



## MINUTES

**MAY 13, 2025**

### **BRAZOS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT**

### **REGULAR MEETING**

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A regular meeting of the Commissioners' Court of Brazos County, Texas was held in the Brazos County Commissioners Courtroom in the Administration Building, 200 South Texas Avenue, in Bryan, Brazos County, Texas, beginning at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 13, 2025 with the following members of the Court present:

Duane Peters, County Judge, Absent;  
Bentley Nettles, Commissioner of Precinct 1;  
Chuck Konderla, Commissioner of Precinct 2;  
Fred Brown, Commissioner of Precinct 3;  
Wanda J. Watson, Commissioner of Precinct 4, Presiding;  
Karen McQueen, County Clerk;

The attached sheets contain the names of the citizens and officials that were in attendance.

1. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance
  - U.S. and Texas Flag - Commissioner Konderla

2. Call for Citizen input and/or concerns

Jaclyn Tech expressed her opposition to the East Loop Project and concerns as to how the project was presented to the citizens. Ms. Tech addressed comments made by Judge Peters during the May 6, 2025 Commissioners Court meeting.

Beverly Greenwood responded to Judge Peters' comments during the May 6, 2025 Commissioners Court meeting regarding the East Loop Project. Specifically, Ms. Greenwood discussed issues with the mailers received by registered voters.

Robert Johnson thanked the Judge and other Court members for attending the East Loop public meeting on May 6, 2025. Mr. Johnson expressed continued opposition to

the East Loop Project and addressed a previous conversation that he had with Judge Peters about the possibility of cancelling the contract with Quiddity due to concerns regarding a lack of transparency and necessity.

Kyle Greenwood stated that contrary to what the Court and John Polster have claimed, property owners were never properly notified about the East Loop Project. He discussed a lack of honesty and transparency related to the project. Mr. Greenwood requested that the contract with Quiddity be paused for 90 days and an agenda item be added to discuss the East Loop Project.

Adam Perdue requested that the Quiddity contract be paused and an agenda item be added to discuss the East Loop Project. Mr. Perdue then requested a workshop to discuss John Polster's role in the project. He went on to discuss his belief that the project is unnecessary.

Charlotte Stivers responded to Judge Peters' comments from the May 6, 2025 Commissioners Court meeting. Ms. Stivers expressed concerns with lack of transparency and lack of citizen engagement regarding the East Loop Project.

Connie Banks shared concerns about citizens not being informed on the East Loop Project, noting the information that has been shared is confusing and citizens are not getting answers to their questions. Ms. Banks stated her opposition to the East Loop Project.

Ronnie Vitulli stated that there is a disconnect between the Court and their constituents. He provided several examples that he believes demonstrates the Court going against the will of the people and he reiterated that Elected Officials are supposed to serve the citizens.

Russell McGee expressed his concerns about the ballot language for Proposition A in the November 2022 Election. He stated that the language was vaguely worded and the people thought they were voting for improvements to existing roads and bridges not a new East Loop.

Cathie Viens stated that she was appalled by the way the community was treated during the May 6, 2025 Commissioners Court meeting, noting that she does not feel the meetings are being run transparently or allowing citizens to have their questions addressed appropriately.

### **Consider and take action on agenda items: 3 - 21**

3. Approval of Proclamation #25-024 proclaiming the week of May 11-17, 2025 as National Police Week and May 15, 2025 as Peace Officers Memorial Day.

As Presiding Officer, Commissioner Watson read aloud Proclamation 25-024 designating the week of May 11 -17, 2025 as National Police Week and May 15, 2025 as Peace Officers Memorial Day.

Sheriff Wayne Dicky thanked the Court for recognizing the sacrifices that peace officers make to protect and serve, noting that last year 147 peace officers gave their lives in the line of duty. Sheriff Dicky thanked the officers for all that they do to keep the peace and protect the community.

Motion: Approve, Moved by Commissioner Chuck Konderla, Seconded by Commissioner Bentley Nettles. Passed. 4-0. Ayes: Brown, Konderla, Nettles, Watson. Absent: Peters.

4. Approval to cancel the Regular Meeting for Commissioners Court on Tuesday, July 22, 2025 due to lack of a quorum. Members of the Court will be attending a conference.

Motion: Approve, Moved by Commissioner Fred Brown, Seconded by Commissioner Chuck Konderla. Passed. 4-0. Ayes: Brown, Konderla, Nettles, Watson. Absent: Peters.

5. Approval requested from the Veterans Service Officer for acceptance of four (4) \$25.00 Walmart gift cards donated by a Veteran spouse to be used for Veterans in need of assistance.

