

COMMISSIONER'S COURT OF MILAM COUNTY, TEXAS

AGENDA FOR MONDAY, March 22, 2021

Notice is hereby given that the Milam County Commissioners Court will convene on Monday, March 22, 2021, beginning at 10:00 a.m. The Court will convene in person at the Milam County Courthouse in the Milam County Courtroom. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and concerns for public health and safety the meeting will also be broadcast by Facebook Live. Public attendance will be limited due to COVID-19 spacing requirements and admittance will be done on a first come, first serve basis.

If you would like to make a public comment on any of the agenda items and you are unable to attend in person, please call 254 697 7000 before 10:00 a.m. March 22, 2021 and we will make arrangements for you to participate by phone. If you would like to attend and speak in person, space providing, you may register with Ms. Denise Wallace at the County Judge's office before 10:00 a.m. a.m. Monday, March 22, 2021.

To join by Facebook Live navigate to the Moving Milam Forward Facebook Page which is located at <https://www.facebook.com/live/producer/934846117015797>

The following items will be addressed:

1. The Court will convene and a quorum will be established.
2. Prayer.
3. Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and to the Texas Flag.
4. Discuss the minutes of previous Commissioner's Court meetings and take any necessary action regarding approval, correction and/or changes of the minutes.
5. Discuss and take any necessary action regarding the COVID-19 pandemic in Milam County, including:
 - a. The free antigen testing being performed by the County;
 - b. The current overall COVID case numbers for the County;
 - c. Current vaccinations in the County; and
 - d. Future vaccination plans.
6. Discuss and take any necessary action to retain Dr. House to replace Dr. Richardson as the Milam County Health Authority.
7. Discuss and take any necessary action regarding an update on the EDA grant to renovate the Milam County Annex.
8. Discuss and take any necessary action to select a name for the new Milam County Annex.
9. Discuss and take any necessary action regarding a proposal to establish a County wide medical/ambulance task force to consider improvements for after hours medical care and

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County Clerk, Milam County, Texas
By [Signature]
Deputy

increased ambulance service in Milam County.

10. Discuss and take any necessary action regarding a proposed Court resolution in opposition to Senate bill 234 and House bill 749 which generally make it illegal to use taxpayer money for lobbying, effectively prohibiting Milam County from hiring lobbyist to advocate on its behalf.
11. Discuss and take any necessary action regarding the selection of bridge/culvert/flooding projects in the County for a pending CDBG grant in the amount of \$350,000.00.
12. Discuss and take any necessary action regarding a proposed resolution to endorse a recently approved resolution by the RC&D (Commissioner Muegge) which would mandate legislation requiring tire dealers to permanently mark/label old tires in their possession for later identification.
13. Discuss and take any necessary action to approve a certificate of completion for Commissioner Hubnik, Commissioner Muegge, Commissioner Shuffield and Commissioner Neal from the V.G. Young Institute of County Government, County Commissioners Courts.
14. Discuss and take any necessary action pursuant to a request of the City of Rockdale to annex all of the Right-of-Way of Texas Street, from the current city limit line approximately 1,610 feet to the end of the current Right-of-Way, in metes and bounds to be determined through mutual agreement between Milam County and the City of Rockdale and as surveyed by the City of Rockdale.
15. Commissioner Hubnik, Precinct One:
 - a. Discuss and take any necessary action to approve an interlocal agreement between Precinct One and Bell County.
 - b. Discuss and take any necessary action to approve the proposed purchase and/or sending out for bids for a steam pressure washer and a John Deer Skid Steer.
16. Commissioner Neal, Precinct Three:
 - a. Discuss and take any necessary action to purchase an "Asphalt Zipper" in the amount of \$276,395.00.
 - b. Discuss and take any necessary action to send out bids for the reconditioning of CR 229. d
17. Utility Easement Requests:
 - a. Discuss and take any necessary action regarding a request from BEC Power for a proposed aerial crossing south of Thorndale on County Road 455.
 - b. Discuss and take any necessary action regarding a request from Southwest Milam Water Supply to place a water line within the right of way of County Road 319 approximately .5 miles west of the intersection of CR 319 and CR 320 for new water service. Service is a 4 inch PVC casing across entire right of way, with a minimum depth of 36 inches.
18. Discuss and take any necessary action to adjourn the Milam County Commissioners Court.

