

## Lipscomb County

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### COMMISSIONERS

Juan M. Cantu  
Precinct One

Brandon Meier  
Precinct Two

Scotty Schilling  
Precinct Three

Dan Cockrell  
Precinct Four

### NOTICE

A MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF LIPSCOMB COUNTY, TEXAS, WILL BE HELD AT THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY JUDGE ON **MONDAY**, THE **9<sup>TH</sup>** DAY OF **DECEMBER 2024**, AT **9:00 A.M.** AND THE FOLLOWING AGENDA WILL BE CONSIDERED:

- 1) CALL MEETING TO ORDER
- 2) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 3) OPENING PRAYER
- 4) PUBLIC COMMENTS
- 5) CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING
- 6) CONSIDERATION OF BUDGET AMENDMENTS
- 7) CONSIDERATION OF LEGAL CLAIMS AND READABLES FOR THE COUNTY
- 8) REVIEW OF JUSTICE OF THE PEACE REPORTS
- 9) CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE JUVENILE DIVERSION PLAN
- 10) HEAR FROM SHERIFF TY LANE
- 11) REPORT FROM COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT
- 12) REVIEW OF TREASURER REPORT
- 13) REPORT FROM JUDGE
- 14) APPROVE THE MOTOR FUELS TAX EXEMPTION RESOLUTION
- 15) CONSIDER BURN BAN
- 16) UPDATE ON COUNTY ROADS
- 17) APPROVE JUAN CANTU'S BOND FOR PRECINCT 1 COMMISSIONER
- 18) APPROVE SCOTTY SCHILLING'S BOND FOR PRECENT 3 COMMISSIONER
- 19) APPROVE THE 4 YEAR BLANKET BOND FOR THE SHERIFF DEPUTY'S
- 20) APPROVE THE DISTRICT AND COUNTY BOND FOR MIKAYLA CALHOUN, CLERK'S OFFICE
- 21) SET TIME FOR SWEARING IN CEREMONY OF ELECTED/APPOINTED OFFICIALS ON JANUARY 1, 2025
- 22) MATTERS OF MUTUAL CONCERN
- 23) HEAR FROM TRAVIS FRANCES, LOCUST GROVE VFD CHIEF ON GRANT RECEIVED FROM THE TEXAS FORRESTRY SERVICE
- 24) ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO CONSIDER PERSONNEL MATTERS
  - A. Pursuant to the authority granted under government code chapter 555.074 the Commissioner's Court will convene in closed session to discuss the above agenda item.
- 25) RETURN TO OPEN SESSION
- 26) REVIEW OF PERSONNEL CHANGES
- 27) ADJOURN

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AT 1:29 O'CLOCK PM

DEC 05 2024

Kim Blau  
COUNTY AND DISTRICT CLERK  
LIPSCOMB COUNTY, TEXAS

IT IS CERTIFIED BY THE UNDERSIGNED THAT THIS NOTICE IS BEING POSTED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK, A PLACE CONVENIENT TO THE PUBLIC, IN THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE FOR AT LEAST 72 HOURS PRIOR TO THE DAY OF THE MEETING.

EXECUTED THIS **5<sup>TH</sup>** DAY OF **DECEMBER**, 2024.

  
COUNTY JUDGE



COMMISSIONERS' COURT MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 12, 2024

BE IT REMEMBERED on the 9th day of December 2024, the Commissioners' Court of Lipscomb County, Texas convened for their regular session at 9:00 A.M. at the regular meeting place of the court at the courthouse in Lipscomb, Texas opening the meeting with the pledge of allegiance and invocation given by Scotty Schilling Commissioner Precinct 3 with the following members present:

Honorable Dori Roots, County Judge; Juan Cantu, Commissioner of Precinct #1; Brandon Meier Commissioner of Precinct #2; Scotty Schilling, Commissioner of Precinct #3; Dan Cockrell, Commissioner of Precinct #4; Kimberly Long, County Treasurer; Chrissy Dunn Chief Deputy County Clerk.

Also present: Gailan Winegarner, Tax Assessor/Collector, J.R. Sprague, Extension Agent, Nancy Shepherd, Justice of the Peace, Jerry Parvin, Booker News, Travis Frances and Grayson Craft with Locust Grove VFD.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None at this time.

CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

Dan Cockrell made a motion to approve the minutes for the November 8th, 2024 Commissioners' Court Meeting. Brandon Meier seconded the motion and the vote carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION OF BUDGET AMENDMENTS:

Scotty Schilling made a motion to approve the budget amendments. Dan Cockrell seconded the motion and the vote carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION OF LEGAL CLAIMS AND READABLES FOR THE COUNTY:

LIPSCOMB COUNTY TEXAS  
Check Register  
Bank: 10-GENERAL FUND

CHECK NUMBER	AMOUNT	CHECK DATE	PAYEE
6163	5,171.08	12/09/2024	001522-4L ROOFING AND CONSTRUCTION
6164	825.47	12/09/2024	001667-AMA TECHTEL COMM - AMA
6165	574.42	12/09/2024	002044-AT&T MOBILITY
6166	26.39	12/09/2024	000012-BARTLETT'S ACE HARDWARE
6167	1,047.70	12/09/2024	002566-BOOKER TIRE CENTER, INC
6168	748.78	12/09/2024	000021-BRUCKNER'S TRUCK SALES, INC.
6169	150.00	12/09/2024	000326-CDCAT-TX ASSOC OF COUNTIES
6170	268.08	12/09/2024	003088-CINTAS CORPORATION
6171	3,763.06	12/09/2024	003185-CITIBANK
6172	107.50	12/09/2024	000031-CITY OF FOLLETT
6173	600.00	12/09/2024	000032-CITY OF HIGGINS
6174	100.00	12/09/2024	000732-CLAUDE THOMPSON
6175	260.00	12/09/2024	002762-DAVID AND SALLY WITSCHI
6176	102.45	12/09/2024	001370-DEBBIE SPRAGUE
6177	5,008.72	12/09/2024	002518-DELO'S
6178	707.52	12/09/2024	3457-DORI ANN ROOTS
6179	50.00	12/09/2024	000045-DUTCH'S WELDING
6180	1,745.48	12/09/2024	1645-EQUIFAX-APPRISS INSIGHTS LLC
6181	251.81	12/09/2024	000423-EQUITY EXCHANGE
6182	14.00	12/09/2024	003144-ERNEST MILLER
6183	483.70	12/09/2024	000052-FOLLETT FOOD MARKET
6184	4,488.75	12/09/2024	000057-FRONK OIL CO., INC.
6185	388.60	12/09/2024	002258-GAILAN WINEGARNER
6186	271.61	12/09/2024	003179-GOVERNMENT FORMS AND SUPPLIES LLC
6187	1,226.40	12/09/2024	000077-HIGH PLAINS FOOD BANK
6188	1,000.00	12/09/2024	000130-J.R. SPRAGUE
6189	3,500.00	12/09/2024	000086-JIM'S TIRE SERVICE, INC.
6190	625.00	12/09/2024	002776-KERRIGAN TECHNOLOGY SERVICES
6191	221.00	12/09/2024	000459-KIM BLAU
6192	507.37	12/09/2024	003074-KIMBERLY LONG
6193	5,069.44	12/09/2024	000090-LEMON, SHEARER, PHILLIPS

LIPSCOMB COUNTY TEXAS  
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Bank: 10-GENERAL FUND