A copy of the donation form is attached.

Motion: Approve, Moved by Commissioner Bentley Nettles, Seconded by Commissioner Chuck Konderla. Passed. 4-0. Ayes: Brown, Konderla, Nettles, Watson. Absent: Peters.

6. Approval requested for authorization to wire transfer up to \$421,712.67 to Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) for Uncompensated Care Demonstration Year 8 (Federal Fiscal Year 2019) for the benefit of participating hospitals using funding from the Brazos County Local Provider Participation Fund.

Motion: Approve, Moved by Commissioner Chuck Konderla, Seconded by Commissioner Fred Brown. Passed. 4-0. Ayes: Brown, Konderla, Nettles, Watson. Absent: Peters.

7. Approval requested for authorization to wire transfer up to \$778,375.83 for the Fiscal Year 2025 Hospital Augmented Reimbursement Program (HARP) IGT for the benefit of participating hospitals using funding from Brazos County Local Provider Participating Fund.

Motion: Approve, Moved by Commissioner Chuck Konderla, Seconded by Commissioner Bentley Nettles. Passed. 4-0. Ayes: Brown, Konderla, Nettles, Watson. Absent: Peters.

8. Approval of the following Job Description:

- a. Juvenile Services - Administration Community Based - B2814 - Juvenile Probation Officer I - Juvenile Services - Mental

A copy of the job description is attached.

Motion: Approve, Moved by Commissioner Chuck Konderla, Seconded by Commissioner Bentley Nettles. Passed. 4-0. Ayes: Brown, Konderla, Nettles, Watson. Absent: Peters.

9. Approval requested from the Sheriff's Office to issue Diners Club credit cards to Investigators Hugh Wallace and Daniel Wagnon with a credit limit for each of \$1,000.00 for travel and emergency use during investigations and work outside of the county.

Commissioner Brown questioned the County's use of Diners Club cards and suggested switching to Mastercard to receive cash back and rewards.

Purchasing Agent Charles Wendt shared that they are currently researching different options to determine what will be the best deal for the County.

Motion: Approve, Moved by Commissioner Chuck Konderla, Seconded by Commissioner Bentley Nettles. Passed. 4-0. Ayes: Brown, Konderla, Nettles, Watson. Absent: Peters.

10. Award of BID #25-090 Mowing of County Rights of Way for Brazos County Road & Bridge. Recommended Vendor: Wayne Pool, LLC.

Commissioner Brown shared his disappointment that no Brazos County businesses bid on this contract. A copy of the contract and bid tabulation is attached.

Motion: Approve, Moved by Commissioner Chuck Konderla, Seconded by Commissioner Fred Brown. Passed. 4-0. Ayes: Brown, Konderla, Nettles, Watson. Absent: Peters.

11. Approval of Contract #25-129 for the Statewide Automated Victim Notification Service with SylogistGov, Inc.

Commissioner Brown questioned whether or not the State pays for this mandate. County Auditor Katie Connor confirmed that it is funded by the State.

Motion: Approve, Moved by Commissioner Chuck Konderla, Seconded by Commissioner Bentley Nettles. Passed. 4-0. Ayes: Brown, Konderla, Nettles, Watson. Absent: Peters.

12. Permission to Advertise RFP #CIP 25-580 Ferrill Creek Road Reconstruction.

Motion: Approve, Moved by Commissioner Chuck Konderla, Seconded by Commissioner Fred Brown. Passed. 4-0. Ayes: Brown, Konderla, Nettles, Watson. Absent: Peters.

13. Approval of the following committee for RFP #CIP 25-580 Ferrill Creek Road Reconstruction.
- a. Jimmy LeFlore - General Superintendent - Road & Bridge
  - b. William "Bill" Hadley - Capital Project Manager - Road & Bridge
  - c. Robert Perry - Area Supervisor - Road & Bridge
  - d. Purchasing (Non-Voting)
  - e. Legal (Non-Voting)
  - f. GLS - Engineer of Record (Non-Voting)

Motion: Approve, Moved by Commissioner Chuck Konderla, Seconded by Commissioner Fred Brown. Passed. 4-0. Ayes: Brown, Konderla, Nettles, Watson. Absent: Peters.

14. Request approval of the Final Plat of 7-11 Ranch Phase 1 Lot 6R being a Replat of Lots 6 and 7; 17.337 Acres; Thomas Mays Survey, A-160; Brazos County, Texas. Site is located in Precinct 1.

