MAY 26, 2026

WISE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING

On this 26th day of May A.D., 2026 at 9:00 A.M. came on to be had a Regular Meeting of the Commissioners' Court of Wise County, Texas held in the Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 2 Courtroom (200 Rook Ramsey Drive, Decatur, TX) of said County in the town of Decatur with the following members present and presiding:

J.D. Clark	County Judge
John "Biff" Hayes	Commissioner, Precinct No. 1
Kevin Burns	Commissioner, Precinct No. 2
Danny Lambert	Commissioner, Precinct No. 3
Colby Shawn	Commissioner, Precinct No. 4

Blanca Tuma, County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of Commissioners' Court when and where the following proceedings were had, to-wit:

All attachments referred to in the minutes of the Wise County Commissioners' Court are designated original or copy and are provided at the time of action by the Court unless otherwise indicated by provider.

County Judge Clark votes aye on all agenda items unless otherwise indicated.

1. Clark called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. All court members were present.

2. Invocation

3. Pledge of Allegiance

****** The Court considered Item No. 5 out of order, prior to Item No. 4 ******

5. County Correspondence:

- Clark reminds the Court that as part of celebrating "America 250", Mickey Tanner of TPUSA Faith Hub organized a County-wide essay contest which was sponsored by the Wise County Historical Commission. Representatives Donna Weeden and Beverly Lindsey, along with Clark and Tanner, recognized the winners involved in the initiative encouraging patriotism and research into founding documents.

- The contest was structured across three grade-level categories: grades 3–5, grades 6 - 8, and grades 9-12 with their own prompts. The winners were:

  - "Why I Love America" by Turner Bayless, 4th grade, Decatur
  - "Why I Love America" by Brayden Skates, 4th grade, Paradise

- ❖ "Why Communities Matter" by Angel Banuelos, 7th grade, Bridgeport
- ❖ "The Price of Freedom is Character" by Emma Louks, 9th grade, County-wide

- The Court express appreciation to the participating students, teachers, and school districts.

- Clark shares that he and Shawn attended the **Infrastructure Week 2026** in Washington, D.C. last week which coincided with the filing of the "Build America 250 Act" through the House of Representatives by the T&I (Transportation and Infrastructure) Committee. The Act includes significant provisions for county-level road and bridge funding; 22% is being allocated to the local roads and a quarter of the $9 billion goes to the local bridge funding.

- Additionally, Shawn shares that the previous federal appropriations request of $7.5 million through Congressman Brandon Gill's Office for the planning and engineering of bypass projects at Ram Hill Road and County Road 4840 was secured. The appropriations committee kept a $1 million each.

4. Community Forum: None

6. Discussion for the purpose of coordination and cooperation for efficiency between precincts: None

7. Plats:

Preliminary Plat

1. Skyfall Estates, Preliminary plat (*attachments*)
   Lots 1-4. Block 1.
   Precinct 2. (KB)
   (Variance attached.)
   Chad Davis- Kiley Vian

- **Motion made by Burns, seconded by Shawn, and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve the Skyfall Estates replat with the road variance as noted.**

8. Donations: None

9. Bids:

- EMS Chief Randall Preuninger shares a Request for Approval (RFP) for billing services.

- **Motion made by Burns, seconded by Shawn, and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve going out for an RFP for EMS Billing Services.**

- ***On behalf of the AgriLife Extension Office***, Clark requests for a three-quarter-ton truck and directs Asset Control Manager Diana Allen to touch base with Marty Morgan in order to obtain specifics.

- **Motion made by Burns, seconded by Lambert, and unanimously adopted by the Court to go out for bid or cooperative purchase for a three-quarter- ton truck for AgriLife Extension.**

10. Consent Agenda Items:

    a. Minutes:
        - May 11, 2026, Regular Minutes

    b. Department Head Reports (items submitted in Dropbox but not provided for Court Record):

        - Clark boasts that Emergency Services District (ESD) No. 4 at the Alvord Station will be fully operational beginning June 1st; he tasks Preuninger to document the station's impact to the community in order that people will see the value of having the station. Clark also mentions that the County is coordinating a ribbon-cutting with the City of Alvord.

        - County Treasurer Katherine Hudson presents monthly report for April (*attachments*).

    c. Budget Amendments:

        - Auditor Ann McCuiston states there are various amendments on line items **26-12**.

    d. Capital Expenditure:

        - McCuiston states "just what is on Walk to Court".

    e. Claims & Payroll:

        - McCuiston shares there is $15,049.33 for Kimley Horn for subdivision reviews.

f. Utility Permits/Right of Way: None

g. Interlocal Agreements/Contracts (original contracts and interlocal agreements are filed in the Asset Control Office by Diana Allen):

- Swift EMS Solutions (*verbal*)
- ESD #4 Ad Valorem Tax Collection
- **Fully Executed** ((LIST - *for informational purposes only, approval not required, see attachment*)
  - Open Spaces Agreement (*attachments*)
- **Renewals and Amendments** (LIST - *for informational purposes only, approval not required, see attachment*)
  - Texas Cooperative Purchasing Renewal (*attachments*)
  - AutoAgent Data Solutions Renewal (*no attachment*)
  - Tyler Technologies Justice Information Management Software Renewal (*no attachment*)
  - Granicus Address Identification and Monitoring/Compliance Outreach (*attachment*)
  - Timekeeping Systems (*attachment*)
  - Snow Garrett Delinquent Tax Audit Renewal (*attachment*)
  - Snow Garrett Tax Office Audit Renewal (*attachment*)

- **Motion made by Burns, seconded by Shawn, and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve all other items introduced under Item # 10, as presented.**

11. Joint Venture Project Agreement: None

12. Hazard Mitigation Plan and related grant projects:

- Office of Emergency Management Coordinator Cody Powell states the project to utilize goats for wildfire mitigation has been finalized; it will start at the beginning of June and will end in July.

13. Right-of-Way Improvements:

- Lambert wishes to let the County-wide ongoing storm debris cleanup lapse.

- He requests a new access to a property owned by Harold Johnson on CR 4679 in order to address erosion issues.

- **Motion made by Lambert seconded by Burns, and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve County access on to the Johnson property on CR 4679 for the erosion issue as described.**

14. Burn Ban: None

15. County Committee Reports: None

16. **Executive Session** with Legal Counsel, for private consultation allowed under **Texas Government Code Sec. 551.071**: discussion and legal updates of pending litigation under **Texas Government Code Section 551.074:** - ***NOT CONSIDERED***

17. **Reconvenes from Executive Session** - ***NOT CONSIDERED***

18. **Clark announced next regular meeting date** as being **Monday, June 8, 2026 at the Historic Wise County Couthouse, which will feature the implementation of new live-streaming capabilities.**

19. Clark adjourned the meeting at **9:41 AM**, there being no further business to be had by the Court.

Minutes approved this 22 day of June, 2026, as printed.

J.D. Clark, County Judge, Wise County

John "Biff" Hayes, Commr. Pct. No. 1

Kevin Burns, Commr. Pct. No. 2

Danny Lambert, Commr. Pct. No. 3

Colby Shawn, Commr. Pct. No. 4

ATTEST:

Blanca Tuma, County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of Commissioners' Court, Wise County, Texas.

COMMISSIONERS COURT COUNTY OF WISE, TX

The Wise County Commissioners' Court adopted revised Rules ***of Procedures, Conduct & Decorum at Meetings of Wise County Commissioners' Court*** on March 25, 2019.