



MINUTES for Mitchell County Commissioners' Court  
REGULAR Session  
Monday, November 9, 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, 3<sup>rd</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. **APPROVAL OF BILLS**

Approve bills in the total amount of \$ 60,300.21.

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

**SECOND:** Made by Commissioner Bailey

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

5. **BUDGET AMENDMENT(S)**

No budget amendment(s)

**VOTE:** NO ACTION

6. **RESOLUTION – INDIGENT DEFENSE GRANT PROGRAM**

Already approved in Commissioners' Court October 13, 2020

**VOTE:** NO ACTION

7. **REWIRE MITCHELL COUNTY AGRICULTURAL BARN**

Commissioner Jesse Muñoz discussed rewiring and estimate from Marcelo Molina from Molina A/C and Heating \$6,491.24

**VOTE:** NO ACTION

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

Niki Watlington, Ag Extension office manager, presented three bids received from Wilson Motors Ford, Mitch Hall Chevrolet and Robert Lee Ford. After some discussion, the following motion was made.

**MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Strain to approve Wilson Motors Ford's bid of \$46,747.00 for County Extension agent pickup truck.

**SECOND:** Made by Commissioner Muñoz

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

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

Approve minutes from Commissioners' Court Regular/Special meetings for October, 2020.

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

**SECOND:** Made by Commissioner Muñoz

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

10. **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	\$ 7,661.00	District Clerk	\$ 7,886.61
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JP 2&3	\$ 5,220.10	County Clerk Civil	\$ 7,887.25
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Library	\$ 223.20	County Clerk Criminal	\$ 1,006.10
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Other reports: Auditor, Sheriff, and Treasurer – no fees.

11. **\*\*\*EXECUTIVE SESSION\*\*\***

**CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY REGARDING PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION OR SETTLEMENT OFFER FOR MITCHELL COUNTY DESALINATION PLANT UNDER TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.071**

Regular meeting recessed 9:36 a.m. Regular meeting resumed 10:00 a.m.

**VOTE:** NO ACTION

12. **ADJOURN**


Meeting adjourned at 10:00 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, November 9, 2020.

  
Carla Kern, County Clerk





MINUTES for Mitchell County Commissioners' Court  
 SPECIAL CALLED Session  
 Thursday, November 12, 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	Absent
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

**PUBLIC COMMENT(S)**

VOTE: NO ACTION

4. **UPDATE ON MITCHELL COUNTY ROOF AND WINDOW PROJECT**

Informational

VOTE: NO ACTION

3. **CANVASS RETURNS FROM GENERAL ELECTIONS – NOVEMBER 3, 2020**

Judge Merrell opened returns for the November 3, 2020 General Elections.

**MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Strain to approve returns and authorize judge to sign.  
 (A copy of returns follow minutes.)

**SECOND:** Made by Commissioner Muñoz

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

5. **MITCHELL COUNTY INSPECTIONS**

Informational

VOTE: NO ACTION

6. **UPDATE ON THE MITCHELL COUNTY COMMERCIAL WEIGH STATION**

Informational

VOTE: NO ACTION

7. **ADJOURN**

Meeting adjourned at 9:37 a.m.

**MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Muñoz to adjourn.

**SECOND:** Made by Commissioner Strain

**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 Thursday, November 12, 2020.

*Carla Kern*

Carla Kern, County Clerk





MINUTES for Mitchell County Commissioners' Court  
REGULAR Session  
Monday, November 23, 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 District Courtroom, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, 349 Oak Street, Colorado City, Texas.

County Judge	Mark Merrell	Present
Precinct 1, Commissioner	Randy Anderson	Absent
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. **UPDATE ON MITCHELL COUNTY, TEXAS GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2020**

Informational – Judge Merrell and Ben Rosenberg via phone from US Capital. Savings \$472,360

**VOTE:** NO ACTION

5. **APPROVAL OF BILLS**

Approve bills in the total amount of \$ 225,446.63

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

**SECOND:** Made by Commissioner Muñoz

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

6. **AUDITOR BOND APPROVAL**

Heidi Harris presented Public Official Bond approval for December, 2020-December, 2021

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

**SECOND:** Made by Commissioner Strain

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

7. **BUDGET AMENDMENT(S)**

Approve budget amendments in the total amount of \$38,300 SO and \$60,000 Pct 4. GL Transfers

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

**SECOND:** Made by Commissioner Muñoz

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

8. **ENGAGEMENT LETTER FOR INDEPENDENT AUDIT**

County Auditor Heidi Harris discussed switching from outside auditor Eide Bailey to new independent auditor Cathrine Wilks CPA LLC from Sweetwater.

**MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Strain to approve hiring Cathrine Wilks as new independent auditor.

**SECOND:** Made by Commissioner Muñoz

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

9. **APPROVAL OF 2021 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE**

Judge Merrell presented 2021 holiday schedule for 2021.

(A copy of the 2021 holiday schedule follows the minutes.)

**MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Strain to approve 2021 holiday schedule as presented and this schedule does not include Election days.

**SECOND:** Made by Commissioner Muñoz

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

10. **APPROVAL OF BOND COUNSEL REPRESENTATION AGREEMENT**

Sterling Burlison, County Attorney, briefly discussed email copy of agreement sent to commissioners.

**MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Strain to approve agreement and execution of the order of bond counsel as presented.

(A copy of order of bond counsel follows the minutes.)

**SECOND:** Made by Commissioner Muñoz

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

11. **ADJOURN**

Meeting adjourned at 9:23 a.m.

**MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Muñoz to adjourn.

**SECOND:** Made by Commissioner Strain

**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, November 23, 2020.

*Carla Kern*

Carla Kern, County Clerk

