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Precinct Three

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AT 9:39 O'CLOCK A.M.

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NOTICE

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COUNTY AND DISTRICT CLERK
LIPSCOMB COUNTY, TEXAS

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 9th DAY OF MARCH 2026, 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 MEETINGS
- 6) CONSIDERATION OF BUDGET AMENDMENTS
- 7) CONSIDERATION OF LEGAL CLAIMS AND READABLES FOR THE COUNTY
- 8) REVIEW OF JUSTICE OF THE PEACE REPORTS
- 9) UPDATE ON SENIOR SKIP OUT, MAY 12TH
- 10) HEAR FROM SHERIFF BEN EGGLESTON
- 11) CONSIDER THE GUIDELINES AND CRITERIA FOR GRANTING TAX ABATEMENTS, HEAR FROM JEFF SNOWDEN FROM CAPEX RESOURCES GROUP
- 12) REPORT FROM COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT
- 13) REVIEW OF TREASURER REPORT
- 14) HEAR FROM DARREN CHISUM, FIRSTBANK SOUTHWEST
- 15) CONSIDER INVESTING IN A CD UTILIZING FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL FUND
- 16) CONSIDER JUDGE ROOTS' APPOINTMENT TO THE TEXAS PANHANDLE CENTERS BOARD OF TRUSTEES
- 17) CANVASS DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY ELECTION
- 18) REPORT FROM JUDGE
- 19) CONSIDER BURN BAN
- 20) UPDATE ON COUNTY ROADS
- 21) DISCUSS HB 2560 – ADOPT A COUNTY ROAD PROGRAM
- 22) DISCUSS BNSF RAILWAY COMPANY PROPOSING TO CONSTRUCT A 40 METER TALL MONOPOLE IN HIGGINS
- 23) CONSIDER IMPLEMENTING A CEMETERY POLICY FOR THE HIGGINS AND LIPSCOMB CEMETERIES
- 24) CONSIDER INSTALLING SOLAR RADAR SPEED LIMIT SIGNS
- 25) CONSIDER ACCEPTING DONATION OF EASEMENT FROM LOUISE LANDERS PURSUANT TO TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 81.032 FOR USE AS COUNTY ROAD 31
- 26) PROVIDE RESEARCH UPDATE ON PROPERTY IN LIPSCOMB BEING CONSIDERED FOR PURCHASE
- 27) MATTERS OF MUTUAL CONCERN
- 28) ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO CONSIDER CONSULTATION WITH COUNTY ATTORNEY AND CONSIDER PERSONNEL MATTERS,
 - A. Pursuant to the authority granted under government code chapter 555.071 and 555.074. The Commissioner's Court will convene in closed session to discuss the above agenda item.
- 29) RETURN TO OPEN SESSION
- 30) REVIEW OF PERSONNEL CHANGES
- 31) APPROVE HIRING KIM BLAU PART TIME TO ASSIST IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE
- 32) APPROVE THE DEPUTY CLERK BOND FOR KIM BLAU
- 33) APPROVE THE DEPUTY CLERK BOND FOR GRACIE HUNTRESS
- 34) ADJOURN

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 3RD DAY OF MARCH, 2026.

