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NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING ELLIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Ellis County Commissioners Court will be held on **Tuesday, March 17, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.** in the Commissioners' Courtroom (2nd floor) of the Historic Ellis County Courthouse, located at **101 W. Main Street, Waxahachie, Texas**. A quorum of the Court will be physically present. During this meeting time, the following will be discussed and considered:

OPENING COURT

The County Judge will call the meeting to order, declare quorum if present, and declare that notices have been legally posted, pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, Government Code Chapter 551.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – *County Commissioner Precinct 3, Louis Ponder*

PUBLIC COMMENT – Members of the public will have the opportunity to make their comments at the time the agenda item is being addressed.

Proclamations, Recognitions, and Resolutions:

- R.1 Recognition of Ellis County Office of Emergency Management's StormReady® Certification.
- R.2 Resolution supporting Child Abuse Prevention Month "Paint the Town Blue" initiative.

CONSENT AGENDA – Consideration and action:

Administrative Consent:

- A.1 Approval of regular bills, payroll, and officers' reports. – *County Treasurer Cheryl Chambers*
- A.2 Acceptance of the Commissioners Court regular meeting minutes from March 3rd, 2026. – *County Clerk Krystal Valdez*

- A.3 Acceptance of Public Funds Investment Act and County Investment Academy continuing education hours for Ellis County Treasurer, Cheryl Chambers. – *County Treasurer Cheryl Chambers*
- A.4 Acceptance of the Treasurer’s monthly report for January 2026, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code §114.026. – *County Treasurer Cheryl Chambers*
- A.5 Acceptance of the Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1 monthly report for February 2026, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code §114.044. – *Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 Judge Chris Macon*
- A.6 Acceptance of the Justice of the Peace, Precinct 2 monthly report for February 2026, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code §114.044. – *Justice of the Peace Precinct 2 Judge Jackie Miller, Jr.*
- A.7 Acceptance of the Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3 monthly report for February 2026, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code §114.044. – *Justice of the Peace Precinct 3 Judge Dan Cox*
- A.8 Acceptance of the Justice of the Peace, Precinct 4 monthly report for February 2026, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code §114.044. – *Justice of the Peace Precinct 4 Judge James ‘Butch’ Bryant*
- A.9 Acceptance of the Constable, Precinct 2 monthly report for February 2026, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code §114.044. – *Constable Precinct 2 Casey Borders*
- A.10 Approval of annual Audit Report of the fiscal accounts and records for ESD #6 (Waxahachie) Board of Directors, Pursuant to §775.082, Texas Health and Safety Code. – *Fire Marshal Tim Birdwell*
- A.11 Approval to accept a donation of the ADF Pro on Surface Pro, a software for combatting child exploitation and human trafficking, with training, from Our Rescue. – *County Sheriff Brad Norman*
- A.12 Approval of the installation of a new 25kw generator to replace the existing generator at Joe T. White Tower, in an amount not to exceed \$65,000. – *County Sheriff Brad Norman*
- A.13 Acceptance of an interlocal cooperation contract between the County of Ellis and the City of Midlothian for maintenance, repair, and/or construction of streets, roads, alleys, bridges, parking areas, waterways, and ditches, etc. for a term agreement through December 31, 2026, pursuant to Texas Government Code §791. – *County Commissioner Precinct 4 Kyle Butler*
- A.14 Acceptance of an interlocal cooperation contract between the County of Ellis and the City of Ennis for maintenance, repair, and/or construction of streets, roads, alleys, bridges, parking areas, waterways, and ditches, etc. for a term agreement through September 30th, 2026, pursuant to Texas Government Code §791. – *County Commissioner Precinct 2 Lane Grayson*

- A.15 Approval of a work order under interlocal agreement between Ellis County and the City of Ennis for the placement, maintenance, and removal of Bluebonnet Trail signs along county roads, not to exceed \$2,000. – *County Commissioner Precinct 2 Lane Grayson*
- A.16 Approval to use Court Facility Fund Fee in an amount not to exceed \$40,000 for the completion of Courts and Administration. – *Ellis County Judge John Wray*
- A.17 Approval of final invoices for Lantana Lawn Care in an amount not to exceed \$1,000.00 during the interim period while a new contract is being established. – *Purchasing Director EJ Harbin*
- A.18 Approval to declare the listed item as surplus to be disposed of in accordance with the Local Government Code 263:
- 2006 Ford F250 Crew Cab VIN #1FTSW20576EB92916
 - 2013 Ford Explorer VIN #1FM5K7D88DGB71175
 - 2013 Chevrolet Avalanche VIN #3GNMCFE05DG115206
 - 2017 Ford F150 Supercab 4x4 SS VIN #1FTEX1E85HKC48026
- *Purchasing Director EJ Harbin*
- A.19 Approval of the County Judge to sign and submit the 2025 Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Annual Report to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ).
– *Ellis County Engineer Zach Gerich*

