

NOVEMBER Erath County Judge's Summary (December 1, 2021)

The Erath County Commissioner's Court meets in regular sessions on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month. Meeting notices (including special meetings), Agendas and Minutes are posted on the County website <https://www.co.erath.tx.us/agendacenter>

Selected Agenda items from the November 2021 Commissioner's Court meetings:

- United Cooperative Services made a presentation regarding their construction project in Erath County and requested the County participate in partial grant funding to bring internet services to the rural areas of the County. No immediate action was taken on the item.
- A Manger At-Risk was chosen to help the County with the construction of the Count Annex III, to be located across from the Long Hotel. It is hoped that construction on the +/- 24,000 sq.ft. facility will begin in early 2022.
- Erath County's Guidelines and Criteria for participating in economic development have been in discussion recently, and a final version was adopted. The County approved participation in an economic development project with Schreiber Foods, Inc. (cheese plant). The project involved working in conjunction with SEEDA (Stephenville Economic Development Authority) staff. We hope to make an announcement that includes the details of this exciting project soon.
- The County approved participating in the expense for downtown holiday lighting and decorations.
- The results of the November 2021 election were presented and approved, and a process was set for the applicants to submit for permits with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission.
- Septic Permit fees were discussed and a new schedule was approved. A Standard (home) Septic Fee cost was set at \$250; Aerobic (home) at \$450; Commercial Standard \$550; and Commercial Aerobic at \$750.
- It was announced that the County has lost one of its State Grants (Victim Assistance) due to the failure to complete an outside audit and to generate related financial reports on schedule.
- The County Veteran Services Officer, Tammy Barker will be retiring December 31. We encourage Veterans to use the guidance, services and resources provided by the Veteran Services Office. We thank Ms. Barker for her 15 years of service to Veterans. We hope have a new Officer on board before the end of the year.
- The Court held a workshop regarding Subdivision Regulations, as we see a drastic increase in activity in this area. We want to be prepared to address the growth we expect in the next few years.

Check out Erath County Jobs on our website: <https://www.co.erath.tx.us/Jobs.aspx>

Current job openings include: Mechanic, Assistant County Attorney, Dispatcher, Investigator for District Attorney, Full-time Paramedic EMT, Part-time EMT, Maintenance Worker, Public Safety Communications Technician, Jailer, and Sheriff's Patrol Deputy.

Old news.....

Dublin, TX was founded in 1854 by A. H. Dobkins and named in 1860, probably for the warning cry at Indian raids, "Double In", for the capital of Ireland, or for the double-log cabins used by early settlers. The town acquired stagecoach service and a post office in 1874.

Stephenville was incorporated in 1889, with the arrival of the Fort Worth and Rio Grande Railway. In the 1890s, many of the buildings around the town square were built, the present Courthouse structure (1892) was completed, Tarleton State University (1899) opened, and the community's two newspapers merged to become the Empire-Tribune.

Handbook of Texas and Wikipedia.



Citizens are invited to attend and are welcome to address the Commissioner’s Court by signing up to speak. Signing up to speak can be done on site just prior to the meeting being called to order. Arrive a few minutes early.

Please call me with any questions. Let me know how we can better serve you.

You may contact my office with any opinions or suggestions at (254) 965-1415, or send me an email at countyjudge@co.erath.tx.us We are here to serve you, until next time –

Alfonso Campos

Regards,
Alfonso Campos – Erath County Judge



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Welcome to Deputies Carlyle Grover, Danette Burke and Kody Brumfield (pictured with Sheriff Coates). They will work in the Patrol Division. Give them an Erath County “WELCOME” when you see them in the community!



With great sadness, we announce that we lost one of our beloved colleagues. A great friend to all, Judge Bart Greenway passed away Nov. 22. Judge Greenway began his career with Erath County as an elections clerk in the County Clerk’s office before being elected and assuming office as Justice of the Peace for Pct. 2 in 2011.

I first met Judge Greenway in 2011 at a New JP’s Training Seminar in Austin. We visited the whole time, including lunches and dinners, as we knew many of the same people. He came to welcome me when I began work as Bailiff in Judge Cashon’s Court in 2015. When he got his white pickup, we had to go to lunch before the new smell wore out. He was positively a joy to be around and I

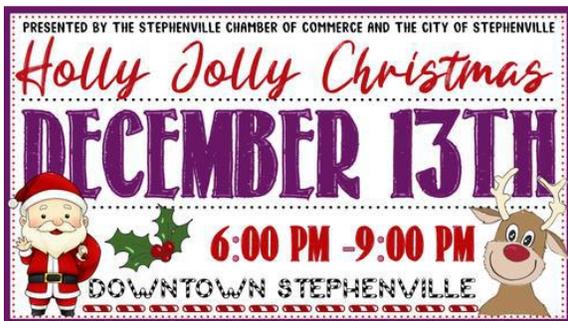
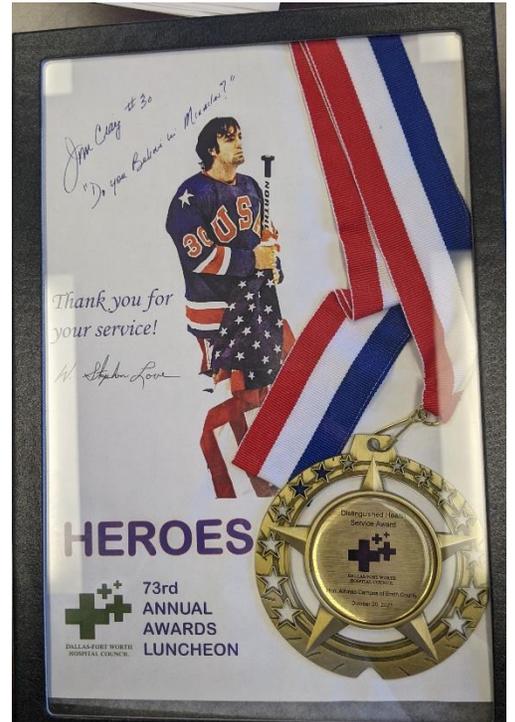
enjoyed his friendship. We will miss Judge Greenway.



➤ White Horse Christian Academy 2nd grade class visited the courthouse and held a mock trial in the courtroom while they learned about state and local government with teacher Becky Bray & Judge Campos.

There were just enough students to fill all the roles, including the teacher, who was accused of being nice. The attorneys questioned witnesses and the Jurors quickly rendered a conviction.

Judge Campos received a HEROES Award recently at the 73rd → Annual Awards Luncheon of the Dallas-Fort Worth Hospital Council. The plaque is a copy signed by Jim Craig, goaltender of the 1980 Olympic winning US Hockey team that defeated the heavily-favored Soviets (in the semi-finals) and went on to win the gold medal in the 1980 Winter Olympics.



Dublin Country Christmas Stroll

And Lighted Parade

Thursday, December 9th, 4 - 8 PM
(Dublin Chamber 254-300-6263)