

**NOTICE OF MEETING – COMMISSIONERS 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 27, 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

- A. David Perkins**
- B. Suzette Rogers**
- C. Lori Northcutt**

IV. NEW BUSINESS

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 - Constable

B. ACTION ITEMS –

1. Discuss/Take Action on the Order of Election – November General Election, For County Officers - Lisa Kneifl

MAJOR CLERK
COUNTY CLERK
RAINS COUNTY, TEXAS
BY *Mandy Davis*
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2. Discuss/Take Action to approve the 2026-2027 Commissioners' Court Holiday and Pay Calendar. – Stacy Parker
3. Discuss and Take action to approve the Continuing Education Units for Commissioner Jeremy Cook at the 2026 North & East TX County Judges and County Commissioners Annual Conference. – Jeremy Cook
4. Discuss/Take Action to approve Continuing Education Units for Commissioner Lori Northcutt the 2026 North & East TX County Judges and Commissioners Annual Conference. – Lori Northcutt
5. Discuss/Take Action to approve Continuing Education Units for Commissioner Jim C. Jones at the 2026 North & East TX County Judges and Commissioners Annual Conference. – Jim Jones
6. Discuss/Take Action to approve Re-plat of Lots 14 & Reserve Lot A Briar Cliff Estates – Bede Johnson Survey, Abstract No. 128, and the S. M. Flournoy Survey, Abstract No. 81, Rains County, Texas. Lot 14R, being 0.65 Acres, and Reserve Lot "A" .047 Acres.
7. Discuss/Take Action to review and approve the Imposition of Optional Fees for Rains County Calendar year 2027. – Ronnie Morgan
8. Discuss/Take Action on a Resolution to sign the Community Development Block Grant - Kristi Hopkins
9. Discuss/Take Action to approve the contract with Texas Association of Counties for Liability Insurance for the period of 10-01-26 to 10-01-27. - Brent D. Hilliard
10. Consider/Take action on the attached Resolution for The Justice of the Peace to use the main Rains County Courthouse and the Courtroom in the County Annex building designating Wednesday as the Regular courtroom day for the Justice of The Peace; recognizing the priority of District Court, County Court,

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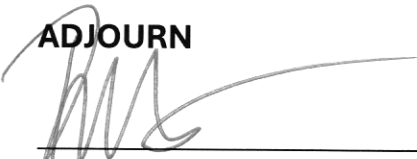
Jury trials, and other previously scheduled office Court or county uses, including on Wednesdays, and requiring all courtroom use to be through the District Clerk's office. – Brent D. Hilliard

11. Discuss/Take Action to approve a Resolution and Order Approving a Road Use Agreement and the Road Use Agreement Performance Bond Between Rains County, Texas and Majewski Storage, L.L.C. – Brent D. Hilliard
12. Discuss/Take Action to approve the temporary contract of Brittnay Cooper, Designated Representative for Rains County Environmental Services. – Brent D. Hilliard
13. Discuss/Take Action to approve \$1500.00 from the Tourism Board to Classic On the square. – Lori Northcutt
14. Discuss/Take action on Workshops for 2026-2027 Judges Proposed Budget see Exhibit A attached hereto for more information regarding the Judge's Proposed Budget.

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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Brent D. Hilliard, Rains County Judge

Exhibit "A"

Rains County Analysis of Tax Rates

Tax Rates	FY2025-2026 Adopted	FY2026-2027 Preliminary
M&O	<u>0.524300</u>	<u>0.635843</u>
I&S	<u>0.000000</u>	<u>0.000000</u>
Total Property Tax Rate	<u>0.524300</u>	<u>0.635843</u>
No New Revenue Tax Rate	<u>0.414431</u>	<u>0.509157</u>
Voter Approved Tax Rate	<u>0.524316</u>	<u>0.635843</u>
De Minimis Tax Rate	<u>0.540152</u>	<u>0.551680</u>

This proposed budget will raise more revenue from property taxes than last year's budget by an amount of \$1,919,178 which is a 24.59% percent increase. Of that amount, property tax revenue of \$351,125 is to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year.

RAINS COUNTY JUDGE

BRENT D. HILLIARD

DATE July 31, 2026

