## STATEMENT OF APPROVAL

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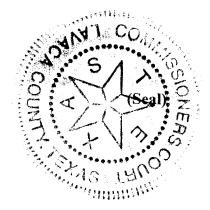
# THE STATE OF TEXAS ] COUNTY OF LAVACA

We, the County Judge, and Commissioners of Lavaca County,

Texas, majority being present, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing Minutes of the Commissioners' Court Meeting dated September 28, 2020 are this day approved as submitted.

Signed this the \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2020, A.D.

\_, County Judge Keith Mudd



**ATTEST:** 

\_\_\_\_\_, County Clerk Elizabeth A. Kouba

## 18066

THE MATTER OF COUNTY FINANCES IN THE HANDS OF KAREN BLUDAU TREASURER OF LAVACA COUNTY

IN ACCORDANCE with Section 114.026 Local Government Code, we, the undersigned, constituting, the entire Commissioners' Court of said County, certify that on the 13th day of October, 2020, at the regular term of court, we compared and examined the monthly report of Karen Bludau, Treasurer of Lavaca County, Texas, for September 30, 2020, and finding the same correct, entered an order in the minutes approving said report stating total cash and other assets on hand as \$18,511,321.38.

Said report filed for record this 13<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2020.

Keith Mudd, County Judge

Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct#1

Ronald Berckenhoff, Commissioner Pct#2

Frankie Bates, Commissioner Pct#3

Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct#4

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME, by Keith Mudd, County Judge, and County Commissioners of said Lavaca County, each respective on this the 13<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2020.

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interes. Attested: Elizabeth A. Kouba, County Clerk

# Minutes of Elizabeth A. Kouba, County Clerk, Lavaca County:

I, Elizabeth A. Kouba, County Clerk of Lavaca County, Texas, do hereby certify that the following Commissioners' Court Minutes are a true and correct record of the proceedings from the Commissioners Court Meeting on September 28, 2020.



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## ATTEST

Elizabeth A. Kouba, County Clerk & Ex-Officio Clerk of **Commissioners'** Court of Lavaca County, Texas

Signed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020

<u>Sa Kauba</u>, County Clerk Elizabeth A. Kouba

## THE STATE OF TEXAS )( COUNTY OF LAVACA )(

## Regular Meeting Monday, September 28, 2020

Lavaca County Commissioners' Court met in a Regular Called Meeting on Monday, September 28, 2020 at 10:00 AM, in the Lavaca County Commissioners' Courtroom, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, in Hallettsville, Texas,

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## Present:

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County Judge Keith Mudd Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1 Ronald Berckenhoff, Commissioner Pct. 2 Neil F. Bates, Jr., Commissioner Pct. 3 Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4 Elizabeth A. Kouba, Lavaca County Clerk

The attached sheets contain the names of the citizens and officials that were in attendance.

## Roll Call:

All members of the court were present.

The meeting was called to order by Judge Keith Mudd.

Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance and Pledge to the Texas Flag by Commissioner Dennis Kocian.

Marie Day, Mary Lee Berger and Mark Myers addressed the court on agenda item number 5.

## Discussion and/or action agenda

# 1. Discuss and/or approve the regular Term Meeting Schedule of Lavaca County Commissioners Court for fiscal year 2020-2021 as per LGC 81.005(a).

Moved by Commissioner Dennis Kocian, seconded by Commissioner Neil F. Bates.

"I make a motion to have a regular Term Meeting Schedule of Lavaca County Commissioners Court for fiscal year 2020-2021 as per LGC 81.005(a) as second and fourth Monday of each month at 10:00 AM unless Monday falls on a holiday it will fall on a Tuesday."

County Judge Keith Mudd	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	YES
Ronald Berckenhoff, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Neil F. Bates, Jr., Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

Motion Carried Court Order 18044

## 2. Discuss and/or approve the 2021 Lavaca County Holiday Schedule.

Moved by Commissioner Dennis Kocian, seconded by Commissioner Edward Pustka.

"Judge, I make a motion to accept the 2021 Lavaca County Holiday Schedule as presented and will give to the County Clerk."

County Judge Keith Mudd	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	YES
Ronald Berckenhoff, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Neil F. Bates, Jr., Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

#### Motion Carried Court Order 18045

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## 3. Certification of salaries for Lavaca County Officials and Employees and Lavaca County Rescue Service Employees for the 2020-2021 fiscal year.

Moved by Commissioner Ronald Berckenhoff, seconded by Commissioner Edward Pustka.