Dori Roots
COUNTY JUDGE



LIPSCOMB COUNTY TEXAS
 Check Register
 Bank: 10-GENERAL FUND

<u>CHECK NUMBER</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>CHECK DATE</u>	<u>PAYEE</u>
7754	20.00	02/10/2026	000297-TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING
7755	26.98	02/10/2026	000131-XCEL ENERGY
7756	165,996.81	02/11/2026	000181-LIPSCOMB COUNTY PAYROLL ACCOUNT
7757	75.00	02/17/2026	002517-CDCAT TREASURER
7758	30.00	02/17/2026	3779-TEXAS COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS
7759	6,626.96	02/23/2026	3433-LIPSCOMB COUNTY HAVA ACCT
7760	825.47	02/23/2026	001667-AMA TECHTEL COMM - AMA
7761	1,550.00	02/23/2026	003060-CIRA
7762	700.00	02/23/2026	3782-EL PRIETO TIRE SHOP / PRECISION TIRE
7763	4.30	02/23/2026	002065-NORTH TEXAS TOLLWAY AUTHORITY
7764	291.00	02/23/2026	003354-SEWARD CO WASTE MANAGEMENT
7765	667.15	02/23/2026	000277-WEST TEXAS GAS, INC.
7766	338.63	02/23/2026	000131-XCEL ENERGY
7767	118,460.24	02/25/2026	000181-LIPSCOMB COUNTY PAYROLL ACCOUNT
7768	650.00	02/27/2026	3786-LAWN AND ORDER
7769	797.50	03/04/2026	003074-KIMBERLY LONG
7770	443.70	03/04/2026	3697-RAELENE COPELAND LIPSCOMB COUNTY TAX
7771	84.10	03/04/2026	3772-RYLEE JO HUMBERT
7772	237.80	03/04/2026	3614-TIFFANY BLAU
7773	1,600.00	03/09/2026	002730-A HOME ELEVATOR, INC.
7774	150.00	03/09/2026	3760-AMBER BIDDLE
7775	150.00	03/09/2026	000208-ANITA MILLER
7776	150.00	03/09/2026	3757-ASHLYNE WAIDE HILL
7777	629.55	03/09/2026	002044-AT&T MOBILITY
7778	12.39	03/09/2026	000012-BARTLETT'S ACE HARDWARE
7779	1,364.00	03/09/2026	003216-BILL HEXT
7780	198.75	03/09/2026	001700-BONNIE TODD
7781	83.33	03/09/2026	000464-BOOKER FIRE DEPARTMENT
7782	431.05	03/09/2026	002566-BOOKER TIRE CENTER, INC.
7783	1,059.23	03/09/2026	3688-BRANDON MEIER
7784	2,470.81	03/09/2026	000021-BRUCKNER'S TRUCK SALES, INC.
7785	228.75	03/09/2026	3590-CASSANDRA HUMBERT
7786	55.90	03/09/2026	002795-CHRISSEY DUNN
7787	183.59	03/09/2026	003088-CINTAS CORPORATION
7788	234.29	03/09/2026	003060-CIRA
7789	2,572.37	03/09/2026	003185-CITIBANK
7790	373.92	03/09/2026	000031-CITY OF FOLLETT
7791	105.00	03/09/2026	000032-CITY OF HIGGINS
7792	2,040.48	03/09/2026	003228-COMMTECH, LLC
7793	142.50	03/09/2026	001688-CONNIE RABE
7794	80.00	03/09/2026	002762-DAVID AND SALLY WITSCHI
7795	910.72	03/09/2026	002518-DELO'S
7796	211.70	03/09/2026	3457-DORI ANN ROOTS
7797	198.75	03/09/2026	000757-DRUCILLA ANN COCKRELL
7798	2,713.03	03/09/2026	3783-ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES
7799	124.33	03/09/2026	000423-EQUITY EXCHANGE
7800	83.34	03/09/2026	000418-FOLLETT FIRE DEPARTMENT
7801	570.96	03/09/2026	000052-FOLLETT FOOD MARKET
7802	4,707.41	03/09/2026	000057-FRONK OIL CO., INC.
7803	197.55	03/09/2026	000755-GWENLYN FERGUSON
7804	196.20	03/09/2026	3683-HAVEN WAIDE HILL
7805	1,876.73	03/09/2026	3489-HELFENBEIN TIRE & ALIGNMENT
7806	83.33	03/09/2026	000076-HIGGINS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT.
7807	50.00	03/09/2026	3787-HIGH PLAINS OBSERVER
7808	374.00	03/09/2026	003214-HUGH BARTON
7809	1,000.00	03/09/2026	000130-J.R. SPRAGUE
7810	11,750.00	03/09/2026	002452-JOHN FLOYD EARTH MOVING
7811	150.00	03/09/2026	3462-JULIE PAYNE
7812	1,031.25	03/09/2026	002776-KERRIGAN TECHNOLOGY SERVICES

