

**NOTICE OF MEETING – COMMISSIONER’S COURT
RAINS COUNTY, TEXAS**

Notice is hereby given that a **REGULAR MEETING** of the Rains County Commissions court will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 13, 2026 in the Rains County Courthouse Courtroom. 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 ALLIANCE & INVOCATION

II. PUBLIC TESTIMONY – Citizens are invited to address the Commissioners Court on topics not already scheduled for Public Hearing. Speakers are limited To five 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.

III. PRESENTATIONS

None at this time.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. CONSENT CALENDAR – All items listed are considered to be routine by the Commissioners’ Court.

1. Approval of accounts payable
2. Approval of line-item transfers
3. Approval of budget amendments.
4. Approval of payroll and personnel
5. Approval of Previous Commissioners’ Court Minutes
6. Approval of Monthly Report – Road & Bridge
7. Approval of Monthly Report – Agri-Life
8. Approval of Monthly Report – District Clerk
9. Approval of Monthly Report – Indigent Health
10. Approval of Monthly Report – Veterans Services

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B. ACTION ITEMS –

1. Discuss/Take Action and to approve final Plat for Clark’s Outpost Survey, A-81 Rains County, Texas Lot 1 2.5 acres - Lori Northcutt
2. Discuss/Take Action to approve the take over Phase 1 Roads in Cedar Creek Estates, Point - Northcutt

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3. Discuss/Take Action to approve the purchase of eight Life Vac Airway Clearance Devices – Lori Northcutt.
4. Discuss/Take Action to approve the U.S. Bank Equipment Exchange Amendment – Brent D. Hilliard, Judge
5. Discuss/Take Action to approve authorization to issue requests for proposal for administrative services (RFP) and requests for qualifications for engineering services (RFQ) for grant community application and implementation services for Texas Community Development Grant Program for FY2027 and/or FY2028 Community Development Fund as administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture. This approval will allow for publication in the local newspapers. – Kristi Hopkins
6. Discuss/Take Action on a resolution for the LEPC Grant, no match.
This grant is for Emergency Management Equipment. - Kristi Hopkins
7. Discuss/Take Action on a resolution for the Senate Bill 22 (SB22) grant, no match.
This grant assists with pay of Officers and Jailers. - Kristi Hopkins
8. Discuss/Take Action on a resolution for the Feral Hog grant, no match. –
This grant will provide for one extra trap for Feral Hogs, four Repair Kits and cellular camera capabilities for tracking. - Kristi Hopkins
9. Discuss/Take Action on a resolution for the House Bill 3000 (HB3000) grant,
No match. This grant is for \$350,000 for a Hopkins County EMS Ambulance to serve Rains County. – Kristi Hopkins
10. Discuss/Take Action on a resolution and certification for the Bridging Immigration-Related Deficits Experienced Nationwide grant, no match.
This grant is for equipment for the Sheriff’s Office. – Kristi Hopkins
11. Discuss/Take Action to approve the contract with East Texas Heating And Air Conditioning as an additional supplier. – Jim Jones
12. Discuss/Take Action to approve an agreement between Parkhill and Rains County.
This agreement is for architectural services, and the Scope of Work is to provide an assessment and documentation of repairs needed on the Court House to obtain a grant with the Texas Historical Society in FY 2027 -2028. – Jim Jones

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13. Consider and take appropriate action to establish a Rains County Employee Salary Review Committee for non-elected county employees and to appoint members to said committee, and further to define its scope of authority as advisory to the Commissioners Court in matters related to employee compensation, salary schedules, and recommended adjustments.
14. Discuss/Take action on temporarily appointing Brent D. Hilliard as the Rains County Floodplain administrator until further notice.

ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AS NEEDED

V. EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

1. The Rains County Commissioners Court reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed in this agenda, in the order deemed appropriate, as authorized by Chapter 551, Open Meetings, Subchapter D, Texas Government Code, or to seek the advice of its attorney as permitted by: Texas Government Code §551.071 (1) and (2) (Consultation with Attorney) – hotel occupancy tax funding, §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).

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A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "B. Hilliard", is written over the word "ADJOURN".

Brent D. Hilliard, Rains County Judge