



Minutes for the
Madison County Commissioners Court
Wednesday, August 9, 2023

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF MADISON

IN COMMISSIONERS COURT
OF MADISON COUNTY, TEXAS

The Madison County Commissioners Court met in Regular Session the 9th day of August 2023, 9:33 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
Ken Starr	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

Mr. Bennett led the invocation and Judge Osborne led the pledges of allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

ITEM 2. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

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

COUNTY CLERK – ADRIAN LAWSON

ITEM 3. Review and/or correct minutes of regular session meeting held July 26, 2023.

Judge Osborne asked for any comments or corrections to these minutes. No corrections needed.

ITEM 4. COLLECTION REPORTS

- a) Approve Collection Reports for County Clerk and County Criminal Court
No reports submitted.
- b) Approve Collection Reports for District Attorney
No reports submitted. Robin Whitney, ADA, briefly spoke about NISI Docket in District Court.
- c) Approve Collection Report for District Clerk
No reports submitted.

TREASURER – JUDI DELESANDRI

ITEM 5. Approve paying County bills.

Report submitted, see attached.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 6. Approve bills paid since last court date July 26, 2023.

Report submitted, see attached.

Commissioner Cannon made a motion to approve; Commissioner Wiseman gave a second; and Judge Osborne called for a vote to approve bills paid since last court date July 26, 2023, all in favor.

MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 7. Approve Treasurer's Report.

Report submitted, see attached.

Commissioner Cannon made a motion to approve; Commissioner Wiseman gave a second; and Judge Osborne called for a vote to approve Treasurer's Report, all in favor.

MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 8. Approve personnel changes.

No report submitted.

AUDITOR – TONI JOYNER

ITEM 9. Auditor's Report

Report submitted, see attached.

ITEM 10. Budget Amendments

No report submitted.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

ITEM 11. Historical Commission

Judge Osborne spoke about Volume 1 Madison County History Book.

ITEM 12. Designated Representative Monthly Report - Lynn Jeffries

Report submitted, see attached.

ITEM 13. Tax Assessor/Collector Monthly Report – Karen Lane, TAC

Report submitted, see attached.

ITEM 14. Emergency Management Report – Shelly Butts

Report submitted, see attached.

ITEM 15. County Extension Agent Monthly Report-Allen Homann

No report submitted.

ITEM 16. Veterans Affairs - Erica Greene

Report submitted, see attached.

ITEM 17. Elections Administrator-Bobbie Duke

Bobbie Duke spoke briefly about a Conference she attended.

ITEM 18. Justice of the Peace – Steve Cole/Jon Stevens

Report submitted, see attached.

ITEM 19. Sheriff's Department – Bobby Adams

Report submitted, see attached.

ITEM 20. Madison County Library – Veronica Landmann

No report submitted.

ITEM 21. Constable – Charles Turner/Jim Jackson
Report submitted, see attached.

ITEM 22. County Commissioners Report
Ken Starr, Pct. 1, spoke about Raney Lane.
Carl Wiseman, Pct. 2, spoke about cleaning ditches.
Carl Cannon, Pct. 3, spoke about patching roads.
David Pohorelsky, Pct. 4, spoke about cutting trees and patching roads.

ITEM 23. Judge's Report – Clark Osborne
Judge Osborne spoke about the budget, the courthouse roof, A.C. problems at the courthouse, parking, and adding on to the jail.

ITEM 24. **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 submitted to the Clerk of Court.

ITEM 25. Discuss and take action on City of Madisonville's request for HOT funds in the amount of \$5,000.00 for the Madisonville Street Fest to be held September 23, 2023.
James Greene and Brianna Williams provided information to the court. See attached.
Commissioner Starr made a motion to approve; Commissioner Wiseman gave a second; and Judge Osborne called for a vote to approve the City of Madisonville's request for HOT funds in the amount of \$5,000.00 for the Madisonville Street Fest to be held September 23, 2023, all in favor.
MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 26. Discuss and take action approving the amount of rent to be charged for voting machines rented by political subdivisions when entering into a contract with the Election Administrator.
Bobbie Duke provided information to the court. See attached.
Commissioner Pohorelsky made a motion to approve; Commissioner Wiseman gave a second; and Judge Osborne called for a vote to approve the amount of rent to be charged for voting machines rented by political subdivisions when entering into a contract with the Election Administrator at the Suggested Rental rate, all in favor.
MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 27. Discuss and take action on Order of Election for Tuesday, November 7, 2023 with early voting starting, Monday, October 23, 2023, running two weeks prior to the election.
Bobbie Duke provided information to the court. See attached.
Commissioner Cannon made a motion to approve; Commissioner Starr gave a second; and Judge Osborne called for a vote to approve the Order of Election for Tuesday, November 7, 2023, with early voting starting, Monday, October 23, 2023, running two weeks prior to the election, all in favor.
MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 28. Discuss and take action on the reappointment of Karen Lane to the Brazos Valley Council of Government Board of Directors for a 3 year term beginning October 1, 2023 ending September 30, 2026.
Commissioner Starr made a motion to approve; Commissioner Cannon gave a second, and Judge Osborne called for a vote to approve the reappointment of Karen Lane to the Brazos Valley Council of Government Board of Directors for a 3-year term beginning October 1, 2023 ending September 30, 2026, all in favor.
MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 29. Discuss and take action on Texas Department of Motor Vehicles imposition of Optional Fees for Calendar Year 2024.

