

WARREN COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING  
JANUARY 20, 2026

Council present for the meeting: Ben Dispennett, Ethan Foxworthy, Brady Foster, Nicholas Weston.

Public: Sheriff Anthony Pruitt, Heather Deno, Emily Ade.

Department Head/Elected Official – Robin Weston-Hubner, Auditor; Anthony Pruitt, Sheriff; John Comer, Commissioner; Craig Greenwood, Commissioner; Robert Warrick, Health Department Environmentalist; Dr. Sean Sharma, Health Officer; Laci Frodge, Health Department Nurse; Clay Andrews, Commissioner; Jim Morson, EMA Director.

1. The Council Meeting was called to order by Ethan Foxworthy, Council President.
2. Ethan Foxworthy, Council President led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. New Business:
  - a. Ben Dispennett made a motion to approve the agenda seconded by Brady Foster, all voted in favor.
  - b. Reorganization of the Council –
    - i. President – Ben Dispennett made a motion to nominate Ethan Foxworthy Council President for 2026 seconded by Nicholas Weston, all voted in favor; Foxworthy abstained.
    - ii. Vice President – Brady Foster made a motion to nominate Ben Dispennett Council Vice President 2026 seconded by Nicholas Weston, all voted in favor; Dispennett abstained.
  - c. Ben Dispennett made a motion to approve the agenda seconded by Brady Foster, all voted in favor.
  - d. Ben Dispennett made a motion to approve the Council minutes for December 15, 2025 seconded by Nicholas Weston, all voted in favor.
  - e. 2026 Sheriff Contract/2025 Commissary – Sheriff Pruitt explained the Contract and Commissary. Commissary balance is used for department cell phones, water softener monthly, equipment, etc. Brady Foster made a motion to approve 2026 Sheriff Contract seconded by Ben Dispennett, all voted in favor. Ben Dispennett made a motion approve 2025 Jail Commissary report seconded by Nicholas Weston, all voted in favor.
  - f. 2026 Additional Appropriations – Discussed Rainy Day Transfer Resolution, Weston-Hubner explained this will be on the next meeting agenda. Discussed the below 2026 Budget Additional Appropriations totaling \$84,989.00. Nicholas Weston made a motion to approve all discussed additional appropriations seconded by Brady Foster, all voted in favor; Ben Dispennett abstained. Discussed below additional appropriations.
    - i. Donations - 4-H Council - \$1,000.00
    - ii. Local Public Health Services Welcome Baby Program - \$500.00 and Office Supplies \$455.00
    - iii. COVID Vaccine Ins Reimb Health Dept Clerk/Registrar Stipend - \$5,000.00
    - iv. Prosecutor IV-D Incentive Clerical - \$234.00
    - v. Pretrial Services Grant Public Defender - Part Time - \$(7,000.00) and Public Defender Pre-Trial - \$7,000.00
    - vi. County General Medical Care of Prisoners \$15,000.00 and Pest Control \$1,800.00 and Expense to State Institutions \$9,000.00
    - vii. MVH Restricted Leased Equipment - \$42,000.00
    - viii. Jordan Creek Wind Farm HWC 1000 Road Survey - \$10,000.00
  - g. 2026 Council/Department Assignments – Foxworthy explained the assignment list. Tabled until next meeting.
  - h. Barce and Redlin Agreement – Foxworthy explained hourly rate agreement. Ethan Foxworthy made a motion to approve Barce and Redlin Agreement seconded by Ben Dispennett, all voted in favor.

4. Old Business:

5. Elected Official/Department Head comments:

- a. Ben Dispennett – Dispennett suggested Commissioner/Council joint meeting February 17, 2026 at 4:30 to discuss Comprehensive Plan Review.
- b. Robin Weston-Hubner – Explained LOW Tax Software will be installed and training to start next week.
- c. Heather Deno, LEDO Director – Deno introduced herself to the Council. Working to help local businesses.

6. Public Comment:

Next Council meeting February 17, 2026 @ 4:00 p.m.

There being no further business Ben Dispennett made a motion to adjourn seconded by Ethan Foxworthy, all voted in favor.

ATTEST: Robin Weston-Hubner  
Robin Weston-Hubner, Auditor

Ethan Foxworthy  
Ethan Foxworthy, President

Dwain Akers  
Dwain Akers, Vice President

Nicholas Weston  
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Brady Foster

Neil Ellis  
Neil Ellis

Ben Dispennett  
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John Hetrick  
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