



**Minutes: February 28, 2019  
 Executive Committee Meeting  
 Bell County Expo Center  
 301 W Loop 121, Belton, Texas  
 12:00 PM**

The February 2019 Central Texas Council of Governments Annual Executive Committee Meeting was called to Order by The Honorable Bill Schumann, President.

**Executive Committee Officers in Attendance:**

President	Commissioner Bill Schumann	Bell County
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Judge Byron Theodosis	San Saba County
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Commissioner Darren Moore	Coryell County
Secretary/Treasurer	Judge David Blackburn	Bell County
Parliamentarian	Mayor Jose Segarra	City of Killeen

**Executive Committee Members in Attendance:**

Connie Anderle, Milam County Mayor	Ryan Haverlah, Copperas Cove City Manager	Ed Smith, Mills County Judge
David Blackburn, Bell County Judge	Randy Hoyer, Lampasas County Judge	Byron Theodosis, San Saba County Judge
Gary Chumley, Gatesville City Mayor	Kyle Matthews, Coryell County Commissioner	Mario Grayson, Belton City Mayor
Timothy Davis, Temple City Mayor	Roger Miller, Coryell County Judge	Jim Yeonopolus, CTC Chancellor
Otis Evans, Citizen Representative	William Parry, Gatesville City Manager	Hal Schiffman, Harker Heights Council Member
Mary Gauer, Citizen Representative		

**CTCOG Staff Members and Guests in Attendance:**

Carmen Lim, CTCOG	Tama Shaw, HCCAA	Gary Kafer, Rep. Sheffield's Office
Goerge Losoysa, CTCOG	Helen Hill, CTCOG	Kerry Phillip, AACT/CTADVRC
Becky Cooley, CTCOG	Keith Sledd, HOTDA	Susan Kamas, Workforce
Jesse Hennage, CTCOG	Ken Cox, Workforce	John Driver, Bell County
Grace Doersam, CTCOG/AACT	Sandra Jones, CTCOG/AACT	Margaret Matthews, AACT
Susan Burchfield, CTCOG/AACT	Leslie Arnold, CTCOG/AACT	Melissa Gammage, CTCOG/AACT
Jessica Keys, CTCOG/AACT	Chrystal Griggs, CTCOG/AACT	Raquel Canava, CTCOG/AACT
Chris Whittaker, City of Rockdale	Thomas Wilson, CTCOG/AACT	Ralph Gauer, Citizen Representative

Invocation was led by Otis Evans of Killeen and the pledge to the American flag and the Texas flag was led by Judge David Blackburn of Bell County.

### **Consent Agenda**

A motion was made by Mayor Hal Schiffman of Harker Heights to accept the minutes of October 25, 2018, October 2018 expenditure report, and the minutes of January 24, 2019. Otis Evans of Killeen seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed.

### **Action Items**

A motion was made by Chancellor Jim Yeonopolus of Central Texas College to accept Resolution 02-19-PRS01 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Central Texas Council of Governments (CTCOG) Planning Grant FY 2020 Funds. Otis Evans of Killeen seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed.

A motion was made by Otis Evans of Killeen to accept Resolution 02-19-PRS02 Central Texas Council of Governments (CTCOG) Elder and Vulnerable Adult Justice Program Grant. Texas Municipal League member Mary Gauer seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed.

### **Reports**

#### **Area Agency on Aging**

Kerry Phillip, Director of Area Agency on Aging briefed on the units of 2018. The state rolled out new software that delayed getting the final numbers for fiscal year 2018. AAA met and exceeded some of the units and in the areas where it did not meet the goals there will be some corrective action put in place to meet the unit standard for the next fiscal year. AAA staff also must go out and provide their services to persons who have not received assistance from the AAAC as they are reported as unduplicated persons. HHSC goals are \$95 per unit which is met in the actual AAAC with the exception of 4 programs, but if averaged the unit rate across the entire agency is \$81.09 which is below the HHSC goal. There is also new leadership at the state level and there are workshops being held on various AAA subject. Jim Reed, Executive Director of Central Texas Council of Governments stated that there are some challenges with the unit rates as one size does not fit all as there are different densities of population throughout the state. Plus, the cost of travel to rural cities versus highly populated cities.

