**COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES**

YOUNG COUNTY, TEXAS

**Notice is hereby given that a regular meeting of the Young County Commissioners Court will be held on Monday—February 24th, at 9:30 a.m. in the courtroom of the Young County Court, Young County Courthouse, 516 Fourth Street, Room 106, Graham, Texas, for the purpose of discussing and taking any necessary action on the below identified matters.**

**Agenda Topics**

**ITEM NO. 1. Call to order - All stand if convenient.**

 **THEN,** County Judge Edwin “Win” S Graham IV called the meeting to order and noted that all Commissioners were present and that the meeting had been posted in the manner and for the time required. Commissioner’s Court was streaming and will be available on YouTube.

**ITEM NO 2.** **Invocation was given by Judge Edwin “Win” S Graham IV**, **followed by the U.S. Pledge and Texas Pledge (Honor the Texas Flag, I Pledge Allegiance to thee, Texas, One State Under God, One and Indivisible).**

**ITEM NO 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND PRESENTATIONS**

**NO ACTION ITEM(S).**

* **Public Comments, Announcements, and Presentations Policy**
Public comments, announcements, and presentations will be limited to a maximum of five (5) minutes unless a member of the court requests additional time for the presenter. Any handout materials must be reproduced and provided by the presenter in advance. Presentation equipment or technology needs should be communicated before the meeting to ensure availability. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

 **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

* Some residents have expressed their concerns and opposition to Tapaderos Solar LLC's application for a tax abatement.
* Judge Edwin “Win” S Graham IV informed the residents that they will have the opportunity to voice all their concerns and ask questions directly to the solar farm developer later in the meeting.
* Receipt of Hotel Occupancy Tax (HOT) Report for $56.26 for December 2024 from The Old Homestead: EXHIBIT A
* Receipt of Hotel Occupancy Tax (HOT) Report for $5,095.00 for January 2025, from Wildcatter Ranch & Resort: EXHIBIT B
* Receipt of Hotel Occupancy Tax (HOT) Report for $16.05 for January 2025 from The Cabin at Salt Fork Ranch: Outlined in EXHIBIT C

**ITEM NO.** **4. Consider County Clerk Minutes from Previous Meeting, February 24th, 2025**

**NEXT,** Commissioner Jimmy Wiley made a motion to accept the Minutes of **February 24th, 2025,** as presented by Tina Gilliam, County Clerk; The Motion was seconded by Commissioner Stacy Creswell and carried and carried unanimously (5-0). **Exhibit D**

**ITEM NO. 5.** **Consider Treasurer’s Financial Report / Updates on Securities Pledged:** Kyle Milam presented the Treasurer’s Financial Report, including the acceptance of donations to the Young County Historical Commission for $10.00 and map sales for $20.00.

 **THEN** Commissioner Stacy Creswell made a motion to accept the report. Commissioner Scott Shook seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (5-0). **Exhibit E**

**ITEM NO.** **6.** **Consider Auditors Budget Amendments / Vouchers Payable.** Cheryl Roberts presented the Auditor’s Budget Amendments and Vouchers Payable.

**NEXT,** Commissioner Jimmy Wiley made a motion to approve the amendments and vouchers as presented. Commissioner Stacy Creswell seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously (5-0). **Exhibit F**

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**ITEM NO. 7. Discuss / Consider FY2023 Audit:** Mike Edgin of Edgin, Parkman, & Fleming presented the FY2023 Audit, Mike Edgin presented a very thorough report, which will be included in detail in the exhibit. Judge Graham added that due to unexpected changes in the County Treasurer's Office, we experienced a slight delay in completing our 2023 audit. Now that the 2023 audit is complete, we will move forward with our 2024 audit and expect to proceed quickly. The court asked many questions of Mr. Edgin regarding his report. **THEN,** Commissioner Jimmy Wiley made a motion to accept the Audit: Commissioner Stacy Creswell seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously (5-0). **Exhibit G**