Financial Consent:

- F.1 FY26 Line-Item Transfer. – *Justice of the Peace Precinct 2 Judge Jackie Miller, Jr.*
- Decrease 001-0520-508350 Training by \$300.00
 - Increase 001-0520-508060 Official Bond-Dues by \$300.00
- F.2 FY26 Line-Item Transfer. – *Fire Marshal Tim Birdwell*
- Decrease 001-0450-508020 Equipment by \$200.00
 - Increase 001-0450-508050 Conference by \$200.00
- F.3 FY26 Line-Item Transfer. – *County Commissioner Precinct 1 Randy Stinson*
- Decrease 009-0602-570000 FM1 Contingency Fund by \$10,000
 - Decrease 003-0601-570000 RB1 Contingency Fund by \$5,000
 - Increase 009-0602-509070 FM1 Tires by \$10,000
 - Increase 003-0601-509160 RB1 Auto-Equipment-Bldg Insurance by \$5,000

REGULAR AGENDA – Discussion, Consideration, and Action

Department of Development:

Director Alberto Mares

- 1.1 Discussion, consideration, and action on a replat of Toledo Addition, Lots 14R1 & 14R2, Block A. The ± 10.29-acre site is located ± 595 feet southwest of the intersection of Hunsucker Road and Palmyra Road, in the extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ) of the City of Red Oak, Road and Bridge Precinct No. 1.
- 1.2 Discussion, consideration, and action on a replat of Summit Estates, Phase 1, Lots 49R & 50R, Block 2. The ± 3.216-acre site is located at the intersection of Vail Lane and Denali Way, Waxahachie, Road and Bridge Precinct No. 4.
- 1.3 Discussion, consideration, and action to release supplemental deposit for Springside Estates, Phase 2. The ± 106.687- acre site is located ± 3,925 feet west of the intersection of Blackfoot Parkway and Gibson Road, in the extra-territorial jurisdiction (ETJ) of the City of Waxahachie, Road & Bridge Precinct No. 4.

Purchasing:

Director EJ Harbin

- 2.1 Discussion, consideration, and action to award RFB 2026-005 Grounds Maintenance and Landscape Services to Harris Sons Quality Lawn Care LLC and authorization for the County Judge to execute the contract upon legal review.
- 2.2 Discussion, consideration, and action to engage Berry Dunn for the next phase; Implementation Services for the Court Case Management System; Jury Management System; and Land and Vital Records Management System in the amount of \$904,775.00.
- 2.3 Discussion, consideration and action to purchase a 2026 DuraPatcher P3 Truck Mounted Pothole Patcher for Road and Bridge Precinct No. 4, in the amount of \$134,885 from Texas Patcher LLC.

Administrative:

- 3.1 Discussion, consideration, and action on a lease agreement for the rental of an ADA ExpressVote marking device for Mountain Peak Special Utility District to use in conducting the General Election on April 25, 2026. – *Elections Administrator Jana Onyon*
- 3.2 Discussion, consideration, and action on a lease agreement for the rental of an ADA ExpressVote marking device for Mansfield ISD to use in conducting the General Election on May 2, 2026. – *Elections Administrator Jana Onyon*
- 3.3 Discussion, consideration, and action on an agreement for ElecTask software for the elections office team to track and manage tasks for each election. Funds would come from 001-0210-508880. – *Elections Administrator Jana Onyon*

- 3.4 Discussion, consideration, and action to the revised Rules of Procedure, Conduct, and Decorum of the Ellis County Commissioners Court Meetings. – *Ellis County Judge John Wray*

- 3.5 Discussion, consideration, and possible action on the purchase of property located at 1305 West Jefferson in Waxahachie. – *County Commissioner Precinct 2 Lane Grayson*

MOTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Commissioners Court of Ellis County reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed in this agenda, in the order deemed appropriate, as authorized by Texas Government Code Chapter 551, to seek the advice of its attorney and/or other attorneys representing Ellis County on any matter in which the duty of the attorney to the Commissioners Court under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with Texas Government Code Chapter 551, or as otherwise may be permitted under Chapter 551.

- 4.1 Pursuant to Texas Government Code §551.072, deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property where the deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the governmental body in negotiations with a third person, specifically property located at 1305 West Jefferson in Waxahachie.

ADJOURNMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR MEETING

Signed the 11th day of March 2026 –



John Wray, Ellis County Judge

I, the undersigned, County Clerk Ellis County, do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the Ellis County Commissioners Court is a true and correct copy of said Notice, that I received said Notice, and it was posted at the doors of the Ellis County Courthouse, a place readily accessible to the general public at all times on the 11th of March, 2026 at

1:21 a.m./p.m.



Krystal Valdez, County Clerk