognition Days](#) and proclaimed participation of September 10-21, 2018 in observance of “NATIONAL POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAYS” in Johnson County.

5. **PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION FOR 9/11 REMEMBRANCE DAY**

County Judge, Roger Harmon and the Members of Commissioners Court presented the [Proclamation for 9/11 Remembrance Day](#) and proclaimed September 11th a Day of Service and Remembrance in Johnson County.

6. **PRESENTATION OF THE 2018 ANNUAL ACHIEVEMENT OF EXCELLENCE IN PROCUREMENT AWARD TO THE JOHNSON COUNTY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT FROM THE NATIONAL PURCHASING INSTITUTE**

County Judge, Roger Harmon, the Members of Commissioners Court and Judge Bosworth presented the [2018 Annual Achievement of Excellence in Procurement Award](#) to the Johnson County Purchasing Department from the National Purchasing Institute.

## **V. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None

## **VI. PUBLIC HEARING**

The Commissioners Court opened a [Public Hearing](#) at 9:27 A.M. to discuss:

1. 2<sup>ND</sup> PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED JOHNSON COUNTY TAX RATE FOR THE 2018 TAX YEAR

County Judge, Roger Harmon read into Court record the Proposed Tax Rates for the 2018 Tax Year. They are as follows: General Fund/M&O Tax Rate, \$0.407647, Debt Tax Rate, \$0.034053, Road & Bridge Tax Rate, \$0.030300; which is a combined Proposed Tax Rate of \$0.472000.

Janell Lee, a resident of Burleson, TX, addressed the Court in regards to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Public Hearing on the Proposed Johnson County Tax Rate for the 2018 Tax Year. Lee requested clarification for a \$25,000.00 line item for Vending Machine Commissions. Secondly, she addressed the Courts proposal, which was approved in a previous court session, to issue pre-paid debit cards instead of continuing the practice of issuing checks to inmates with a commissary balance upon their release from jail.

Johnson County Auditor, Kirk Kirkpatrick addressed the Court to clarify that the line item questioned by Lee is a revenue line item, not an expenditure line item and is only \$2,000.00 not \$25,000.00 as stated by Lee.

Mike Millsap addressed the Court in regards to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Public Hearing on the Proposed Johnson County Tax Rate for the 2018 Tax Year. Millsap addressed property taxes.

County Judge, Roger Harmon addressed the Court to clarify the County's Proposed Tax Rate is not increasing; it will remain the same as last year. He continued to discuss how the current legislation is affecting taxes, specifically school and property taxes.

Comm. Bailey addressed the Court to discuss the legislation and its effects on school taxes and property taxes. He also addressed the County's growth and its potential to lower tax rates due to increased revenue.

Kevin Boron, a resident of Joshua, TX, and business owner in Johnson County, addressed the Court in regards to the 2nd Public Hearing on the Proposed Johnson County Tax Rate for the 2018 Tax Year. Boron discussed a possible procedural issue he experienced between the City of Joshua and the Central Appraisal District.

County Judge, Roger Harmon addressed the Court to clarify that the Court does not set the procedures for the Central Appraisal District or the Cities within Johnson County.

Comm. Bailey, Comm. Howell and Comm. Stringer addressed the Court and commented on possible ways to streamline the permitting procedures.

Comm. Woolley addressed the Court and commented on the potential effects on taxes due to the loss of sales tax revenue because of e-trade. There being no else to speak, the hearing was closed at 10:00 AM

## **VII. PRECEDING BUSINESS**

### **1. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT:**

- a. August 13, 2018 – Regular Session
- b. August 27, 2018 – Regular Session
- c. August 29, 2018 – Special Session

Comm. Stringer, seconded by Comm. Woolley, made a motion to approve the Minutes of the Commissioners Court for August 13, 2018, August 27, 2018 and August 29, 2018.

All voted aye; motion carried.

### **2. CONSIDERATION OF REQUEST TO PAY BILLS**

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

All voted aye; motion carried.

### **3. 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 to the Commissioners Court.

**IX. NEW BUSINESS**

4. CONSIDERATION OF CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS FOR THE COURTHOUSE FOR WHISTLESTOP 2018-COUNTY JUDGE'S OFFICE

Comm. Woolley, seconded by Comm. Bailey, made a motion to approve Christmas Decorations for the Courthouse for WhistleStop 2018 and to allow Public Works to meet with Cathy Marchel and a certified electrician to discuss placement of decorations and limitations due to low voltage output from the Courthouse and restrictions because of the Courthouse's Historical Landmark designation.

