

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF TERRELL

IN COMMISSIONERS' COURT
REGULAR SESSION

COMMISSIONERS' COURT MINUTES, REGULAR SESSION, JUNE 8TH, 2026

The Terrell County Commissioners' Court convened in regular session on Monday, June 8th, 2026, at 9:00 o'clock a.m. in the commissioners' courtroom of the Terrell County courthouse in the city of Sanderson, Texas, the regular meeting place thereof. Notices of this regular session were timely posted at a place readily accessible to the general public at all times and remained posted for at least three business days preceding this meeting. Notice of this meeting was also published on the County's webpage.

The meeting was called to order by the Presiding Officer, **The Hon. Dale Carruthers, County Judge**, with the following members of this Court attending:

The Hon. Adam Johnson	Commissioner Pct. 1
The Hon. Lupe Garza	Commissioner Pct. 2
The Hon. Ele Hagelstein	Commissioner Pct. 3
The Hon. Gene Chavez	Commissioner Pct. 4.
Mr. Kenneth D. Bellah	County Attorney

Commissioner Garza gave the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and Pledge to the Texas Flag.

Public Comments - During the Public Comments portion of the meeting, Commissioner Johnson spoke on behalf of Mrs. Chavez regarding the Summer Meals Program for school-age children. He advised that free summer meals will be available to children ages 4 through 18 on Legion Street beginning July 8th, 2026, every Wednesday through July 29th, 2026 from 2-3 pm. During the discussion, Ms. Rosemary Fuentes suggested relocating the meal distribution site to the 4-H Cottage. She explained that the location would provide easier and safer access for children who walk or ride bicycles, as it would eliminate the need for them to cross or travel along the highway. The matter was discussed for consideration.

Minutes - A motion was made by Commissioner Johnson to approve the minutes of the regular session held on May 11th, 2026, the public hearing held on May 11th, 2026, and the special session held on May 29th, 2026. Commissioner Chavez seconded, and the MOTION CARRIED. IT IS ORDERED THAT THESE MINUTES STAND APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

Fourth of July Fireworks - Commissioner Johnson made a motion to adopt the Order Prohibiting Certain Fireworks in Unincorporated Areas of Terrell County, Texas, prohibiting the sale and use of restricted fireworks in the unincorporated areas of Terrell County for the Fourth of July holiday period, effective from 12:00 a.m. on June 24, 2026, through July 4, 2026. Commissioner Chavez seconded. Upon calling for a vote, all members answered "aye." MOTION CARRIED. IT IS SO ORDERED BY THE COURT TO ADOPT THE ABOVE-MENTIONED ORDER PROHIBITING CERTAIN FIREWORKS IN TERRELL COUNTY.

Blue Cross Blue Shield Health Insurance Renewal - Discussion regarding the Terrell County Employee Blue Cross Blue Shield health insurance renewal was temporarily tabled until later in the meeting due to the absence of County Treasurer Mrs. Blaylock. The Court requested

additional information regarding the proposed premium increase and available plan options before taking action.

- At 9:25 a.m., the Court returned to the agenda item after receiving the requested information from Assistant Treasurer Ms. Garza. The Court was advised that the proposed renewal reflected a 7% premium increase. After reviewing the available options, Commissioner Johnson made a motion to approve Option 1 – Plan 1200-NG with Prescription Plan RX-5A-NG, effective October 1, 2026. Commissioner Chavez seconded. Upon calling for a vote, all members answered “aye.” MOTION CARRIED. IT IS SO ORDERED BY THE COURT TO APPROVE THE BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OPTION 1 PROPOSAL PLAN FOR TERRELL COUNTY EMPLOYEES.

The Blue Cross Blue Shield Plan Proposal, including the approved rates, is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

AC Repairs - Commissioner Johnson made a motion to pay Kevin Kinder the amount of \$500.00 for the AC repairs on all of the county buildings. Commissioner Garza seconded. Upon calling for a vote, all members answered “aye.” MOTION CARRIED. IT IS SO ORDERED BY THE COURT TO PAY KEVIN KINDER \$500 FOR AC REPAIRS TO COUNTY BUILDINGS.