CHECK NUMBER	AMOUNT	CHECK DATE	PAYEE
6194	92.24	12/09/2024	58-LINDE GAS&EQUIPMENT
6195	22,873.91	12/09/2024	000092-LIPSCOMB COUNTY APPRAISAL
6196	8,000.00	12/09/2024	000349-LIPSCOMB COUNTY LIVESTOCK
6197	2,692.00	12/09/2024	002449-LOCAL GOVERNMENT SOLUTIONS,LP
6198	2,032.43	12/09/2024	000313-NORTHWEST BEARING INC.
6199	22.98	12/09/2024	002561-O'REILLY AUTO PARTS
6200	20.00	12/09/2024	002750-OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GEN-CVC
6201	112.00	12/09/2024	3459-P2 SERVICES
6202	316.71	12/09/2024	000235-PERRYTON OFFICE SUPPLY
6203	850.29	12/09/2024	116-PITNEY BOWES GLOBAL FINANCIAL SERVI
6204	3,006.25	12/09/2024	000115-PITNEY BOWES INC
6205	753.08	12/09/2024	3450-RAELENE COPELAND
6206	3,584.50	12/09/2024	000100-SECURITY INSURANCE AGENCY
6207	276.00	12/09/2024	003354-SEWARD CO WASTE MANAGEMENT
6208	207.70	12/09/2024	3674-SHANNA DILLON
6209	2,450.00	12/09/2024	002462-SOUTH PLAINS FORENSIC PATHOLOGY,
6210	187.35	12/09/2024	000128-SPC OFFICE PRODUCTS
6211	475.42	12/09/2024	003375-STAPLES BUSINESS ADVANTAGE
6212	375.00	12/09/2024	000244-TAAO
6213	95.55	12/09/2024	000035-TAC CIRA
6214	100.00	12/09/2024	3687-TAEA/TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF CO ELECT
6215	1,845.00	12/09/2024	000066-TERRI KITCHENS
6216	1,882.50	12/09/2024	3574-TEXAS AIR SYSTEMS
6217	12,356.00	12/09/2024	000137-TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES
6218	10,250.00	12/09/2024	002446-THE RAILROAD YARD, INC.
6219	94.60	12/09/2024	000147-TOWN OF DARROUZETT
6220	4,723.57	12/09/2024	000154-WARREN POWER & MACHINERY
6221	452.31	12/09/2024	000160-WELDON PARTS INC.
6222	200.00	12/09/2024	002917-WEST TX CO JUDGES & COMM ASSOC
6223	60.00	12/09/2024	337-WEST TX JP & CONSTABLES ASSOC.
6224	2,205.92	12/09/2024	3549-WESTERN EQUIPMENT

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LIPSCOMB COUNTY TEXAS  
Check Register  
Bank: 10-GENERAL FUND

CHECK NUMBER	AMOUNT	CHECK DATE	PAYEE
6225	2,659.91	12/09/2024	003116-WHOLESALE FUELS, INC.
6226	3,320.56	12/09/2024	3540-WOODSIDE TRUCK AND EQUIPMENT
TOTAL:	127,878.11		

LIPSCOMB COUNTY TEXAS  
Check Register  
Bank: 55-COMMISSARY

CHECK NUMBER	AMOUNT	CHECK DATE	PAYEE
1263	350.00	12/09/2024	002908-CITY TELE COIN COMPANY INC
TOTAL:	350.00		

READABLES 12/09/2024

VENDOR	AMOUNT	DESCRIPTION
Jess Keller	\$2,121.60	Part time Dispatch
Shanna Dillon	\$2,620.80	Part time Dispatch
Lacey Butler	\$2,172.66	SO Comp Time
Roxanna Matthews	\$2,219.58	Part time Extension Admin
TAC	\$9,856.00	Worker's Comp-1st qtr25
Kerrigan Technology	✓ \$250.00	Treasurer Computer work
Kerrigan Technology	\$250.00	JP Computer work
Kerrigan Technology	\$125.00	Clerk computer work --
Kerrigan Technology	\$2,500.00	Sheriff server / computer work for Turn Key
City Tele-Coin	\$350.00	Sheriff Commissary Calling cards for inmates
4L Roofing	\$4,171.08	Remainder of roofing repairs
4L Roofing	\$1,000.00	Christmas lights on Courthouse

Total \$27,636.72

Scotty Schilling made a motion to approve the legal claims and readables as presented, with the following exceptions. The Court will decline to pay the Kerrigan Technology invoice for \$2500.00 that was presented for computer work for the Turn Key equipment that had been received. The court will decline to pay the Turn Key invoice for \$60,000.00 for body cams and additional equipment since the sheriff's office failed to follow the competitive bidding process that is required on purchases \$50,000.00 and above. The court requested that Kimberly Long contact Jess Wells Chevrolet and cancel the order of the two new pickups for the Sheriff's office. The court has contacted the State Comptroller's office for direction on what to do about the violation of competitive bidding for the equipment. Until direction is received from the State Comptroller's office, the invoices will be on hold. Furthermore, spending needs to stop until a new Sheriff is appointed and the Court can be informed of the needs of the Sheriff's office. Dan Cockrell seconded the motion. The vote carried unanimously.

