



## MINUTES

### TARRANT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

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Minutes of Commissioners Court, Special Term, SPECIAL-CALLED Meeting  
Monday, August 8, 2022

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All items have been so ordered. Official documents on file with the County Clerk.

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On Monday, August 8, 2022 at 9:00 A.M., the Honorable Commissioners Court of Tarrant County, Texas met for Special Term, SPECIAL-CALLED Meeting in the Commissioners' Courtroom at the Courthouse in the City of Fort Worth.

#### **I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

The Commissioners' Court Clerk having called roll and a quorum being present, B. Glen Whitley, County Judge, called the meeting to order with members present:

County Judge - B. Glen Whitley	Presiding
Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks	Present
Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen	Present
Commissioner - Precinct 3 Gary Fickes	Present
Commissioner - Precinct 4 J.D. Johnson	Present

and County Clerk Mary Louise Nicholson, represented by her duly appointed Deputy April Hanks, when the following orders were made:

#### **II. WORK SESSION**

**A. Discussion and Action Concerning Tarrant County's Fiscal Year 2023 Budget**

The Commissioners Court will consider requests from all county, district and state departments, as well as private organizations, which are requesting County funding for FY 2023. These requests may include salaries, benefits and other personnel issues, departmental operational expenses, travel expenses, educational expenses, professional services, precinct road operations, road maintenance operations, capital expenditures and other budgetary requests.

**BUDGET PRESENTATION****PUBLIC SAFETY****Sheriff**

Motion made by Commissioner- Precinct 3 Gary Fickes and seconded by Commissioner- Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Sheriff.

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Motion made by Commissioner- Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 4 J.D. Johnson for Consideration (TBC) to purchase Lenco Bearcat for Sheriff's Office

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

**Constables****Precinct 1**

Motion made by Commissioner- Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 3 Gary Fickes to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Constables Precinct 1

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

**Precinct 2**

Motion made by Commissioner- Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 3 Gary Fickes to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Constables Precinct 2

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

**Precinct 3**

Motion made by Commissioner- Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 3 Gary Fickes to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Constables Precinct 3

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Precinct 4

Motion made by Commissioner- Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 3 Gary Fickes to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Constables Precinct 4

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Precinct 5

Motion made by Commissioner- Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 3 Gary Fickes to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Constables Precinct 5

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Precinct 6

Motion made by Commissioner- Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 3 Gary Fickes to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Constables Precinct 6

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Precinct 7

Motion made by Commissioner- Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 3 Gary Fickes to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Constables Precinct 7

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Precinct 8

Motion made by Commissioner- Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 3 Gary Fickes to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Constables Precinct 8

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

**Medical Examiner**

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 3 Gary Fickes to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Medical Examiner with adjustments made.

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

**Fire Marshal**

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Fire Marshal

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

**Community Supervision**

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Community Supervision

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

**Juvenile Services**

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen and seconded by Commissioner – Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Juvenile Services

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen and seconded by Commissioner – Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Juvenile Detention

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

**JUDICIAL****Civil Courts****17th District Court**

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Judge B. Glen Whitley to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for 17th District Court with recommendation of a \$2,000.00 increase for education.

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

48th District Court

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for 48th District Court

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

67th District Court

Motion made by Judge B. Glen Whitley and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for 67th District Court leaving \$500.00 for equipment maintenance.

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

96th District Court

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 4 J.D. Johnson to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for 96th District Court

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

141st District Court

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 4 J.D. Johnson to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for 141st District Court

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

153rd District Court

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 4 J.D. Johnson Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for 153rd District Court

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

236th District Court

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 4 J.D. Johnson to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for 236th District Court

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

342nd District Court

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 4 J.D. Johnson to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for 342nd District Court

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

348th District Court

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 4 J.D. Johnson to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for 348th District Court

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

352nd District Court

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 4 J.D. Johnson to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for 352nd District Court

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Criminal District Courts

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for the following: Criminal District Court No. 1, Criminal District Court No 2, Criminal District Court No. 3, Criminal District Court No. 4, 213th District Court, 297th District Court, 371st District Court, 372nd District Court, 396th District Court, 432nd District Court, and 485th District Court

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Magistrate Court

Motion made by Judge B. Glen Whitley and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks for Magistrate Court 2023 Budget to be considered at later date.

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

**Family District Courts**

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for the following:

231st District Court,  
233rd District Court,  
322nd District Court,  
324th District Court,  
325th District Court,  
and 360th District Court.

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen for 323<sup>rd</sup> Juvenile Court 2023 Budget to be considered at later date.

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

**Special Judges**

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Special Judges

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

**Criminal Courts Administration**

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Criminal Courts Administration with adjustments made.