#### **Planning & Regional Services**

Uryan Nelson, Director of Planning & Regional Services stated that there were grant writing workshops held for each county with a total of 69 total attendees for Homeland Security and Criminal Justice. CodeRed will be included in the CTCOG planning grant so there will be no more invoicing of the counties.

Hazard mitigation action plans for Bell, Hamilton and Milam Counties are complete. Peace Officer Training for the 2-year grant has trained 1,631 Law Enforcement Officers. January training consisted of 24 officers and one TCOLE class. GIS Data quality cleanup/error cleanup has GeoComm getting an accurate count of all county and city errors. All cities in the region except Temple have updated their attribute tables. KTMPO has Draft 2045 Metropolitan Transpiration Plan anticipated to go out for public involvement in March with a planned approval date of May 2019. Text to 9-1-1 is now in all counties. The press release was issued February 7-10, 2019 in the local papers in the region. 29 texts were sent out and of those 7 were emergencies. Rebecca Cooley, 9-1-1 PSAP Coordinator briefed that text to 9-1-1 is for individuals who are speech or hearing impaired, for people who are unable to call due to a medical emergency that renders them unable to speak, in the event of a crime such as a home invasion where speaking may give away the location of the person hiding, or lastly in a domestic violence call where it is not safe to make a voice call. Rebecca stated that when sending a text, the callers should keep the following in mind. Text only which is limited to 160 characters, callers should only do so when calling is not an option, texting is not instantaneous which means it may take longer to dispatch emergency services, provide location information and the nature of the emergency is imperative, the caller must have a cell phone with a data plan, which means no texting apps.

### **Housing**

George Losoya, Director of Housing stated that there are currently 2,337 continuous leased families, VASH has 147, new families has 37, and exiting families has 34. Payments to landlords of \$1,181,508 went out to landlords with an admin fee of \$108,754 earned. The online preapplication waiting list was online and went live on February 14, 2019 at 8:30 am and closed on February 17 at 11:23 am with 2,500 preapplications. Of those only 47 applicants came into the main office for assistance with the application process with minimal wait times. There was also distribution of information from other CTCOG programs disseminated to those applicants. George will be working with other partners: VA Homelessness, VASH Vouchers, Special Vouchers within Central County Services and Central Texas ADVRC, AAA and Planning and Regional Services.

### **Workforce Development Board and Workforce Center**

Susan Kamas, Workforce Development Board stated that she had just returned from the state Workforce Conference and came back with 4 awards. 2 awards for service to worker and service to community. Go to work project in Temple received \$30,000, the non-custodial parent collected \$4million dollars in back child support over the last 6 years received \$30,000 for the program. Training programs received an award as well. Lastly Susan stated that there would be an orientation scheduled for the 7 county judges and the

mayors of the two largest cities, which are Killeen and Temple. It will take place prior to the Executive Committee meeting in March at the CTCOG building at 11am in room A1. Key items that will be voted on will be Interlocal Agreements, Partnership agreement of Workforce Board and Executive Committee, and Election of Chief Elected Official. Ken Cox, Workforce Center Director stated that there have been some changes in the top 25 high demand jobs in the area. There are 5 that are different based on actual requirements. Changed business hours back to normal from the extended hours that were in place. There will be 2 hours a week in Temple and 1 hour a week in Killeen where the centers will be closed for training. The City of Rockdale and Milam county will see mining of bit coins from data mining by Bit Main. Ken stated that in 2012 Central Texas had 0 NAEYC certified child care centers. NAEYC child care centers are gold star standard in child care centers, currently there are 48 child care centers that are NAEYC certified.

#### **Executive Director**

Jim Reed, Executive Director stated that the legislature is in session. There is a bill that has is going to hit the Senate side and that is SB790 by Senator Buckingham. Jim has met with Senator Buckingham's staff and was assured that it was a "clean up" bill. The State Comptroller wishes to no longer be on the distribution list for all the reports. That would strike the comptrollers name from the distribution. Anytime there is a bill put on the floor there is a house that has a companion bill. All reports are not performance driven and is not about metrics and is all changing. Judge Theodosis and Jim representatives of Central Texas at NARC and the takeaway was the census will be done online with a code that will be mailed. Staff will be preparing a series of presentations of programs. A survey request will be sent to newly elected officials for availability to be introduced with some of the programs available.

#### **Adjourn**



The Honorable Bill Schumann, President



The Honorable David Blackburn, Secretary/Treasurer