REVIEW OF THE JUSTICE OF THE PEACE REPORTS:

The total collected by the Justice of the Peace for November was, \$ 254.00 with \$176.20 for the County.

CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE JUVENILE DIVERSION PLAN:

Dan Cockrell made a motion to approve the Juvenile Diversion Plan with Nancy Shepherd as the coordinator. Brandon Meier seconded the motion and the vote carried unanimously.

HEAR FROM SHERIFF TY LANE:

Sheriff Lane was unable to attend the meeting. Chief Deputy Jason Lantz presented the Sheriff's report for November. Chief Deputy Lantz also discussed the specifics on the Turn Key equipment and the SB22 law enforcement grant.

REPORT FROM COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT:


J.R's major plans for the month of December include, Swine validation, farm show in Amarillo, County Leadership meeting and the CEU program. Lipscomb County Livestock Show will be January 25<sup>th</sup>.

REVIEW OF TREASURERS REPORT:

TREASURER'S REPORT						
Oct-24						
	Beginning Balance	DEBITS W/Drawls	CREDITS Deposits	INTEREST RATE	INTEREST EARNED	TOTALS
<u>LIPSCOMB COUNTY</u>						
<u>GENERAL ACCOUNT---HAPPY</u>						
AUG	\$2,744,469.73	\$541,056.70	\$153,971.12	5.46%	\$11,825.32	\$2,369,209.47
SEPT	\$2,369,209.47	\$355,570.87	\$103,665.54	5.20%	\$9,432.42	\$2,126,736.56
OCT	\$2,126,736.56	\$489,153.24	\$1,390,141.45	4.87%	\$10,407.50	\$3,038,132.27
NOV	\$3,532,535.66	\$541,957.34	\$1,495,038.51	4.78%	\$15,915.22	\$4,501,532.05
<u>CERT OF DEPOSIT #1--HAPPY STATE BANK</u>						
AUG	\$596,612.31			5.50%	\$2,779.30	\$599,391.61
SEPT	\$599,391.61			5.50%	\$2,792.25	\$602,183.86
OCT	\$602,183.86			5.50%	\$2,714.76	\$604,898.62
NOV	\$604,898.62			5.50%	\$2,817.90	\$607,716.52
<u>CERT OF DEPOSIT #2--HAPPY STATE BANK</u>						
JULY	\$596,762.23			5.50%	\$2,690.32	\$599,452.55
AUG	\$599,452.55			5.50%	\$2,792.53	\$602,245.08
SEPT	\$602,245.08			5.50%	\$2,805.54	\$605,050.62
OCT	\$607,778.31			5.50%	\$2,831.32	\$610,609.63
<u>ICS MMDA--HAPPY STATE BANK</u>						
AUG	\$1,692,021.73	\$100,000.00		5.46%	\$7,373.97	\$1,599,395.70
SEPT	\$1,599,395.70	\$55,916.83		5.20%	\$6,674.30	\$1,550,153.17
OCT	\$1,550,153.17			4.87%	\$6,347.08	\$1,556,500.25
NOV	\$1,556,500.25	\$60,850.36		4.78%	\$5,860.48	\$1,501,510.37
<u>SHERIFF COMMISSARY--HAPPY STATE BANK</u>						
AUG	\$455.94		\$183.88	5.46%	\$2.23	\$642.05
SEPT	\$642.05			5.20%	\$43.76	\$685.81
OCT	\$685.81			4.88%	\$2.78	\$688.59
NOV	\$688.59			4.78%	\$2.65	\$691.24
<u>SHERIFF ESCROW--HAPPY STATE BANK</u>						
AUG	\$17.67			5.46%	\$0.08	\$17.75
SEPT	\$17.75			5.20%	\$0.48	\$18.23
OCT	\$18.23			4.62%	\$0.07	\$18.30
NOV	\$18.30			4.62%	\$0.07	\$18.37
<u>INSURANCE ACCOUNT--HAPPY STATE BANK</u>						
AUG	\$11,571.26	\$47,434.52	\$46,147.24	5.46%	\$88.97	\$10,372.95
SEPT	\$10,372.95	\$50,289.60	\$43,881.09	5.20%	\$115.24	\$4,079.68
OCT	\$4,079.68	\$47,311.29	\$69,918.72	4.88%	\$127.02	\$26,814.13
NOV	\$26,814.13	\$49,700.83	\$45,963.36	4.78%	\$134.02	\$24,210.68
<u>PROBATION--HAPPY STATE BANK</u>						
AUG	\$74,618.03	\$13,040.24	\$0.00	5.46%	\$305.69	\$61,883.48
SEPT	\$66,073.43	\$12,362.18	\$13,222.00	5.20%	\$279.59	\$67,212.84
OCT	\$67,212.84	\$13,346.29	\$8,872.00	4.87%	\$260.61	\$62,999.16
NOV	\$61,441.61	\$11,899.46	\$8,066.37	4.78%	\$224.48	\$57,833.00
<u>PROBATION--ADM---HAPPY STATE BANK</u>						
AUG	\$51,089.06	\$559.99		5.46%	\$229.59	\$50,758.66
SEPT	\$50,198.67			5.20%	\$210.44	\$50,409.11
OCT	\$50,409.11	\$559.99	\$567.00	4.87%	\$203.80	\$50,619.92
NOV	\$50,619.92	\$559.99	\$0.00	4.78%	\$193.31	\$50,253.24
<u>AP CLEARING--HAPPY STATE BANK</u>						
AUG	\$8,356.94	\$694.73		5.46%	\$50.79	\$7,713.00
SEPT	\$7,713.00	\$631.97		5.20%	\$46.99	\$7,128.02
OCT	\$7,128.02			4.87%	\$43.30	\$7,171.32
NOV	\$7,485.32			4.78%	\$41.27	\$7,526.59