All voted aye; motion carried.

5. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE PLAZA THEATRE'S USE OF THE PUBLIC PARKING LOT LOCATED ON S. MAIN STREET ACROSS THE STREET FROM THE PLAZA THEATRE ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2018, BETWEEN THE HOURS OF NOON AND 5:00 PM, WITH SETUP HOURS BEGINNING AT 8:00 AM AND ENDING BY 9:00 PM FOR PLAZA ACADEMY'S BOO FEST-COUNTY JUDGE'S OFFICE

Comm. Bailey, seconded by Comm. Woolley, made a motion to approve Plaza Theatre's use of the public parking lot located on S. Main Street across the street from the Plaza Theatre on Saturday, October 20, 2018, between the hours of noon and 5:00 PM, with setup hours beginning at 8:00 AM and ending by 9:00 PM for Plaza Academy's Boo Fest; with the stipulation that the Plaza Theater gets an additional Liability Insurance Policy for the date of the Boo Fest that names Johnson County on the policy as an additional insured-County Judge's Office.

All voted aye; motion carried.

6. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE THE USE OF THE COURTHOUSE  
PARKING LOT ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2018 AND SUNDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 23, 2018 FOR ANTIQUE ALLEY-COUNTY JUDGE'S OFFICE

Comm. Woolley, seconded by Comm. Howell, made a motion to approve the use of the Courthouse parking lot on Saturday, September 22, 2018 and Sunday, September 23, 2018 for Antique Alley; with the stipulations that Liability Insurance for the dates of Antique Alley that names Johnson County on the policy as an insured is provided and custodial to clean the area around the Courthouse at the end of the event is provided-County Judge's Office.

All voted aye; motion carried.

The Commissioners Court recessed at 10:26 A.M. and reconvened at 10:41 A.M. to consider the following:

18. CONSIDERATION TO GIVE THE COUNTY TREASURER  
AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE FUNDS TO PAY INDIGENT HEALTH  
CARE PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$89,425.57 TO TEXNET (STATE  
SYSTEM) SEPTEMBER 7, 2018-TREASURER'S OFFICE

Comm. Bailey, seconded by Comm. Howell, made a motion to approve to give the County Treasurer authorization to release funds to pay [Indigent Health Care Payment](#) in the amount of \$89,425.57 to TEXNET (State System) September 7, 2018-Treasurer's Office.

Comm. Bailey	aye
Comm. Howell	aye
County Judge, Roger Harmon	aye
Comm. Woolley	aye
Comm. Stringer	nay

Motion carried.

14. CONSIDERATION OF REVIEW AND ADJUSTMENT TO RADIO USER  
RATE FOR CITY OF BURLESON-RADIO MANAGEMENT

No Action.

3. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COUNTY GRANT PROGRAM 2019 TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TEXANS FEEDING TEXANS HOME-DELIVERED MEAL GRANT PROGRAM-COUNTY JUDGE'S OFFICE

Comm. Bailey, seconded by Comm. Howell, made a motion to approve the [Resolution Authorizing County Grant Program 2019](#) Texas Department of Agriculture Texans Feeding Texans Home-Delivered Meal Grant Program-County Judge's Office.

All voted aye; motion carried.

15. CONSIDERATION OF AGREEMENT WITH VETPRO SOFTWARE FOR VETERANS SERVICES-IT DEPARTMENT

Comm. Bailey, seconded by Comm. Howell, made a motion to approve the [Agreement with VetPro Software](#) for Veterans Services and to give the County Judge the authorization to sign-IT Department.

All voted aye; motion carried.

**VII. PRECEDING BUSINESS**

4. CONSIDERATION OF RENEWAL OF **RFB #2016-611** – ROAD SIGNS AND ROAD MARKERS FOR JOHNSON COUNTY WITH CUSTOM PRODUCTS CORPORATION AT REVISED PRICING-PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

Comm. Woolley, seconded by Comm. Stringer, made a motion to approve the Renewal of [RFB #2016-611](#) – Road Signs and Road Markers for Johnson County with Custom Products Corporation at Revised Pricing-Purchasing Department.

All voted aye; motion carried.

