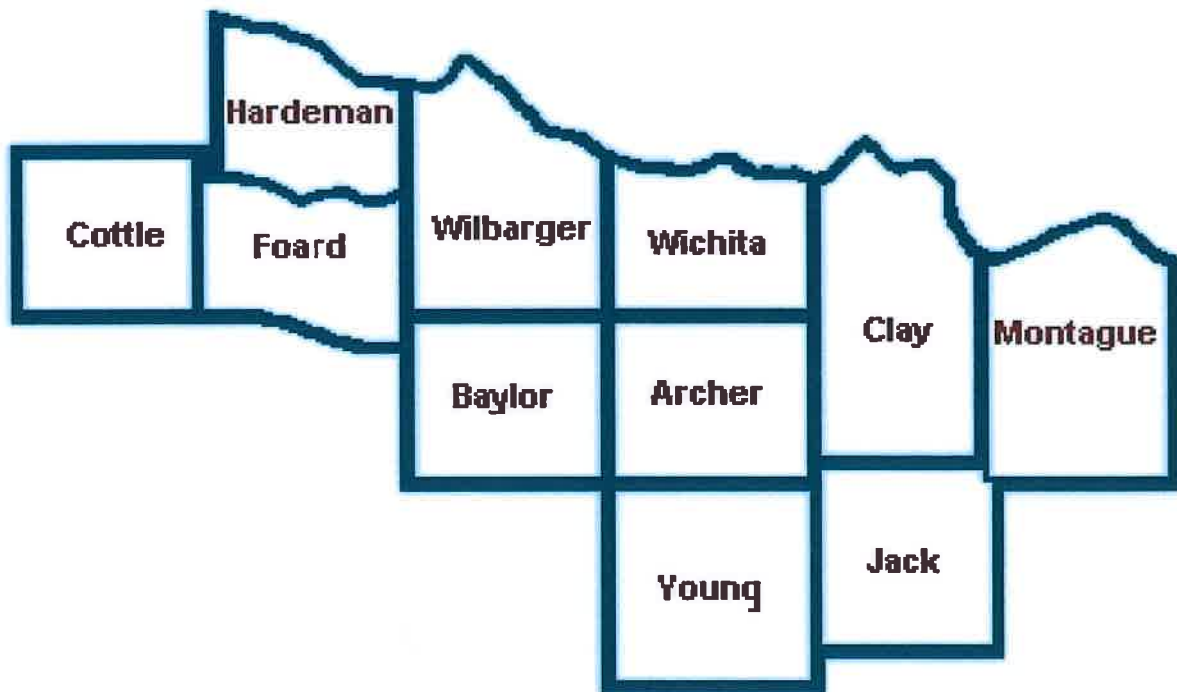


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Executive Committee

Agenda

November 17, 2022

NORTEX REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, November 17, 2022 at 12:00 P.M.

Galaxy Center #2 North
4309 Jacksboro Highway, Suite 200, Wichita Falls, Texas
(Entrance at the side of building on the north end)

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A G E N D A

All items marked as part of the Consent Agenda will require no individual deliberation by the Executive Committee. Each voting Committee member has the prerogative of removing an item from the Consent Agenda to be considered separately.

- 1. Call to order.**
- 2. Invocation.**
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance.**
- 4. Introduction of Guests.**

- 5. Consent Agenda Items:**
 - Action Requested
 - A. Review and Approval of the minutes of the General Membership Committee meeting held on October 20, 2022.**
 - B. Review and Approval of the minutes of the Human Services Advisory Council meeting held on October 31, 2022.**

- 6. Report from the Homeland Security Committee.**
 - Action Requested
 - A. Review and Approval of the Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA).**
 - B. Review and Approval of the Stakeholder Preparedness Review (SPR).**
 - C. Review and Approval of the Implementation Plan (IP).**

7. Discussion of the December Board Meeting.
-Action Requested

8. Executive Director's Report.

a). Departmental Updates.