Kerr Street Closure - Commissioner Johnson stated that he did not see the functionality, purpose, or necessity of the item. The matter was then presented for a vote. Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Garza, Commissioner Hagelstein, and Commissioner Chavez each voted Nay. Judge Carruthers abstained from voting. The motion FAILED.

Bills - A motion was made by Commissioner Johnson to pay and ratify the list of bills, as well as the other bills presented. Commissioner Garza seconded. Upon calling for a vote, all members answered “aye.” MOTION CARRIED. IT IS SO ORDERED BY THE COURT TO PAY AND RATIFY THE LIST OF BILLS AND OTHER BILLS PRESENTED HEREIN.

Authorizing Treasurer - A motion was made by Commissioner Johnson to authorize the Treasurer’s office to pay: payroll, and utility bills not yet received from previous months: Rio Grande Electric; Lone Star Copiers; US Bank (for credit card); Desert Treads, and TCEQ. Commissioner Chavez seconded. Upon calling for a vote, all members answered “aye.” MOTION CARRIED. IT IS SO ORDERED BY THE COURT TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY TREASURER’S OFFICE TO PAY PAYROLL AND THE UTILITY BILLS HEREIN LISTED NOT YET RECEIVED FROM PREVIOUS MONTHS.

Amendments and Transfers in Budget - NO ACTION.

Monthly Reports - Commissioner Johnson motioned to approve the following monthly reports. Commissioner Garza seconded the motion. Upon calling for a vote, all members voted “aye.” MOTION CARRIED. IT IS SO ORDERED BY THE COURT THAT THE FOLLOWING MONTHLY REPORTS BE APPROVED.

Sheriff’s Department	Verbal - Rosamaria Fuentes
Animal Control	Verbal - Rosamaria Fuentes
Friends of the Shelter	Verbal - Mark Nashford
Treasurer’s Investment Report and monthly report	May
Justices of the Peace	May
County & District Clerk-	May
EMS	Verbal - Judge Carruthers
Road & Bridge Superintendent	May
Senior Citizens Transportation	May
AgriLife Extension	Verbal - Judge Carruthers

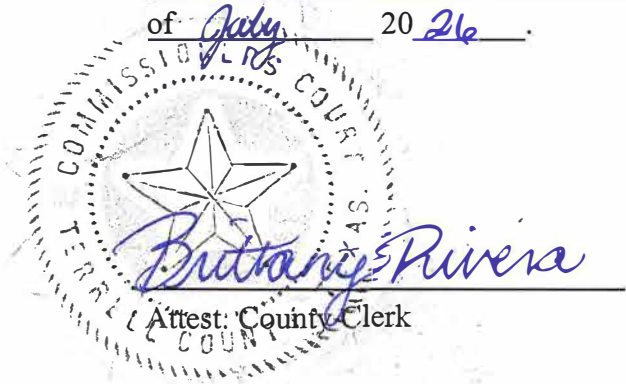
Museum & Historical Commission	No Report
Terrell County Library	May
Visitor Center	Verbal - Judge Carruthers
Sanitation	May
Clinic Report	No Report
Volunteer Fire Department	No Report
Airport Report	No report
Food Pantry	May

THERE BEING NO OTHER ORDER OF BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COURT AT THIS TIME, COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ MADE THE MOTION TO ADJOURN THIS MEETING, AND COMMISSIONER GARZA SECONDED. THIS REGULAR SESSION NOW STANDS ADJOURNED AT 9:56 A.M.

Brittany Rivera
Brittany Rivera, County Clerk and Ex officio Clerk
Terrell County Commissioners' Court

ORDER APPROVING MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION

The above and foregoing minutes of the regular session held on the 8th day of June, 2026, have been read and examined, and the same are hereby approved (~~as amended this~~ day of July 20 26) as presented IN OPEN COURT this 13th day



Dale Carruthers
Presiding Officer