

COMMISSIONERS COURT OF MILAM COUNTY, TEXAS

AMENDED AGENDA FOR Monday July 13, 2020

Notice is hereby given that a public meeting of the Milam County Commissioners Court will be held on Monday, July 13, 2020, beginning at 10:00 a.m. The Court will meet in person at the Milam County Courthouse in the Milam County Courtroom. Due to the recent outbreak of the COVID-19 virus the meeting will also be conducted by phone and by video conferencing. To join by video conferencing use the following link:

<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/963305765>

To join by phone dial 646 749 3112 and use access code 963 305 765

The Court will also publish the hearing by Facebook Live on the Moving Milam Forward page which is located at <https://www.facebook.com/live/producer/934846117015797>

Public attendance will be limited due to COVID-19 spacing requirements and admittance will be done on a first come, first serve basis.

The following items will be addressed:

1. Call Meeting to Order and establish a quorum.
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. Hear public participation comments from the public who have timely made a proper request and take any necessary action regarding such request and/or comments.
6. Discuss and take any necessary action on the COVID-19 Pandemic in Milam County, including:
 - a. Update on the pandemic; and
 - b. COVID-19 case summary.
7. Update on the annex and Professional Building renovation:
 - a. Update on publication of the notice of exchange;
 - b. Appraisal of the involved property;
 - c. Professional Building renovation; and
 - d. Grant update.
8. Milam County Historical Commission presentation:
 - a. Discuss and take any necessary action to present the distinguished service award to the Milam County Historical Commission.

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9. Discuss and take any necessary action to approve a proposed resolution regarding a new bridge for County Road 216 at Big Elm Creek in Precinct 1, under the direction of Commissioner Watkins. Specifically, a request of waiver regarding a TxDOT grant for the cost of construction including a waiver of a 10% match by Milam County.
10. Discuss and take any necessary action to approve a resolution approving the County Transportation Infrastructure Fund Grant Program agreement with TxDOT in the amount of \$538,457.00 for road repairs in Milam County.
11. Discuss and take any necessary action to approve a resolution approving a grant in the amount of \$1,570.00 to Hill Country Community Action Association, Inc. for home delivered meals in Milam County.
12. General Land Office Mitigation Grant:
 - a. Discuss and take any necessary action to issue requests for proposals for administrative services and request for qualifications for engineering services related to the Community Development block grant-Mitigation grant programs administered by the Texas General Land Office.
13. Grant Request for the Annex and Professional Building:
 - a. Update, discuss and take any necessary action regarding Milam County's request for grant funding for the Annex and Professional Building.
14. County Requests:
 - a. Discuss and take any necessary action for the deputation of Terryn Adams for the Milam County Tax Office.
 - b. Discuss and take any necessary action to accept the Texas County Election security Assessment Certificate for the Milam County Election Department.
15. Utility Installations:
 - a. Discuss and take any necessary action regarding a request from Southwest Milam for new water line on County Road 322 at the intersection of County Road 322 and County Road 334 and extending approximately .7 miles west of the intersection of CR 334 and County Road 322 for new water service.
 - b. Discuss and take any necessary action regarding a request from Southwest Milam for new water line on County Road 322 at the intersection of County Road 322 and County Road 334. Specifically Southwest Milam proposes a bore location on CR 322 at the intersection of CR 322 and County Road 334 on the West side of County Road 334. Bore is for new water service, using 12" PVC casing for an 8" pipe extending across entire row, with a minimum 36" depth.
 - c. Discuss and take any necessary action regarding a request from Bartlett Electric to cross County Road 429 at a location ¼ miles south of FM 908 for the El Camino Real Estates.
 - d. Discuss and take any necessary action to allow Bartlett Electric to install an electrical pole and cross County Road 418 with an aerial line .13 miles south of FM 487.

16. Discuss and take any necessary action to pay the bills of Milam County.

17. Adjourn.

Dated this the 10th day of July 2020.
Commissioners Court of Milam County, Texas

By:

Steve Young Digitally signed by Steve Young
Date: 2020.07.10 08:37:57
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Steve Young, Milam County Judge

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I, the undersigned County Clerk, do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the above named Commissioners Court, is a true and correct copy of said Notice, and that I posted 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 10th day of July 2020 and said Notice remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the schedule time of said Meeting.

