

**L. W. "Nubbin" Cooper Jr.**  
County Commissioner, Precinct 1

**Amanda Young**  
County Commissioner, Precinct 3

**Chris Kirkendall**  
County Commissioner, Precinct 2

**Ernie Koch**  
County Commissioner, Precinct 4



**Wayne McDaniel**  
County Judge

**COMMISSIONERS COURT OF HARDIN COUNTY, TEXAS**  
**HARDIN COUNTY COURTHOUSE ▪ COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM (A-131)**

**NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING AND AGENDA**  
**TUESDAY | MARCH 24, 2026 | 10:00 A.M.**

Any attendee of this Open Meeting may be permitted to comment on an Agenda Item for a period of three (3) minutes by raising their hand and being recognized by the Presiding Member prior to the Court acting on any item. Anyone who addresses Commissioners Court must do so from the podium.

**AGENDA AND MINUTES**

**BE IT REMEMBERED THAT ON MARCH 24, 2026, THERE WAS BEGUN AND HOLDEN A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF HARDIN COUNTY, THE SUBJECT OF SAID MEETING WILL BE THE FOLLOWING:**

**HONORABLE WAYNE MCDANIEL**  
**HONORABLE L.W. COOPER, JR.**  
**HONORABLE CHRIS KIRKENDALL**  
**HONORABLE AMANDA YOUNG**  
**HONORABLE ERNIE KOCH**  
**HONORABLE CONNIE BECTON**

**HARDIN COUNTY JUDGE**  
**COMMISSIONER PCT. 1**  
**COMMISSIONER PCT. 2**  
**COMMISSIONER PCT. 3**  
**COMMISSIONER PCT. 4**  
**HARDIN COUNTY CLERK**

**WHEN THE FOLLOWING PROCEEDINGS WERE HAD AND ORDERS MADE TO-WIT; IN ADDITION TO THE ROUTINE BUSINESS OF THE COUNTY, THE SUBJECT OF SAID MEETING WILL BE THE FOLLOWING:**

- 1) Establish Quorum and Call Meeting to Order | Hon. Wayne McDaniel
- 2) Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance | Hon. Chris Kirkendall

- 3) Consider and possibly approve the March 10, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented by Hon. Connie Becton, County Clerk.  
**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER YOUNG**  
**SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER KOCH**  
**IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.**  
**ACTION: APPROVED AS PRESENTED**
  
- 4) Consider approval of request to cancel all Registered Claims from March 10, 2026; accept the Quarterly Report for 4<sup>th</sup> quarter, 2025, and Approval of Cash Statement as presented by Hon. Deborah McWilliams, County Treasurer. **(SEE ATTACHED)**  
**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL**  
**SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER COOPER**  
**IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.**  
**ACTION: APPROVED AS PRESENTED**
  
- 5) Authorization to pay County bills as presented by Mrs. Candice McKinney, County Auditor. **(SEE ATTACHED)**  
**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER KOCH**  
**SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER YOUNG**  
**IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.**  
**ACTION: APPROVED AS PRESENTED**
  
- 6) Special Recognition of the Hardin County Area Go Texan Committee for the honors they earned at the 2026 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, and for their support to youth education, agricultural youth programs, and promoting Texas heritage in Hardin County. **(SEE ATTACHED)**
  
- 7) Recognize Sandra Roberts for 12 years of dedicated service to the citizens of Hardin County as Corrections Officer in the Sheriff's Office, and wishing her well in her retirement. **(SEE ATTACHED)**
  
- 8) Presentation by Mr. Jimmy McKim, Chairman, Historical Commission, of Hardin County Historical Commission annual report for Fiscal Year 2025. **(SEE ATTACHED)**  
**PRESENTATION ONLY**

- 9) Consider and possibly authorize the purchase of approximately 6.89 acres of land from Journey Community Church in the amount of \$400,000.00 for the El Pinto–Fletcher Channel and Detention Improvements project (Texas GLO Contract CDBG-MIT E596), and authorize the County Judge to execute all necessary documents to complete the transaction; and further authorize payment in the amount of \$400,000.00 plus appropriate closing costs to be paid out of the General Fund Balance to Hooks Title & Abstract Company. All funds paid out for this land purchase will be reimbursed by the Texas General Land Office pursuant to our agreement. **(SEE ATTACHED)**

**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL**

**SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER YOUNG**

**IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.**

**ACTION: APPROVED**

- 10) Consider approval of request by Hon. Rebecca Walton, District Attorney, to amend the FY26 budget to cover partial fringes for the grant funded Victim Coordinator position in the District Attorney’s Office as follows: **(SEE ATTACHED)**

FROM	010-476-426 Travel and Training Expense	\$2,507.00
TO	010-700-902 Transfer to Victim Assistant Coordinator Grant (F902)	\$2,507.00

\*Create New Line Item

**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL**

**SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER KOCH**

**IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.**

**ACTION: APPROVED**

- 11) Consider approval of request by Hon. Amanda Young, County Commissioner, to authorize the Purchasing Agent to sell a 2010 Ford F150 (VIN...1099) and other miscellaneous items from the R&B 3 Department, utilizing Rene’ Bates Auctioneers, Inc. (ReneBates.com). **(SEE ATTACHED)**

