#### STATEMENT OF APPROVAL

THE STATE OF TEXAS ]

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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 December 28, 2020.

are this day approved as submitted.

Signed this the \_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_, A.D.

\_\_\_\_\_, County Judge Mark Myers

ATTEST:

(Seal)

\_\_\_\_\_, County Clerk

Elizabeth A. Kouba

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

### Regular Meeting Monday, December 28, 2020

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

### Present:

County Judge Mark Myers 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 Mark Myers.

Confirm Quorum with Roll Call (please turn off cell phones and sign in)

Call to Order and Welcome

Invocation

Pledge of Allegiance and Pledge to the Texas Flag by Judge Mark Myers

Discussion and/or action agenda:

1. Presentation of plaque to Sandra Migl for her retirement, effective December 31, 2020. (Tax Assessor-Collector) NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

# 2. Hire Brittany Brocker as full time Deputy Clerk- Motor Vehicle/Tax, Grade 4, Minimum Quartile at an annual salary of \$31,030.00, effective January 1, 2021. (Tas Assessor-Collector)

"Your Honor, I'd like to make a motion to approve hire Brittany Brocker as full time Deputy Clerk- Motor Vehicle/Tax, Grade 4, Minimum Quartile at an annual salary of \$31,030.00, effective January 1, 2021.

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

County Judge Mark Myers	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	YES
Ronald Berckenhoff, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Neil F. Bates, Jr., Commissioner Pct. 3	YES

#### Motion Carried Court Order: 18131 NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

#### 3. EMS Update. (EMS Director)

Michael Furrh, EMS Director, updated the court by first thanking the first responders that worked the holidays. He also updated the court on the collections that EMS is receiving, supplies usage, Striker stretchers in all ambulances, out of county transfers are up, stats on run times, explained the "Status Zero" on the ambulances calls, Covid vaccination of EMS employees, and EMS protocols.

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

## 4. Acknowledge receipt of 100,000.00 from the Dickson-Allen Foundation to the Lavaca County EMS. (EMS Director)

Michael Furrh, EMS Director, thanked the Dickson-Allen Foundation for the donation to purchase radios for the EMS employees in the Honor of Debbie Parr Fishbeck for her many years and countless hours of selfless service to the Lavaca County Rescue Service.

"Your Honor, I make a motion to acknowledge receipt of 100,000.00 from the Dickson-Allen Foundation to the Lavaca County EMS."

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

County Judge Mark Myers	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: 18132

# 5. Approve the hiring of a temporary part time employee at the Lavaca County EMS for Records Management at a rate of 10.00 hr. for 6-8 weeks. (EMS Director)

"Your Honor, I move to approve the hiring of a temporary part time employee at the Lavaca County EMS for Records Management at a rate of 10.00 hr. for 6-8 weeks."

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

County Judge Mark Myers	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: 18133

#### 6. Declare Items as surplus property: (EMS Director)

#### 2009 Chevrolet Ambulance Vin#1GBJG316091136449 from Lavaca County EMS.

#### 2009 Chevrolet Ambulance Vin# 1GBKG316291127241 From Lavaca County EMS.

"Your Honor, I make a motion to declare Items as surplus property, 2009 Chevrolet Ambulance Vin#1GBJG316091136449 from Lavaca County EMS and 2009 Chevrolet Ambulance Vin# 1GBKG316291127241 From Lavaca County EMS as well."

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

County Judge Mark Myers	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: 18134

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#### 7. Emergency Management Update. (Emergency Management Coordinator)

Egon Barthels, Emergency Management Coordinator, updated the court on working with State Operations Center TDEM on the weather forecasted for the severe upcoming days, Covid 19 update on area hospital beds and Covid capacity limits, Covid Vaccinations information link on the website, phases on the vaccinations in Lavaca County, updating Covid numbers by county numbers and not zip codes, training in Dewitt County offering class Emergency Officials, Golden Crescent Reginal Planning on Homeland Security, updating to county website and Facebook page, TAC Videos, 911 addressing, Covid Testing, Nashville explosion, and the sign up for Code Red on the Website.

## 8. Acknowledge receipt of \$15,000.00 from the Dickson-Allen Foundation to the Lavaca County Press Gang in care of Records Archive. (Records Management)

Judge Mark Myers thanked the Dickson-Allen Foundation for their donation to the Lavaca County Press Gang in care of Records Archive.

"Your Honor, I move we acknowledge receipt of \$15,000.00 from the Dickson-Allen Foundation to the Lavaca County Press Gang in care of Records Archive."

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

County Judge Mark Myers	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: 18135

9. Discuss and take appropriate action on the Whispering Oaks Subdivision plat, approval to include additional notations consistent with the County's proposed Subdivision Regulation relating to water, sewer and road maintenance. (Judge)

"Yes, Your Honor, I make a motion to approve the plat as presented Whispering Oaks Subdivision plat, approval to include additional notations."

