

COMMISSIONERS COURT OF MILAM COUNTY, TEXAS

AGENDA FOR Monday July 6, 2020

Notice is hereby given that a public meeting of the Milam County Commissioners Court will be held on Monday, July 6, 2020, beginning at 8:00 a.m. The Court will meet in person at the Milam County Courthouse in the Milam County Courtroom. Due to the recent outbreak of the COVID-19 virus the meeting will also be conducted by phone and by video conferencing. To join by video conferencing use the following link:

<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/312237469>

To join by phone dial 571 317 3122, and use access code 312-237-469

Public attendance will be limited due to COVID-19 spacing requirements and admittance will be done on a first come, first serve basis.

The following items will be addressed:

1. Call Meeting to Order and establish a quorum.
2. Prayer.
3. Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and to the Texas Flag.
4. Discuss the minutes of previous Commissioner's Court meetings and take any necessary action regarding approval, correction and/or changes of the minutes.
5. Hear public participation comments from the public who have timely made a proper request and take any necessary action regarding such request and/or comments.
6. Discuss and take any necessary action to produce Commissioners Court hearings by Facebook live or other publication mediums.
7. Discuss and take any necessary action on the COVID-19 Pandemic in Milam County, including:
 - a. Update on the pandemic;
 - b. COVID-19 case summary; and
 - c. Continuance of and/or implementation of disaster order of June 25, 2020 – "Health and Safety Policy" mandating the wearing of face coverings in Milam County.
8. EXCHANGE OF COUNTY PROPERTY:
 - a. Discuss and take any necessary action to publish notice in a paper of general circulation within Milam County that the County will consider offers of exchange of its interest in real property for certain buildings and vacant lots located in downtown Cameron and more specifically described as follows:

- i. Office building located at 107 W. Main, Cameron, Texas currently occupied by the Milam County Clerk's office and listed by tax ID 13684 by the Milam Appraisal District.
- ii. Office building located at 204 N. Central, Cameron, Texas (Blake Building), currently occupied by the Milam District Attorney and others and listed by tax ID 21430 by the Milam Appraisal District.
- iii. Building located at 103 W. Main, Cameron, Texas, which is currently occupied by the Old Town Cameron Museum and Train Display and listed by tax ID 13509 by the Milam Appraisal District.
- iv. Office building located at 100 E. 1st. Cameron, Texas, which is currently occupied by the Texas AgriLife Extension office and listed by tax ID 17523 by the Milam Appraisal District.
- v. Office building located at 101 S. Fannin, Cameron, Texas, currently occupied by the Milam County Tax Assessor/Collector and the Milam County Adult Probation offices and listed as tax ID 26980 by the Milam Appraisal District.
- vi. Office building located at 211 S. Houston, Cameron, Texas, currently occupied by the Milam County Tax Assessor/Collector and the Milam County Adult Probation offices and listed as tax ID 26980 by the Milam Appraisal District.
- vii. Office building located at 207 Houston, Cameron, Texas, currently occupied by the Milam County Health Department and others, listed by tax ID 59559 by the Milam Appraisal District.
- viii. Office building located at 211 Houston, Cameron, Texas, currently occupied by the County Health Department and others and listed by tax ID 68081 by the Milam Appraisal District.
- ix. Building located at 101 E. Main, Cameron, Texas, currently occupied by "Bea's Kitchen" and listed by tax ID 13286 by the Milam Appraisal District.
- x. Vacant lot located at Gillis and Fannin in Cameron, Texas and listed by tax ID 15241 by the Milam Appraisal District.
- xi. Vacant lot located at 107 E. Main, Cameron, Texas and listed by tax ID 16220 on the Milam Appraisal District.

9. Grant Request for the Annex and Professional Building:

- a. Update, Discuss and take any necessary action regarding Milam County's request for grant funding for the Annex and Professional Building.

10. Adjourn.

Dated this the 1st day of July 2020.
Commissioners Court of Milam County, Texas

By:

Steve Young

Digitally signed by Steve Young
Date: 2020.07.01 14:08:00
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Steve Young, Milam County Judge

I, the undersigned County Clerk, 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 Courthouse door and the County Clerk's Office of Milam County, Texas, at a place readily accessible to the general public at all times on the 1st day of July 2020 and said Notice remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the schedule time of said Meeting.

Dated this 1st day of July 2020
County Clerk of Milam County, Texas

Jodi Morgan

By: Jodi Morgan



JODI MORGAN
County Clerk

Filed 1st day of July
in 2020, At 2:10 P.M.

JODI MORGAN
County Clerk, Milam County, Texas
By: Jodi Morgan
Deputy

If during the course of the meeting, discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting the Commissioners Court will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E. Before any closed meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes or decisions will be taken in open meeting.