Commissioner Brown stated that he is glad this will be done through a local company.

Motion: Approve, Moved by Commissioner Bentley Nettles, Seconded by Commissioner Chuck Konderla. Passed. 4-0. Ayes: Brown, Konderla, Nettles, Watson. Absent: Peters.

15. Consider and take action on the Optimum utility permit to construct a road bore at 1520 Crosswind Drive for fiber optic conduit. Site is located in Precinct 2.

Motion: Approve, Moved by Commissioner Chuck Konderla, Seconded by Commissioner Bentley Nettles. Passed. 4-0. Ayes: Brown, Konderla, Nettles, Watson. Absent: Peters.

16. Commissioners Court minutes for the following dates:

- a. April 01, 2025 - Workshop Session
- b. April 01, 2025 - Regular Meeting
- c. April 08, 2025 - Regular Meeting
- d. April 15, 2025 - Regular Meeting
- e. April 22, 2025 - Regular Meeting
- f. April 29, 2025 - Regular Meeting

Motion: Approve, Moved by Commissioner Chuck Konderla, Seconded by Commissioner Bentley Nettles. Passed. 4-0. Ayes: Brown, Konderla, Nettles, Watson. Absent: Peters.

17. Budget Amendments.

- FY 24/25 Budget Amendments 30.01 - 30.06

Commissioner Brown asked for clarification on amendment 30.03 and amendment 30.06.

Budget Officer Nina Payne explained that Budget Amendment 30.03 is related to Hotel Occupancy Tax funds.

First Assistant Auditor Marci Turner provided clarification for amendment 30.06, stating that this sets funds aside to honor an Interlocal Agreement with the City of College Station. The Court voted unanimously to approve the budget amendments as follows:

30.01 - Recognizing Revenue for Human Resources.

30.02 - Recognizing Revenue for Human Resources.

30.03 - Reallocate funds for Hotel Occupancy Tax.

30.04 - Reallocate funds for Landscaping.

30.05 - Transfer funds from Information Technology to Tax Assessor-Collector.

30.06 - Transfer funds from Contingency to Community Support.

Motion: Approve, Moved by Commissioner Chuck Konderla, Seconded by Commissioner Bentley Nettles. Passed. 4-0. Ayes: Brown, Konderla, Nettles, Watson. Absent: Peters.

18. Personnel Change of Status.

- Approval of Personnel Change of Status

A copy of the Personnel Change of Status is attached.

Motion: Approve, Moved by Commissioner Chuck Konderla, Seconded by Commissioner Bentley Nettles. Passed. 4-0. Ayes: Brown, Konderla, Nettles, Watson. Absent: Peters.

19. Payment of Claims.

Approval of Payment of Claims

- a. 8209544 - 8209691
- b. 9204323 - 9204415

Motion: Approve, Moved by Commissioner Chuck Konderla, Seconded by Commissioner Fred Brown. Passed. 4-0. Ayes: Brown, Konderla, Nettles, Watson. Absent: Peters.

20. Convene into Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code §551.0725 to deliberate business and financial issues related to a contract being negotiated.

Commissioner Watson announced that the Executive Session was not needed at this time and the Court would skip down to agenda item number 22.

21. Consider and possible action on Executive Session.

22. Acknowledgement of the FY 2024-2025 Budget to Actuals by Fund as of May 7, 2025. Acknowledgement of the FY 2024-2025 Contingency Budget to Actuals by Fund as of May 7, 2025.

The Court acknowledged receipt of the 2024-2025 Budget to Actuals by Fund and Contingency Fund Budget to Actuals as of May 7, 2025.

23. Juvenile director's report on detention population.

Juvenile Director Linda Ricketson reported there are 36 juveniles in the detention center, 18 are male, 18 are female, and 32 have electronic monitors.

24. Sheriff's report on inmate population.

Sheriff Wayne Dicky reported there were 725 inmates in jail, 629 inmates are male, 96 are female, and 50 have electronic monitors.

Sheriff Dicky invited the Court and the community to come out to Veterans Park on May 14, 2025 at 12:00 p.m. for the Peace Officers Memorial.

25. Announcement of interest items and possible future agenda topics.

Commissioner Brown announced that former Commissioner Steve Aldrich is home and recovering from his recent surgery. He asked for continued prayers for the Aldrich family during this time. Commissioner Brown then requested a Public Hearing on the Inner East Loop Project.

Commissioner Konderla thanked all the law enforcement men and women that serve our community for their sacrifice and dedication to keeping us safe. He also asked that we keep them all in our prayers.

26. Adjourn.