**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER COOPER**

**SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER KOCH**

**IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.**

**ACTION: APPROVED**

- 12) Consider approval of request by Hon. Ernie Koch, County Commissioner, for the Purchasing Agent to solicit bids for the GLO CDBG-MIT-MOD Woodcrest Roadside Ditch Improvements Project, GLO Contract No. 24-065-065-E596, located in Precinct 4. **(SEE ATTACHED)**

**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL**

**SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER COOPER**

**IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.**

**ACTION: APPROVED**

13) Consider approval of request by Mrs. Misty Sims, Purchasing Agent, to authorize County Judge to execute Change Order No. 4 with N&T Construction related to the Hurricane Safe Room. **(SEE ATTACHED)**

**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER COOPER**  
**SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER YOUNG**  
**IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.**  
**ACTION: APPROVED**

14) Consider approval of request by Hon. Steve Smith, Tax Assessor-Collector, to give a 30-day notice to cancel contract with Merchant MultiService, LLC dba Gov-Pay; and authorize the County Judge to execute Service Provider Agreement for Credit Card and Echeck Processing for Government Entities between Hardin County Tax Office and Govolution, LLC ("Deluxe"). **(SEE ATTACHED)**

**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL**  
**SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER YOUNG**  
**IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.**  
**ACTION: APPROVED**

15) Consider approval of request to amend the FY26 Courthouse Café Budget to account for interest revenue as follows: **(SEE ATTACHED)**

FROM	080-374-000 Sales	\$200.00	
TO	080-360-100 Interest Revenue	\$200.00	*Create New Line Item

**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL**  
**SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER YOUNG**  
**IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.**  
**ACTION: APPROVED**

16) Consider approval of request from Hon. Mark Davis, Sheriff to amend the FY26 Budget by transferring \$59,051.00 from '010-401-800 General Fund-Contingency' to '010-561-570 Jail Equipment'. This amount represents the remaining balance owed for upgrades and repairs to the jail door system, originally approved in FY25 but not completed before year end. If approved, authorization is also requested to remit payment of Invoice #4983 to Sydaptic, Inc. in the amount of \$119,156.00. **(SEE ATTACHED)**

**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER KOCH**  
**SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL**  
**IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.**  
**ACTION: APPROVED**

17) Consider and possibly authorize the following budget **amendment** to facilitate payment for repairs to the R&B 1 Department office building in the amount of \$33,389.00. Repairs include, but are not limited to: Replacement of vinyl siding, trim, fascia, gutters, shutters, and a window. **(SEE ATTACHED)**

FROM	010-401-800 Contingency - General	\$33,389.00	
TO	010-700-017 Transfers to Road & Bridge	\$33,389.00	*Create New Line Item
INCREASE REVENUE	017-390-010 Transfers from General Fund	\$33,389.00	*Create New Line Item
INCREASE EXPENDITURE	017-621-450 Building Maint/Repairs	\$33,389.00	

**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL**  
**SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER KOCH**  
**IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.**  
**ACTION: APPROVED**

18) Consider approval of an **Order Authorizing San Jacinto Day Fireworks Sales** beginning April 16, 2026 and ending at midnight April 21, 2026. **(SEE ATTACHED)**

**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL**  
**SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER COOPER**  
**IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.**  
**ACTION: TABLED UNTIL MARCH 31, 2026 @ 10:00 A.M.**

19) Consider and possibly authorize **request** to transfer \$1,079,509.00 from General Fund to the Hurricane Safe Room grant project to cover construction costs already incurred by N&T Construction. Due to the ongoing federal government shutdown, FEMA and TDEM reimbursements are experiencing additional delays, and there is currently no clear timeline for payment. If approved, amend the FY26 Budget and authorize payment of Pay App #3 through #6 to N&T Construction in the amount of \$1,085,201.82: **(SEE ATTACHED)**

FROM	General Fund Balance	\$1,079,509.00
TO	010-700-439 Transfers to Hurricane Safe Rm F439	\$1,079,509.00

**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER YOUNG**  
**SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER KOCH**  
**IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.**  
**ACTION: APPROVED**

20) Discussion on any other non-agenda item without taking action including announcements which may be of interest to the public.

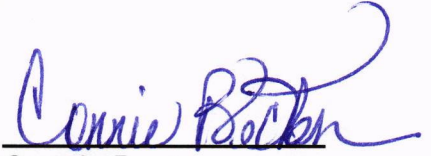
21) Adjourn.  
**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL**  
**SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER YOUNG**  
**IN FAVOR: JUDGE MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER KIRKENDALL, COMMISSIONER COOPER, COMMISSIONER YOUNG AND COMMISSIONER KOCH.**  
**ACTION: APPROVED**

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,



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Wayne McDaniel  
**HARDIN COUNTY JUDGE**



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Connie Becton  
**HARDIN COUNTY CLERK**