7813	284.28	03/09/2026	003074-KIMBERLY LONG
7814	3,820.80	03/09/2026	3594-KNOWINK
7815	150.00	03/09/2026	002091-LEANNA SWENHAUGEN
7816	5,069.44	03/09/2026	000090-LEMON, SHEARER, PHILLIPS
7817	200.00	03/09/2026	002480-LEXISNEXIS RISK SOLUTIONS
7818	83.33	03/09/2026	001852-LIPSCOMB FIRE DEPT
7819	1,346.00	03/09/2026	002763-LOCAL GOVERNMENT SOLUTIONS
7820	83.33	03/09/2026	002231-LOCUST GROVE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT
7821	2,544.41	03/09/2026	000367-MILLER SUPPLY & CONSTRUCTION CO.
7822	63.80	03/09/2026	000103-MOTOR PARTS OF PERRYTON, INC.
7823	537.45	03/09/2026	001496-NANCY CRUM WEINETTE
7824	90.21	03/09/2026	000313-NORTHWEST BEARING INC.
7825	32.29	03/09/2026	002561-O'REILLY AUTO PARTS
7826	252.00	03/09/2026	3459-P2 SERVICES
7827	195.00	03/09/2026	3454-PENNY PROVINCE
7828	14.70	03/09/2026	001536-PERDUE, BRANDON, FIELDER & MOTT
7829	680.00	03/09/2026	000237-PERRYTON GLASS & OVERHEAD DOORS
7830	107.79	03/09/2026	000235-PERRYTON OFFICE SUPPLY
7831	850.29	03/09/2026	116-PITNEY BOWES GLOBAL FINANCIAL SERVICE
7832	118.45	03/09/2026	000115-PITNEY BOWES INC
7833	1,120.00	03/09/2026	3780-POTTER COUNTY CLERK
7834	415.00	03/09/2026	000434-PREMIUM PEST CONTROL
7835	249.98	03/09/2026	3440-PTCI
7836	228.75	03/09/2026	001665-ROBIN RODRIGUEZ
7837	67.66	03/09/2026	3728-RONNIE HILL
7838	813.56	03/09/2026	000380-SCOTTY SCHILLING
7839	200.00	03/09/2026	000100-SECURITY INSURANCE AGENCY
7840	206.25	03/09/2026	003371-SHARI SCHINZLER
7841	1,100.00	03/09/2026	002053-SOUTHWEST DATA SOLUTIONS LLC
7842	7,694.95	03/09/2026	001780-SOUTHWEST FILING & STORAGE
7843	7.25	03/09/2026	3722-SOUTHWIND CAR WASH
7844	187.35	03/09/2026	000127-SPC LEASING CO.
7845	394.93	03/09/2026	003375-STAPLES BUSINESS ADVANTAGE
7846	1,000.00	03/09/2026	002116-SWEETWATER CREEK FIREFIGHTERS ASSC
7847	21.97	03/09/2026	000320-TASCOSA OFFICE SOLUTIONS
7848	2,257.50	03/09/2026	3574-TEXAS AIR SYSTEMS
7849	765.00	03/09/2026	000272-TEXAS ASSOC OF COUNTIES
7850	450.00	03/09/2026	003364-TEXAS ASSOC OF COUNTIES
7851	12,902.00	03/09/2026	000137-TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES
7852	191.00	03/09/2026	3418-TEXAS DEPT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE
7853	112.50	03/09/2026	003195-TEXAS STATE COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC
7854	365.96	03/09/2026	002736-THE PIT STOP
7855	96.00	03/09/2026	000147-TOWN OF DARROUZETT
7856	83.34	03/09/2026	002951-TOWN OF DARROUZETT VOL FIRE DEPT
7857	192.45	03/09/2026	001040-VERA CHARLENE DUKE
7858	7,500.00	03/09/2026	3788-WALL EQUIP
7859	2,596.64	03/09/2026	000154-WARREN POWER & MACHINERY
7860	1,938.88	03/09/2026	000160-WELDON PARTS INC.
7861	374.85	03/09/2026	001436-WESTERN EQUIPMENT
7862	3,671.62	03/09/2026	003116-WHOLESALE FUELS, INC.
7863	1,836.37	03/09/2026	000021-BRUCKNER'S TRUCK SALES, INC.
TOTAL:	401,360.37		

Dan Cockrell needs a correction to be made under precinct 4, instead of Town of Darrouzett it should read Bill Hext but figures are correct, and under Helfenbein Tire and Alignment should read for 3 tire repairs. Judge Roots had some inquiries on the cash receipts report under Misc. Revenue \$116,815.04 loan repay, should read for Locust Grove VFD.

