

# Milam County Commissioner's Court

September 12, 2016

## COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF MILAM COUNTY, TEXAS

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the above named Commissioner's Court will be held on Monday, the 12th of September, 2016, at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioner's Courtroom, Milam County Courthouse, 102 S. Fannin, Cameron, Texas, at which time the following agenda items will be covered:

- Prayer -  
Period of silence followed by presentation of any additional prayers and words of encouragement  
(Please complete public participation form prior to meeting)
1. Call Meeting to Order and establish quorum
  2. Pledge of Allegiance - U.S. Flag, Texas Flag. "Honor the Texas Flag, I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one State, Under God, one and indivisible"
  3. Approve minutes of previous meetings
  4. Public Participation (Please complete public participation form prior to meeting)
  5. Financial/Auditor's Report
  6. Treasurer's Report
  7. Commissioner's Precinct Updates
  8. Court Cases Update
  9. Approve Utility Installations
  10. Permission for entry and waiver of claims
  11. Discussion of Tax Office and answers to Audit
  12. Adopt 2017 Budget
  13. Adopt Total 2016 Tax Rate
  14. Adopt Maintenance and Operations 2016 tax rate
  15. Adopt Debt service 2016 Tax Rate
  16. Approve 2017 salary for County Auditor and District Court Reporter
  17. Approve County Holidays for 2017
  18. Approve Private Road 3390 and Private Road 4372
  19. Approve the sale by Precinct 2 of 10KW Generator, ( EM Asset) Manufactured by Libby Welding Co.
  20. Approve Deputations
  21. Approve Proclamation for Constitution Week - Daughters of the American Revolution
  22. Approve payment of bills
  23. Adjourn

Dated this the 9th day of September, 2016  
Commissioners' Court of Milam County, Texas

By   
David L. Barkemeyer, County Judge

Filed 9 day of SEPT  
in 2016, At 9:30 AM.  
BARBARA VANSA  
County Clerk Milam County, Texas  
By   
Deputy

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 9th day of September, 2016, and said Notice remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said Meeting.

Dated this the 9th day of September, 2016  
County Clerk of Milam County, Texas  
Barbara Vansa

By 

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.



- Prayer
- Any additional prayers and words of encouragement followed by period of silence (Please complete public participation form prior to meeting)

# Item 1

- Call meeting to Order and establish quorum

## Item 2

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Texas Flag
  - "Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible."

## Item 3

- Approve minutes of previous meetings

# Item 4

- Public Participation
  - Please complete public participation form prior to meeting

## RULES OF PROCEDURE, CONDUCT, AND DECORUM AT MEETINGS OF THE MILAM COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

- IV. The business of Milam County is conducted by and between the members of the Milam County Commissioners Court and by those members of the county staff, elected officials, department heads, consultants, experts and/or members of the public requested to be present and participate. While the public is invited to attend all meetings of the Commissioners Court (except Executive Sessions) the public's participation therein is limited to that of observers unless a member (or members) of the public is requested to address the Commissioners Court on a particular issue or (issues) or unless the member (or members) of the public completes a Public Participation Form and submits same to the County Judge's Secretary or county clerk prior to the time the Court Session is called to order. A sample of the Milam County Commissioners Court Public Participation Form is attached hereto as Exhibit "A".
- Each member of the public who appears before the Commissioners Court shall be limited to a maximum of five (5) minutes to make his/her remarks. Time for each speaker shall be maintained by the County Clerk or such other designated representative of the Commissioners Court.
  - Maximum discussion on any agenda item, regardless of the number of members of the public wishing to address the Commissioners Court on such agenda item (or items) shall be limited to thirty (30) minutes. In the event that more than six (6) members of the public wish to address a particular agenda item (or items), then only the first six (6) members of the public recognized to speak shall be divided equally between those members of the public wishing to speak for the agenda item (or items) and those members of the public wishing to speak against the agenda item (or items).
  - In matters of exceptional interest, the Court may, by the majority vote of the members of the Court in attendance at the meeting, either shorten or lengthen the time allocated for a particular member of the public, all members of the public and/or the amount of time allocated for all agenda items and/or a specific agenda item.
  - It is the intention of the Court to provide an open access to the citizens of Milam County to address the Commissioners Court and to express themselves on issues of county government. Members of the public are reminded that the Milam County Commissioners Court is a Constitutional Court, the Milam County Commissioners Court also possesses the power to issue a Contempt of Court Citation under Section 81.024 of the Texas Local Government Code. Accordingly, all members of the public in attendance at any Regular, Special and/or Emergency meeting of the Court shall conduct themselves with proper respect and decorum in speaking to, and/or addressing the Court; in participating in public discussions before the Court; and in all actions in the presence of the Court. Proper attire for men, women and children is mandatory. Those members of the public who are inappropriately attired and/or who do not conduct themselves in an orderly and appropriate manner will be ordered to leave the meeting. Refusal to abide by the Court's order and/or continued disruption of the meeting may result in a Contempt of Court Citation.
  - It is not the intention of the Milam County Commissioners Court to provide a public forum for the demeaning of any individual or group. Neither is it the intention of the Court to allow a member (or members) of the public to insult the honesty and/or integrity of the Court, as a body, or any member (or members) of the Court, individually or collectively. Accordingly, profane, insulting or threatening language directed toward the Court and/or any person in the Court's presence and/or racial, ethnic, or gender slurs or epithets will not be tolerated. Violation of these rules may result in the following sanctions:
    - Cancellation of a speaker's remaining time;
    - Removal from the Commissioners Courtroom;
    - A Contempt Citation; and/or
    - Such other civil and/or criminal sanctions as may be authorized under the Constitution, Statutes and Codes of the State of Texas.