<u>PAYROLL--HAPPY STATE BANK</u>						
AUG	\$11,845.37	\$265,364.90	\$265,364.90	5.46%	\$251.72	\$12,097.09
SEPT	\$12,097.09	\$254,174.26	\$254,174.28	5.20%	\$332.12	\$12,429.23
OCT	\$12,429.23	\$265,720.21	\$265,720.21	4.88%	\$256.19	\$12,685.42
NOV	\$12,685.42	\$278,230.21	\$278,230.21	4.78%	\$358.78	\$13,044.20
<u>APRA FUND---HAPPY STATE BANK</u>						
***NO ACTIVITY DUE TO FUNDS BEING EXPENDED***						
<u>OPIOID ABATEMENT FUND---HAPPY STATE BANK</u>						
AUG	\$2,728.68			5.46%	\$12.34	\$2,741.02
SEPT	\$2,741.02			5.20%	\$11.44	\$2,752.46
OCT	\$2,752.46			4.87%	\$11.14	\$2,763.60
NOV	\$2,763.60			4.78%	\$10.64	\$2,774.24
<u>SHERIFF SB22---HAPPY STATE BANK</u>						
AUG	\$95,201.66	\$15,922.01		5.46%	\$409.66	\$79,689.51
SEPT	\$79,689.31	\$81,429.18	\$1,417.82	5.20%	\$322.05	\$0.00
OCT	\$0.00	\$7,557.05	\$250,000.00	4.86%	\$640.39	\$243,063.34
NOV	\$243,083.34			4.78%	\$939.81	\$244,023.15
NOVEMBER 2024 INTEREST EARNED				\$28,912.16		
FISCAL YEAR TO DATE INTEREST EARNED FOR FY 2024				\$52,190.08		

This report is presented in accordance with the Texas Government Code Section 114.021, and I certify, that to the best of my knowledge the above is true and correct.

  
Kimberly L. Long, Lipscomb County Treasurer

COUNTY FINANCES  
TREASURER'S REPORT  
NOVEMBER 30, 2024

IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY FINANCES IN THE HANDS OF KIMBERLY L. LONG, TREASURER OF LIPSCOMB COUNTY, TEXAS.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT, LIPSCOMB COUNTY, TEXAS met in Regular Session, DECEMBER 9, 2024.

We the undersigned County Judge and Commissioners in and for Lipscomb County, Texas, hereby certify that we have this date made an examination of and compared the County Treasurer's Monthly Report for the month of NOVEMBER filed with us on this 9th day of DECEMBER, 2024 and have found the same to be correct and in due order and that the total of all funds held by the County Treasurer, as well as other assets in her hands is the sum of \$7,621,743.28.

