

NOTICE OF A MEETING
OF THE
COMMISSIONERS COURT
OF
BELL COUNTY, TEXAS
on
Tuesday, October 13, 2026

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Notice is hereby given that a regular meeting of the above named Court will be held at **9:00 AM**, on Tuesday, October 13, 2026, with the meeting to be held in the **COMMISSIONERS' COURTROOM**, at the Bell County Historic Courthouse, 101 Central Avenue, Belton, Texas, to begin on Tuesday, October 13, 2026 at **9:00 AM**, and continue thereafter until such business of the Court has been completed in accordance with Article 81.005 of the Local Government Code of the State of Texas.

Notice is also given that, in accordance with the Commissioner's Court Meeting Rules and Protocols, any person may offer comments to the Commissioner's Court at this meeting on any item listed on the agenda.

In addition, this meeting will also be livestreamed by video conferencing at bellcountytexas.com/county_government/commissioners_court/live_commissioners_court_meeting.php.

Members of the Court and/or members of the public may participate and/or comment at this meeting via videoconferencing. Members of the public wishing to participate and/or comment on any item listed on the agenda during the meeting via the video conferencing must register by emailing Shelley.Coston@bellcounty.texas.gov no later than 8:00 AM on Tuesday, October 13, 2026. You will be given instructions on how to connect and make your comments via email. This meeting will be recorded, and the recording will be available on the Bell County's website after the meeting.

If you simply wish to watch the meeting, you do not need to register to view the lives stream feed of the meeting and may join the Bell County Commissioners Court Meeting as follows:

- From your computer, tablet or smartphone access the link:
bellcountytexas.com/county_government/commissioners_court/live_commissioners_court_meeting.php
and then follow the instructions to begin live-streaming the Commissioners Court meeting.

Agenda

1. **Invocation**
2. **Pledges of Allegiance to the flags of the United States and Texas**
3. **Consent Agenda**
(all items on the Consent Agenda are considered routine and not requiring separate discussion or vote and may be considered on a single motion; however, at the request of any Commissioner, any item or vote may be removed from the Consent Agenda and discussed and voted on separately):
 - a. Consider approval of minutes of the prior meeting (Monday, September 21, 2026) of the Commissioners Court.

b. Personnel/Budget Amendments

c. Claims

- i. Accounts Payable
- ii. Payroll
- iii. Restitution
- iv. Juror Pay

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d. Consider authorizing the County Judge to accept the FY 2027 Solid Waste Grant award and enter into an Interlocal Agreement by and between Bell County and the Central Texas Council of Governments for the 2027 Bell County Tire Recycle Event with an award amount of \$15,000.00 and no match requirement, and a period of performance from 9/1/2026 to 8/31/2027.

e. Consider ratifying the registration and associated expenses for four Bell County Drug Court and Bell County Juvenile Services personnel to attend the 2026 Tall Cop Emerging Drug Trends Conference in an amount not to exceed \$5,900.00, funded by Opioid Abatement Settlement Funds and with an associated budget amendment.

f. Consider authorizing the purchase of the following vehicles from IFB #02-27 – Vehicles, as shown below, for a total cost of \$365,511.10:

- i. One 2026 Nissan Altima from Nissan of Silsbee at a total cost of \$29,322.50 for JPO.
- ii. One 2027 Chevrolet ½-Ton Crew Cab 4x4 Truck from Sewell Family of Companies at a total cost of \$39,962.00 for the County Engineer.
- iii. Two 2027 Ford F250 Reg Cab 4x2 Trucks from Clay Cooley Ford at a total cost of \$79,362.40 for the Road and Bridge Department.
- iv. One 2027 Ford F250 Reg Cab 4x4 Truck from Clay Cooley Ford at a total cost of \$42,208.20 for the Road and Bridge Department.
- v. One 2027 Chevrolet ¾-Ton Ext Cab 4x2 Truck from Sewell Family of Companies at a total cost of \$41,882.00 for the Road and Bridge Department.
- vi. One 2027 Chevrolet ¾-Ton Ext Cab 4x4 Truck from Sewell Family of Companies at a total cost of \$41,382.00 for the Road and Bridge Department.
- vii. Two 2027 Chevrolet ¾-Ton Crew Cab 4x4 Trucks from Sewell Family of Companies at a total cost of \$91,392 for the Road and Bridge and Facilities Services Departments.

g. Consider authorizing a contract renewal with Lhoist North America of Texas, LLC, with a 6.5% price adjustment as allowed under the contract terms and conditions from IFB #05-25 – Quicklime, for Road and Bridge, in an estimated amount of \$82,000.00.

h. Consider authorizing a contract renewal with Integrated Prescription Management Services, under the same terms and conditions as IFB #02-24 – Pharmacy Benefit Management Services, for the Indigent Health Department in an estimated amount of \$60,000.00.

4. **Presentations/Proclamations/Awards**

a. Presentation from the Texas Association of Counties to receive a 2026 County Best Practices Award for the Preventative Jail Maintenance Plan.

b. Proclamation presentation declaring October 2026 as Rett Syndrome Awareness Month in Bell County.

5. **County Engineer**

- a. Consider and approve the "Minor Plat of Salado Vista", being a 22.692-acre, 4 lot, 1 block Subdivision located within Bell County, Precinct 2.
- b. Consider and approve the Final Plat of "Tanglewood Amending Plat No. 20", being a 1.37-acre, 1 lot, 1 block Subdivision located within the City of Temple, ETJ, Bell County, Precinct 3.

6. **Regular Agenda**

- a. Consider and approve formation of a Bell County Subdivision Regulation Technical Advisory Committee consisting of Pete Feenstra, Russell Schneider, Bobby Whitson, Michael Smith, Teri Stermer, Chuck Lucko, Travis Quicksall, Garrett Nordyke, Monty Clark, and Anita Jackson.
- b. Consider an Order Restricting Outdoor Burning (Burn Ban).
- c. Consider and approve revisions to the Bell County Indigent Cremation Policies.
- d. Consider and approve the submission of the Future is for Everyone Fund application in the amount of \$73,984.00 with no match requirement for the Automated Service Delivery Project to Meta, designating the Bell County Judge as the Authorized Official for the grant.
- e. Consider ratification of grant match award to Little River Volunteer Fire Department in an amount up to \$2,783.00, which is the 5% match requirement for their Texas A&M Forest Service Grant for fire and rescue equipment.

Agenda items may be considered, deliberated, and/or acted upon in a different order than set forth above.

The Court reserves the right to discuss any items above in executive (closed) session whenever permitted by law.

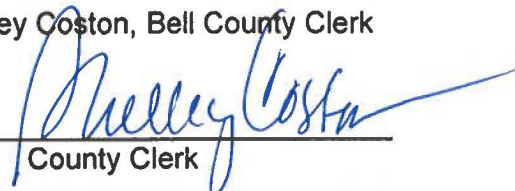
David Blackburn, County Judge

By: 

I, SHELLEY COSTON, Bell County Clerk, do 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 bulletin board at the Bell County Justice Center of Bell County, Texas, at a place readily accessible to the general public at all times on the 16th day of October, 2026, and said Notice remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said Meeting.

Dated this 16th day of October, 2026.

Shelley Coston, Bell County Clerk

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