# Item 5

- Financial/Auditor's Report
  - Dave Barkemeyer, Danica Lara

**General Fund Status  
As of August, 2016**

**\$ 5,281,900**

**Ad Valorem Taxes Collected YTD (79%)  
(Budgeted Amount \$6,720,600)**

**+\$2,492,900**

**Other Revenue Collected YTD  
From Fines, Fees, Sales Tax, etc.  
(Budgeted amount w/o Reserves \$3,350,300)**

**\$ 7,774,800**

**TOTAL 2016 Revenue Collected YTD  
(Total Revenue Budget w/o Reserves, \$10,070,900)**

**-\$ 6,902,400**

**TOTAL 2016 Expenditures YTD  
(2016 Expense Budget w/o Reserves is \$10,592,000)**

**\$ 872,400**

**YTD General Fund Balance**

**\$ 825,400**

**Current General Fund Reserves  
(All numbers rounded to nearest 100)**

**Aug Expenditures = \$958,620**

**General Fund  
Revenue Summary  
(August 2016)**

		<u>2016 Budget</u>	<u>Collected 2016 YTD</u>	
310	Ad Valorem Taxes	\$6,720,649	\$5,281,907	79%
		<b>Other Revenue</b>		
		<u>8/12 Budget</u>	<u>Aug YTD Collected</u>	<u>Δ</u>
320	Occupation	\$ 800	\$ 0	\$ -800
333	Grant Money	\$ 53,100	\$ 38,367	\$ - 14,733
334	Beer/Wine	\$ 6,667	\$ 7,350	\$ + 683
337	Shared Revenue	\$377,667	\$671,204	\$+ 293,537
340	Fees of Office	\$397,333	\$409,600	\$ +12,267
341	Traffic Fines	\$266,667	\$235,703	\$ -30,964
342	Other Fees	\$192,333	\$212,306	\$ +19,973
361	Interest	\$ 16,667	\$ 14,862	\$ - 1,805
364	Sales of Assets	0	\$ 20,027	\$ + 20,027
367	Sales Tax, etc	\$910,267	\$848,683	\$ - 61,584
381	Other Revenues	<u>\$ 12,000</u>	<u>\$ 34,759</u>	<u>\$ + 22,759</u>
		\$2,233,506	\$2,492,861	\$+259,355

**MILAM COUNTY AUDITOR**  
**CASH FLOW REPORT - GENERAL FUND**

**AUGUST, 2016**

<b>REVENUE</b>	<b>BUDGET AMT</b>	<b>YTD</b>	<b>APPROX % RCVD.</b>
310 AD VALOREM TAXES	\$ 6,720,649.00	\$ 5,281,907.37	79.00%
	<b><u>MONTHLY</u></b>	<b><u>ACTUAL</u></b>	<b><u>OVER/</u></b>
	<b><u>BUDGET (8/12)</u></b>	<b><u>Y-T-D</u></b>	<b><u>(UNDER)</u></b>
320 OCCUPATION TAXES	\$ 800.00	\$ -	\$ (800.00)
333 STATE GRANTS	\$ 53,100.00	\$ 38,366.94	\$ (14,733.06)
334 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	\$ 6,666.67	\$ 7,349.70	\$ 683.03
<b>337 SHARED REVENUES</b>			
TAX COLLECTIONS	\$ 41,533.33	\$ 63,589.18	\$ 22,055.85
HOUSING INMATES	\$ 300,000.00	\$ 576,506.02	\$ 276,506.02
INDIGENT HEALTHCARE	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 12,497.09	\$ (7,502.91)
OTHER	\$ 16,133.33	\$ 18,611.73	\$ 2,478.40
<b>TOTAL SHARED REVENUES:</b>	<b>\$ 377,666.67</b>	<b>\$ 671,204.02</b>	<b>\$ 293,537.35</b>
<b>340 FEES OF OFFICE</b>			
SHERIFF	\$ 16,666.67	\$ 21,966.01	\$ 5,299.34
COUNTY COURT	\$ 186,666.67	\$ 167,346.21	\$ (19,320.46)
TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 24,485.00	\$ 4,485.00
DISTRICT COURT	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 70,245.43	\$ 10,245.43
J.P. #1-4	\$ 63,333.33	\$ 73,034.52	\$ 9,701.19
CONSTABLES #1-4	\$ 37,333.33	\$ 38,487.35	\$ 1,154.02
OTHER	\$ 13,333.33	\$ 14,035.84	\$ 702.51
<b>TOTAL FEES OF OFFICE:</b>	<b>\$ 397,333.33</b>	<b>\$ 409,600.36</b>	<b>\$ 12,267.03</b>
<b>341 TRAFFIC FINES</b>			
CO. TRAFFIC FINES	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 153,252.60	\$ 3,252.60
DPS TRAFFIC FINES	\$ 116,666.67	\$ 82,450.09	\$ (34,216.58)
<b>TOTAL TRAFFIC FINES:</b>	<b>\$ 266,666.67</b>	<b>\$ 235,702.69</b>	<b>\$ (30,963.98)</b>
342 OTHER FEES	\$ 192,333.33	\$ 212,305.80	\$ 19,972.47
361 INTEREST	\$ 16,666.67	\$ 14,862.94	\$ (1,803.73)
364 SALE OF FIXED ASSETS	\$ -	\$ 20,027.19	\$ 20,027.19
<b>367 PRIVATE SERVICES</b>			
SALES TAX	\$ 800,000.00	\$ 789,204.22	\$ (10,795.78)
OTHER	\$ 110,266.67	\$ 59,478.99	\$ (50,787.68)
<b>TOTAL PRIVATE SERVICES:</b>	<b>\$ 910,266.67</b>	<b>\$ 848,683.21</b>	<b>\$ (61,583.46)</b>
381 OTHER REVENUE	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 34,758.53	\$ 22,758.53
<b>TOTAL REVENUE:</b>	<b>\$ 2,233,500.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,492,861.38</b>	<b>\$ 240,134.19</b>