November 30, 2024					
	Beg-Cash	Revenues	Acct/Pay	Payroll/TFR	End Cash
General Fund	3,532,535.66	1,510,953.73	(541,957.34)		4,501,532.05
CD#1	604,898.62	2,817.90			607,716.52
CD#2	607,778.31	2,831.32			610,609.63
Money Market	1,556,500.25	5,860.48	(60,850.36)		1,501,510.37
Sheriff Commissary	688.59	2.65			691.24
Sheriff Escrow	18.30	0.07			18.37
Insurance Account	26,814.13	47,097.38	(49,700.83)		24,210.68
Probation	61,441.61	8,290.85	(11,899.46)		57,833.00
Probation Adm	50,619.92	193.31	(559.99)		50,253.24
AP Clearing	7,485.32	41.27			7,526.59
Payroll	12,685.42	278,588.99	(133,972.76)	(144,257.45)	13,044.20
ARPA					2,774.24
Opioid Abatement Fund	2,763.60	10.64			244,023.15
Sheriff SB22	243,083.34	939.81			
	6,270,070.06	1,857,628.40	(798,940.74)	(144,257.45)	7,621,743.28

WITNESS OUR HANDS, officially, this 9th day of DECEMBER, 2024:

County Judge

Commissioner Prec #1

Commissioner Prec #2

Commissioner Prec #3

Commissioner Prec #4

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE, County Judge and County Commissioners of said Lipscomb County, each respectively, on the 9th day of DECEMBER, 2024.

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Kimberly L. Long, County Treasurer of Lipscomb County and says that the within and foregoing report is true and correct.

County Treasurer

FILED FOR RECORD THIS 9th day of December 2024, and recorded

9th Day of December 2024

Tim Blum, Bx Chingy Derr  
County Clerk

Scotty Schilling made a motion to accept the Treasurers Report as presented. Dan Cockrell seconded the motion and the vote carried unanimously.

REPORT FROM JUDGE:

Judge Roots informed the court that Kimberly Long will work on implementing a CDL Policy, as well as updating the job description for precinct road hands in the employee handbook. The county should be getting \$112,662.50 back from Purple Wave Auction for selling a surplus of equipment.

APPROVE THE MOTOR FUELS TAX EXEMPTION RESOLUTION:

Dan Cockrell made a motion to approve the Motor Fuels tax exemption resolution. Juan Cantu seconded the motion and the vote carried unanimously.

STATE OF TEXAS                   §  
COUNTY OF LIPSCOMB         §

## Resolution of Support for County Motor Fuel Tax Exemption

WHEREAS, Texas Counties are the action arm of the state government and are responsible for the operation and management of many various state governmental programs as required or authorized by state law; and

WHEREAS, Texas Counties provide essential state services to constituents at the local level which are fully or partially supported with funds disbursed by the State of Texas pursuant to the state appropriations process; and

WHEREAS, Texas Counties provide emergency management services to the citizens of the State of Texas, and serve as first responders during disasters to clear roads and provide lifesaving rescue and recovery support to local, regional, state, and federal agencies; and

WHEREAS, the rising cost fuel costs have a significant impact on county budgets; and

WHEREAS, the State of Texas has authorized a motor fuel tax exemption for Volunteer Fire Departments which partner with Texas Counties to provide lifesaving fire response and mitigation to citizens of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the State of Texas has authorized a motor fuel tax exemption to Texas Public Schools for motor fuel taxes which helps reduce expenses to local school districts and alleviate the impact of local school property taxes to the citizens of Texas; and


WHEREAS, exempting Texas motor fuel taxes for Texas Counties will reduce tax churn in the state and further alleviate the impact of local county property taxes to the citizens of Texas.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lipscomb County Commissioners Court does hereby resolve that for the foregoing reasons, it is in the best interest of Texas counties and their taxpayers to support and favor passage of legislation that exempts counties from certain motor fuels taxes.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Lipscomb County Commissioners Court on this the

9<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2024.

Woni Boots  
County Judge

  
Commissioner, Precinct 1

  
Commissioner, Precinct 3

Ben A. ...  
Commissioner, Precinct 2

Richard  
Commissioner, Precinct 4

CONSIDER BURN BAN:

No action was taken, burn ban will remain in effect.

UPDATE ON COUNTY ROADS:

County roads were discussed.