5. CONSIDERATION TO AWARD **RFQ #2018-810** – VETERINARY SERVICES TO ALVARADO VETERINARY CLINIC FOR ONE (1) YEAR WITH THE OPTION TO RENEW TWO (2) ADDITIONAL ONE (1) YEAR PERIODS-PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

Comm. Howell, seconded by Comm. Stringer, made a motion to approve to award [\*\*RFQ #2018-810\*\*](#) – Veterinary Services to Alvarado Veterinary Clinic for One (1) Year with the Option to Renew Two (2) Additional One (1) Year Periods-Purchasing Department.

All voted aye; motion carried.

3. 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 to the Commissioners Court.

6. CONSIDERATION OF VARIANCE FOR TWO COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS ON ONE SEPTIC SYSTEM AT 9143 AND 9139 E. US HWY 67, ALVARADO, IN PRECINCT #3-PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Comm. Stringer, seconded by Comm. Howell, made a motion to approve a variance for [two commercial buildings on one septic system at 9143 and 9139 E. US Hwy 67, Alvarado](#), in Precinct #3-Public Works Department.

Comm. Howell	aye
County Judge, Roger Harmon	aye
Comm. Stringer	aye
Comm. Woolley	aye
Comm. Bailey	nay

Motion carried.

7. CONSIDERATION OF FINAL PLAT FOR **THE RETREAT**, PHASE 14, LOTS 1-26, BLOCK 82, PRECINCT #1-PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Comm. Bailey, seconded by Comm. Howell, made a motion to approve the final plat for [The Retreat](#), Phase 14, Lots 1-26, Block 82, Precinct #1-Public Works Department.

All voted aye; motion carried.



8. CONSIDERATION OF FINAL PLAT FOR **SENTER ADDITION**, LOT 1, BLOCK 1, PRECINCT #4-PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Comm. Woolley, seconded by Comm. Bailey, made a motion to approve the final plat for [Senter Addition](#), Lot 1, Block 1, Precinct #4-Public Works Department.

All voted aye; motion carried.

9. CONSIDERATION OF FINAL PLAT FOR **MALDONADO ADDITION**, LOTS 1-2, BLOCK 1, PRECINCT #1-PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Comm. Bailey, seconded by Comm. Woolley, made a motion to approve the final plat for [Maldonado Addition](#), Lots 1-2, Block 1, Precinct #1-Public Works Department.

All voted aye; motion carried.

10. CONSIDERATION OF FINAL PLAT FOR **THOMPSON ESTATES**, LOT 1, BLOCK 1, PRECINCT #4-PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Comm. Woolley, seconded by Comm. Stringer, made a motion to approve the final plat for [Thompson Estates](#), Lot 1, Block 1, Precinct #4-Public Works Department.

All voted aye; motion carried.

**VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

No Action

**IX. NEW BUSINESS**

1. CONSIDERATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS/PROPOSALS

No Action.

2. CONSIDERATION OF BUDGET AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 111 FOR:

a. Equipment-Capital-\$17,900.00

Comm. Bailey, seconded by Comm. Woolley, made a motion to approve the [Budget Amendment](#) pursuant to the Local Government Code *Section 111* for: Equipment-Capital-\$17,900.00.

Comm. Bailey	aye
Comm. Howell	aye
County Judge, Roger Harmon	aye
Comm. Woolley	aye
Comm. Stringer	nay

Motion carried.

7. RECORDING OF DISTRICT JUDGES' ORDER ESTABLISHING SALARIES FOR COUNTY AUDITOR'S OFFICE AND COUNTY AUDITOR'S BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019 AND JUDGES' ORDER ESTABLISHING COURT REPORTERS' SALARIES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019 AND FEE SCHEDULE FOR JOHNSON COUNTY COURT REPORTERS AND INDIGENT CRIMINAL APPEALS EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018-AUDITOR'S OFFICE

Comm. Bailey, seconded by Comm. Howell, made a motion to approve the [Recording of District Judges' Order Establishing Salaries](#) for County Auditor's Office and County Auditor's Budget for Fiscal Year 2019 and Judges' Order Establishing Court Reporters' Salaries for Fiscal Year 2019 and Fee Schedule for Johnson County Court Reporters and Indigent Criminal Appeals Effective October 1, 2018-Auditor's Office.

All voted aye; motion carried.

8. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF PURCHASING AGENT APPOINTMENT BOARD'S AMENDED ORDER APPOINTING RALPH MCBROOM AS PURCHASING AGENT

The Commissioners Court acknowledged the Purchasing Agent Appointment Board's Amended [Order Appointing Ralph McBroom as Purchasing Agent](#).

9. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION OF TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR ANNUAL CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENT-TAX OFFICE

The Commissioners Court acknowledged the [Certificate of Completion of Tax Assessor-Collector Annual Continuing Education Requirement-Tax Office](#).

10. CONSIDERATION TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN ANY AND ALL CLOSING DOCUMENTS RELATED TO THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2744 W. FM 4, CLEBURNE, TX, PRECINCT #1-COUNTY JUDGE'S OFFICE

Comm. Bailey, seconded by Comm. Woolley, made a motion to approve to authorize the County Judge to sign any and all closing documents related to the property located at 2744 W. FM 4, Cleburne, TX, Precinct #1-County Judge's Office.

All voted aye; motion carried.

11. CONSIDERATION OF USE OF INMATE LABOR PURSUANT TO TEXAS CODE OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE ARTICLE 43.10 FOR MAINTENANCE AND RELATED SERVICES FOR THE FAMILY CRISIS CENTER OF JOHNSON COUNTY, TEXAS, A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT QUALIFIES UNDER THE TAX EXEMPTION OF SECTION 501(A), INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986 AS AN ORGANIZATION DESCRIBED BY SECTION 501(C)(3) AND IS ORGANIZED AS A NON-PROFIT CORPORATION UNDER THE TEXAS NON-PROFIT CORPORATION ACT-SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Comm. Bailey, seconded by Comm. Woolley, made a motion to approve the use of [inmate labor pursuant to Texas Code of Criminal Procedure Article 43.10](#) for maintenance and related services for the Family Crisis Center of Johnson County, Texas, a Non-Profit Organization that qualifies under the Tax Exemption of Section 501(a), Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as an organization described by Section 501(c)(3) and is organized as a Non-Profit Corporation under the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act-Sheriff's Office.

All voted aye; motion carried.

12. CONSIDERATION OF INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT FOR DISPATCHING SERVICES FOR:

a. [Joshua ISD Police Department](#)

Comm. Howell, seconded by Comm. Woolley, made a motion to approve the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for Dispatching Services for Joshua ISD Police Department and to give the County Judge and the Sheriff the authorization to sign.

All voted aye; motion carried.

b. [Alvarado Marshal](#)

Comm. Stringer, seconded by Comm. Woolley, made a motion to approve the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for Dispatching Services for Alvarado Marshal and to give the County Judge and the Sheriff the authorization to sign.

All voted aye; motion carried.

c. [Alvarado Police Department](#)

Comm. Stringer, seconded by Comm. Woolley, made a motion to approve the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for Dispatching Services for Alvarado Police Department and to give the County Judge and the Sheriff the authorization to sign.

All voted aye; motion carried.

d. [Keene ISD](#)

Comm. Woolley, seconded by Comm. Stringer, made a motion to approve the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for Dispatching Services for Keene ISD and to give the County Judge and the Sheriff the authorization to sign.

All voted aye; motion carried.

13. CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENT TO COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM AGREEMENT FOR FY 2018-19 FOR:

a. Johnson County ESD

Comm. Bailey, seconded by Comm. Howell, made a motion to approve the Amendment to Communications System Agreement for FY 2018-19 for Johnson County ESD.

All voted aye; motion carried.

16. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF 911 ADDRESS CHANGE-IT DEPARTMENT

Comm. Howell, seconded by Comm. Stringer, made a motion to approve the 911 address change and to give the County Judge the authorization to sign-IT Department.

All voted aye; motion carried.

17. CONSIDERATION OF CHANGES TO 911 ADDRESSING POLICY FOR JOHNSON COUNTY-IT DEPARTMENT

No Action.

**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.

**XI. WORKSHOP**

The Commissioners Court convened into Workshop Session at 12:18 P.M. to discuss the Budget and Tax Rate.

The Commissioners Court reconvened into Regular Session at 12:20 P.M.

There being no further business before the Court concerning this agenda, Commissioners Court adjourned at 12:20 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 10, 2018.**



**FILED & RECORDED**  
**September 24, 2018**  
**Commissioner Court Minutes**

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**Becky Ivey, County Clerk**  
**Clerk of Commissioner's Court**  
**Johnson County, Texas**