**General Fund  
Expenditures Summary  
August 2016**

		<u>8/12 Budget</u>	<u>Y-T-D Actual</u>	<u>(over)/under</u>	<u>%</u>
401	County Judge	\$125,821	\$120,253	-5,568	-4%
403	County Clerk	\$177,779	\$195,570	+17,791	+10%
405	Veterans Service	\$34,228	\$35,195	+967	+3%
409	General Fund	\$643,339	\$441,188	-202,151	-31%
410	Information Technology	\$340,333	\$275,022	-65,311	-19%
435	District Court	\$267,791	\$272,627	+4,836	+2%
450	District Clerk	\$191,449	\$183,071	-8,378	-4%
455	JP #1	\$66,253	\$67,053	+800	+1%
456	JP #2	\$66,386	\$67,771	+1,385	+2%
457	JP #3	\$64,712	\$66,821	+2,108	+3%
458	JP #4	\$66,997	\$74,810	+7,813	+12%
475	County Attorney	\$276,135	\$279,958	+3,823	+1%
490	Elections	\$52,927	\$50,315	-2,612	-5%
495	County Auditor	\$98,053	\$80,013	-18,040	-18%
497	County Treasurer	\$43,029	\$44,656	+1,627	+4%
499	Tax Assessor	\$216,498	\$195,856	-20,642	-10%
500	Appraisal District	\$162,743	\$179,039	+16,296	+10%
510	Court House/Assoc Bldgs	\$131,333	\$132,327	+994	+1%
540	Ambulance Service	\$66,667	\$72,995	+6,328	+9%
543	Fire Protection	\$69,000	\$89,000	+29,000	+48%
550	Constable Pct #1	\$37,193	\$37,313	+120	0%
551	Constable Pct #2	\$31,805	\$32,026	+221	+1%

**General Fund  
Expenditures Summary  
August 2016**

		<u>8/12 Budget</u>	<u>Y-T-D Actual</u>	<u>(over)/under</u>	<u>%</u>
552	Constable Pct #3	\$37,761	\$37,638	-123	0%
553	Constable Pct #4	\$37,761	\$38,494	+733	+2%
565	Sheriff Operations	\$941,338	\$897,326	-44,012	-5%
566	Sheriff Jail	\$2,047,236	\$2,073,167	+25,931	+1%
570	Adult Probation	\$11,667	\$7,978	-3,689	-32%
571	Juvenile Probation	\$68,094	\$102,141	+34,047	+50%
585	Highway Patrol	\$35,931	\$30,748	-5,183	-14%
586	Emergency Management	\$116,260	\$126,504	+10,244	+9%
587	Community Service	\$26,988	\$29,353	+365	+1%
630	Health Department	\$174,671	\$138,405	-36,266	-21%
631	Indigent Healthcare	\$340,965	\$269,350	-71,615	-21%
640	M.H.M.R.	\$13,333	\$19,480	+6,147	+46%
641	Senior Citizens Center	\$30,219	\$41,837	+11,618	+38%
660	Museum	\$27,341	\$38,004	+10,663	+39%
665	Ag. Extension Service	\$62,896	\$61,100	-1,796	-3%
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		<b>7,193,933</b>	<b>\$6,902,401</b>	<b>\$-291,532</b>	<b>-4%</b>

**Road and Bridge Accounts  
August 2016**

	<u>2016 Budget</u>	<u>2016 Collected</u>	
Ad Valorem Taxes (x4)	\$904,703	\$722,250	80%
	<b>Other Revenues (x4)</b>		
	<u>8/12 Budget</u>	<u>Aug YTD Collected</u>	<u>Δ</u>
321 Auto License Fees	\$116,667	\$162,753	+46,086
333 Lateral Road Fees	\$11,667	\$ 10,169	- 1,498
361 Interest	\$4,667 to \$8,000	\$4,865 to \$9,138	
381 Other Revenue	<u>\$1,000 to \$4,667</u>	<u>\$98,849 to \$229,619</u>	
<b>TOTAL OTHER REVENUES</b>	<b>\$134,001 to \$141,001</b>	<b>\$276,636 to \$411,679</b>	

