



MINUTES for Mitchell County Commissioners' Court
REGULAR Session
Monday, May 10, 2021 9:00 a.m.

1. **Call meeting to order**

Commissioners' Court of Mitchell County was called to order by Judge Merrell at 9:00 a.m., in Commissioners' Courtroom, 2nd Floor, 349 Oak Street, Colorado City, Texas.

County Judge	Mark Merrell	Present
Precinct 1, Commissioner	Dennis Jones	Present
Precinct 2, Commissioner	Jeremy Strain	Present
Precinct 3, Commissioner	Jesse Muñoz	Present
Precinct 4, Commissioner	Ricky Bailey	Present

2. **Invocation** was led by Commissioner Strain
Pledge was led by Commissioner Muñoz

3. **Public Comment**

VOTE: NO ACTION

4. **Approval of Bills**

Approve bills in the total amount of \$ 63,725.27

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Strain to approve bills as presented.

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Jones

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

Approval of Line Items

VOTE: NO ACTION

5. **Discuss and Possible Approve J. Frank Dobie Library Trust Grant**

Maggie Bootman, Librarian, discussed \$11,000.00 grant received from J. Frank Dobie to be used on books for counties with populations under 10,000.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Muñoz to accept grant as presented.

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Bailey

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

6. **Property bids received by tax assessor**

Sylvia Clanton, Tax Assessor/Collector, presented four separate bids received for properties within Mitchell County.

1) Mark Overton \$500.00 202 W Market Loraine

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Muñoz to accept bid as presented.

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Strain

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

2) Betty Ortega \$3,600.00 632 Oak Lots 9-12 (4 lots, 2 houses) Colorado City

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Strain to accept bid as presented.

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Jones

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

3) Miguel & Maritza Navarrete \$500.00 Blk 33 Lt 12 (Corner Walnut/3rd St) Colorado City

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Bailey to accept bid as presented.

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Muñoz

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

- 4) Miguel Acevedo \$250.00 Lot 1-2 Pacific/Main St/McKinley Loraine
MOTION: Made by Commissioner Strain to accept bid as presented.
SECOND: Made by Commissioner Bailey
VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

7. **Consider/Discuss Authorization for the County of Mitchell to Issue Requests for Proposals (RFP) for Administrative Services for the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.**

Judge Merrell discussed bid process and seeking approval for proposals for Administrative Services for the American Rescue Plan 2021.

- MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Muñoz to approve accepting bids as presented.
- SECOND:** Made by Commissioner Jones
- VOTE:** All in favor. Motion passed.

8. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to Implement Change Order No. 1 Relating to Contract #CTIF 02 168 For Seal coat Road Improvement Work for TIF Grant Road Project**

Sterling Burleson, County Attorney, presented proposed change order from Herring Services, increase just under \$20,000

- MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Strain to approve change order
- SECOND:** Made by Commissioner Muñoz
- VOTE:** All in favor. Motion passed.

9. **Review and Discuss Proposed Permit for Gaming Rooms**

Informational - Sterling Burleson, County Attorney, discussed proposed permit application from Jefferson County as sample. He will bring sample to another Commissioners' Court meeting for review.

- VOTE:** NO ACTION

10. **Update on Mitchell County Windows and Roofs**

Informational – Judge Merrell and Wayne Gondeck/DRG via phone

- VOTE:** NO ACTION

11. **Approve Monthly Minutes**

Approve minutes from Commissioners' Court Regular/Special meetings April, 2021

- MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Strain to approve minutes as presented.
- SECOND:** Made by Commissioner Bailey
- VOTE:** All in favor. Motion passed.

12. **Approve Monthly Reports**

- MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Strain to approve monthly reports as presented.
- SECOND:** Made by Commissioner Muñoz
- VOTE:** All in favor. Motion passed.

JP 1&4	\$ 26,260.04	District Clerk	\$ 9,141.48
JP 2&3	\$ 11,407.75	County Clerk Civil	\$ 8,958.35
Library	\$ 240.00	County Clerk Criminal	\$ 2,256.00
Other reports: Auditor, Sheriff, and Treasurer – no fees.			