Dated this 10th day of July 2020
County Clerk of Milam County, Texas

Jodi Morgan
By: Jodi Morgan



JODI MORGAN
County Clerk

Filed 10 day of July
in 2020, At 8:40 AM.
JODI MORGAN
County Clerk, Milam County, Texas
By: Jodi Morgan
Deputy

If during the course of the meeting, discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting the Commissioners 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:

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COUNTY OF MILAM:

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on Monday, the 13TH day of July A. D. 2020, 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:

Due to the recent outbreak of the COVID-19; this meeting was conducted by video, phone and in court with limited seating. Call 1 646 749 3122 access code 930 574 757 or to join by video at <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/930574757>

This meeting was also recorded facebook live and the link to listen is <https://www.facebook.com/936061816592485/live/>

**STEVE YOUNG, MILAM COUNTY JUDGE
DONALD SHUFFIELD, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 2
JOHN FISHER, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 3
JEFF MUEGGE, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 4
JODI MORGAN, COUNTY CLERK**

**Absent in person but participated online
RICHARD "OPEY" WATKINS, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO.1**

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WWW.MILAMCOUNTY.NET**

**or in the Minutes of the Commissioners Court recorded in the
Milam County Clerk's Office**

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 a quorum- 10:00a.m.**
- 2. Prayer.**
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag and 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 -**
 - *Motion by Commissioner Shuffield to approve the minutes from the previous meetings as listed, Seconded by Commissioner Fisher and carried unanimously*
 - July 6, 2020 – Budget Hearings
 - July 7, 2020 – Budget Hearings
5. **Hear public participation comments from the public who have timely made a proper request and take any necessary action regarding such request and/or comments- Jodi Morgan, Robert Kirkpatrick and Bryan Burns under Covid-19 Pandemic**
6. **COVID-19 pandemic in Milam County**
 - 175 Confirmed cases in the county
 - 50 active cases
 - 6 in the hospital
 - 127 being monitored at high risk

Robert Kirkpatrick- We want to remind the case interviews and contact interviews to share as much information as possible, hiding people or telling us you had no contacts does not help reduce the spread of the disease. We are not laying blame we just want to keep everyone healthy and reduce the spread of the virus

Commissioner Shuffield- How many out of the 300 or 400 that were tested the other day are positive?

Robert Kirkpatrick- Late Friday all results were in and we have contacted all but 3, because the phone number was wrong, or we left a message

Commissioner Muegge- Is there a quicker test?

Robert Kirkpatrick- The test on July 1st were a cheek swab and those individuals were notified within 2 days, but it took 10 days for us to get results

Jodi Morgan- I want to clarify a few things about my office; we are currently closed due to several employees under quarantine. The staff I have left is still there working; we are just overwhelmed with elections, court proceedings and daily duties. So we are there, there is a drop box outside we just ask that you be patient with us and allow us up to 72 hours to process your request.

Bryan Burns- We have given out 60,000+ mask to Nursing Homes, Clinics, 1st responders, citizens and about 100 businesses. We are working on another testing site for the county, looks like we have another option or mobile testing the 1st of August but no location yet.

Commissioner Shuffield- These tests will you have to fill anything out?

Steve Young- Yes you will have to go to a website and sign up, that could change.

Motion by Commissioner Muegge to approve the resolution that for purposes of tracking quarantine time and quarantine release/return to work dates of Milam County employees, the County will utilize quarantine letters and quarantine release letters provided by the Health Department to the employee. Seconded by Commissioner Fisher and carried unanimously

7. Update on the annex and Professional Building renovation;

- **Update on publication of the notice of exchange**
- **Appraisal of the involved property**
- **Professional Building renovation; and**
- **Grant Update**

Motion by Commissioner Muegge to approve to have the county buildings appraised, Seconded by Commissioner Fisher and carried unanimously

8. Milam County Historical Commissioner Presentation

- **Discuss and take any necessary action to present the distinguished service award to the Milam County Historical Commission**

Lynn Young was presented with the award

9. Discuss and take any necessary action to approve a proposed resolution regarding a new bridge for County Road 216 at Big Elm Creek in Precinct #1, under the direction of Commissioner Watkins. Specifically, a request of waiver regarding a TxDOT grant for the cost of construction including a waiver of a 10% match by Milam County

Motion by Commissioner Shuffield to approve the resolution regarding a new bridge for County Road 216 at Big Elm Creek in Precinct #1 under the direction of Commissioner Watkins and a request of waiver regarding a TxDOT grant for the cost of construction including a waiver of a 10% match by the County, Seconded by Commissioner Fisher and carried unanimously

10. Discuss and take any necessary action to approve a resolution approving the County Transportation Infrastructure Fund Grant Program agreement with TxDOT in the amount of \$538,457.00 for road repairs in Milam County

Motion by Commissioner Muegge to approve the resolution approving the county transportation infrastructure fund grant program agreement with TxDOT in the amount of \$538,457.00 for road repairs in Milam County, Seconded by Commissioner Shuffield and carried unanimously