	<u>8/12 of Expense Budget</u>	<u>Aug YTD</u>	<u>Δ</u>	<u>Reserve Acct</u>
	(w/o Reserves)	Expenditures		
Expenses: Pct 1	\$740,469	\$745,419*	+\$ 4,950	\$1,388K
Pct 2	\$738,469	\$903,273**	+\$164,804	\$ 496K
Pct 3	\$767,469	\$1,035,383***	+\$267,914	\$ 595K
Pct 4	\$738,135	\$745,288****	+\$ 7,153	\$ 428K

\* Includes \$156,707 in TIF project expenditures that has been refunded.  
Includes \$31,960 in FEMA reimbursements.

\*\*Includes \$84,050 in TIF project expenditures that has been refunded.  
Includes \$118,659 in FEMA reimbursements.

\*\*\* Includes \$87,130 in TIF project expenditures that has been refunded.  
Includes \$128,183 in FEMA reimbursements.

\*\*\*\* Includes \$71,841 in TIF project expenditures that has been refunded.  
Includes \$23,665 in FEMA reimbursements.

**NON-BUDGET FUNDS**  
**August 2016**

<b>FUND</b>	<b>REVENUE</b>	<b>EXPENDITURES</b> <small>(Rounded to nearest 100)</small>	<b>CASH ON HAND</b>	
30	County Clerk Records Mgmt.	\$30,300	\$7,100	\$64,800
31	Law Library Fund	11,200	9,600	2,100
32	Courthouse Security	17,600	14,400	52,400
33	Check Collection	70,400	112,500	6,500
34	Records Mgmt & Preservation	41,600	17,400	140,100
36	Public Health Preparedness Grant	35,700	52,800	20,900
37	WIC	159,700	151,700	43,300
38	Community Service Support Fund	3,600	4,000	7,600
39	Health Dept. 2	74,400	84,600	45,300
42	Adult Probation	277,600	304,100	212,600
43	Indigent Task Force Grant	0	0	0
44	Preforfeiture Fund	1,500	7,900	1,100
45	County Attorney Forfeiture Fund	23,500	8,600	31,800
46	Milam County Historical Com	2,400	900	12,400
47	Unclaimed Funds Account	13,000	0	24,900
48	Milam Co Hist. Commission Fund	100	0	8,000
49	Bea's Kitchen	110,100	132,400	75,000
51	Temporary Shelter Fund	500	800	1,800
52	Ad Valorem Tax Money	0	0	0
53	District Attorney Supp. Fund	25,400	23,400	6,300
56	Inmate Phone Use Fund	26,700	21,500	5,700
58	District Clerk Records Managemnt	4,500	0	24,600
60	Ad Valorem Tax Money	-2,195,700	0	0
61	CETRZ/TIF Zone Fund	45,300	0	60,100
62	Debt Service Fund	472,800	494,500	1,200
63	Health Facilities Dev. Corp.	100	0	11,800
66	Historical Museum	42,700	47,900	34,600
68	Transaction Fees	46,800	47,900	42,600
70	SDU Reporting Fund '01	0	0	3,200
92	Justice Court Tech Fund	12,800	700	113,400
93	CO/Dist Court Tech Fund	500	0	3,800
94	Appellate Judicial System Fund	2,300	2,300	300
95	State Fees Fund	371,800	410,800	158,100
96	Grant Fund	144,700	138,200	42,500