9. Announcement of Upcoming Meetings/Events.

10. Adjournment.

NORTEX REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

General Membership Committee Minutes

Thursday, October 20, 2022 at Noon

4309 Jacksboro Highway, Suite 200, Large Conference Room
Wichita Falls, Texas

MEMBERS:

Judge Keith Umphress, Jack County, Chair
Judge Randy Jackson, Archer County
Judge Mike Campbell, Clay County
Judge Karl Holloway, Cottle County
Judge Mark Christopher, Foard County
Judge Kevin Benton, Montague County
Judge Woody Gossom, Wichita County
Judge Greg Tyra, Wilbarger County
Judge John Bullock, Young County
Mr. Bert Cunningham, City of Bowie
Mr. Mike Whaley, City of Burkburnett
Mayor Cathy Young, City of Chillicothe
Mayor Ronnie Allen, City of Crowell
Mayor Rodger Brannen, City of Paducah
Ms. Lauren Bush, Representing City of Seymour
Mayor Stephen Santellana, City of Wichita Falls
Mayor Justin Keener, City of Windthorst
Superintendent Wade Wesley, Bellevue ISD
Superintendent Brad Burnett, Jacksboro ISD
Ms. Synthia Kirby, Wichita Falls ISD
Superintendent William Paul, Windthorst ISD
Mr. Billy Don Clark, Electra Memorial Hospital
Mr. Mike Beimer, Hardeman County Hospital District
Mr. Paul Hopkins, Wichita Wilbarger 9-1-1
Mr. Jim Johnson, Office of Representative James Frank

GUESTS:

Ms. Jennifer Foster, Office of Senator Charles Perry
Ms. Paige West, Office of Representative David Spiller
Ms. Liz Flynn, Office of Representative Ronny Jackson
Mr. Reno Gustafson, Office of Representative Ronny Jackson
Mr. Kenneth Liggett, Citizen of Clay County
Ms. Lisa McDaniel, Workforce Solutions of North Texas
Ms. Sharon Hulcy, Workforce Solutions of North Texas
Ms. Vicky Payne, Southern Grit Advocacy
Ms. Deborah Milbern, Grant Works
Mr. Darell Kennon, City of Vernon

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STAFF:

Mr. Dennis Wilde, Executive Director
Ms. Shana Ferguson, Director of Finance
Ms. Tina Johnson, Director of Emergency Planning
Ms. Lillian Lafaele, Director of Criminal Justice
Ms. Renee Williams, Director of Area Agency on Aging
Ms. Diane Morgan, Director of Housing Services
Mr. Tim Bryant, Director of 911 Emergency Services
Mr. Adam Steed, Director of Economic Development
Ms. Jan Bowerman, Administrative Assistant

Judge Keith Umphress called the meeting to order at 12:25 p.m. He asked Judge Greg Tyra to give the invocation. Members of the General Membership Committee cited the Pledge of Allegiance. Judge Umphress asked for self-introductions from the assembled group.

Judge Umphress addressed the next item on the agenda which was the approval of the consent agenda. The consent agenda item was as follows: approval of the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on September 15, 2022. Judge Umphress asked if anyone wished to remove any item from the consent agenda for further discussion. There being none, a motion was made by Judge Randy Jackson and seconded by Judge Woodrow Gossom to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Judge Umphress went to agenda item six which was review and approval of purchases over \$50,000.00. He asked Mr. Tim Bryant to discuss this item. Mr. Bryant stated that according to Nortex Regional Planning Commission Procurement Policy he needs approval from the General Membership Committee for the 9-1-1 Program purposed funding budget for equipment replacement in our region PSAPs with approved Commission on State Emergency Communications (CSEC) allocated funds. He is asking CSEC to fund the replacement of firewalls and routers in the amount of \$119,076.12 and the scheduled front room hardware in all nine locations in the amount of \$109,701.17 in FY2023. A motion was made by Judge Mark Christopher and seconded by Judge Greg Tyra to approve the purchases for the 9-1-1 Department in excess of \$50,000.00. Motion carried.

Judge Umphress addressed the next item on the agenda which was the Executive Director's report. He asked Mr. Wilde to give his report. Mr. Wilde stated Ms. Penny Miller will be conducting a Human Resource workshop immediately after this meeting. He stated the Finance Department is working on closing books for the last

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fiscal year. He introduced Mr. Adam Steed as our new Director of Economic Development. He stated the Aging Department is working on helping people with open enrollment with Medicare Part D and the Human Services Advisory Council will meet on October 31st at 2:00 pm. He stated the 9-1-1 Department is continuing to audit/monitor the region's 9-1-1 systems with no issues arising. He stated the Homeland Security Department is working on THIRA and SPR plans which will be presented at the November meeting. He stated the Housing Services Department has a new set of funding beginning November 1st and that funding will help with housing and utilities. He stated the Economic Development Department is working on TCEQ and TxDot grants. He stated the Criminal Justice Department is hosting a Hostage Negotiation Class – Part 2 this week and she is trying to spend the rest of the COVID funds so if you are needing something please email Lillian.

