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NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING ELLIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Ellis County Commissioners Court will be held on **Tuesday, May 12, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.** in the Commissioners' Courtroom (2nd floor) of the Historic Ellis County Courthouse, located at **101 W. Main Street, Waxahachie, Texas**. A quorum of the Court will be physically present. During this meeting time, the following will be discussed and considered:

OPENING COURT

The County Judge will call the meeting to order, declare quorum if present, and declare that notices have been legally posted, pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, Government Code Chapter 551.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – *County Commissioner Precinct 3, Louis Ponder*

PUBLIC COMMENT – Members of the public will have the opportunity to make their comments at the time the agenda item is being addressed.

CONSENT AGENDA – Consideration and action:

Proclamations, Recognitions, and Resolutions:

- R.1 Resolution by the Ellis County Commissioners Court to designate a portion of U.S. 287 as Ernest Tubb Memorial Highway. - *County Commissioner Precinct 3 Louis Ponder*
- R.2 Resolution by the Ellis County Commissioners Court supporting county authority over wind and solar energy development. - *County Commissioner Precinct 3 Louis Ponder*

Administrative Consent:

- A.1 Approval of regular bills, payroll, and officers' reports. – *County Treasurer Cheryl Chambers*

- A.2 Acceptance of the Commissioners Court regular meeting minutes from April 28, 2026. – *County Clerk Krystal Valdez*
- A.3 Acceptance of the 1st Quarter 2026 Ellis County Investment Report. – *County Treasurer Cheryl Chambers*
- A.4 Acceptance of the cash audit report for March 2026, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code §115.002. – *County Auditor Staci Parr*
- A.5 Acceptance of the cash audit report for April 2026, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code §115.002. – *County Auditor Staci Parr*
- A.6 Acceptance of a tabulated report of the county's receipts and disbursements of funds from April 16, 2026 through April 30, 2026, pursuant to Local Government Code §114.024. – *County Auditor Staci Parr*
- A.7 Acceptance of the Authorized Spending Reports for Constable Precincts 1, 2, 3, and 4 for the period of September 2025 through March 2026, pursuant to Local Government Code §154.044. – *County Auditor Staci Parr*
- A.8 Acceptance of the Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1 monthly report for April 2026, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code §114.044. – *Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 Judge Chris Macon*
- A.9 Acceptance of the Justice of the Peace, Precinct 2 monthly report for April 2026, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code §114.044. – *Justice of the Peace Precinct 2 Judge Jackie Miller, Jr.*
- A.10 Acceptance of the Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3 monthly report for April 2026, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code §114.044. – *Justice of the Peace Precinct 3 Judge Dan Cox*
- A.11 Acceptance of the Justice of the Peace, Precinct 4 monthly report for April 2026, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code §114.044. – *Justice of the Peace Precinct 4 Judge James 'Butch' Bryant*
- A.12 Acceptance of the Constable, Precinct 2 monthly report for April 2026, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code §114.044. – *Constable Precinct 2 Casey Borders*
- A.13 Acceptance of the Certification of the Ellis County Juvenile Services Detention Facility – *Chief of Juvenile Services Chelsea Smith*
- A.14 Approval for the County Judge to execute the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Solicitation No. W9126G26QA048 for the requirement of law enforcement services for the project, Contract for Increased Law Enforcement for Bardwell Lake lying within Ellis County, FY 2026, on behalf of the Ellis County Sheriff's Office. – *Ellis County Sheriff Brad Normam*