Motioned: Scotty Schilling

Seconded: Juan Cantu

The vote carried unanimously.

REVIEW OF THE JUSTICE OF THE PEACE REPORTS:

The total collected by the Justice of the Peace for the month of February was \$729.00 total revenue with \$420.60 going to county revenue.

UPDATE ON SENIOR SKIP OUT MAY 12TH:

Officials provided an update regarding donations collected thus far and went over the details for the Senior Skip Out Day, as presented in court.

HEAR FROM SHERIFF BEN EGGLESTON

Sheriff Eggleston reported for the month of February the Sheriff's office handled the following:

- 1 Accident with injury
- 2 Accidents without injury
- 1 Outside agency assist
- 1 Dog bite
- 1 Burglary of a building
- 6 Complaints that the sheriff deputies were called to
- 1 Deer hit by vehicle
- 2 Disturbances
- 1 Drunk driver
- 18 EMS medical calls
- 11 Fire calls
- 1 Structure fire
- 1 Vehicle fire
- Transported one Hitchhiker
- 1 Report of a missing person
- 1 Open investigation against a child
- 1 Reckless driver
- 1 Sexual assault
- 15 Traffic stops
- 2 Transports of a county resident to the Pavilion in Amarillo

- The Sheriff provided an update regarding Turn Key Mobile services software, noting that the current version of the software does not allow the ability to redact specific footage from the video so the Sheriff's Office can be compliant with public records request. The additional functionality will cost \$4,449.00.

- The Sheriff also reported that a new communications tower on the east side of the county has been approved and that PRPC is awaiting funding.

CONSIDER THE GUIDELINES AND CRITERIA FOR GRANTING TAX ABATEMENTS, HEAR FROM JEFF SNOWDEN FROM CAPEX RESOURCES GROUP:

The Court approved the guidelines and application packet/contract from CAPEX Resources Group that had been provided to the Commissioners Court prior to the meeting. The Court further directed the County Attorney to review the contract between CAPEX Resources Group and Lipscomb County, provided no significant changes are required. Commissioners Court intends to have a public hearing and approve the contract at the April meeting.

Motioned: Scotty Schilling

Seconded: Brandon Meier

The vote carried unanimously.

REPORT FROM COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT:

J.R. is in Houston at the stock show, and unable to attend court. J.R.'s major plans for the month of March include, March 9th Houston Livestock Show, March 25th Making Profitable Calves from the Beginning, March 27th D-1 Meat Judging Contest, March 30th Reginal Meeting.

REVIEW OF TREASURER REPORT:

TREASURER'S REPORT Feb-28						
	Beginning Balance	DEBITS W/Drawals	CREDITS Deposits	INTEREST RATE	INTEREST EARNED	TOTALS
GENERAL ACCOUNT--FIRSTBANK						
NOV	\$4,168,985.29	\$456,903.66	\$1,189,930.48	4.30%	\$16,331.71	\$4,918,323.82
DEC	\$4,950,742.27	\$578,271.56	\$241,226.39	4.14%	\$16,679.59	\$4,630,376.69
JAN	\$4,630,586.69	\$553,195.31	\$987,946.98	4.07%	\$15,799.94	\$5,081,138.30
FEB	\$5,160,536.23	\$392,453.66	\$819,283.27	4.10%	\$15,650.42	\$5,603,016.26
CERT OF DEPOSIT #1--FIRSTBANK SOUTHWEST						
NOV	\$632,677.21			4.81%	\$2,417.87	\$635,095.08
DEC	\$635,095.08			4.05%	\$2,184.55	\$637,279.63
JAN	\$637,279.63			4.05%	\$2,121.35	\$639,400.98
FEB	\$639,400.98			4.05%	\$2,128.42	\$641,529.40
CERT OF DEPOSIT #2--FIRSTBANK SOUTHWEST						
NOV	\$635,689.16			4.81%	\$2,429.37	\$638,118.53
DEC	\$638,118.53			4.05%	\$2,194.95	\$640,313.48
JAN	\$640,313.48			4.05%	\$2,131.45	\$642,444.93
FEB	\$642,444.93			4.05%	\$2,138.55	\$644,583.48
ICS MMDA--FIRSTBANK SOUTHWEST						
NOV	\$1,423,403.37			4.30%	\$4,939.79	\$1,428,343.16
DEC	\$1,428,343.16			4.14%	\$4,922.50	\$1,433,265.66
JAN	\$1,433,265.66			4.07%	\$4,867.61	\$1,438,133.27
FEB	\$1,438,133.27		\$116,815.04	4.10%	\$4,648.66	\$1,559,596.97
HAVA--FIRSTBANK SOUTHWEST						
NOV	\$799.89	\$545.00		4.30%	\$0.00	\$254.89
DEC	\$254.89			4.14%	\$0.00	\$254.89
JAN	\$254.89	\$7,290.55	\$7,290.55	4.07%	\$0.00	\$254.89
FEB	\$254.89	\$6,626.96	\$6,626.96	4.10%	\$1.66	\$256.55
CHAPTER 19--FIRSTBANK SOUTHWEST						
NOV	\$0.00			4.30%	\$0.00	\$0.00
DEC	\$0.00			4.14%	\$0.00	\$0.00
JAN	\$0.00			4.10%	\$0.00	\$0.00
SHERIFF COMMISSARY--FIRSTBANK SOUTHWEST						
NOV	\$1,002.04		\$450.44	4.30%	\$3.45	\$1,455.93
DEC	\$1,455.93		\$84.23	4.14%	\$5.03	\$1,545.19
JAN	\$1,572.44		\$160.00	4.07%	\$5.33	\$1,737.77
FEB	\$1,737.77	\$350.00	\$39.92	4.10%	\$4.95	\$1,432.64
SHERIFF ESCROW--FIRSTBANK SOUTHWEST						
NOV	\$29.48			4.30%	\$0.00	\$29.48
DEC	\$29.48			4.14%	\$0.00	\$29.48
JAN	\$29.48			4.07%	\$0.00	\$29.48
FEB	\$29.48			4.10%	\$0.00	\$29.48
INSURANCE ACCOUNT--FIRSTBANK SOUTHWEST						
NOV	\$25,004.34	\$53,958.96	\$52,760.63	4.30%	\$168.99	\$23,975.00
DEC	\$23,975.00	\$48,872.42	\$46,179.84	4.14%	\$145.86	\$21,428.28
JAN	\$21,428.28	\$47,201.21	\$57,055.65	4.07%	\$139.20	\$31,421.92
FEB	\$31,421.92	\$48,712.86	\$47,152.90	4.10%	\$152.97	\$30,014.93
PROBATION--FIRSTBANK SOUTHWEST						
NOV	\$61,190.45	\$61,282.71		4.30%	\$92.25	\$0.00
DEC	\$0.00			4.14%	\$0.00	\$0.00
JAN	\$0.00			4.07%	\$0.00	\$0.00
FEB	\$0.00			4.10%	\$0.00	\$0.00
PROBATION-ADM--FIRSTBANK SOUTHWEST						
NOV	\$54,261.00	\$54,342.81		4.30%	\$81.81	\$0.00
DEC	\$0.00			4.14%	\$0.00	\$0.00
JAN	\$0.00			4.07%	\$0.00	\$0.00
FEB	\$0.00			4.10%	\$0.00	\$0.00
AP CLEARING--FIRSTBANK SOUTHWEST						
NOV	\$11,213.26			4.30%	\$98.91	\$11,252.17
DEC	\$11,252.17			4.14%	\$38.78	\$11,290.95
JAN	\$11,290.95			4.07%	\$38.35	\$11,329.30
FEB	\$11,329.30			4.10%	\$35.00	\$11,364.30
PAYROLL--FIRSTBANK SOUTHWEST						
NOV	\$15,165.31	\$296,957.45	\$296,957.45	4.30%	\$242.50	\$15,407.81
DEC	\$15,407.81	\$291,453.85	\$291,249.07	4.14%	\$278.88	\$15,481.91
JAN	\$15,481.91	\$279,169.26	\$279,169.25	4.07%	\$206.37	\$15,688.27
FEB	\$15,688.27	\$284,457.05	\$284,457.05	4.10%	\$225.20	\$15,913.47
OPIOID ABATEMENT FUND--FIRSTBANK SOUTHWEST						
NOV	\$4,810.66			4.30%	\$16.69	\$4,827.35
DEC	\$4,827.35			4.14%	\$16.64	\$4,843.99
JAN	\$4,843.99			4.07%	\$16.45	\$4,860.44
FEB	\$4,860.44			4.10%	\$15.01	\$4,875.45
SHERIFF SB22--FIRSTBANK SOUTHWEST						
NOV	\$250,259.79			4.30%	\$868.50	\$251,128.29
DEC	\$251,128.29	\$2,316.90		4.14%	\$863.44	\$249,674.83
JAN	\$249,674.83			4.10%	\$847.94	\$250,522.77
FEB	\$250,522.77			4.10%	\$773.88	\$251,296.65

