

**MINUTES OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT  
SPECIAL SESSION  
NOVEMBER, 12 2015**

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2015 A.D. at 2:36 p.m., the Honorable Commissioners Court of Wichita County, Texas met in a special session at the Courthouse in Wichita Falls, Texas pursuant to adjourning November 9, 2015, with the following members present:

Honorable Woodrow W. Gossom, Jr., County Judge  
Commissioner Ray Gonzalez, Precinct No. 1  
Commissioner Lee Harvey, Precinct No. 2  
Commissioner Barry Mahler, Precinct No. 3  
Commissioner Jeff Watts, Precinct No. 4

Public comments were heard from Judge Tom Bacus and Dud Smith

Court recessed at 2:44 p.m. and went into a closed session at 2:45 p.m. to receive advice from Meredith Kennedy of the Wichita County Criminal District Attorney's office regarding Wichita County joining private landowners, Wilbarger County, and Clay County in a lawsuit against the Bureau of Land Management challenging their claim to lands along the Red River on behalf of the United States and authorizing the Texas Public Policy Foundation to represent Wichita County in that lawsuit. Meeting closed pursuant to Texas Government Code, Sec. 551.071. (Consultation with Attorney)

Court went out of closed session at 3:03 p.m. and into open session at 3:04 p.m. with the following action taken:

15.11.698 Motion made by Commissioner Mahler and seconded by Commissioner Harvey to authorize Wichita County to join private landowners, Wilbarger County, and Clay County in a lawsuit against the Bureau of Land Management challenging their claim to lands along the Red River on behalf of the United States, authorize the Texas Public Policy Foundation to represent Wichita County in that lawsuit, and authorize the County Judge to sign any documents necessary to employ the Texas Public Policy Foundation as counsel for the County in this litigation.

Motion carried unanimously.

With no further action to be taken, Commissioners Court was adjourned at 3:05 p.m. and will meet in a special session on Monday, November 16, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners Court Room.

ATTEST:

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LORI BOHANNON, COUNTY CLERK

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WOODROW W. GOSSOM, JR., COUNTY JUDGE WICHITA  
WICHITA COUNTY, TEXAS