"Your Honor, I make a motion to approve certification of salaries for Lavaca County Officials and Employees and Lavaca County Rescue Service Employees for the 2020-2021 fiscal year."

County Judge Keith Mudd	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	YES
Ronald Berckenhoff, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Neil F. Bates, Jr., Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

### Motion Carried Court Order 18046

4. Set expenditure amount for all funds related to County Judge, County Attorney and Pct. #3 Road and Bridge for the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter (October, November & December) of Fiscal Year 2021 in accordance with LGC 130.908.

Moved by Judge Keith Mudd, seconded by Commissioner Edward Pustka.

"I recommend to the court, is that, we put a limit of the 3 officials can spend up to 25% of their budget which is one quarter of expenditures at will anything above and beyond the 25% will have to be brought back to the court to meet approval."

County Judge Keith Mudd	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	YES
Ronald Berckenhoff, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Neil F. Bates, Jr., Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

Motion Carried Court Order 18047

## NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

## 5. Discuss and/or approve changes to the Lavaca County Personnel Policy Manual.

## Moved by Commissioner Dennis Kocian, seconded by Commissioner Ronald Berckenhoff.

"Judge, at this point, I think that right now, change, not change, but the updates on the personnel policy that they are warranted and I will make a motion to approve changes to the Lavaca County Personnel Policy Manual."

County Judge Keith Mudd	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	YES
Ronald Berckenhoff, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Neil F. Bates, Jr., Commissioner Pct. 3	NO
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

#### Motion Carried Court Order 18048

# 6. Approve Egon Barthel as Emergency Management Coordinator/Communications Director for Lavaca County, Grade 6 Mid-Quartile.

Moved by Commissioner Edward Pustka, seconded by Commissioner Ronald Berckenhoff.

"Your Honor, I make a motion to approve Egon Barthel as Emergency Management Coordinator/Communications Director for Lavaca County, Grade 6 Mid-Quartile."

County Judge Keith Mudd	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	YES
Ronald Berckenhoff, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Neil F. Bates, Jr., Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

### Motion Carried Court Order 18049

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

### 7. EMS Update.

Michael Furrh, EMS Director, updated the court on schedules, furniture replacement, response time, policy manuals given to employees, staffing, NIMS compliance, meeting with Lavaca Medical Center and Yoakum Community Hospital, and electronic reporting.

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

## 8. Discuss and/or approve Senior Citizens Center Updates and requests for improvements.

Becky Janak, Lavaca County Community Connections Director, updated the court on a fence to secure vehicles, the wiring of the center in Hallettsville, H & C Construction Estimate on the parking lot, getting a quote on the installation of a grease trap, and repair of the restrooms.

Moved by Commissioner Dennis Kocian, seconded by Commissioner Ronald Berckenhoff.

"I make a motion to go ahead and accept the estimate from H & C Construction to redo the parking lot."

\*Estimate - Lavaca County Office Bldg./Senior Citizens Center

- 1. Remove all grass from edges & haul off.
- 2. Sweep all areas to be paved.
- 3. Patch & Level Up areas where existing pavement has deteriorated mainly along perimeter edges.
- 4. Apply one course surface treatment of AC5/10 liquid asphalt followed by Type PB Grade 4 cover stone.

Total Estimate for \$23,866.00

Price does not include stripping. Existing car stops are in poor condition.

County Judge Keith Mudd	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	YES
Ronald Berckenhoff, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Neil F. Bates, Jr., Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

#### Motion Carried Court Order 18049A

## 9. Discuss and/or approve Building Maintenance and Repairs.

Lavaca County Judge Keith Mudd address the court on Grant Monies for the Courthouse for renovations, leaks at the Lavaca County Building, and Tax Office entrance ramp.

# 10. Texas Indigent Defense Commission Fiscal Year 2021 Statement of Grant Award for Regional Public Defender Program.

Moved by Commissioner Dennis Kocian, seconded by Commissioner Neil F. Bates.

"I make a motion to approve Texas Indigent Defense Commission Fiscal Year 2021 Statement of Grant Award for Regional Public Defender Program."

County Judge Keith Mudd	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	YES
Ronald Berckenhoff, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Neil F. Bates, Jr., Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

#### Motion Carried Court Order 18050

## 11. Allocation of Cares Act Funds for EMS and Sheriff's Office.

Sgt. Anthony Vacarro and Michael Furrh addressed the court about allocations of the Cares Act Funds for the Sheriff's Office and EMS.