Judge Umphress asked if there were any other business or announcements. He stated there would be a Human Resources training immediately after this meeting is over. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:43 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 17th DAY OF November 2022.

Judge Keith Umphress, Chair

ATTEST:

Judge Randy Jackson, Secretary

**Nortex Regional Planning Commission
HUMAN SERVICES ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES
Monday, October 31, 2022
2:00 P.M.
Nortex Regional Planning Commission
4309 Jacksboro Highway, Suite 200
Wichita Falls, Texas**

Committee Members:

Shelly Lovell
David Farabee

Brandy Williams
Diane Morgan

Staff:

Renee Williams, AAA Director
Dee Anna Booker, AAA-ADRC Manager

In the absence of Advisory Council Chairman, Carol Chatterton, Dee Anna Booker called the meeting to order at 2:08 p.m. and welcomed council members.

Dee Anna asked if everyone had the opportunity to review the minutes of the August 2022 meeting, and if there were any revisions, additions, or corrections. There were none. Brandy Williams made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Shelly Lovell seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved.

Renee Williams, Area Agency on Aging Director gave updates of funding and advised that we are in the middle of open enrollment and the 3 Benefits Counselors are working hard to serve our clients. Renee reported that she continues to work with Rhonda Pogue to learn the ins and outs of the various programs the Area Agency on Aging administers.

Dee Anna Booker asked that everyone keep Carol Chatterton and her family in their prayers as Carol had e-mailed shortly before the meeting to advise that she was in the emergency room with her husband. Dee Anna further advised that she is getting all the calls that are not concerning open enrollment, so everyone is working as hard as possible to keep up with all incoming calls. She told those present that calls are being returned in the same order they are received.

Dee Anna then opened the floor for members present to give updates or information on their programs.

Brandy stated the Helen Farabee centers have one (1) opening for a female in a group home.

Shelly Lovell gave information regarding their interest lists and funding.

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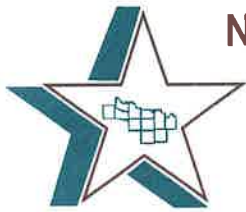
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Diane Morgan updated us on her programs and said tomorrow, November 1st they would have funding to help qualifying individuals with rent. She stated they are limiting the assistance on utilities allowing other agencies to cover that expense. She further stated that in outlying counties, utility help is limited, and they will work with those area. She stated their main focus is rent assistance and housing expenses such as deposits, rental applications, arrears that are keeping persons out of housing. She said they will also help with deposits and reconnects for utilities because funding is usually not available for these expenses.

David Farabee informed that the Family Glitch is no longer a barrier. In the past financial assistance to buy health insurance on the Affordable Care Act (ACA) Marketplaces was primarily available for people who could not get coverage through a public program or their employer. Some exceptions are now made, to include people whose employer coverage offer is deemed unaffordable or of insufficient value. For example, people can qualify for ACA Marketplace subsidies if their employer requires them to spend more than 9.83% of their household income on the company's health plan premium.

Previously, this affordability threshold of household income was based on the cost of the employee's self-only coverage, not the premium required to cover any dependents. In other words, an employee whose contribution for self-only coverage was less than 9.83% of household income was deemed to have an affordable offer, which means that the employee and his or her family members were ineligible for financial assistance on the Marketplace, even if the cost of adding dependents to the employer-sponsored plan would far exceed 9.83% of the family's income. This definition of "affordable" employer coverage has come to be known as the "family glitch."


The next meeting will be January 30, 2023. There being no further business, Dee Anna adjourned the meeting at 3:10 p.m.



November 9, 2022

M e m o r a n d u m

To: Dennis Wilde, Executive Director

From: Tina Johnson, Director of Homeland Security 

Subject: Report from Homeland Security Committee

The Homeland Security Committee (HSC) will meet on November 17, 2022 before the scheduled board meeting. The HSC will discuss the following three items. Some of the items will not be available to the general public but if you want to look at these you can contact Tina or Teri.

- A. Review and Approval of the Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA).
- B. Review and Approval of the Stakeholder Preparedness Review (SPR).
- C. Review and Approval of the Implementation Plan (IP).

The Homeland Security Committee's recommendations will be submitted at the meeting for approval.

Consideration by the Executive Committee of Nortex Regional Planning Commission would be greatly appreciated.

Agenda Item 6
Memo