STATE OF TEXAS:

COUNTY OF MILAM:

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on Monday, the 6th day of July A. D. 2020, the Commissioners' Court of Milam County, Texas, convened in Emergency Session in the Commissioners' Courtroom, Milam County Courthouse, 102 S. Fannin, Cameron Texas, with the following members of the Court present, to-wit:

Due to the recent outbreak of the COVID-19; this meeting was conducted by video or phone. Call 1 571 317 3122 access code 312 237 469. To join by video

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**STEVE YOUNG, MILAM COUNTY JUDGE
DONALD SHUFFIELD, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 2
JOHN FISHER, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 3
JEFF MUEGGE, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 4
JODI MORGAN, COUNTY CLERK**

**ABSENT TO WIT
RICHARD "OPEY" WATKINS, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO.1**

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS MAY BE VIEWED ON THE WEBSITE

WWW.MILAMCOUNTY.NET

or in the Minutes of the Commissioners Court recorded in the

Milam County Clerk's Office

And the proclamation having been made the Court was in session, the following business came on to be considered:

- 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND ESTABLISH QUORUM – 8:00a.m.**

2. PRAYER

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. Discuss the minutes of the previous Commissioner's Court meetings and take any necessary action regarding approval, correction and/or changes of the minutes

Motion by Commissioner Muegge to approve the minutes from the previous court, Seconded by Commissioner Shuffield and carried unanimously

- June 30, 2020- Special Meeting

5. Public Participation- None

6. DISCUSS AND TAKE ANY NECESSARY ACTION TO PRODUCE COMMISSIONERS COURT HEARINGS BY FACEBOOK LIVE OR OTHER PUBLICATION MEDIUMS

Motion by Judge Young to air Commissioners Court via Facebook Live and by Go To Meeting starting Monday, July 13, 2020, Seconded by Commissioner Muegge and carried unanimously

Judge Young- To speak publicly; the person will have to come into court and speak in person or through the go to meeting app. They will have to get with Denise before court starts like normal. We will continue to have Commissioners Court this way until we can go back to our normal way in person in the courtroom.

7. COVID-19 PANDEMIC UPDATE

a) UPDATE ON THE PANDEMIC

- We have 3 county employees in quarantine
- 112 Total Cases
- 21 Active
- 250 monitored
- 11 People total have been hospitalized

b) COVID-19 CASE SUMMARY; AND

c) CONTINUANCE OF AND/OR IMPLEMENTATION OF DISASTER ORDER OF JUNE 25, 2020 – “HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY” MANDATING THE WEARING OF FACE COVERINGS IN MILAM COUNTY

- Disaster Order expired at 12:01am this morning; Governor's order supersedes our order and is still in effect

Judge Young reported that had received several calls over the holiday weekend from County residents who needed COVID testing but could not get it. He explained that testing is not available in the County on the weekends from any of our medical providers and thus anyone who needs testing must go out of the County. Further, the tests that are given take a long time for results. In several instances, those with symptoms were tested, but continued with their normal activities while awaiting results, which in some cases take as many as ten days. This conduct simply helps spread the virus.

As of today, Milam County had 112 confirmed cases, 21 active cases, 50 individuals being monitored, 2 hospitalized and 1 fatality.

Robert Kirkpatrick- We have not gotten the results back from the test that were done last week. 400 people were tested last week in Milam County, on June 29, 30 and July 1, 2020, but a week later, no results. We worry that these people continue to spread the virus while we wait for the test results.

Today Texas has 195,239 confirmed cases with 2,637 deaths. Hospitals in Bexar and Harris County getting full. Austin Mayor speaks of stay home order and no hospital rooms in about ten days.

11 ½ million people worldwide have it

Texas ranks 4th in the Nation

Bryan Burns- We have given out 37,000 mask and other PPE items, I am going to pick up more supplies tomorrow. We can do another walk up testing site, we just need to decide on a date and location. Best advice is to wear a mask and stay 6 feet apart from others.

8. EXCHANGE OF COUNTY PROPERTY

a) DISCUSS AND TAKE ANY NECESSARY ACTION TO PUBLISH NOTICE IN A PAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION WITHIN MILAM COUNTY THAT THE COUNTY WILL CONSIDER OFFERS OF EXCHANGE OF ITS INTEREST IN REAL PROPERTY FOR CERTAIN BUILDINGS AND VACANT LOTS LOCATED IN DOWNTOWN CAMERON AND MORE SPECIFICALLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

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Motion by Commissioner Muegge to post notice in the papers that we are negotiating to trade buildings and if any other would like to make a better offer; Seconded by Commissioner Fisher and carried unanimously

Will run in paper for 3 weeks

9. GRANT REQUEST FOR THE ANNEX AND PROFESSIONAL BUILDING:

- a) UPDATE, DISCUSS AND TAKE ANY NECESSARY ACTION REGARDING MILAM COUNTY'S REQUEST FOR GRANT FUNDING FOR THE ANNEX AND PROFESSIONAL BUILDING

Motion by Judge Young to approve the Resolution for grant funding for the Annex and Professional Building, Seconded by Commissioner Muegge and carried unanimously

10. ADJOURN- Motion made by *Commissioner Fisher*, seconded by *Commissioner Muegge* and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:23 A.M.

The above and foregoing Minutes for Monday, July 6, 2020 having been examined and approved in Open Court this _____ day of _____ 2020.

County Judge

State of Texas:

County of Milam:

I, Jodi Morgan, County Clerk, Milam County, Texas, attest that the foregoing is a true and correct accounting of the Commissioners' Court authorized proceedings for July 6, 2020

**County Clerk and Ex-Officio Member of
Commissioners' Court, Milam County, Texas**

STATEMENT OF APPROVAL

July 6, 2020 Minutes

Approved _____

Commissioner of Precinct No. 1

Commissioner of Precinct No. 2

Commissioner of Precinct No. 3

Commissioner of Precinct No. 4