Dated this the 19th day of March 2021:

Commissioner's Court of Milam County, Texas

By: Judge Steve Young Digitally signed by Judge Steve Young
Date: 2021.03.18 16:19:55 -05'00'

Steve Young, Milam County Judge

I, the undersigned County Clerk, do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the above named Commissioner's Court, is a true and correct copy of said Notice on the Courthouse door and the County Clerk's Office of Milam County, Texas at a place readily accessible to the general public at all times on the 19th day of March 2021 and said Notice remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said Meeting.

Dated this 19th day of March 2021.

County Clerk of Milam County, Texas

By: Jodi Morgan By Suzanne Gehm
Jodi Morgan

If during the course of the meeting, discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting the Commissioner's Court will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E. Before any closed meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes or decisions will be taken in open meeting.

STATE OF TEXAS:

COUNTY OF MILAM:

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on Monday, the 22nd day of March A. D. 2021, the Commissioners' Court of Milam County, Texas, convened in Regular Session in the Commissioners' Courtroom, Milam County Courthouse, 102 S. Fannin, Cameron Texas, with the following members of the Court present, to-wit:

Commissioners Court is now live stream through Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/live/producer/934846117015797>

**STEVE YOUNG, MILAM COUNTY JUDGE
HENRY HUBNIK, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO.1
DONALD SHUFFIELD, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 2
ART NEAL, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 3
JEFF MUEGGE, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 4
JODI MORGAN, COUNTY CLERK**

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS MAY BE VIEWED ON THE WEBSITE WWW.MILAMCOUNTY.NET , in the minutes in the Commissioners Court book located in the County Clerk's office, or online at <https://milam.tx.publicsearch.us/>

And the proclamation having been made the Court was in session, the following business came on to be considered:

- 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND ESTABLISH QUORUM – 10:00 A.M.**
- 2. PRAYER**
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG AND THE TEXAS FLAG**

4. DISCUSS THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COMMISSIONER COURT MEETINGS AND TAKE ANY NECESSARY ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL, CORRECTION AND/OR CHANGES OF THE MINUTES

Motion by Commissioner Muegge to approve the minutes from the previous Commissioner's Court, Seconded by Commissioner Neal and approved unanimously

March 8, 2021 Regular Minutes

March 15, 2021 Special Meeting (Sheriff)

5. DISCUSS AND TAKE ANY NECESSARY ACTION REGARDING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC IN MILAM COUNTY, INCLUDING

- a) The free antigen testing being performed by the County;***
- b) The current overall case numbers for the County; and***
- c) Vaccinations in the County***

Military to vaccinate 300 on Thursday

800 doses coming from the State

6. DISCUSS AND TAKE ANY NECESSARY ACTION TO RETAIN DR. HOUSE TO REPLACE DR. RICHARDSON AS THE MILAM COUNTY HEALTH AUTHORITY

Motion by Commissioner Shuffield to appoint Dr. House as the Milam County Health Authority replacing Dr. Richardson, Seconded by Commissioner Hubnik and approved unanimously

7. DISCUSS AND TAKE ANY NECESSARY REGARDING AN UPDATE ON THE EDA GRANT TO RENOVATE THE MILAM COUNTY ANNEX

New Bids not required, prices have increased, letters going out to each of the contractors asking for price updates due by April 25, 2021. Commissioners Court will take action April 26, 2021

8. DISCUSS AND TAKE ANY ACTION TO SELECT A NAME FOR THE NEW MILAM COUNTY ANNEX

Motion by Commissioner Muegge to advertise by email and facebook for the public to decide on a name of the new Annex, Seconded by Commissioner Neal and approved unanimously

9. DISCUSS AND TAKE ANY NECESSARY ACTION REGARDING A PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH A COUNTY WIDE MEDICAL/AMBULANCE TASK FORCE TO CONSIDER IMPROVEMENTS FOR AFTER HOURS MEDICAL CARE AND INCREASED AMBULANCE SERVICE IN MILAM COUNTY

Motion by Commissioner Shuffield to appoint a task force to consider improvements for afterhours medical care and increased ambulance service in Milam County, Seconded by Commissioner Muegge and approved unanimously

10. DISCUSS AND TAKE ANY NECESSARY ACTION REGARDING A PROPOSED COURT RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO SENATE BILL 234 AND HOUSE BILL 749 WHICH GENERALLY MAKE IT ILLEGAL TO USE TAXPAYER MONEY FOR LOBBYING, EFFECTIVELY PROHIBITING MILAM COUNTY FROM HIRING LOBBYIST TO ADVOCATE ON ITS BEHALF