13. *****Closed Session*****

Executive Session – Consultation with Attorney Regarding Pending or Contemplated Litigation for Mitchell County Desalination Plant under Texas Government Code Section 551.071

Regular meeting recessed 9:57 a.m. Regular meeting resumed 10:10 a.m.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Strain to go into closed session

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Bailey

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

No action will be taken in executive session.

14. **Action Regarding Items Discussed in Closed Session**

VOTE: NO ACTION

15. **Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 10:11 a.m.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Bailey to adjourn.

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Muñoz

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

I, Carla Kern, County Clerk of Mitchell County, Texas, do hereby certify that these Commissioners' Court Minutes are a true and correct record of the proceedings from the meeting on Monday, May 10, 2021.

Carla Kern

Carla Kern, County Clerk





MINUTES for Mitchell County Commissioners' Court
REGULAR Session
Monday, May 24, 2021 9:00 a.m.

1. **Call meeting to order**

Commissioners' Court of Mitchell County was called to order by Judge Merrell at 9:01 a.m., in Commissioners' Courtroom, 2nd Floor, 349 Oak Street, Colorado City, Texas.

County Judge	Mark Merrell	Present
Precinct 1, Commissioner	Dennis Jones	Present
Precinct 2, Commissioner	Jeremy Strain	Absent
Precinct 3, Commissioner	Jesse Muñoz	Present
Precinct 4, Commissioner	Ricky Bailey	Present

2. **Invocation** was led by Commissioner Jones
Pledge was led by Commissioner Bailey

3. **Public Comment**

VOTE: NO ACTION

4. **5. Approval of Bills**

Approve bills in the total amount of \$ 62,840.64.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Bailey to approve bills as presented.

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Muñoz

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

Approval of Line Items

VOTE: NO ACTION

5. **6. Budget Amendments**

Approve budget amendments in the total amount of \$ 11,000 from the J. Frank Dobie Trust grant for the purchase of books. Library 030-334-105 / 030-655-590

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Muñoz to approve budget amendments as presented.
(A copy of the budget amendment follows the minutes.)

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Jones

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

6. **7. Discuss and Possible Action on Purchase of Cargo Trailer with HAVA Election Security Grant Funds**

Carla Kern, County Clerk, discussed the purchase of small cargo trailer to move election equipment in an enclosed, secured trailer and potential storage at Precinct 1 barn when not in use.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Jones to authorize purchase of cargo trailer up to \$5,000 as presented with HAVA Election Security Grant Funds.

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Bailey

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

7. **4. Introduction of newly appointed "80 John" Wallace Unit Warden**

Warden Sergio Perez introduced himself.

VOTE: NO ACTION

8. **Discuss and Possibly Approve Road Boring Permit**

Sterling Burleson, County Attorney, discussed proposed road boring permit application.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Muñoz to approve road boring permit application presented, with \$500 fee for permit. (A copy of the road boring permit application follows the minutes.)

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Jones

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

9. **Discuss and Possible Approve Agreement for Legal Services Related to Bankruptcy with Engineering Firm**

Sterling Burleson, County Attorney discussed legal services agreement from Dick Harris, bankruptcy attorney from Abilene. No retainer fee, \$300 per hour, estimated \$1500-7500

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Jones to approve Harris Attorney at Law from Abilene based on competency and qualification with bankruptcy. (A copy of the agreement follows the minutes.)

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Bailey

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

10. *****Closed Session*****

VOTE: NO ACTION

11. **Action Regarding Items Discussed in Closed Session**

VOTE: NO ACTION

12. **Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 9:47 a.m.

MOTION: Made by Judge Merrell to adjourn.

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Muñoz

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

I, Carla Kern, County Clerk of Mitchell County, Texas, do hereby certify that these Commissioners' Court Minutes are a true and correct record of the proceedings from the meeting on Monday, May 24, 2021.

Carla Kern

Carla Kern, County Clerk