Karen Lane provided information to the court. See attached.

Commissioner Pohorelsky made a motion to approve; Commissioner Wiseman gave a second, and Judge Osborne called for a vote to approve the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles imposition of Optional Fees for Calendar Year 2024 with no changes, all in favor.

MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 30. Discuss and take action on Minor Plat Submittal Application with Variance from Moe Akbari and Blake Akbari on property recorded in Volume 1759, Page 226, Number 112240 of the Madison County Records.

Shelly Butts provided information to the court. See attached.

Commissioner Cannon made a motion to approve; Commissioner Pohorelsky gave a second, and Judge Osborne called for a vote to approve Minor Plat Submittal Application with Variance from Moe Akbari and Blake Akbari on Property recorded in Volume 1759, Page 226, Number 112240 of the Madison County Records, all in favor.

VOTING:

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Clark Osborne, County Judge	X			
Ken Starr, Commissioner Pct. 1			X	
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	X			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	X			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	X			

MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 31. Discuss and take action on Request for acceptance of Private Road Wood Duck Lane, Madison County, Texas.

Shelly Butts provided information to the court. See attached.

Commissioner Wiseman made a motion to approve; Commissioner Pohorelsky gave a second, and Judge Osborne called for a vote to approve Request for acceptance of Private Road Wood Duck Lane, Madison County, Texas, all in favor.

MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 32. Discuss and take action on Minor Plat Submittal Application with Variance from Kenneth Ray Diserens, Richard Weaver and Janie Weaver, aka Becky Weaver for Property recorded in Correction Instrument in Volume 1937, Page 74, Number 121956 of the Madison County Records.

Shelly Butts provided information to the court. See attached.

Commissioner Pohorelsky made a motion to approve; Commissioner Wiseman gave a second, and Judge Osborne called for a vote to approve Minor Plat Submittal Application with Variance from Kenneth Ray Diserens, Richard Weaver and Janie Weaver, aka Becky Weaver for Property recorded in Correction Instrument in Volume 1937, Page 74, Number 121956 of the Madison County Records, all in favor.

VOTING:

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Clark Osborne, County Judge	X			
Ken Starr, Commissioner Pct. 1			X	
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	X			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	X			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	X			

MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 33. Accept the No New Revenue Rate and Voter Approval Rate Calculation Worksheets as presented by Karen Lane, Madison County Tax Assessor Collector.

Karen Lane provided information to the court. See attached.

Commissioner Starr made a motion to accept; Commissioner Cannon gave a second, and Judge Osborne called for a vote to accept the No New Revenue Rate and Voter Approval Rate Calculation Worksheets as presented by Karen Lane, Madison County Tax Assessor Collector, all in favor.

MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 34. Discuss and take action on a revised proposed tax rate and take a record vote and set one public hearing for September 13, 2023.

Karen Lane provided information to the court.

Commissioner Starr made a motion to approve; Commissioner Cannon gave a second, and Judge Osborne called for a vote to approve a revised proposed tax rate at \$0.4990 and take a record vote and set one public hearing for September 13, 2023, all in favor.

VOTING:

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Clark Osborne, County Judge	X			
Ken Starr, 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 35. Discuss and take action on Letter of Commitment from Post Oak RC&D Area, Inc.

Judge Osborne provided information to the court. See attached.

Commissioner Cannon made a motion to approve; Commissioner Pohorelsky gave a second, and Judge Osborne called for a vote to approve the Letter of Commitment from Post Oak RC&D Area, Inc., all in favor.

MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 36. Discuss and take action on creating a Compensation Grade 6 Maintenance position.

Judge Osborne provided information to the court.

Commissioner Cannon made a motion to approve; Commissioner Wiseman gave a second, and Judge Osborne called for a vote to approve creating a Compensation Grade 6 Maintenance position, all in favor.

MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 37. Discuss and take action on transferring \$7500 from contingencies to building and Grounds maintenance salaries.

Judge Osborne provided information to the court.

Commissioner Starr made a motion to approve; Commissioner Wiseman gave a second, and Judge Osborne called for a vote to approve transferring up to \$7500 from contingencies to building and Grounds maintenance salaries, all in favor.

MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 38. ***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 submitted to the Clerk of the Court.

ITEM 39. 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.

MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting was adjourned Wednesday, August 9, 2023, at 10:51 A.M

I, Adrian Lawson, Madison County Clerk, do hereby attest that the foregoing is a true and accurate accounting of the Commissioners Court's authorized proceedings for August 9, 2023.

Approved and signed this 23rd day of August 2023.



Adrian Lawson, Clerk
Commissioners Court
Madison County, Texas

