



MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT

Minutes

Monday, August 17, 2026 at 8:45 am

A **Regular Meeting** of the above named Commissioners Court will be held on the above day and time in the Commissioners Courtroom or District Courtroom (as space permits), County Courthouse, Mason, Texas.

The following items are up for **discussion** and **possible action**:

1. Accounts Payable

Minutes:

A motion was made to pay bills and settle accounts. a. Comm. Dave Underwood b. Comm. Reggie Loeffler Motion Carried.

2. Minutes

Minutes:

Minutes for July 27, 2026 and August 3, 2026 stand as presented by the Clerk.

3. Public Comments

Minutes:

None.

4. Approve Application for Use of Mason County Courthouse Grounds for 'Meet the Punchers' on August 21, 2026

Minutes:

A motion was made to approve the application for use of the Mason County Courthouse Grounds for 'Meet the Punchers' on August 21, 2026. a. Comm. Dave Underwood b. Comm. Fred Estes Motion Carried.
County Judge Sheree Hardin announced she will Abstain from voting on all agenda items unless otherwise necessary.

5. Approval to Purchase and Install Window Blinds for the HCCAA Office in the Historical Building

Minutes:

A motion was made to purchase and install window blinds for the HCCAA Office in the Historical Building in the amount of \$2,453.26. a. Comm. Reggie Loeffler b. Comm. Buddy Schuessler Motion Carried.

6. Consider and Take Appropriate Action on RDO Equipment Co. Investment Proposal (Quote) or Rental Purchase Conversion for 2026 John Deere 60P for Road & Bridge Department

Minutes:

A motion was made to table the agenda item for a future meeting. a. Comm. Fred Estes b. Comm. Buddy Schuessler Motion Carried.

7. Approval to Amend Fund 3204 Senate Bill 22 - County Attorney to Include 4001 Full Time Line Item

Minutes:

A motion was made to Amend Fund 3204 Senate Bill 22 – County Attorney to include 4001 Full-Time Line Item. a. Comm. Fred Estes b. Comm. Reggie Loeffler Motion Carried.

8. Approve Full-Time Administrative Assistant Job Description for County Attorney's Office

Minutes:

A motion was made to approve Full-Time Administrative Assistant/Indigent Healthcare Coordinator job description for County Attorney's Office. a. Comm. Reggie Loeffler b. Comm. Buddy Schuessler Motion Carried.

9. Approve 'Order of Election' for the November 2026 General Election

Minutes:

A motion was made to approve the 'Order of Election' for the November 2026 General Election as presented. a. Comm. Dave Underwood b. Comm. Reggie Loeffler Motion Carried. Recorded in Commissioner's Court Minutes Vol. 24, pages 337-338.

10. Receive and Accept Resignation Letter from County Judge Sheree Hardin Effective August 17, 2026

Minutes:

A motion was made to receive and accept resignation letter from County Judge Sheree Hardin effective August 17, 2026. a. Comm. Reggie Loeffler b. Comm. Buddy Schuessler Motion Carried. Recorded in Commissioner's Court Minutes Vol. 24 page 339.

11. Appointment of New Mason County Judge to Serve the Unexpired Term of Office from August 17, 2026 through December 31, 2026

Minutes:

A motion was made to appoint the new Mason County Judge Shannon Worrell to serve the Unexpired Term of Office from August 17, 2026 through December 31, 2026. a. Comm. Dave Underwood b. Comm. Fred Estes Motion Carried. Recorded in Commissioner's Court Minutes Vol. 24, pages 340-342.

12. Approve Bond from Merchants Bonding Company for Newly Appointed Mason County Judge

Minutes:

A motion was made to approve bond from Merchants Bonding Company for newly appointed Mason County Judge in the amount of \$500,000.00.

a. Comm. Fred Estes b. Comm. Buddy Schuessler Motion Carried.

13. Approval to Waive 60 Day Waiting Period on Health Benefits for Newly Appointed Mason County Judge

Minutes:

A motion was made to waive 60 day waiting period on Health Benefits for newly appointed Mason County Judge Shannon Worrell. a. Comm. Reggie Loeffler b. Comm. Buddy Schuessler Motion Carried.

14. 90 Day Burn Ban

Minutes:

A motion was made to Instate a 90 day Burn Ban effective August 17, 2026 set to expire November 15, 2026. a. Comm. Reggie Loeffler b. Comm. Buddy Schuessler Motion Carried. Recorded in Commissioner's Court Minutes Vol. 24, pages 343-344.

15. Judge's and Commissioners' Reports - Items of Community Interest

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i. MBE Library roof repair scheduled to start the final week of September. ii. Discussion regarding the possibility of Mason County leasing the Richard P. Eckert Civic Center Building for future use. iii. Comm. Schuessler discussed FEMA update; Judge Sheree Hardin verbalized funds have not yet been received.

Request for Executive Session following Agenda Item #16.

Carol Cunningham presented a memento to County Judge Sheree Hardin on behalf of Congressman Pfluger as a 'Thank You' for her many years of service to Mason County.

16. Conduct Oath of Office/Swearing In Ceremony for Newly Appointed Mason County Judge

Minutes:

Conducted by JP Judge Hudson - Congratulations and Welcome newly appointed Mason County Judge Shannon Worrell.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – SECTION 551.071 CONSULTATIONS WITH ATTORNEY:

Open: 9:56 a.m. **Close:** 10:45 a.m.

17. Adjourn

Minutes:

A motion was made at 10:50 a.m. a. Comm. Buddy Schuessler b. Comm. Dave Underwood Motion Carried.

Dated this 11 day of August, 2026.

Commissioners Court of Mason County, Texas

By _____

I, the above signed, County Judge, do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the above named Commissioners Court, is a true and correct copy of said Notice, and that I posted a true and correct copy of said Notice on the bulletin board at the Courthouse of Mason County, Texas, at a place readily accessible to the general public at all times on the 11 day of August, 2026 said Notice remained so posted continuously for at least three business days preceding the scheduled time of said Meeting.

Pursuant to the authority granted under Government Code, Chapter 551.101, the Commissioners Court may conduct a closed session if a quorum of the governmental body first convenes in an open meeting for which notice has been given as provided by this chapter and during which the presiding officer publicly announces that a closed meeting will be held and identifies the section or sections of this chapter under which the closed meeting is held.

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