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

County Judge Mark Myers	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: 18136

# 10. Application for materials FY 2021 Local Government Assistance Program, based on Transportation Code 201.706, assisted by the Texas Department of Transportation. (Judge)

"Your Honor, I make a motion based on the road and mileage to divide the application for fiscal year 2021 Local Government Assistance Program on 29% to Precinct 1, 29% to Precinct 2, 23% to Precinct 3 and 19% to Precinct 4."

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

County Judge Mark Myers	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	OPPOSED

#### Motion Carried Court Order:18137

#### 11. Approve Bonds of Elected County Officials and Deputies. (Judge)

"I make a motion to approve Bonds of Elected County Officials and Deputies.

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

County Judge Mark Myers	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: 18138

# 12. Proclamation issued to congratulate the Hallettsville High School Brahmas football team, and staff for being the State Runner Up in the 2020 UIL 3A Division Championship in Arlington, Texas. (Judge)

"I make a motion to accept Proclamation issued to congratulate the Hallettsville High School Brahmas football team, and staff for being the State Runner Up in the 2020 UIL 3A Division Championship in Arlington, Texas."

Moved by Judge Mark Myers, seconded by Commissioner Neil F. Bates Jr.

County Judge Mark Myers	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: 18139

# 13. Proclamation issued to congratulate the Shiner High School Comanches football team, and staff for being the State Champions in the 2020 UIL Championship in Arlington, Texas. (Judge)

"I also put that in the form of a motion"

Moved by Judge Mark Myers, seconded by Commissioner Edward Pustka.

County Judge Mark Myers	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: 18140

# 14. Proclamation issued to congratulate the St. Paul Highschool Cardinals football team, and staff for being the State Champions in the 2020 TAPPS D4 Division Championship in Waco, Texas. (Judge)

"I put that also in the form of a motion"

Moved by Judge Mark Myers, seconded by Commissioner Dennis Kocian.

County Judge Mark Myers	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	
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# 15. Approve the hiring of Jenny Kovarek as Communications Operator with a salary of \$34,697., effective November 30, 2020. (Sheriff)

"Your Honor, I make a motion to approve the hiring of Jenny Kovarek as Communications Operator with a salary of \$34,697., effective November 30, 2020.

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

County Judge Mark Myers	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

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#### Court Order: 18142

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#### Consent Agenda

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

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

County Judge Mark Myers	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: 18143

16. Lavaca County Special Road Use Agreement between Modern Exploration and Lavaca County Precinct #2 to include LCR#261, 262, 263, and 264. (Pct. 2)

17. Lavaca County Special Road Use Agreement between Nuevo Dos Gathering and Lavaca County Precinct #2 to include LCR#285. (Pet. 2)

18. Lavaca County Special Road Use Agreement between Nuevo Dos Gathering and Lavaca County Precinct #2 to include LCR# 288, and #289. (Pct. 2)

19. Application for Pipeline Permit between Nuevo Dos Gathering & Transportation and Precinct #2 to include LCR# 285. (Pct. 2)

20. Application for Pipeline Permit between Modern Exploration and Precinct #2 to include LCR# 263. (2 crossings) (Pct. 2)

21. Application for Pipeline Permit between Modern Exploration and Precinct #2 to include LCR# 262. (4 crossings) (Pct. 2)

22. Application for Pipeline Permit between Modern Exploration and Precinct #2 to include LCR# 261. (2 crossing) (Pct. 2)

23. Colorado Valley Telephone Cooperative Inc. request approval for the installation of new buried copper cable within the corridors of the following LCR #222 (Pct. 2)

24. Retainer Agreement from Allison, Bass & Magee, LLP and Lavaca County regarding Cause NO. 2020-11-24607CV.

25. Postage Meter Contract between Lavaca County and Pitney Bowes Inc. for the Postage Equipment.

### 26. County Officials Reports.

- Mark Ivey, JP#1, Money Distribution Report, November 2020.
- Hallie Hall, JP#1, Money Distribution Report, November 2020.
- Elizabeth A. Kouba, County Clerk, LGS Total Collections November 2020.
- Elizabeth A. Kouba, County Clerk, Tyler Total Collections November 2020.
- Deborah A. Sevcik, Tax Assessor-Collector, October 2020
- 27. Claims and/or Payroll.

28. Budget Amendments, if any.

#### Court members signing of paperwork related to items above

#### Adjournment by Presiding Officer

County Judge Mark Myers called for a motion to adjourn.

"I move we adjourn"

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

County Judge Mark Myers	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: 18144

### Adjournment by Presiding Officer at 11:10 AM.

Signature Roster Attendance at Commissioner's Court Meeting , 2020 ecember Called Sign Here **Print Name Here** 1 2 3 enicid 5 Rand ONNA 6 10 7 Parit 8 PCP ģ 10 11 S 6 12 Valie Buedela 13 Jake Wachsmut 14 15 *ikhan* Ĵ 20~ 16 17 18 19 20

#### 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 <u>December 28, 2020</u>.

### ATTEST

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

January, 2020 Signed this \_\_\_\_ day of , County Clerk Elizabeth A. Kouba

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