



Minutes for the  
Madison County Commissioners Court  
Monday, August 29, 2022

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF MADISON

IN COMMISSIONERS COURT  
OF MADISON COUNTY TEXAS

The Madison County Commissioners Court met in Regular Session the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of August 2022, 8:33 a.m., at the Madison County Courthouse Annex, County Courtroom, 103 W. Trinity Street, Suite 106, Madisonville, Texas with the following members:

Clark Osborne	County Judge	Present
Billy McNutt	Commissioner, Precinct 1	Present
Carl Wiseman	Commissioner, Precinct 2	Present
Carl Cannon	Commissioner, Precinct 3	Present
David Pohorelsky	Commissioner, Precinct 4	Present

**ITEM 1. INVOCATION AND PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAGS**

Judge Osborne called on William C. Bennett, Sr. to give the invocation, and Judge Osborne led pledges of allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

**ITEM 2. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER**

Judge Osborne called the meeting to order with a quorum present.

**ITEM 3. Public Comment – Hear Comments in reference to the following Agenda Items Only – time limit 3 minutes, one person at a time will be called from the Public Participation Forms submitted. Move to the front of the Court and stand at the podium.**

No Public Participation forms were submitted to Clerk of Court.

**ITEM 4. Discuss and consider request from North Zulch Volunteer Fire Department for HOT funds in the amount of \$1,000 for the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual North Zulch VFD Chili Cook-Off. See attached.**

Commissioner Pohorelsky moved to approve; Commissioner Wiseman seconded the motion; and Judge Osborne called for a vote to approve the request from North Zulch Volunteer Fire Department for HOT funds in the amount of \$1,000 for the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual North Zulch VFD Chili Cook-Off, all in favor.

**VOTING:**

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Clark Osborne, County Judge	X			
Billy McNutt, Commissioner Pct. 1	X			
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	X			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	X			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	X			

All agreed, motion carried.

ITEM 5. Discuss and consider request from Madison County First Responders for HOT funds in the amount of \$1,000 for the Madison County First Responder's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Barrell Race. See attached. Judge Osborne said First Responders asked to rescind their request for HOT funds, they have enough sponsors to cover expenses for this event.

ITEM 6. Discuss future Commissioner Court dates and times for FY2023.

Judge Osborne said there had been public comment in the past of not being able to have time to research items that were coming up before the court, so discussed changing day and time for meeting with clerk and commissioners. One suggestion would be to move the meetings to Wednesday. Notices would be posted on Friday and that would give the public time to research agenda items before meeting on the following Wednesday. There is no action on this today, just a discussion. Wednesday works good for the clerk's county court and criminal court dockets, he said. Commissioner Cannon said Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. sounds good, other commissioners agreed. Judge said final decision and approval will be at one of the commissioners' court meetings in September 2022.

ITEM 7. Discuss and consider Madison County Appraisal District's Budget for FY2023. See attached.

Judge Osborne said their budget is substantially larger than last year, but they are adding a new position. Commissioner Cannon said we have not approved this in the past when they had a significant increase, the percentage increase is excessive. Judge Osborne said the percentage increase is 16.91 percent, total budget increase \$133,094.00.

Commissioner Cannon moved to not approve; Commissioner Pohorelsky seconded the motion; and Judge Osborne called for a vote to not approve Madison County Appraisal District's Budget for FY2023, all in favor.

VOTING:

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Clark Osborne, County Judge	X			
Billy McNutt, Commissioner Pct. 1	X			
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	X			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	X			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	X			

No one opposed, motion carried.

ITEM 8. Discuss and consider approving a Proclamation naming August 21, 2022, as "Sam Bennett" day. See attached.

Judge Osborne read the Proclamation recognizing the accomplishments of Sam Bennett who on August 21, 2022 won the 2022 United States Amateur Golf Championship.

Commissioner Pohorelsky made a motion; Commissioner McNutt gave a second; and Judge Osborne called for a vote to approve the Proclamation naming August 21, 2022, as "Sam Bennett" day, all in favor.

VOTING:

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Clark Osborne, County Judge	X			
Billy McNutt, Commissioner Pct. 1	X			
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	X			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	X			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	X			

All in favor, motion carried.

ITEM 9. Discuss and consider Resolution Calling for Additional Measures to Secure the Border, Stop the Invasion at the Border, and Protect our Communities. See attached.

Commissioner Wiseman moved to approve; Commissioner Pohorelsky gave a second; and Judge Osborne called for a vote to approve Resolution Calling for Additional Measures to Secure the Border, Stop the Invasion at the Border, and Protect our Communities, all in favor.

VOTING:

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Clark Osborne, County Judge	X			
Billy McNutt, Commissioner Pct. 1	X			
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	X			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	X			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	X			

All agreed, motion carried.

ITEM 10. **Public Comment- No Discussion or Action will be taken at this time by the Court – A three (3) minute limit per speaker. One person at a time will be called from the Public Participation submitted. Move to the front of the Court and stand at the podium. Please address your comments to your commissioner.**

No Public Participation forms were submitted to the Clerk of Court.

ITEM 11. ADJOURN:

Commissioner Wiseman made a motion to adjourn; Commissioner Pohorelsky gave a second; and Judge Osborne called for a vote to adjourn, all in favor.

VOTING:

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Clark Osborne, County Judge	X			
Billy McNutt, Commissioner Pct. 1	X			
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	X			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	X			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	X			

No one opposed, motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned Monday, August 29, 2022, at 8:49 a.m.

I, Susanne Morris, Madison County Clerk, do hereby attest that the foregoing is a true and accurate accounting of the Commissioners Court's authorized proceedings for August 29, 2022.

Approved and signed this 12<sup>th</sup> day of September 2022.



*Susanne Morris*

Susanne Morris, Clerk  
Commissioners Court  
Madison County, Texas