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

**Grand Jury**

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Grand Jury

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

**Criminal Attorney Appointment**

Motion made by Judge B. Glen Whitley and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Criminal Attorney Appointment

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

**Criminal Mental Health Courts**

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 3 Gary Fickes to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Criminal Mental Health Courts

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

**County Courts at Law**

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for the following:  
County Court at Law No.1, County Court at Law No. 2, and County Court at Law No. 3

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

**County Criminal Courts**

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen and seconded by Commissioner – Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for the following:  
County Criminal Court No. 1, County Criminal Court No. 2, County Criminal Court No. 3, County Criminal Court No. 4, County Criminal Court No. 5, County Criminal Court No. 6, County Criminal Court No. 7, County Criminal Court No. 8, County Criminal Court No. 9, and County Criminal Court No. 10.

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

**Probate Courts**

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Probate Court No. 1, Probate Court No. 2, and Probate Court No. 3

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)



Justice of the Peace

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Justice of Peace Precinct No. 1, Justice of Peace Precinct No. 2, Justice of Peace Precinct No. 3, Justice of Peace Precinct No. 4, Justice of Peace Precinct No. 5, Justice of Peace Precinct No. 6, Justice of Peace Precinct No. 7, and Justice of Peace Precinct No. 8

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Criminal District Attorney

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Criminal District Attorney

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

District Clerk

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 3 Gary Fickes to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for District Clerk

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

County Clerk

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 3 Gary Fickes to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for County Clerk

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Domestic Relations

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner – Precinct 4 J.D. Johnson to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Domestic Relations

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Jury Services

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 3 Gary Fickes to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Jury Services

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Courts / Judiciary

Motion made by Commissioner – Precinct 2 Devan Allen and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Courts/Judiciary

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Public Health

Motion made by Commissioner – Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Public Health

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Resource Connection

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner – Precinct 2 Devan Allen to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Resource Connection

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Human Services

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 3 Gary Fickes to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Human Services

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Child Protective Services

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen for Child Protective Services 2023 Budget to be considered at later date.

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Public Assistance

Motion made by Judge B. Glen Whitley and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 3 Gary Fickes to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Public Assistance

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Texas AgriLife Extension

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 4 J.D. Johnson and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Texas AgriLife Extension

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Veterans Service

Motion made by Commissioner – Precinct 4 J.D. Johnson and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Veterans Service

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Historical Commission/Archives

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 3 Gary Fickes and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Historical Commission/Archives

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

ADMINISTRATION

County Judge

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for County Judge with elimination of one position.

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

County Administrator

Motion made by Commissioner – Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner – Precinct 4 J.D. Johnson to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for County Administrator

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Non-Departmental (General Fund)

Motion made by Motion made by Commissioner – Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner – Precinct 4 J.D. Johnson to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Non Departmental (General Fund)

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Non Departmental (Road & Bridges)

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Debt Service

Motion made by Commissioner – Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner – Precinct 4 J.D. Johnson to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Debt Service

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

County Auditor

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for County Auditor

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Budget/Risk Management

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Budget/Risk Management

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Tax Assessor/Collector

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 4 J.D. Johnson and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Tax Assessor/Collector

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Elections

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Elections

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Information Technology

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Information Technology with recommendation from Budget Office of \$5.2 Million to approve the accepted items at next IT Steering Committee Meeting.

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Human Resources

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 3 Gary Fickes to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Human Resources and requested a reduction of \$16,380.00 to temp/part-time

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Purchasing

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 3 Gary Fickes and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Purchasing

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Facilities

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks Commissioner – Precinct 4 J.D. Johnson to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Facilities Budget

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Facilities Building Budget

Motion made by Commissioner – Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Facilities Building Budget

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

ROAD AND BRIDGE

Road & Bridge

Motion made by Commissioner – Precinct 2 Devan Allen and seconded by Judge B. Glen Whitley to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Road and Bridge Precinct No. 1

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Road & Bridge

Motion made by Commissioner – Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 4 J.D. Johnson to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Road and Bridge Precinct No.2

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Road & Bridge

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen and seconded by Commissioner – Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Road and Bridge Precinct No. 3

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Road & Bridge

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 1 Roy Charles Brooks and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 3 Gary Fickes to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Road and Bridge Precinct No. 4

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Transportation

Motion made by Commissioner - Precinct 2 Devan Allen and seconded by Commissioner - Precinct 3 Gary Fickes to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for Transportation, Right-of-Way, Central Garage, and Sign Shop

Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Budget Hearing Court Order No. 138739

III. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioners Court was adjourned at 12:23 p.m.

APPROVED BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
B. Glen Whitley, County Judge

SUBMITTED BY: Mary Louise Nicholson, County Clerk

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
April Hanks, Deputy