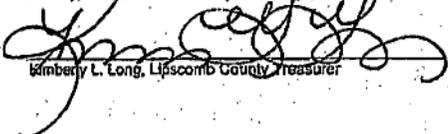
FEBRUARY 2026 INTEREST EARNED

\$25,774.72

FISCAL YEAR TO DATE INTEREST EARNED FOR FY 2026

\$129,258.81

This report is presented in accordance with the Texas Government Code Sections 114.021 and 2256.023, 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
FEBRUARY 28, 2026

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

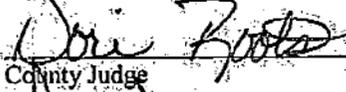
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LIPSCOMB COUNTY, TEXAS.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT, LIPSCOMB COUNTY, TEXAS met in Regular Session, MARCH 9, 2026.

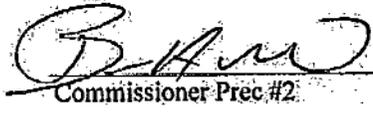
We the undersigned County Judge and Commissioners in and for Lipscomb County, Texas, hereby certify that we have this date made an examination of and compared the County Treasurer's Monthly Report for the month of FEBRUARY filed with us on this 9th day of MARCH, 2026 and have found the same to be correct 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 \$8,763,909.58.

	February 28, 2026				End Cash
	Beg-Cash	Revenues	Acct/Pay	Payroll/TFR	
General Fund	5,160,536.23	834,933.69	(392,453.66)		5,603,016.26
CD#1	639,400.98	2,128.42	0.00		641,529.40
CD#2	642,444.93	2,138.55	0.00		644,583.48
Money Market	1,438,133.27	121,463.70	0.00		1,559,596.97
HAVA	254.89	6,628.62	(6,626.96)		256.55
Chapter 19	-	-	0.00		-
Sheriff Commissary	1,737.77	44.87	(350.00)		1,432.64
Sheriff Escrow	29.48	-	0.00		29.48
Insurance Account	31,421.92	47,305.87	(48,712.86)		30,014.93
Probation	-	-	-		-
Probation Adm	-	-	-		-
AP Clearing	11,329.30	35.00	0.00		11,364.30
Payroll	15,688.27	284,682.25	(133,237.07)	(151,219.98)	15,913.47
ARPA	-	-	-		-
Opioid Abatement Fund	4,860.44	15.01	0.00		4,875.45
Sheriff SB22	250,522.77	773.88	-		251,296.65
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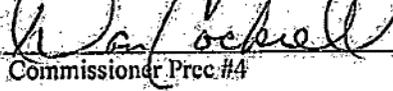
WITNESS OUR HANDS, officially, this 9TH day of MARCH, 2026:


County Judge


Commissioner Prec #1

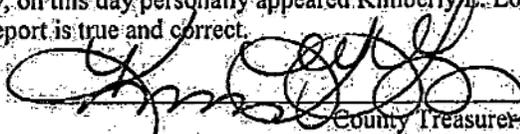

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Commissioner Prec #4

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE, County Judge and County Commissioners of said Lipscomb County, each respectively, on the 9th day of MARCH, 2026.

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 March 2026, and recorded

12th Day of March, 2026.


County Clerk

Treasurers report was presented to the court.

Motioned: Scotty Schilling

Seconded: Juan Cantu

The vote carried unanimously.

