



MINUTES for Mitchell County Commissioners' Court  
REGULAR Session  
Tuesday, October 13, 2020 9:00 a.m.

Judge Mark Merrell  
Randy Anderson, Commissioner Pct 2  
Jeremy Strain, Commissioner Pct 3  
Jesse Munoz, Commissioner Pct 4  
Ricky Bailey, Commissioner Pct 4

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

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

County Judge	Mark Merrell	Present
Precinct 1, Commissioner	Randy Anderson	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(S)**

**VOTE: NO ACTION**

4. **APPROVAL OF BILLS**

Approve bills in the total amount of \$ 189,744.29.

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

**SECOND: Made by Commissioner Bailey**

**VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.**

5. **REVIEW AND POSSIBLE APPROVE CONTRACT WITH AIRTITE FOR WINDOW RENOVATIONS PROJECT**

Sterling Burleson, County Attorney, provided contract with Airtite Windows of Abilene for window replacement project at the courthouse for approval and to give judge authority to sign. 140 days for completion. Cost: \$192,600.00

**MOTION: Made by Commissioner Strain to approve contract and give judge authority to sign contract presented.**

**SECOND: Made by Commissioner Muñoz**

**VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.**

6. **DISCUSS AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF COMPETITIVE BIDS FOR COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT TRUCK PURCHASE**

Sterling Burleson, County Attorney, and Marcus Prevniger, Texas AgriLife ag agent, asked for approval to go out for competitive bid process for the purchase of new truck and advertise in the newspaper.

**MOTION: Made by Commissioner Strain to approve competitive bid process.**

**SECOND: Made by Commissioner Bailey**

**VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.**

7. **UPDATE ON MITCHELL COUNTY COMMERCIAL WEIGH STATION**

Informational

8. **JAIL INSPECTION BY TEXAS COMMISSION ON JAIL STANDARDS**

Informational

9. **APPROVAL OF 2021 MITCHELL COUNTY RESOLUTION INDIGENT DEFENSE GRANT PROGRAM**

Judge Merrell and Sheriff Patrick Toombs presented the indigent defense grant resolution for approval.

**MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Anderson to approve resolution as presented.

**SECOND:** Made by Commissioner Muñoz

**VOTE:** All in favor. Motion passed.

10. **APPROVE PREVIOUS MONTH'S MINUTES**

Approve minutes from Commissioners' Court Regular/Special meetings held September, 2020

**MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Strain to approve minutes as presented.

**SECOND:** Made by Commissioner Bailey

**VOTE:** All in favor. Motion passed.

11. **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	\$ 8,446.80	District Clerk	\$ 10,382.90
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JP 2&3	\$ 6,547.00	County Clerk Civil	\$ 10,138.70
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Library	\$ 188.75	County Clerk Criminal	\$ 7,089.00
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Other reports: Auditor, Sheriff, and Treasurer – no fees.

12. **ADJOURN**

Meeting adjourned at 9:25 a.m.

**MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Strain 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 Tuesday, October 13, 2020.

*Carla Kern*

Carla Kern, County Clerk





MINUTES for Mitchell County Commissioners' Court  
REGULAR Session  
Monday, October 26, 2020 9:00 a.m.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

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

County Judge	Mark Merrell	Present
Precinct 1, Commissioner	Randy Anderson	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 Anderson

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT(S)**

VOTE: NO ACTION

4. **CONSIDERATION AND ACTION ON ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF MITCHELL COUNTY, TEXAS GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2020; AUTHORIZING CERTAIN PARAMETERS FOR THE BONDS AND ENACTING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE PURPOSES OF THIS ORDER**

Ben Rosenberg, US Capital Advisors manager, discussed adoption of refunding bond.

**MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Strain. I move that the County adopt the order authorizing the general obligation refunding bonds in the form provided by our bond counsel.

**SECOND:** Made by Commissioner Muñoz

**VOTE:** All in favor. Motion passed.

5. **CONSIDER AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING PARTICIPATION IN HISTORIC SITE TAX EXEMPTION PROGRAM UNDER CHAPTER 11.24 OF THE TEXAS TAX CODE**

Attorney Ty Wood and Sterling Burleson, County Attorney, discussed Mitchell County entities participating in the historic site tax exemption program.

**MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Muñoz, "I move that we offer property tax exemptions to certain qualifying historic properties in Colorado City, Texas and adopt City of Colorado City ordinance number 2020-09 relating to historic structure tax exemptions, historic resource and historic district designation criteria and certain permits and certificates of appropriateness and also including the affidavit and the annual inspection and other features of the ordinance to be administered by the City of Colorado City that were shared with us this morning by County Attorney Sterling Burleson and Ty Wood."

**SECOND:** Made by Commissioner Bailey

**VOTE:** All in favor. Motion passed.

6. **APPROVAL OF BILLS**

Approve bills in the total amount of \$ 182,063.45.

**MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Muñoz to approve bills as presented.

**SECOND:** Made by Commissioner Strain

**VOTE:** All in favor. Motion passed.

**APPROVAL OF LINE ITEM TRANSFERS**

**MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Strain to approve line item transfers as presented.

(A copy of the line item transfers follow the minutes.)

**SECOND:** Made by Commissioner Bailey

**VOTE:** All in favor. Motion passed.

**7. BUDGET AMENDMENT(S)**

Approve budget amendments in the total amount of \$ 120,000.

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

**SECOND:** Made by Commissioner Bailey

**VOTE:** All in favor. Motion passed.

**8. MITCHELL COUNTY PRECINCT 2 MOTOR GRADER REFINANCE**

Heidi Harris, County Auditor, discussed refinancing Precinct 2 motor grader 3.25% to 2.75% savings \$3,168.75

**MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Muñoz to approve refinancing and authorize Commissioner Strain to sign agreement.

**SECOND:** Made by Commissioner Bailey

**VOTE:** All in favor. Motion passed.

**9. DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S CHAPTER 59 ASSET FORFEITURE REPORT**

Mary Anne Davila, District Attorney Assistant briefly mentioned report that's required from Attorney General yearly to be presented in Commissioners' Court. No action needed.

**VOTE:** NO ACTION

**10. CARES GRANT UPDATE**

Informational – Lovida Hamilton, Judge Merrell

**VOTE:** NO ACTION

**11. OPEN, READ ALOUD, AND POSSIBLE APPROVE BID FOR COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT PICKUP TRUCK**

Tabled

**VOTE:** NO ACTION

**12. CONSIDER AND POSSIBLY APPROVE RADIO TOWER LEASE WITH RISE BROADBAND**

Sterling Burleson, County Attorney, and Tim Avila of Rise Broadband discussed radio tower lease near water tower.

**MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Muñoz to approve contract with Rise Broadband for use of radio tower as presented.

**SECOND:** Made by Commissioner Strain

**VOTE:** All in favor. Motion passed.

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13. **ADJOURN**

Meeting adjourned at 10:08 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, October 26, 2020.



Carla Kern, County Clerk