# Item 6

- Treasurer's Report
  - Donna Orsag

**MONTHLY TREASURER'S REPORT FOR AUGUST 2016**

ACCT	ACCOUNT	BEG BALANCE	RECEIPTS	DISBURSEMENTS	ENDING BALANCE
12	GENERAL FUND	\$ 1,463,891.90	\$ 363,467.24	\$ 959,043.21	\$ 868,315.93
20	GENERAL R&B	\$ 9,415.39	\$ 6.00	\$ -	\$ 9,421.39
21	R & B PCT 1	\$ 392,910.55	\$ 138,902.13	\$ 144,851.63	\$ 386,961.05
22	R & B PCT 2	\$ 356,394.83	\$ 193,663.10 #	\$ 272,378.03	\$ 277,679.90
23	R & B PCT 3	\$ 254,011.88	\$ 55,214.37	\$ 217,674.27	\$ 91,551.98
24	R & B PCT 4	\$ 286,010.24	\$ 73,062.73	\$ 108,465.01	\$ 250,607.96
30	REC MANAGMT	\$ 61,758.44	\$ 4,177.08	\$ 1,136.78	\$ 64,798.74
31	LAW LIBRARY	\$ 2,172.82	\$ 1,505.64	\$ 1,532.21	\$ 2,146.25
32	CT HSE SECURITY	\$ 52,772.09	\$ 1,983.35	\$ 2,309.35	\$ 52,446.09
33	CK COLLECTION	\$ 1,298.60	\$ 24,605.19	\$ 19,442.11	\$ 6,461.68
34	RECORDS M & P	\$ 134,292.00	\$ 5,792.29	\$ -	\$ 140,084.29
36	PHP GRANT	\$ 12,492.05	\$ 21,229.90	\$ 12,814.52	\$ 20,907.43
37	WIC	\$ 38,866.36	\$ 33,331.95	\$ 28,897.93	\$ 43,300.38
38	C S R/SUPPORT	\$ 7,649.97	\$ 220.40	\$ 288.37	\$ 7,582.00
39	HEALTH DEPT 2	\$ 54,936.47	\$ 10,867.47 #	\$ 20,463.80	\$ 45,340.14
40	TAX NOTES/SERIES12	\$ 21.02	\$ 0.01		\$ 21.03
41	R O W & BRIDGES	\$ 84.04	\$ 0.06	\$ -	\$ 84.10
42	20TH DIST PROB	\$ 233,891.55	\$ 17,287.88 #	\$ 38,625.48	\$ 212,553.95
43	INDIGENT TASK FORCE	\$ 46.15	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 46.15
44	PRE-FORFEITURE	\$ 6,967.60	\$ -	\$ 5,837.00	\$ 1,130.60
45	CO ATTY FORFEITURE	\$ 31,131.72	\$ 649.52	\$ -	\$ 31,781.24
46	HISTORICAL COMM	\$ 12,421.49	\$ 111.89	\$ 100.00	\$ 12,433.38
47	UNCLAIMED FUNDS	\$ 24,909.20	\$ 9.50	\$ -	\$ 24,918.70
48	MCHC PRESERV	\$ 7,985.36	\$ 5.08	\$ -	\$ 7,990.44
49	BEA'S KITCHEN	\$ 151,140.70	\$ 3,853.86	\$ 80,000.00	\$ 74,994.56
52/60	AD VAL TAX-CKING	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
51	TEMP SHELTER	\$ 1,768.95	\$ 0.30	\$ -	\$ 1,769.25
	D. A. SUPP	\$ 10,021.96	\$ 5.34	\$ 3,749.67	\$ 6,277.63
56	IMMATE PHONE USE	\$ 377.61	\$ 5,647.94	\$ 346.78	\$ 5,678.77
58	DIST CLK REC M&P	\$ 23,997.85	\$ 623.30	\$ -	\$ 24,621.15
61	CERTZ/TIF ZONE	\$ 60,040.04	\$ 10.14	\$ -	\$ 60,050.18
62	C.O. 04 DEB SERV	\$ 92,320.22	\$ 55.76	\$ 91,219.34	\$ 1,156.64
63	HEALTH FACIL	\$ 11,811.60	\$ 7.53	\$ -	\$ 11,819.13
66	HISTORICAL MUSEUM	\$ 41,822.77	\$ 147.60	\$ 7,342.51	\$ 34,627.86
68	TRANSACTION FEES	\$ 42,173.22	\$ 4,788.17	\$ 4,348.50	\$ 42,612.89
70	SDU-'01	\$ 3,147.40	\$ 2.01	\$ -	\$ 3,149.41
92	JUSTICE CT TECH FUND	\$ 112,148.06	\$ 1,331.88	\$ 92.37	\$ 113,387.57
93	CO/DIST TECH FUND	\$ 3,773.58	\$ 53.57	\$ -	\$ 3,827.15
94	APPELLATE JUDICIAL	\$ 365.68	\$ 329.60 #	\$ 365.68	\$ 329.60
95	STATE FEES	\$ 117,233.29	\$ 40,890.39		\$ 158,123.68
96	GRANT FUND	\$ 35,681.04	\$ 12,461.76	\$ 5,679.08	\$ 42,463.72
	GENERAL RESERVE	\$ 824,906.97	\$ 525.62	\$ -	\$ 825,432.59
	R&B 1 RESERVE	\$ 1,387,227.46	\$ 883.92	\$ -	\$ 1,388,111.38
	R&B 2 RESERVE	\$ 567,907.48	\$ 361.86	\$ 72,155.00	\$ 496,114.34
	R&B 3 RESERVE	\$ 594,780.65	\$ 378.99	\$ -	\$ 595,159.64
	R&B 4 RESERVE	\$ 427,304.83	\$ 272.27	\$ -	\$ 427,577.10
	TOTALS	\$ 7,956,283.08	\$ 1,018,724.59	\$ 2,099,158.63	\$ 6,875,849.04

# Item 7

- Commissioner's Precinct Updates

# Item 8

- Court Cases Update – Dave Barkemeyer

**COUNTY COURT  
CRIMINAL CASE ACTIVITY  
August 2016 Report**

	YTD	August
Cases Pending (Jan 1, 2016)	257	286 (Aug 1)
New Cases Filed	334	59
Appeals & Probation Revocations	105	19
Cases Disposed	387	54
Jury Trials	1	0
Cases Pending (June 30, 2016)	309	

**TYPES OF CASES**

12% DWI  
 21% DRUG OFFENSES  
 6% HOT CHECKS  
 14% TRAFFIC RELATED  
 7% THEFT  
 8% FAMILY VIOLENCE  
 5% ASSAULT  
 27% MISCELLANEOUS

