

April Meeting Summary

The April meeting of the Hood County Clean Air Coalition was held on April 1, 2026, in the Granbury City Hall Pre-Council Chambers at 116 West Bridge Street in Granbury, Texas. There were six board members present and one participating virtually for a total of seven board members which represented a quorum. Board members present included Chairman Joe Drew, Mayor Jim Jarratt, Judge Ron Massingill, Brian Caruthers, Darlene Du Val, and Zak Monroe with Mark Franco participating virtually. Two board members joined the meeting after the local updates and were not included in the vote counts. Also present was Michelle McKenzie, Air Quality Program Manager, with Daniela Tower of NCTCOG and Alethea Tsui-Bowen of EPA participating virtually.

- 1.) Chairman Joe Drew called the meeting to order at 9:00.
- 2.) Local updates were provided by the Air Quality Program Manager.
 - a. The March Meeting Summary was sent for board member review. There was no discussion about the meeting summary. A motion to approve the March Meeting Summary was made by Darlene Du Val and seconded by Mayor Jim Jarratt. The motion was approved with a vote of five ayes and no nays.
 - b. In the Monthly Budget Review for February, Clean Air Funds were used for \$3,846.18 in salary expense, \$2,035.99 in fringe expense, and \$23.99 for the Adobe license for a total of \$5,906.16. Balance for the Clean Air Funds at the end of February was \$54,542.19. A motion to approve the budget review was made by Mayor Jim Jarratt and seconded by Darlene Du Val. The motion was approved with a vote of five ayes and no nays. The balance at First National Bank is \$755.58 at the end of March.
 - c. In February, the approved January Meeting Summary was sent to the Reid Firm for development of the 2026 Annual Minutes and documents were sent to Molly Willsher and Associates for tax filing for the HCCAC. The tax filing is completed and an invoice in the amount of \$130 was submitted for payment on March 23rd.
 - d. In Rider 7 planning, the TCEQ contract with NCTCOG was sent to the Executive Board for consideration and was approved. We are waiting for the Interlocal Agreement from NCTCOG that will need to go to City Council for approval before it can be executed. There was a discussion about the inclusion of air quality data from the TCEQ monitor and the Rider 7 monitors on the HCCAC website. While the TCEQ monitor data can be added, Daniela Tower with NCTCOG will confirm if available data from the Rider 7 monitors can be shared during the data collection time.
 - e. HCCAC funding for 2026 and 2027. With the Rider 7 funding for 2026 and 2027, there will not be any remaining funds available for administrative expense for the biennium. With no funds available, the Coalition will need to consider

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requesting additional funding either from new sources or requesting additional funding from the same sources. A \$5,000 increase from the City of Granbury and \$5,000 increase from Hood County was suggested. This would make the 2026 request \$35,000 – approximately a 16% increase. If the City of Cresson also increased their contribution by 16% this would make a \$3,500 request from Cresson for support of the Coalition. This would help reduce the shortfall for 2027 going into 2028. There was also a discussion of looking at businesses associated with board members and other local businesses for additional contributions to support activities of the Coalition. The Air Quality Program Manager will be researching other alternatives for funding.

- f. Ozone Season Air Quality Report. Ozone season for North Texas started on March 1st and runs through the end of November. In the ozone season update, there have been three moderate reading days at the monitor for the 2026 ozone season, and the current uncertified design value is at 66 parts per billion. The Air Quality Index graph shown at the last meeting will be reviewed quarterly unless board members prefer to review it more often. The next time it will be reviewed is in May.

3.) There were no public comments.

4.) Regional Updates

- a.) A Zero Emission Vehicle Workshop is scheduled for April 21st, Register at <https://www.dfwcleancities.org/events/2026/zero-emission-vehicle-workshop>. Full-day workshop to bring together fleets, original equipment manufacturers, industry professionals, and more, to learn about the latest outlook on medium- and heavy-duty battery-electric and hydrogen fuel cell vehicles. The workshop will include presentations on the latest market outlook and investments for ZEV, information on technical and funding assistance to local fleets including the \$58.6 million available through the North Texas Zero Emission Vehicle Project, networking with industry experts and early-adopter fleets, and opportunity to see and experience ZEV through a ride along. Lunch is provided. Speakers include Tesla, PACCAR, Harbinger Motors, and industrial Power LLC.
- b.) Round 2 Applications: Class 6 and 7 Vehicle Funding through the North Texas Zero Emissions Vehicles Call for Projects- <https://www.nctcog.org/trans/quality/air/funding-and-resources/chdv>. \$58.6 million in rebate funding available for replacement of Class 6 and 7 vehicles with ZEV. Program is for “vocational vehicles” including box trucks, step vans, refuse haulers, street sweepers, utility trucks, transit buses, etc. Public and private entities can apply.
- c.) EMPOWER Workplace Charging Project Revitalization - <https://www.workplacecharging.com/> Empower is helping advance the adoption of workplace charging across the country in helping make decisions, install chargers, and get recognized for their leadership in providing charging access to the employees.

- d.) TxVEMP All-Electric Grant Up to 100% Funding for Heavy-Duty Electric Vehicles Deadline Extended to August 2026 <https://www.tceq.texas.gov/agency/trust/all-electric>. \$30 million now available for repower and replacement of heavy-duty diesel vehicles with all-electric versions. Government entities can secure full funding up to 100% for eligible projects and private entities can obtain up to 75% funding.
 - e.) TERP Texas Clean School Bus Program is open now through May 22, 2026. <https://www.tceq.texas.gov/airquality/terp/school-buses.html>. Program provides first-come, first-served grants to Texas school districts for the repower or replacement of existing diesel-fueled school buses with newer versions, including diesel, gasoline, CNG, propane, and electric school buses.
 - f.) Funding Opportunities at www.nctcog.org/aqfunding
- 5.) Other Discussion. Website visitors were 693 over the last 90 days and 286 over the last 30 days. Information about the Zero Emission Vehicle Workshop was shared on the HCCAC social media accounts. The website received a refresher to adjust some spacing issues and text sizes.
- 6.) Adjourn until May 6th.