

STATE OF TEXAS *
 COUNTY OF JOHNSON *
 TOWN OF CROSS TIMBER *

The Board of Aldermen for the Town of Cross Timber, Texas, convened in regular session at the Briaroaks Fire Hall, 515 Ward Lane, Briaroaks, Texas, on Thursday, August 14, 2025, at 6:30 P.M. to consider the following agenda items.

1. Call to Order

Patti Meier, Mayor, opened the meeting at 6:30 P.M.

2. Review procedure for addressing the Board and Open Meetings Act

Mayor Meier reviewed procedures for addressing the Board and the Open Meetings Act.

3. Roll Call

| Board members: | Present: | Absent: |
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| Patti Meier – Mayor | <u> x </u> | _____ |
| Kellee Ball – Mayor Pro-tem | <u> x </u> | _____ |
| Eddie Edwards – Alderman | <u> x </u> | _____ |
| Bridgette Sisson – Alderman | <u> x </u> | _____ |
| Bob Sumien – Alderman | <u> x </u> | _____ |
| Maudie Tarver - Alderman | <u> x </u> | _____ |
| Other officials: | | |
| Kathy LaMaster, Town Secretary | <u> x </u> | _____ |
| Mary Jo Moncrief, Town Treasurer | <u> x </u> | _____ |

Mayor Meier reminded the residents that all members of the Board are unpaid volunteers and are the same as all residents, yet they have opted to help the town through public service. Try to appreciate their commitment by not calling in off hours or expecting 24/7 availability.

4. Review and approve Minutes of the July 10, 2025 meeting.

Motion by: Ball to approve with edit to item #11 – add “and others” behind Alderman Edwards

Second by: Edwards

Voted for: Ball, Edwards, Sisson, Sumien, Tarver

Voted against: none Abstained: none Motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0

5. Review and approve Financial Records for May 2025.

As of July 31, 2025 the total amount in the general fund is \$66,288.07. The Money Market account has \$456,981.16 and edits to income & expenses need to be made to the Capital Improvement document.

Motion by: Sisson to approve minus the Capital Improvement document

Second by: Tarver

Voted for: Ball, Edwards, Sisson, Sumien, Tarver

Voted against: none Abstained: none Motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0

6. Public Comment. none

7. Committee Reports:

a. Capital Improvements Committee

Chairperson Sisson noted the town slab has been poured. The committee will be meeting to select an ADA railing system. Mayor Meier asked about landscaping and siding, both will be added to the committee

agenda. Committee will also determine if additional members are needed to the committee as Alderman Eddie Edwards expressed an interest.

b. Infrastructure Committee –

Chairperson Tarver stated the committee has been researching numerous projects. Kimberli Broome, 3350 Cross Timber Road, provided a report, including it is not legal to put shoulders in over a utility easement so the committee will focus on the edges. They have a quote of \$10.5 K for an engineering report for the road by CMJ that they will discuss. Also three Asphalt bids were submitted to the secretary, without committee recommendation. Mayor Meier asked the committee to meet and make a recommendation.

8. Discussion and possible action on violations at 3015 FM 731.

Mayor Meier and the board received an email message at 6:13pm asking this item be removed from the agenda. The town secretary read the message into the record. David Morrow spoke to the content of the email stating they had no idea of the state of the adjoining property until they cleared their land, further there are health issues with raw sewage smells and trash piled in the stock pond. Mayor Meier stated that some of the pictures in the report were examples and not of the 3015 FM 731 property and the report led the Board to adopt the Property Maintenance Code. Mayor Meier asked the board how they would like to proceed. Alderman Sumien suggested reaching out to the town attorney (TOASE) and to Federal and State organizations: TECQ, EPA and TX Parks and Wildlife game wardens. David Morrow has aerial photos if the board would like them, Mayor Meier stated not at this time. Secretary LaMaster mentioned that a public records request had been made and completed on this property.

Motion by: Sumien motioned to allow Mayor and Secretary to contact TOASE on issue.

Second by: Ball

Voted for: Ball, Sisson, Sumien

Voted against: none

Abstained: Edwards & Tarver

Motion passed by a vote of 3 to 0

9. Discussion and possible action on draft town budget 2025-2026.

Mayor Meier described her process and suggested revisions from previous year. Alderman Sisson suggested increasing the road maintenance expense line and sales tax revenue. Alderman Tarver stated we have been using a band-aid budget, so band-aid repairs and roads will continue to deteriorate. Mayor Meier stated we will continue to repair the road until trucks stop.

Revisions will be made and there will be a Public Hearing on the budget next month.