# 12. Approve the Voting Precinct Poll Judges, Alternate Judges, Early Voting Ballot Board and Central Count for the 2020-2022 term.

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Moved by Commissioner Dennis Kocian, seconded by Commissioner Neil F. Bates.

"I make a motion to approve the Voting Precinct Poll Judges, Alternate Judges, Early Voting Ballot Board and Central Count for the 2020-2022 term presented in this document which with the County Clerk."

County Judge Keith Mudd	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	YES
Ronald Berckenhoff, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Neil F. Bates, Jr., Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

### Motion Carried Court Order 18051

## 13. Proclamation declaring the week of October 4-10, 2020 as National 4H Week.

Moved by Commissioner Edward Pustka, seconded by Commissioner Ronald Berckenhoff.

"Yes, Your Honor, I move we proclaim the week of October 4-10, 2020 as National 4H Week."

County Judge Keith Mudd	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	YES
Ronald Berckenhoff, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Neil F. Bates, Jr., Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

#### Motion Carried Court Order 18052

# 14. Adoption of 2021 Sheriff's and Constables' Fees per Texas Local Government Code, Section 118.131.

Moved by Commissioner Ronald Berckenhoff, seconded by Commissioner Edward Pustka.

"Your Honor, I make a motion to Adoption of 2021 Sheriff's and Constables' Fees as per Texas Local Government Code, Section 118.131 include the fees are the same fees as adopted in 2020 as presented on the list.."

County Judge Keith Mudd	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	YES
Ronald Berckenhoff, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Neil F. Bates, Jr., Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

Motion Carried Court Order 18053

15. Accept the monetary donation of \$250.00 from Jerry Lee and Brenda K. Migl to the Lavaca County Sheriff's Office as unbudgeted revenue.

# Moved by Commissioner Edward Pustka, seconded by Commissioner Ronald Berckenhoff

"Your Honor, I make a motion to move to accept the monetary donation of \$250.00 from Jerry Lee and Brenda K. Migl to the Lavaca County Sheriff's Office as unbudgeted revenue.

County Judge Keith Mudd	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	YES
Ronald Berckenhoff, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Neil F. Bates, Jr., Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

#### Motion Carried Court Order 18054

## 16. Approve contract with Fort Bend County Medical Examiner.

## Table and wait for contract to approve.

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

#### 17. Emergency Management Update.

Egon Barthels, Emergency Management Coordinator, addressed the court with updates on Covid – 19 case count numbers, Governor Greg Abbott 9-17-2020 Executive Orders and Tropical Storm Beta rainfall amounts.

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

### Consent Agenda

18. Minutes from the September 14, 2020 Commissioners Court Meeting.

19. Colorado Valley Cooperative, Inc. requests approval from the Commissioners court for the installation of new Buried Fiber Optic cable within the corridors of LCR #532A and #232.

20. Proclamation Declaring September 2020 as Life Insurance Awareness Month.

- 21. County Officials Reports.
  - Hallie Hall, JP#4, Money Distribution Report August 2020
  - Charles Grieve Constable Pct #2, Process Service Report August 2020
  - Elizabeth A. Kouba, Lavaca County Clerk, LGS Total Collections August 2020
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- 22. Claims and/or Payroll.
- 23. Budget Amendments, if any.

Moved by Commissioner Ronald Berckenhoff, seconded by Commissioner Edward Pustka.

"Your Honor, I make a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as it is."

County Judge Keith Mudd	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	YES
Ronald Berckenhoff, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Neil F. Bates, Jr., Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	
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## Motion Carried Court Order 18055

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# Court members signing of paperwork related to items above.

## "I move we adjourn"

Moved by Commissioner Dennis Kocian, seconded by Commissioner Edward Pustka.

County Judge Keith Mudd	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	YES
Ronald Berckenhoff, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Neil F. Bates, Jr., Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

## Motion Carried Court Order: 18056

# Adjournment by Presiding Officer at 12:00 P.M.

Signature Roster Attendance at Commissioner's Court Meeting <u>September</u> 28, 2020 Called PAU Sign Here **Print Name Here** 1 1PO,C 2 ( Denger On YERS 3 MARL 4 5 6 ppert bice inp Sercik 8 enci k ra 9 1e\_1 10 a ven 11 onest anur 0 12 13 NU alie KALG-14 Inst Dr 15 PΔ PANKA 16 STUART 17 Ø 18 19 20

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