11. Discuss and take any necessary action to approve a resolution approving a grant in the amount of \$1,570.00 to Hill Country Action Association, Inc. for home delivered meals in Milam County:

Motion by Commissioner Shuffield to approve the resolution approving a grant in the amount of \$1,570.00 to Hill Country Action Association, Inc. for home delivered meals in Milam County, Seconded by Commissioner Muegge and carried unanimously

12. General Land Office Mitigation Grant

- **Discuss and take any necessary action to issue requests for proposals for administrative services and request for qualifications for engineering services related to the Community Development block grant-Mitigation grant programs administered by the Texas Land General Land Office**

Motion by Commissioner Fisher to approve to issue requests for proposals for administrative services and request for qualifications for engineering services related to the Community Development block grant-Mitigation grant programs administered by the Texas Land General Land Office, Seconded by Commissioner Muegge and carried unanimously

13. Grant Request for the Annex and Professional Building:

- **Update, discuss and take any necessary action regarding Milam County's request for grant funding for the Annex and Professional Building**

14. County Request

- **Discuss and take any necessary action for the deputation of Terryn Adams for the Milam County Tax Office**

Motion by Commissioner Muegge to approve the deputation of Terryn Adams for the Milam County Tax Office, Seconded by Commissioner Fisher and carried unanimously

- **Discuss and take any necessary action to accept the Texas County Election security Assessment Certificate for the Milam County Election Department**

Motion by Commissioner Muegge to accept the Texas County Election Security Assessment Certificate for the Milam County Election Department, Seconded by Commissioner Shuffield and carried unanimously

15. Utility installations:

- **Discuss and take any necessary action regarding a request from Southwest Milam for new water line on County Road 322 at the intersection of County Road 322 and County Road 334 and extending approximately .7 miles west of the intersection of CR 334 and County Road 322 for new water service**

Motion by Commissioner Fisher to approve the utility installation on CR 322 at the intersection of CR 322 & CR 334 and extending approximately .7 miles west of the intersection of CR 334 and CR 322 for new water service from Southwest Milam Water Supply, Seconded by Commissioner Muegge and carried unanimously

- **Discuss and take any necessary action regarding a request from Southwest Milam for new water line on County Road 322 at the intersection of County Road 322 and County Road 334. Specifically, Southwest Milam proposes a bore location on CR 322 at the intersection of CR 322 and County Road 334 on the West side of County Road 334. Bore is for new water service, using 12" PVC casing for an 8" pipe extending across entire row, with a minimum 36" depth**

Motion by Commissioner Fisher to approve the utility installation CR 322 at the intersection of County Road 322 and County Road 334. Specifically, Southwest Milam proposes a bore location on CR 322 at the intersection of CR 322 and County Road 334 on the West side of County Road 334. Bore is for new water service, using 12" PVC casing for an 8" pipe extending across entire row, with a minimum 36" depth from Southwest Milam Water Supply, Seconded by Commissioner Shuffield and carried unanimously

- **Discuss and take any necessary action regarding a request from Bartlett Electric to cross County Road 429 at a location ¼ miles south of FM 908 for the El Camino Real Estates.**

Motion by Commissioner Muegge to approve the utility installation from Bartlett Electric to cross CR 429 at a location ¼ mile south of FM 908 for the El Camino Real Estates, Seconded by Commissioner Fisher and carried unanimously

- **Discuss and take any necessary action to allow Bartlett Electric to install an electrical pole and cross County Road 418 with an aerial line .13 miles south of FM 487**

Motion by Commissioner Watkins (online) to approve Bartlett Electric to install an electrical pole and cross CR 418 with an aerial line .13 miles south of FM 487, Seconded by Commissioner Fisher and carried unanimously

- 16. Discuss and take any necessary action regarding the payment of bills for Milam County**
Motion by Commissioner Muegge to approve the payment of the bills in the amount of \$408,558.08, Seconded by Commissioner Shuffield and carried unanimously

- 17. Adjourn- *Motion by Commissioner Fisher to adjourn at 10:54am, Seconded by Commissioner Muegge and carried unanimously***

The above and foregoing Minutes for Monday, July 13, 2020 having been examined and approved in Open Court this _____ day of _____ 2020.

County Judge

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**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 July 13, 2020

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

STATEMENT OF APPROVAL

July 13, 2020 Minutes

Approved _____

Commissioner of Precinct No. 1

Commissioner of Precinct No. 2

Commissioner of Precinct No. 3

Commissioner of Precinct No. 4