Motion by Commissioner Shuffield to table the resolution as listed in item #10, Seconded by Commissioner Muegge and approved unanimously

11. DISCUSS AND TAKE NECESSARY ACTION REGARDING THE SELECTION OF BRIDGE/CULVERT/FLOODING PROJECTS IN THE COUNTY FOR A PENDING CDBG GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$350,000

- 12. Discuss and take any necessary action regarding a proposed resolution to endorse a recently approved resolution by the RC&D (Commissioner Muegge) which would mandate legislation requiring tire dealers to permanently mark/label old tires in their possession for later identification.**

Motion by Commissioner Muegge to approve a resolution to endorse a recently approved resolution by the RC&D which would mandate legislation requiring tire dealers to permanently mark/label old tires in their possession for later identification, Seconded by Commissioner Shuffield and approved unanimously

- 13. Discuss and take any necessary action to approve a certificate of completion for Commissioner Hubnik, Commissioner Muegge, Commissioner Shuffield and Commissioner Neal from the V.G. Young Institute of County Government, County Commissioners Courts.**

Motion by Commissioner Muegge to approve the certificates of completion for all four Commissioners from V.G. Young Institute of County Government, Seconded by Commissioner Neal and approved unanimously

- 14. Discuss and take any necessary action pursuant to a request of the City of Rockdale to annex all of the Right-of-Way of Texas Street, from the current city limit line approximately 1,610 feet to the end of the current Right-of-Way, in metes and bounds to be determined through mutual agreement between Milam County and the City of Rockdale and as surveyed by the City of Rockdale.**

Motion by Commissioner Shuffield to approve the request of the City of Rockdale to annex all of the Right-of-Way of Texas Street, from the current city limit line approximately 1,610 feet to the end of the current Right-of-Way, Seconded by Commissioner Neal and approved unanimously

15. Commissioner Hubnik, Precinct One:

- a. **Discuss and take any necessary action to approve an agreement between Precinct One and Bell County.**
- b. **Discuss and take any necessary action to approve the proposed purchase and/or sending out for bids for a steam pressure washer and a John Deer Skid Steer.**

Motion by Commissioner Hubnik to approve an agreement with Bell County and a purchase and/or sending bids for a steam pressure washer and a John Deer Skid Steer, Seconded by Commissioner Shuffield and approved unanimously

16. Commissioner Neal, Precinct Three:

- a. **Discuss and take any necessary action to purchase an "Asphalt Zipper" in the amount of \$276,395.00.**
- b. **Discuss and take any necessary action to send out bids for the reconditioning of CR 229. D**

Motion by Commissioner Neal to approve the purchase of an Asphalt Zipper in the amount of \$276,395.00, Seconded by Commissioner Muegge and approved unanimously

Motion by Commissioner Shuffield to send out for bids for the reconditioning of CR 229, Seconded by Commissioner Hubnik and approved unanimously

17. Utility Easement Requests:

- a. **Discuss and take any necessary action regarding a request from BEC Power for a proposed aerial crossing south of Thorndale on County Road 455.**
- b. **Discuss and take any necessary action regarding a request from Southwest Milam Water Supply to place a water line within the right of way of County Road 319 approximately .5 miles west of the intersection of CR 319 and CR 320 for new water service. Service is a 4 inch PVC casing across entire right of way, with a minimum depth of 36 inches.**

Motion by Commissioner Muegge to approve a request from BEC Power for a proposed aerial crossing south of Thorndale on CR 455, Seconded by Commissioner Neal and approved unanimously

Motion by Commissioner Neal to approve an utility installation from Southwest Milam Water Supply to place a water line within the right of way of CR 319, Seconded by Commissioner Muegge and approved unanimously

- 18. ADJOURN- Motion by Commissioner Neal to adjourn at 10:52a.m., Seconded by Commissioner Muegge and carried unanimously**

The above and foregoing Minutes for Monday, March 22, 2021 having been examined and approved in Open Court this _____ day of _____ 2021.

County Judge

**State of
Texas:
County of Milam:**

I, Jodi Morgan, County Clerk, Milam County, Texas, attest that the foregoing is a true and correct accounting of the Commissioners' Court authorized proceedings for March 22 2021.

**County Clerk and Ex-Officio Member of
Commissioners' Court, Milam County, Texas**

STATEMENT OF APPROVAL

Commissioner PCT #1

Commissioner PCT #2

Commissioner PCT #3

Commissioner PCT #4