**OTHER COUNTY COURT ACTIVITY**

Civil Cases Disposed	YTD	79	14
Civil Jury Trials	YTD	0	0
Wills Probated	YTD	63	8
Guardianship Hearings	YTD	2	1

# Item 9

- Approve Utility Installations

# Item 10

- Permission for entry and waiver of claims

# Item 11

- Discussion of Tax Office and answers to Audit

# Item 12

- Adopt 2017 Budget

**APPROVED BUDGET FOR MILAM COUNTY FISCAL YEAR  
JANUARY 01, 2017 - DECEMBER 31, 2017**

This budget will raise more revenue from property taxes than last year's budget by an amount of \$805,050 which is a 7.34% increase from last year's budget. The property tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year is \$169,268.

The 2017 budget was approved in the Milam County Commissioner's Court on Monday, September 12, 2016 by:

_____	David Barkemeyer, Milam County Judge
_____	Opey Watkins, Milam County Commissioner, Pct 1
_____	Donald Shuffield, Milam County Commissioner, Pct 2
_____	John Fisher, Milam County Commissioner, Pct 3
_____	Jeff Muegge, Milam County Commissioner, Pct 4

**The adopted property tax rates:**

Proposed Property Tax Rate:	\$ .70
Effective Tax Rate:	\$ .639255/\$100
Effective Maintenance and Operations Tax Rate:	\$ .680168/\$100
Rollback Tax Rate:	\$ .703957/\$100
Debt Rate:	\$ .043603/\$100
Total Amount of County Debt Obligations:	\$4,765,000

# Item 13

- Adopt Total 2016 Tax Rate

Motion to Adopt 2016 County Tax Rate

(Per Tax Code Section 26.05(b))

I move that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a .70¢ tax rate, which is effectively a 9.5% increase in the tax rate.

**THIS TAX RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE.**

**THE TAX RATE WILL EFFECTIVELY BE RAISED BY 2.916% AND WILL RAISE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS ON A \$100,000 HOME BY APPROXIMATELY \$45.**

# Item 14

- Adopt Maintenance and Operations 2016 tax rate



# Item 15

- Adopt Debt service 2016 Tax Rate

**2016/17 PROPOSED TAX RATE:                    \$.70**

Proposed Maintenance and Operations Rate:                    \$.656397

Proposed Debt Rate:                    \$.043603

**THIS TAX RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR  
MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S  
TAX RATE:**

**THE TAX RATE WILL EFFECTIVELY BE RAISED BY 2.916%  
AND WILL RAISE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND  
OPERATIONS ON A \$100,000 HOME BY  
APPROXIMATELY \$45.**

2016 Effective Tax Rate: \$.639255

2016 Rollback Tax Rate: \$.703957

# Item 16

- Approve 2017 salary for County Auditor and District Court Reporter

IN RE:

MILAM COUNTY BUDGET

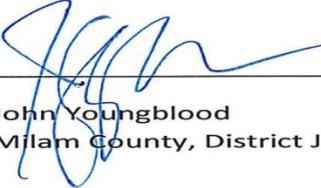
IN THE 20th DISTRICT COURT

OF

MILAM COUNTY, TEXAS

**ORDER SETTING THE SALARY OF THE COUNTY AUDITOR**

This is a Court Order pursuant to Article 152.905 of the Texas Government Code. Effective on January 1, 2017, the salary of Danica Lara, the Milam County Auditor shall be \$48,996.00. Signed on this 22nd day of August, 2016.



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John Youngblood  
Milam County, District Judge

2% increases are contingent on the Milam Appraisal District's Valuation of the Luminant properties being upheld and taxes paid in full based on those values, with increases being implemented at the time taxes are collected.

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MILAM COUNTY BUDGET

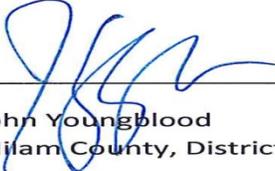
IN THE 20th DISTRICT COURT

OF

MILAM COUNTY, TEXAS

**ORDER SETTING THE SALARY OF THE OFFICIAL DISTRICT COURT REPORTER**

This is a Court Order pursuant to Article 152.905 of the Texas Government Code. Effective on January 1, 2017, the salary of Angela Ralston, the official District Court Reporter for the 20th District Court shall be \$63,648.00. Signed on this 22nd day of August, 2016.



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John Youngblood  
Milam County, District Judge

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# Item 17

- Approve County Holidays for 2017

## **Milam County Holidays for 2017**

Monday	January 2	New Year's Day
Monday	January 16	Martin Luther King Day
Monday	February 20	President's Day
Friday	April 14	Good Friday
Monday	May 29	Memorial Day
Monday	July 3	Independence Day
Tuesday	July 4	Independence Day
Monday	September 4	Labor Day
Monday	October 9	Columbus Day
Friday	November 10	Veterans Day
Thursday	November 23	Thanksgiving
Friday	November 24	Thanksgiving
Monday	December 25	Christmas

# Item 18

- Approve Private Road 3390 and Private Road 4372



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September 6, 2016

Commissioner Jeff Muegge  
Milam County  
107 N FM 487  
Rockdale, Texas 76567

RE: New Private Road

Dear Sir:

The Emergency Services division of the Central Texas Council of Governments has determined a public safety need for 9-1-1 physical addressing for residential structures off of **County Road 437** due to a new address request.