**ITEM NO. 8. Discuss / Consider Tapaderos Solar, LLC Tax Abatement Application.** Robert Pena presented the application for a tax abatement regarding the proposed Tapaderos Solar, LLC solar farm. Several Young County residents voiced their concerns about the solar farm project. They expressed worries about vegetation, wildlife, and the potential depreciation of their land and home values due to proximity to the solar farm. Many questions remain unanswered, with hope, they will be addressed in the near future. **NEXT**, after discussion and public input, Commissioner Stacy Creswell made a motion to table the item for further review. Commissioner Allen Craig seconded the motion, and Judge Edwin “Win” S Graham IV abstained from voting due to a conflict of interest. The motion carried (4-0-1). **Exhibit H**

**ITEM NO. 9 – Discuss / Consider Amended Contracts for Sheriff’s Office Emergency Communication System.** Commissioner Jimmy Wiley presented the amended contracts for tower space related to the Sheriff’s Office emergency communication system. **THEN**, Commissioner Jimmy Wiley made a motion to approve the amended contracts. Commissioner Allen Craig seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (5-0).**Exhibit I**

**ITEM NO. 10 – Public Hearing for Mass Gathering Permit – Crawfish & Cannons Event**
At 10:00 a.m., the court opened a public hearing regarding the Mass Gathering Permit filed by Graham Convention and Visitors Bureau for the Crawfish & Cannons Event at Fort Belknap on April 12th, 2025, under Section 751 of the Health & Safety Code presented by Zach Balch.

* Use of Fort for the event
* Partial waiver of Fort Belknap Rules
* Mass Gathering Permit

No public objections were noted.

**THEN**, no public objections were noted, and Commissioner Stacy Creswell made a motion to approve the Mass Gathering Permit, use of the Fort, and partial waiver of rules. Commissioner Scott Shook seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. (5-0).**Exhibit J**

**\*BREAK – 11:20 AM**

**\*RESUMED - 11:30A.M**

**ITEM NO. 11 – Review Statement of Revenue & Expenses to Date** Cheryl Roberts presented the “Statement of Revenue and Expenses’ to date. Judge Edwin “Win” S Graham IV expressed concerns about exceeding the courthouse’s maintenance budget as both the chiller and boiler have required more maintenance this year. **Exhibit K** \***No Action Taken**

**ITEM NO. 12 – Accept Donation for Rocky Mound Road Asphalt.** Commissioner Stacy Creswell presented a donation of $1,800 from Layne & Mary Kramer for asphalt on Rocky Mound Road. **NEXT,** Commissioner Stacy Creswell made a motion to accept the donation. Commissioner Scott Shook seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (5-0). **Exhibit L**

**ITEM NO. 13 – Consider Application for Entry Culvert Installation on Gahagan Corner Road.** Commissioner Stacy Creswell presented the application for a permit to install an entry culvert on Gahagan Corner Road. **THEN** Commissioner Stacy Creswell made a motion to approve the application. Commissioner Scott Shook seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (5-0).**Exhibit M**

**ITEM NO. 14 – Discuss / Consider Interlocal Governmental Cooperation Contract**
Judge Win Graham presented the Interlocal Governmental Cooperation Contract with Nortex Regional Planning Commission for Local Hazard Mitigation Plans. **NEXT,** Commissioner Jimmy Wiley made a motion to approve the contract. Commissioner Stacy Creswell seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (5-0).**Exhibit N**

**ITEM NO. 15 – Consider Resolution #119 – FY2025 Local Hazard Mitigation Plans Program**. Judge Win Graham presented Resolution #119 for the FY2025 Local Hazard Mitigation Plans Program through the Texas General Land Office. **THEN**, Commissioner Jimmy Wiley made a motion to approve the resolution. Commissioner Stacy Creswell seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (5-0).**Exhibit O**

**ITEM NO. 16 – Discuss / Consider Burn Restrictions**
No action was taken on burn restrictions.

**ITEM NO. 17 – Adjourn / Recess**
There being no further business, Commissioner Stacy Creswell made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Scott Shook seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously (5-0).

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 Edwin “Win” S Graham IV

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Stacy Creswell, Commissioner Pct. #1 Alan Craig, Commissioner Pct. #3

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Scott Shook, Commissioner Pct. #2 Jimmy Wiley, Commissioner Pct. #4

 ATTESTED BY:

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 Tina Gilliam, County Clerk