Commissioner Aaron M. Harrison called the special meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with Commissioner Stephen D. Hambley and Commissioner Colleen M. Swedyk present. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss a lease of county-owned property. The meeting was held in the commissioners' hearing room.

Commissioner Harrison stated a request was submitted by Mayor Hanwell of the City of Medina (via Judge Werner) to amend the lease terms for the 1969 Courthouse. The request proposed reducing the annual rent to $1,500 due to upcoming costly improvements and reconstruction efforts. Mayor Hanwell also suggested a possible alternative where the city would pay a proportionate share of the debt service, which would be more than $1,500 but still below the original lease rate.

Mr. Harrison acknowledged the request but emphasized that the original agreement was made after thorough negotiation and was fair to both parties. He expressed concern over the County's own financial obligations in maintaining the Administration Building.

Commissioner Swedyk supported maintaining the current lease terms, citing significant costs incurred by the County in retaining and upgrading the Administration Building, including restrooms, elevator, and parking lot. She noted the potential lost revenue had the building been sold and the County relocated to the 1969 Courthouse.

Commissioner Hambley stated the City of Medina already received a favorable deal and that delays on their part led to increased costs. He strongly supported upholding the original lease agreement.

All commissioners agreed to retain the original lease terms. Commissioner Harrison will communicate this decision back to Mayor Hanwell.

Adjournment
There being no further business, Mrs. Swedyk moved to adjourn the meeting; Mr. Hambley seconded the motion. There was no discussion. All commissioners voted AYE; the meeting adjourned at 9:04 a.m.

All deliberations concerning official business and formal actions by this Board of Commissioners were conducted in an open public meeting on this twenty-seventh day of May, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian S. Gallatin
Assistant Clerk of the Board

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