Per National Emergency Number Association standards, the 9-1-1 addressing procedures state, *"any private drive with two (2) or more residences using the private drive, or for any private drive leading to one (1) or more residences longer than one-quarter mile in length, the private drive shall be named and residential structures shall be addressed off the newly named private drive."*

The recommended name of this new private drive for 9-1-1 addressing is **Private Road 4372**.

The intent of this private drive naming and addressing is to improve emergency response, should it ever be needed. Naming the private drive and addressing the residences may also improve delivery of all services to these citizens (Postal and UPS/FedEx delivery and other home delivery services).

This private road name is pending approval by the Milam County Commissioners; upon approval please notify our office so that we can continue the addressing process for these residents.

If you have any questions concerning the naming of this road, please contact me at (254) 770-2371.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth J. Leatherwood  
9-1-1 Addressing Services Manager  
P: (254) 770-2371  
elizabeth.leatherwood@ctcog.org

# Proposed Private Road 4372 - Milam County



# Proposed Private Road 4372 - Milam County





August 24, 2016

Commissioner John Fisher  
Milam County  
107 N FM 487  
Rockdale, Texas 76567

RE: New Private Road

Dear Sir:

The Emergency Services division of the Central Texas Council of Governments has determined a public safety need for 9-1-1 physical addressing for residential structures off of **County Road 339** due to a new address request.

Per National Emergency Number Association standards, the 9-1-1 addressing procedures state, "*any private drive with two (2) or more residences using the private drive, or for any private drive leading to one (1) or more residences longer than one-quarter mile in length, the private drive shall be named and residential structures shall be addressed off the newly named private drive.*"

The recommended name of this new private drive for 9-1-1 addressing is **Private Road 3390**.

The intent of this private drive naming and addressing is to improve emergency response, should it ever be needed. Naming the private drive and addressing the residences may also improve delivery of all services to these citizens (Postal and UPS/FedEx delivery and other home delivery services).

This private road name is pending approval by the Milam County Commissioners; upon approval please notify our office so that we can continue the addressing process for these residents.

If you have any questions concerning the naming of this road, please contact me at (254) 770-2371.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Elizabeth J. Leatherwood'.

Elizabeth J. Leatherwood  
9-1-1 Addressing Services Manager  
P: (254) 770-2371  
elizabeth.leatherwood@ctcog.org

# Proposed Private Road 3390 - Milam County



# Proposed Private Road 3390 - Milam County



# Item 19

- Approve the Sale by Precinct 2 of 10KW Generator, (EM Asset) Manufactured by Libby Welding Co.

# Item 20

- Approve Deputations

**DEPUTATION**

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF MILAM

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I, **Karen Berry**, District Clerk of the County of Milam, and State of Texas, having Full confidence in **Esther Vargas** of said County and State do hereby, with the consent of the Commissioners' Court of Milam County, Texas, nominate and appoint him/her, the said **Esther Vargas** and my true and lawful deputy, in my name, place and stead, to do and perform any and all acts and things pertaining to the office of said District Clerk of said County and State, hereby ratifying and confirming any and all such acts and things lawfully done in the premises by virtue hereof.

Witness my hand, this 29<sup>th</sup> day of August A.D. 2016.



Karen Berry  
Karen Berry, District Clerk

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF MILAM

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Before Me, the undersigned authority, in and for

Milam County, Texas, on this day personally appeared **Karen Berry**, District Clerk of Milam County, Texas known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing deputation and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same for the purposes and considerations therein expressed.

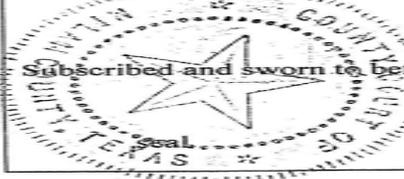
Given under my hand and seal of office at Cameron, Texas, this 29<sup>th</sup> day of August A.D. 2016.



Barbara Vansa  
Barbara Vansa, Milam County Clerk  
By Jode Morgan Deputy Clerk

**OATH OF OFFICE**

I, **Esther Vargas**, do solemnly swear (or affirm), that I will faithfully execute the duties of the office of the **District Clerk** of the State of Texas, and will to the best of my ability preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution and laws of the United States and of this State; and I furthermore solemnly swear (or affirm), that I have not directly nor indirectly paid, offered, or promised to pay, contributed, nor promised to contribute any money, or valuable thing, or promised any public office or employment, as a reward to secure my appointment or the confirmation thereof. So help me God.



Esther Vargas  
Esther Vargas

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 29<sup>th</sup> day of August A.D. 2016.

Barbara Vansa, Milam County Clerk  
By Jode Morgan Deputy Clerk

**ORDER AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY**

In Commissioners' Court of Milam County, Texas.

Upon application duly presented, it is ordered by the Court that **Karen Berry, District Clerk Milam County, Texas**, be and he/she is hereby authorized to appoint and deputize **Esther Vargas** for Deputy of said office, said appointment to date from the **29th** day of **August, 2016**, and to continue in effect until revoked by said officer or be otherwise terminated.