HEAR FROM DARREN CHISUM, FIRSTBANK SOUTHWEST:

Darren, the County's banking representative, appeared before the Court to provide information regarding available interest rates and the security of County deposits. Darren discussed current interest rates and options for investing County funds.

Darren explained that under the current public funds contract, any checking or interest-bearing account with a balance exceeding \$1,000,000 earns the 91-day U.S. Treasury bill rate plus 35 basis points. At the time of the meeting, the 91-day Treasury bill rate was approximately 3.69%, resulting in an interest rate of 4.10% on those accounts.

Darren further advised that if the County elects to invest funds in certificates of deposit (CDs), the rate offered would be the 91-day U.S. Treasury bill rate plus 45 basis points, approximately 10 basis points higher than the rate currently earned on checking accounts. He stated that the CD rate remains consistent regardless of term length (30, 90, or 180 days). Darren recommended that, if utilized, CDs could be structured in a staggered or "laddered" manner to maintain liquidity. He also noted that early withdrawal of CD funds would result in the loss of accrued interest but would not impact the principal.

The Court also discussed the security and collateralization of County funds. Darren explained that deposits exceeding the \$250,000 coverage limit of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) are secured through pledged securities. He stated that government-backed securities and U.S. Treasury instruments are pledged and held in safekeeping at the Federal Home Loan Bank in an amount equal to or greater than the County's deposits to ensure full collateralization.

Members of the Court referenced a prior training regarding the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery, and Enforcement Act of 1989 (FIRREA) and inquired about its applicability. Darren explained that while FIRREA addresses banking regulations and protections, the County's deposits are secured in accordance with the current public funds contract and applicable state laws governing collateralization of public funds.

No action was taken.

CONSIDER INVESTING IN A CD UTILIZING FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL FUND:

No action taken

CONSIDER JUDGE ROOTS APPOINTMENT TO THE TEXAS PANHANDLE CENTERS BOARD OF TRUSTEES, AS PRESENTED:

Motioned: Brandon Meier
Seconded: Dan Cockrell
The vote carried unanimously.

CANVASS THE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY ELECTION, AS PRESENTED:

Motioned: Brandon Meier
Seconded: Scotty Schilling
The vote carried unanimously.

REPORT FROM JUDGE:

Judge Roots provided an update regarding the Preferred Beef LLC packing plant following the recent fire. Judge Roots reported that she and Connie Brown have had multiple discussions regarding potential assistance for the plant related to uninsured losses estimated between \$40-\$50 million for rebuilding.

The State Government Affairs Office is working with various agencies in Austin to explore possible aid. Judge Roots also noted that, if necessary, a disaster declaration could be issued at the county level and then by the Governor in order to explore potential assistance through Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

The Judge also reported that the County still has leaks in the roofs, 4-L construction reported they had been fixed. The leaks are at the Museum, at the School in the Flashing, in the Sheriff's office, the show barn around the electrical box. Judge Roots authorized Lynsey to call Dewitt Roofing from Perryton to get an estimate to fix the leaks.

Judge Roots gave a benefit update and stated the County should expect a 7% increase on health insurance. Judge Roots stated that our Pool percentage as far as claims was 171%, Coronary Artery Disease, High blood Pressure and Cholesterol are some of the factors. The County will look into wellness incentive programs.

Judge Roots brought up discussion on open range and closed range, and it varies on precinct. A copy was sent to the County Attorney to decipher what parts of the county is closed and open.

Judge Roots stated at some of the museum board meetings, the idea of doing some upgrades to the museum in the kitchen area, that could be more attractive for potential community events. One suggestion was putting in an oven, the court is concerned of a fire hazard with all of the historical artifacts. Dori will discuss further with Rachel, Museum Executive Director.

CONSIDER BURN BAN:

Burn Ban will remain in effect.

UPDATE ON COUNTY ROADS:

County roads were discussed.

DISCUSS HB-2560-ADOPT A COUNTY ROAD:

HB-2560 was discussed as presented

DISCUSS BNSF RAILWAY COMPANY PROPOSING TO CONSTRUCT A 40-METER-TALL MONOPOLE IN HIGGINS:

Judge Roots stated that the monopole will be in the city limits at southeast main, the County is not involved or affected.