- A.15 Approval to purchase a Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) Network Switch from Safari Micro, Inc. using the TIPS Cooperative Contract Number 240101 in the amount of \$129,796.60. – *Purchasing Director E.J. Harbin*
- A.16 Acceptance of an interlocal cooperation contract between the County of Ellis and the City of Ferris for maintenance, repair, and/or construction of streets, roads, alleys, bridges, parking areas, waterways, and ditches, etc. for a term agreement of one year, pursuant to Texas Government Code §791. – *County Commissioner Precinct 1 Randy Stinson*
- A.17 Approval of a work order under interlocal agreement between Ellis County and the City of Pecan Hill MO #162.26 for the resurfacing (2-course chip seal) of Lowrance Street, Rockett Lane, and Prichett, not to exceed \$ 191,766.52. – *County Commissioner Precinct 1 Randy Stinson*
- A.18 Approval of a work order under interlocal agreement between Ellis County and the City of Alma for the trimming of trees on a portion of Toth Road, not to exceed \$2,000. – *County Commissioner Precinct 2 Lane Grayson*
- A.19 Acceptance of update to FY2027 Budget Planning Calendar workshop dates. – *Ellis County Judge John Wray*
- A.20 Approval of a final plat of Hardage Haven, Lot 1. The ± 6.00-acre site is located ± 1,000 feet southeast of the intersection of the North I-45 service road and Hampel Road, in the extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ) of the City of Palmer, Road and Bridge Precinct No. 1. – *Department of Development Director Alberto Mares*
- A.21 Approval of a final plat of Jurik Estates, Lot 1, Block A. The ± 2.750-acre site is located ± 1,530 feet west of the intersection of Cottonwood Road and Ebenezer Road, in the extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ) of the City of Ennis, Road and Bridge Precinct No. 1. – *Department of Development Director Alberto Mares*
- A.22 Approval of a final plat of Kelsey Addition, Lot 1, Block A. The ± 5.00-acre site is located ± 1,680 feet northeast of the intersection of Dunkerley Road and N. Cooke Road, located in the extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ) of the City of Ennis, Road and Bridge Precinct No. 2. – *Department of Development Director Alberto Mares*
- A.23 Approval of a final plat of Padron Addition, Lot 1, Block A. The ± 3.370-acre site is located at the intersection of Colvin Road and Sandwitch Road, Ennis, Road and Bridge Precinct No. 2. – *Department of Development Director Alberto Mares*
- A.24 Approval of a final plat of Tomas Tees Addition, Lot 1, Block A. The ± 1.692-acre site is located ± 2,130 feet southwest of the intersection of Tees Road and Gillespie Road, Italy, Road and Bridge Precinct No. 2. – *Department of Development Director Alberto Mares*

- A.25 Approval of a preliminary plat of Sadie Acres, Lots 1 – 8, Block A. The ± 40.00-acre site is located ± 2,835 feet northwest of the intersection of Gin Road and Walker Creek Road, Ennis, Road and Bridge Precinct No. 2. – *Department of Development Director Alberto Mares*
- A.26 Approval of a final plat of Dallas Demolition Co. II, Lot 1, Block A. The ± 5.00-acre site is located ± 645 feet east of the intersection of FM 55 and S US Hwy 77, Waxahachie, Road and Bridge Precinct No. 3. – *Department of Development Director Alberto Mares*
- A.27 Approval of a final plat of Leewayne Addition, Lots 1-3, Block A. The ± 10.071-acre site is located ± 2,210 feet west of the intersection of FM 1446 and Compton Drive, Waxahachie, Road and Bridge Precinct No. 3. – *Department of Development Director Alberto Mares*
- A.28 Approval of a preliminary plat of Legacy MG Estates, Lots 1-10, Block A. The ± 21.849-acre site is located at the northeast corner of FM 66 and Weakley Branch Road, Maypearl, Road and Bridge Precinct No. 3. – *Department of Development Director Alberto Mares*
- A.29 Approval of a final plat of Styles Addition, Phase 1, Lots 1-4, Block A. The ± 8.682-acre site is located ± 3,325 feet south of the intersection of White Rock Road and Dianna Lynn Road, Italy, Road and Bridge Precinct No. 3 – *Department of Development Director Alberto Mares*
- A.30 Approval of a final plat of UMBC Addition, Lots 1 & 2, Block 1. The ± 10.06-acre site is located ± 575 feet northeast of the intersection of Derrs Chapel Road and John Davis Road, in the extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ) of Italy, Road and Bridge Precinct No. 3. – *Department of Development Director Alberto Mares*
- A.31 Approval of a final plat of Cielo Estates, Lot 1 and Lot 2, Block A. The ± 10.068-acre site is located ± 465 feet southwest of the intersection of FM 875 and Florence Road, in the extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ) of Midlothian, Road and Bridge Precinct No. 4. – *Department of Development Director Alberto Mares*
- A.32 Approval of a final plat of Nancy Lane Addition. The ± 4.196-acre site is located ± 880 feet west of the intersection of Nancy Lane and Joe Wilson Road, in the extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ) of Midlothian, Road and Bridge Precinct No. 4. – *Department of Development Director Alberto Mares*
- A.33 Approval of a final plat of Scott Addition, Lot 1, Block A. The ± 2.184-acre site is located ± 870 feet west of the intersection of FM 1387 and FM 664, in the extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ) of the City of Midlothian, Road and Bridge Precinct No. 4. – *Department of Development Director Alberto Mares*

Financial Consent:

- F.1 FY26 Line-Item Transfer. – *Fire Marshal Tim Birdwell*
- Decrease 001-0450-508020 Equipment by \$300.00
 - Increase 001-0450-508100 Auto Tires by \$300.00
- F.2 FY26 Line-Item Transfer. – *Fire Marshal Tim Birdwell*
- Decrease 001-0450-508120 Radio by \$3,000.00
 - Increase 001-0450-508010 Supplies by \$3,000.00
- F.3 FY26 Line-Item Transfer. – *Constable Precinct 4 Mark Bounds*
- Decrease 001-0614-508010 Supplies by \$250.00
 - Increase 001-0614-508070 Operating Expenditures by \$250.00
- F.4 FY26 Line-Item Transfer. – *County Sheriff Brad Norman*
- Decrease 001-0015-505020 Salaries by \$400,000.00
 - Increase 001-0015-505022 Overtime by \$400,000.00
- F.5 FY26 Line-Item Transfer. – *County Sheriff Brad Norman*
- Decrease 001-0010-505020 Salaries by \$200,000.00
 - Increase 001-0010-505022 Overtime by \$200,000.00
- F.6 Acceptance of miscellaneous reimbursements by County Sheriff Brad Norman in the amount of \$985.63 as unanticipated revenue:
- Increase 001-0010-508090 Auto Repair by \$985.63
- Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code §111.0108, unanticipated revenue certified by County Auditor. – *County Auditor Staci Parr*
- F.7 Acceptance of funds collected for Estray Animals by County Sheriff Brad Norman in the amount of \$105.00 as unanticipated revenue:
- Increase 001-0010-508700 Estray by \$105.00
- Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code §111.0108, unanticipated revenue certified by County Auditor. – *County Auditor Staci Parr*
- F.8 Acceptance of miscellaneous reimbursements by County Sheriff Brad Norman in the amount of \$2,067.50 as unanticipated revenue:
- Increase 001-0010-506970 Special Investigations by \$2,067.50
- Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code §111.0108, unanticipated revenue certified by County Auditor. – *County Auditor Staci Parr*
- F.9 Acceptance of miscellaneous reimbursements by County Sheriff Brad Norman in the amount of \$826.00 as unanticipated revenue:
- Increase 001-0010-506970 Special Investigations by \$826.00
- Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code §111.0108, unanticipated revenue certified by County Auditor. – *County Auditor Staci Parr*

REGULAR AGENDA – Discussion, Consideration, and Action

Department of Development:

Director Alberto Mares

- 1.1 Discussion, consideration, and action to release maintenance bond and not to accept the maintenance of roads, drainage, or other related infrastructure for public maintenance in Ferris Ranch, Phase 2, Ferris, Road & Bridge Precinct No. 1.
- 1.2 Discussion, consideration, and action to release maintenance bond and not to accept the maintenance of roads, drainage, or other related infrastructure for public maintenance in Eyrie Meadows, Waxahachie, Road & Bridge Precinct No. 3.

Administrative:

- 3.1 Introduction of new Agriculture and Natural Resource Agent, Samuel Adams. – *Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Agent Sidney Atchley*
- 3.2 Discussion, consideration, and action of a resolution for accepting additional funds from the 2025 Help America Vote Act (HAVA) Election Security Sub-Grant to Texas Counties for the total amount of \$275,000 with a county required matching funds of \$55,000. – *Elections Administrator Jana Onyon*
- 3.3 Discussion, consideration, and action to nominate the appointment of Randy Stinson, County Commissioner Precinct 1, for a 2-year term beginning July 2026 and ending July 2028 to the Regional Transportation Council Board with Kaufman County Judge Jakie Allen as the Alternate. – *Ellis County Judge John Wray*

MOTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Commissioners Court of Ellis County reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed in this agenda, in the order deemed appropriate, as authorized by Texas Government Code Chapter 551, to seek the advice of its attorney and/or other attorneys representing Ellis County on any matter in which the duty of the attorney to the Commissioners Court under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with Texas Government Code Chapter 551, or as otherwise may be permitted under Chapter 551.

- 4.1 Pursuant to Texas Government Code §551.071 (1), consultation with legal counsel, Bickerstaff Heath Delgado Acosta, LLP., via remote conference, regarding pending or contemplated litigation concerning TCEQ matters, specifically pending Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination Systems permits (TPDES), and pending petitions for the creation of Municipal Utility Districts (MUD's).

ADJOURNMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR MEETING

Signed the 6th day of May 2026 –



John Wray, Ellis County Judge

I, the undersigned, County Clerk Ellis County, do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the Ellis County Commissioners Court is a true and correct copy of said Notice, that I received said Notice, and it was posted at the doors of the Ellis County Courthouse, a place readily accessible to the general public at all times on the 6th of May, 2026 at 3:23 a.m./p.m.



Krystal Valdez, County Clerk