\_\_\_\_\_  
County Judge Dave Barkemeyer

Entered \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016  
Recorded in Minute Book \_\_\_\_\_ Page \_\_\_\_\_

**DEPUTATION**

**OF**

**Esther Vargas**

Filed for record the 29 day of AUG. A.D. 2016

At 9 o'clock A.M. and

Recorded in Book \_\_\_\_\_ page \_\_\_\_\_

Of the deputation records of Milam County.

Barbara Vansa  
Barbara Vansa, Clerk of County Court

Milam County, Texas

By: \_\_\_\_\_, Deputy

Volume: \_\_\_\_\_ Pg: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputation Milam County TX

# Item 21

- Approve Proclamation for Constitution Week –  
Daughters of the American Revolution

**PROCLAMATION FOR CONSTITUTION WEEK**

**WHEREAS:** September 17, 2016, marks the two hundred twenty-ninth anniversary of the drafting of the Constitution of the United States of America by the Constitutional Convention; and

**WHEREAS:** It is fitting and proper to accord official recognition to this magnificent document and its memorable anniversary; and to the patriotic celebrations which will commemorate the occasion; and

**WHEREAS:** Public Law 915 guarantees the issuing of a proclamation each year by the President of the United States of America designating September 17 through 23 as Constitution Week,

**NOW, THEREFORE** we, the Commissioner's Court of Milam County, Texas do hereby proclaim the week of September 17 through 23 as

**CONSTITUTION WEEK**

**AND** ask our citizens to reaffirm the ideals of the Framers of the constitution had in 1787 by vigilantly protecting the freedoms guaranteed to us through this guardian of our liberties, remembering that lost rights may never be regained.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** this 12th day of September, 2016 by:

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David Barkemeyer, Milam County Judge

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Richard "Opey" Watkins  
Commissioner, Pct 1

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Donald Shuffield  
Commissioner, Pct 2

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John Fisher  
Commissioner, Pct 3

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Jeff Muegge  
Commissioner, Pct 4

# Item 22

- Approve Payment of Bills

# Prepaid General Fund Utilities

A T & T	\$1,350.96
AT & T	\$520.63
AT&T	\$1,190.43
Birch Communications	\$104.53
Champion Energy Services, LLC	\$21,625.49
City of Cameron	\$4,041.42
City Of Rockdale	\$233.82
Heart of Texas Electric CO-OP	\$84.00
Milam Water Supply CORP	\$37.19

General Fund Total **\$29,188.48**

# Unpaid Bills to Approve Over \$2,500

## **General Fund**

A-1 Fire and Security Equip CO	\$2,536.90
Cameron Tire Store	\$3,238.72
Card Service Center	\$2,632.36
Climate Control AC & Heating	\$2,549.24
Fleet Safety Equipment INC	\$2,847.92
Fuelman	\$5,661.28
Harris Local Gov Solutions INC	\$4,675.39
Hux Janitorial Service	\$4,166.67
Little River Healthcare	\$3,614.53
Pitney Bowes Global Fin SVCES LLC	\$3,023.73
Quill Corporation	\$3,192.55
Scarmardo FoodServices INC	\$3,251.57
Scott & White Clinic MD	\$2,711.81
Scott & White Health Plan	\$10,443.40
Scott & White Hospital	\$22,937.13
Stuart Yoffe MD	\$4,100.00
SYSCO Food Svces	\$2,504.03
Xerox Buisness Services LLC	\$4,022.00

**General Fund Total**

**\$136,132.10**

# Unpaid Bills to Approve Over \$2,500

## R & B Fund, PCT #1

Cockrell & Gibbs ENT INC	\$5,821.20
Deere Credit INC	\$3,077.50
Diamond P Trucking LLC	\$12,011.54
Lhoist North America of Texas LTD	\$6,049.40

**R & B Fund, PCT #1 Total** **\$37,039.47**

# Unpaid Bills to Approve Over \$2,500

## **R & B Fund, PCT #2**

Capital Truck Equipment CO	\$2,613.55
HealthWaters Resources	\$16,789.25
Little River Materials INC	\$4,563.49
Michalka A/C & Electrical	\$3,877.75

**R & B Fund, PCT #2 Total** **\$39,260.12**

# Unpaid Bills to Approve Over \$2,500

## R & B Fund, PCT #3

Anderson Machinery Austin INC	\$2,770.28
Bancorpsouth Equip Finance	\$2,701.08
Fuelman	\$3,358.24
Joe L Valadez	\$8,926.32
Texas Crushed Stone Co INC	\$9,973.04

R & B Fund, PCT #3 Total                      \$38,221.49

# Unpaid Bills to Approve Over \$2,500

## R & B Fund, PCT #4

Anderson Machinery Austin INC	\$6,124.31
Cleveland Asphalt Products	\$4,936.80
Mine Services LTD	\$4,248.43
Strouhal Tire	\$3,688.39

**R & B Fund, PCT #4 Total** **\$31,892.61**

Unpaid Bills to Approve

**Grand Total**

**\$313,738.49**

# Item 23

- Adjourn