APPROVE THE BOND FOR JUAN CANTU FOR PRECINCT 1 COMMISSIONER:

Dan Cockrell made a motion to approve the bond of Juan Cantu Precinct 1 Commissioner. Brandon Meier seconded the motion and the vote carried unanimously.

APPROVE THE BOND FOR SCOTTY SCHILLING FOR PRECINCT 3 COMMISSIONER:

Dan Cockrell made a motion to approve the bond of Scotty Schilling Precinct 3 Commissioner. Juan Cantu seconded the motion and it carried by a unanimous vote.

APPROVE THE 4 YEAR BLANKET BOND FOR THE SHERIFF DEPUTY'S:

Juan Cantu made a motion to approve the 4 year blanket bond for the Sheriff's Deputy's. Dan Cockrell seconded the motion and the vote carried unanimously.

APPROVE THE DISTRICT AND COUNTY BOND FOR MIKAYLA CALHOUN, CLERK'S OFFICE.

Brandon Meier made a motion to approve the District and County bond for Mikayla Calhoun, Clerk's office. Dan Cockrell seconded the motion and the vote carried unanimously.



SET TIME FOR SWEARING IN CEREMONY OF ELECTED/APPOINTED OFFICIALS ON JANUARY 1,

2025:

The time set for the swearing in of Elected/Appointed officials is set for 10:00 a.m. on January 1<sup>st</sup> 2025.

MATTERS OF MUTUAL CONCERN:

Brandon Meier made a motion to accept the a sealed bid for Caliche from Nancy Weinette, at a \$1.00 a yard, with the County being responsible for pushing up the Caliche in a pile to load out. Juan Cantu seconded the motion, the vote carried unanimously. Dori will make copies of order forms for each precinct, for road signs from the PRPC. The Wolf Creek Museum raised a total of \$35,572.47 for Panhandle gives campaign fundraiser, which does not include the amplified amount. The outgoing elected officials will have an audit done before they leave office.

HEAR FROM TRAVIS FRANCES, LOCUST GROVE VFD CHIEF ON GRANT RECEIVED FROM THE TEXAS FORRESTRY SERVICE.

Travis Frances and Grayson Craft gave an update on the Locust Grove Volunteer Fire Department and the Grant from the Texas Forestry Service. The county has previously agreed to pay 10% of the grant for the Locust Grove VFD. The Locust Grove VFD will get an itemized invoice for building a new 7 ton fire truck for Treasurer to pay. Scotty Schilling made a motion to finance the building of a new Fire Truck. Juan Cantu seconded the motion and the Vote carried unanimously.

ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO CONSIDER PERSONNEL MATTERS:

- A. Pursuant to the authority granted under government code chapter 555.074 the Commissioners' Court will convene in closed session to discuss the above agenda item.

Dan Cockrell made a motion to go into Executive Session at 1:48 p.m. to discuss the above agenda item. Scotty Schilling seconded the motion and the vote carried unanimously.

REURN TO OPEN SESSION:

Juan Cantu made a motion to return to open session at 2:39 p.m., Scotty Schilling seconded the motion and the vote carried unanimously.

On Wednesday December 18<sup>th</sup> 2025 at 9:00 a.m. Commissioners Court will interview candidates for the Sheriff's position, so the County can be in the position to appoint a Sheriff on January 1<sup>st</sup> 2025.

REVIEW OF PERSONNEL CHANGES:

Brandon Meier announced the hiring of Ronnie Hill as a Road Hand for Precinct #2, effective December 9, 2024. Mr. Hill has till March 9<sup>th</sup> 2025 to obtain his Commercial Driver's License (CDL). His annual salary will be \$53,542.46. Tax Assessor Collector Gailan Winegarner's last day with the County will be December 17<sup>th</sup> 2024. Obie Callahan retired from the Sheriff's Office and Shanna Dillon will fill his position. Sheri Worthington is no longer working for the County.

COURT ADJOURNED:

With no further business to discuss, Juan Cantu made a motion to adjourn at 2:44 p.m. Dan Cockrell seconded the motion and the vote carried unanimously. The next regular Commissioner's Court is scheduled for December 18th, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

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COUNTY CLERK

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COUNTY JUDGE

The foregoing minutes approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

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COMMISSIONER OF PREC #4