

**NOTICE OF MEETING - COMMISSIONERS COURT**  
**RAINS COUNTY, TEXAS**

Notice is hereby given that a Regular meeting of the Rains County Commissioners Court will be held at 10:00am on May 14, 2026, in the Rains County Courthouse Courtroom. Commissioner's Court is open to the public. The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as follows:

**I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER, PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE & INVOCATION**

**II. PUBLIC TESTIMONY** – Citizens are invited to address the Commissioners Court on topics not already scheduled for a Public Hearing. Speakers are limited to 5 minutes and should conduct themselves in a civil manner. The Commissioners Court cannot take action on items not listed on the agenda in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act. Concerns may be addressed by County Staff, and may be placed on a future agenda or addressed by some other course of response.

**III. PRESENTATIONS**

**IV. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. CONSENT CALENDAR** – All items listed are considered to be routine by the Commissioner's Court and will be enacted by one motion.

1. Departmental Reports
  - a. Road and Bridge
  - b. Environmental Enforcement and Emergency Management
  - c. Veteran's Services
  - d. AgriLife Extension
  - e. Indigent Healthcare
  - f. Public Library
  - g. Grant Development
2. Financial Reports
  - a. Approval of accounts payable.
  - b. Approval of line-item transfers.
  - c. Approval of budget amendments.

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- d. Approval of payroll and personnel.
- e. Approval of Financial Reports
- 3. Sheriff's Monthly Report
- 4. District Clerk's Monthly Report
- 5. County Clerk's Monthly Report
- 6. Justice of the Peace Monthly Report
- 7. Constables' Monthly Report

**B. ACTION ITEMS** – Discuss and possibly take action on the following:

- 1. Discuss/Take action on East Texas Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Donation of \$1,000.00 – Diana Wolfe
- 2. Discuss/Take action on appointing Diana Wolfe to the Andrews Center Advisory Board – Judge Brent D. Hilliard
- 3. Discuss/Take action on appointing a nomination on Texas Association of Counties Health and Employee Benefits Pool Board of Directors – Judge Brent D. Hilliard
- 4. Discuss/Take Action paying overtime pay vs comp time for Rains County Employees – Commissioner Jeremy Cook
- 5. Discuss/Take Action to approve the utilization of the Heritage Park for Poppers in the Park by the Women's Service Club. Commissioner Jeremy Cook
- 6. Discuss/Take Action to approve the Library Strategic Plan – Bernadette Thompson
- 7. Discuss /Take Action on signing a resolution for the County Judge to sign the Dolly Parton Imagination Library grant application on behalf of Rains County DPIL. – Kristi Hopkins
- 8. Discuss /Take action on signing resolution to apply for the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) grant with 20% match. – Kristi Hopkins
- 9. Discuss /Take action on signing a resolution for the County Judge to sign the TWDB Flood Management Evaluation (FME1) for Small Communities Community Interest Affirmation. – Kristi Hopkins
- 10. Discuss/Take Action on signing a resolution for the County Judge to sign the Texas Indigent Defense Improvement (TIDC) grant program application, no match. – Kristi Hopkins
- 11. Discuss and Take Action on Agri-Life Department occupying the Child Advocacy Building. Commissioner Lori Northcutt
- 12. Discuss and Take Action to approve the Resolution for Road Use Agreement. Commissioner Lori Northcutt
- 13. Discuss and take action for repair, replacement, and installation of various windows in Court House. Commissioner Lori Northcutt

**C. PUBLIC HEARING**

1. Public Hearing on the Rains County Library use of the \$10,000 ALA Accessibility grant funds to best meet the needs of Rains County Citizens. Kristi Hopkins, Bernadette Thompson

**ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AS NEEDED**

**V. EXECUTIVE SESSIONS**

1. As permitted by Texas Government Code §551.071 (1) and (2), Consultation with Attorney; §551.072, Real Property; §551.073, Prospective Gifts; §551.074, Personnel Matters; §551.075, Investments; and §551.076, Security Devices / Audits.

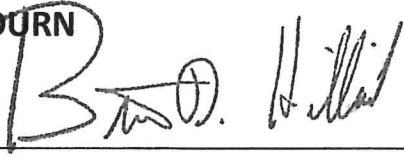
**ADJOURN TO REGULAR SESSION**

**VI. TAKE ANY ACTION ON ANY ITEM DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION AS NEEDED.**

**VII. COURT DISCUSSION / PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS**

(Commissioners may discuss items on the agenda or suggest items for future agendas. Proposed agenda items may only be discussed by Commissioners if the Commissioners do so to propose that those items be placed on a future agenda). Items not appearing on the agenda may not be deliberated and no votes may be taken during this portion of the agenda. In response to comments from the public, Council may seek a statement of specific factual information or a recitation of existing policy from County Staff pursuant to Section 551.042 of the Texas Open Meetings Act).

**ADJOURN**



Rains County Judge Brent D. Hilliard

**ATTEST:**



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