10. Discussion and possible action on protocols for handling town maintenance issues.

Mayor Meier stated that her employees and husband will no longer be doing the handyman work for the town. Alderman Sisson suggested posting to Facebook group, Sarah Elliott, 3151 Cross Timber Road, will reach out via the page to see if residents will help. Alderman Edwards suggested letting people volunteer and provide their scope of work to the board. Mayor Meier encouraged Alderman Edwards to spread the word to residents.

Motion by: Sisson motioned to use Facebook and town email to seek volunteers moving forward.

Second by: Sumien

Voted for: Ball, Edwards, Sisson, Sumien, & Tarver

Voted against: none Abstained: none Motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0

11. Discussion and possible action on subdivision ordinance times for trucks to operate.

Mayor Meier received a response from the attorney that the subdivision ordinance does not apply to this situation. Item tabled.

12. Discussion and possible action on paying labor to repair Cross Timber Road shoulders and potholes with materials already available. May require engineering report.

Ralph Ollman, 3301 Trails End Road, stated shoulders terminology be changed to Edges / caps. Sarah Elliott, 3151 Cross Timber Road, asked if there was enough product on town property. Russell Broome, 3350 Cross Timber Road, stated that the bids cover equipment and labor, town would need to provide hot mix. Mayor Meier asked if the committee had a hot mix bid. This item was sent back to committee to identify the best bid and obtain a hot mix price. No engineering report will be needed.

Motion by: Sisson motioned to send back to committee

Second by: Ball

Voted for: Ball, Edwards, Sisson, Sumien, Tarver

Voted against: none Abstained: none Motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0

13. Discussion and possible action on landscaping and other town property improvements.

Chairman Sisson stated they will have this information next month. Tabled until further information

14. Discussion and possible action on town property cameras.

The town reached out to TML legal and received back information on Photographic Traffic Signal Enforcement. The committee does not believe this is the same as cameras. Diane Bradshaw, Trails End Road, lives at the stop sign, she could put a camera in her yard. Sarah Elliott, 3151 Cross Timber Road, stated the cameras would be intended to show to TECQ dust, trucks coming in with full loads or any insurance claims. Alderman Tarver stated that they are burying illegal items (tires and appliances) at the site and that Dana Ames with Johnson County Environment Enforcement is aware of the situation. Item tabled for more information.

15. Discussion and possible action on overhead trimming & bar ditch cleaning on Cross Timber Rd.

Mayor Meier stated that trees are encroaching on the road and need to be cut back. Kimberli Broome, 3350 Cross Timber Road, said Burleson Tree is coming out next week to mow the bar ditches in front of their property. Diane Bradshaw, Trails End Road, said residents can contact United Cooperative for trees near power lines. Committee decided neighbors could do own property and reach out if they needed help. Item tabled.

16. Discussion and possible action on legal status of Trails End Road.

Mayor Meier reported that lawsuits and judge decisions led the town to put Public Easement Road for Trails End Road. Alderman Tarver & Edwards are stating it is a public road from Cross Timber to the cattle guard. Kimberli Broome, 3350 Cross Timber Road, stated that county roads can not become public roads without a process. Ron McCullough 3700 Trails End Road, wants to be sure that the 350 feet in front of his property remains a private easement. Paige Linendoll, 7000 Weatherby, if attorney says it is public then what is the process. Mayor Meier said there would be steps to take to establish the status and asked for permission to send town map to attorney. Alderman Tarver has documents showing public status of the road that should be included in the correspondence.

Motion by: Sumien motioned for Mayor to contact the attorney

Second by: Sisson

Voted for: Ball, Edwards, Sisson, Sumien, Tarver

Voted against: none

Abstained: none

Motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0

17. Discussion and possible action on no thru trucks signs.

Correspondence from Jennifer VanderLaan, Director, C.F.M., Johnson County Public Works sent an email stating that Lett Lane is not a viable option for the trucks without permission from each resident. Item Tabled.

18. Announcements

Mayor Meier cancelled the Subdivision Ordinance workshop for Saturday and asked Aldermen to look at their calendars for a fall date.

Kimberli Broome announced the King / Trophy Material dig property has been sold and within six months the trucks should be gone and the debris removed.

19. Request for future agenda items

- Financial report for Capital Improvements with changes
- Road Cameras
- Town property improvements – railings.
- Property violation @ 3015 FM 731.

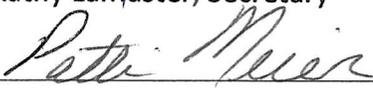
20. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:38 P.M.



Kathy LaMaster, Secretary

9-11-2025
Date



Patti Meier, Mayor