



MINUTES for Mitchell County Commissioners' Court
REGULAR Session
Monday, August 9, 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	Absent

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

3. **Public Comment**

VOTE: NO ACTION

4. **Approval of Bills**

Approve bills in the total amount of \$ 380,310.52.

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

(A copy of approved bills follows the minutes.)

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Jones

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

Approval of Line Items

No items.

VOTE: NO ACTION

5. **Public Hearing for Archive Fee for County Clerk's Office**

Judge Merrell opened public hearing. No public comments.

Time Opened: 9:05 a.m. Time Closed: 9:07 a.m.

VOTE: NO ACTION

6. **Discussion and Action to Approve Archive Fee for County Clerk's Office**

Carla Kern, County Clerk, presented information regarding the collection of \$10.00 archive fee to preserve historical records and books.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Strain to approve collecting \$10.00 archive fee as presented. (A copy of the archive fee follows the minutes.)

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Jones

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

7. **Discuss and Possibly Adopt Resolution for Election Voting System**

Carla Kern, County Clerk, presented information on resolution for HAVA Grant Funding in 2020 and now new election voting system needs to be adopted for upcoming use in the General Constitutional Amendment election.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Muñoz

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Jones

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

8. **Discuss and Approve Agreement for the Adoption of the Texas County & District Retirement Systems Qualified Replacement Benefit Arrangement by Employer Name**

Jennifer Rivera, County Treasurer, presented agreement to adopt for qualified replacement benefit arrangement by employer name.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Muñoz to approve agreement as presented.

(A copy of the agreement follows the minutes.)

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Jones

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

9. **Discuss and Approve of Credit Card Payment to County Court Collections**

Jennifer Rivera, County Treasurer, discussed Bridger Anglin of Court Collections setting up credit card payments for Mitchell County. No additional cost to county. Only difference is check will be paid to correct department from our treasurer's office instead of Nolan County.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Strain to approve credit card payments for Mitchell County Court Collections with County Treasurer overseeing portal/transactions.

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Jones

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

10. **Discuss Upcoming Mitchell County Redistricting Workshops with Bickerstaff**

Informational – Judge Merrell **VOTE:** NO ACTION

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	\$	29,029.50	District Clerk	\$ 9,386.12
JP 2&3	\$	6,457.56	County Clerk Civil	\$ 9,675.75
Library	\$	307.50	County Clerk Criminal	\$ 9,002.10

Other reports: Auditor, Sheriff, and Treasurer – no fees.

12. **Approve Previous Monthly Minutes**

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

MOTION: Made by Judge Merrell to approve minutes as presented.

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Strain

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

13. **Budget Workshop**

Open: 9:32 a.m. Closed: 9:55 a.m. **VOTE:** NO ACTION

14. **Adjourn**


Meeting adjourned at 9:55 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 Monday, August 9, 2021.


Carla Kern, County Clerk



MINUTES for Mitchell County Commissioners' Court
REGULAR Session
Monday, August 23, 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	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**

George Tyson spoke about agenda items regarding economic development

VOTE: NO ACTION

4. **Approval of Bills**

Approve bills in the total amount of \$168,172.77

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

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Jones

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

Approval of Line Items

VOTE: NO ACTION

5. **Budget Amendments**

Approve budget amendments in the total amount of \$ 10,000.00.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Jones 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.

6. **Acknowledgement of the District Court Reporter and Auditor's Orders for Compensation and Expenses from District Judge Harrison for the 2022 Budget**

Informational - Heidi Harris, Auditor presented certified copies from District Court to put on record

VOTE: NO ACTION

7. **Approve Silver County Choice Renewal**

Jennifer Rivera, Treasurer, presented 3 options for retirees. No out-of-pocket expense for county.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Strain to approve package 1 plan as presented.

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Bailey

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

8. **Discuss and Possible Approve offer for HDPE and Certa-Lok Pipe**

Judge Merrell received bid from Corix for pipe at the desal plant. After discussion, tabled.

11: 12 a.m. Reopened by Sterling Burleson, County Attorney, to declare pipe as surplus property.

MOTION: Made by Judge Merrell to recommend declaring pipe as surplus property and put out for bids.

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Muñoz

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

9. **Discuss and Approve Order of Special Election – Constitutional Amendment**

Carla Kern, County Clerk, presented order and governor's proclamation for Constitutional Amendment election November 2, 2021.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Strain to approve special election.

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Muñoz

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

10. **Deliberate and Act on Presentation of Ty Wood Regarding Creation of Mitchell County Economic Development Corporation, Inc.**

Ty Wood presented Judge/Commissioners and public with information about existing entities forming one economic development board, 501c6 non profit

VOTE: NO ACTION

11. **Deliberate and Act on Approval of Proposed Bylaws of Mitchell County Economic Development Corporation, Inc.**

Tabled, discussion and suggested revisions

VOTE: NO ACTION

12. **Deliberate and Act on Appointment of Board Members to Mitchell County Economic Development, Inc.**

Tabled

VOTE: NO ACTION

13. **Deliberate and Act on Approval of Proposed Inter-Local Agreement Between The City of Colorado City, Colorado City Economic Development Corporation, Inc., Mitchell County, Mitchell County Hospital District and Mitchell County Economic Development Corporation, Inc.**

Tabled, discussion and suggested revisions

VOTE: NO ACTION

Recessed: 10:40 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

14. **Public Hearing on 2022 Budget**

Judge Merrell opened public hearing at 11:00 a.m. George Tyson closed 11:01 a.m.

VOTE: NO ACTION

15. Consider Adopting the 2022 Budget

Heidi Harris, Auditor, presented January 2022 – December 31, 2022 budget to be adopted. Estimated populations of 8,890 anticipated total revenue of \$9,129, 309.41 and total expenditures of \$9,296,184.13 with \$193,861.00 funded from reserves from heavy equipment purchases, giving Mitchell County a \$26,986.28 budget surplus for fiscal year 2022.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Strain

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Muñoz

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

16. Consider Setting the Tax Rate for 2021

Sylvia Clanton, Tax Assessor-Collector, presented 2021 tax rates to adopt. M&O .419362, I&S .052325, Lateral Road .10 = Total .571687

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Strain to approve 2021 tax rates as presented M&O .419362, I&S .052325, Lateral Road .10 = Total .571687

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Muñoz

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

17. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 11:18 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 Monday, August 23, 2021.



Carla Kern, County Clerk