CONSIDER IMPLEMENTING A CEMETERY POLICY FOR THE HIGGINS AND LIPSCOMB CEMETERIES:

Lipscomb County Cemetery

Effective January 1, 2026

1. County Cemeteries are not perpetual care cemeteries.
2. County mows and trims cemeteries; but any further maintenance is the responsibility of the plot owner or family.
3. A vault container is required for caskets.
4. Cremation burials must be 12 inches below ground surface.
5. Monuments will be placed on concrete foundations.
6. County must be notified on monument placements.
7. Initial purchase, \$200 per deeded plot.
8. Families are responsible for removing debris and maintaining plots.
9. No plantings without approval of the county.
10. County maintains the right to trim or remove any plantings that infringe onto other plots, walkways and driveways.
11. If chat or rock is used, no chat or rock may be placed on lots without a curb barrier. When using chat, a concrete floor with scored lines is suggested. When a space is opened for burial, the opened space is to be covered with a fresh concrete pour within one year. A (1-2) chat size is to be used.
12. If curbing is to be installed, commercial curbing is required. Curbing is to be placed within the lot boundaries.
13. Flowers shall be removed no later than June 15th. No glass may be used.
14. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. For further information contact the county commissioner of Precinct 4.

Commissioner Cockrell made a motion to approve a Lipscomb County cemetery guideline as presented.

Motioned: Dan Cockrell

Seconded: Juan Cantu

The vote carried unanimously.

CONSIDER INSTALLING SOLAR SPEED LIMIT SIGNS:

Judge Roots reported that information regarding the solar radar signs under consideration has not yet been provided and will update the Court when additional information is received.

CONSIDER ACCEPTING DONATION OF EASEMENT FROM LOUISE LANDERS PURSUANT TO TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 81.032 FOR USE AS COUNTY ROAD 31.

Following completion of the survey, it was determined that there are two landowners involved. Commissioner Cockrell reported that he is awaiting completion of the necessary legal documentation and will present the easement for consideration by the Commissioners Court once both landowners have executed the agreement.

No action was taken.

PROVIDE RESEARCH UPDATE ON PROPERTY IN LIPSCOMB BEING CONSIDERED FOR PURCHASE:

Judge Roots contacted some local land owners in Lipscomb to purchase land for the Sheriffs Building. Judge Roots says more to follow. She has not been able to contact two of the four land owners.

MATTERS OF MUTUAL CONCERN:

Judge Roots informed the court that Lawn and Order has scalped the yard at the courthouse and the museum. State Line spraying has sprayed the lawns at the courthouse and museum.

ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO CONSIDER CONSULTATION WITH COUNTY ATTORNEY AND CONSIDER PERSONNEL MATTERS:

Executive Session was not necessary at this time.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION:

N/A

REVIEW OF PERSONNEL CHANGES:

Judge Roots, has hired Sarah Yokum for the Maintenance Supervisor and has hired Kelli Casados for the part time cleaning position. Norma Boughan has informed the Judge that she plans to retire in later this year. Chrissy Dunn has hired Gracie Huntress for the Deputy Clerk Position. Kim Blau will be working part time while Chrissy Dunn is out on medical leave.

APPROVE HIRING KIM BLAU AS PART TIME TO ASSIST IN THE CLERKS OFFICE:

Motioned: Scotty Schilling
Seconded: Dan Cockrell
The vote carried unanimously.

APPROVE THE DEPUTY CLERK BOND FOR KIM BLAU:

Motioned: Scotty Schilling
Seconded: Dan Cockrell
The vote carried unanimously.

APPROVE THE DEPUTY CLERK BOND FOR GRACIE HUNTRESS:

Motioned: Brandon Meier
Seconded: Dan Cockrell
The vote carried unanimously.

**COURT ADJOURNED AT 2:13 P.M. WITH THE NEXT COMMISSIONERS COURT
SCHEDULED FOR 13TH DAY OF APRIL 2026 AT 9:00 A.M.**

Motioned: Juan Cantu
Seconded: Dan Cockrell
The vote carried unanimously.

COUNTY CLERK _____ COUNTY JUDGE _____

The foregoing minutes approved this 13th day of April, 2026.

COMMISSIONER OF PREC #1

COMMISSIONER OF PREC #2

COMMISSIONER OF PREC #3

COMMISSIONER OF PREC #4