

THE STATE OF TEXAS)(

COUNTY OF LAVACA)(

The Lavaca County Commissioners' Court met in a Regular Called Meeting on Monday, September 28, 2015 at 10:00 A. M. in the Lavaca County Commissioners' Courtroom, 1st Floor, in Hallettsville, Texas with Judge Tramer J. Woytek presiding and with Commissioner Edward Pustka, Pct. 1, Commissioner Ronald Berckenhoff, Pct. 2, Commissioner R. W. Brown, Pct. 3, and Commissioner Dennis Kocian, Pct. 4 being present. Others in attendance were: Shana Opela, Deborah A. Sevcik, Paula Walker, Jim Appelt, Gayle Bludau, Debbie Fishbeck, Shannon R. Deforest, Lisa Lowe, Karen Bludau, Patty Grahmann, Richard Garcia, Elizabeth A. Kouba, and Sophie Perry.

The meeting was called to order by Judge Tramer J. Woytek followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. and Texas Flags led by Commissioner Berckenhoff.

Richard Garcia addressed the court under public communications to inform employees that the county will offer a flu shot clinic on October 7th, 2015. Employees and eligible dependents will be able to receive a flu shot at no charge, and the option to also receive a shingle, pneumonia and/or whooping cough vaccine. The clinic will be held from 9 AM to 10:30 AM in the courthouse annex, and from 4:30 PM to 5:45 PM at the Sherriff's office.

- 1. Pass order designating day of week which Commissioner's Court will convene in regular term, as per Local Government Code Section 81.005(a). (County Judge)

Moved by Commissioner Dennis Kocian, Seconded by Commissioner R. W. Brown, and adopted by all members present voting AYE and none voting NO, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED to designate the second and fourth Monday of every month at 10 o'clock AM in the morning for meetings in the Commissioner's Courtroom.

- 2. Certification of Salaries for Lavaca County Officials and Employees and Lavaca County Rescue Service employees for the 2015-2016 budget year. (Auditor)

Moved by Commissioner Dennis Kocian, Seconded by Commissioner Ronald Berckenhoff, and adopted by all members present voting AYE and none voting NO, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED to certify the salaries for Lavaca County officials and employees and Lavaca County Rescue Service employees for the 2015-2016 budget year.

- 3. Certification of salaries for the Lavaca County Senior Citizens Program employees for the 2015-2016 budget year. (Program Coordinator)

Moved by Commissioner R. W. Brown, Seconded by Commissioner Dennis Kocian, and adopted by all members present voting AYE and none voting NO, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED to certify the salaries for the Lavaca County Senior Citizens Program employees for the 2015-2016 budget year.

4. Review and update Personnel Policies for County of Lavaca. (Auditor)

Moved by Commissioner Ronald Berckenhoff, Seconded by Commissioner Edward Pustka, and adopted by all members present voting AYE and none voting NO, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED to approve the updated personnel policies for Lavaca County.

5. Lavaca County nomination for selection of Lavaca County Appraisal District Board of Directors for 2016-2017 term. (County Judge)

Moved by Judge Tramer Woytek, Seconded by Commissioner Ronald Berckenhoff, and adopted by all members present voting AYE and none voting NO, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED to nominate Kenneth Henneke to continue his service in that place.

6. Ratify Proclamation signed by Lavaca County Judge proclaiming September 2015 as Life Insurance Awareness Month. (County Judge)

Moved by Commissioner Ronald Berckenhoff, Seconded by Commissioner Edward Pustka, and adopted by all members present voting AYE and none voting NO, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED to ratify the proclamation signed by Lavaca County Judge to proclaim September 2015 as life insurance awareness month.

7. Proclamation designating October 4-10, 2015 as National 4-H week in Texas. (County Judge)

Moved by Commissioner Dennis Kocian, Seconded by Commissioner R. W. Brown, and adopted by all members present voting AYE and none voting NO, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED to accept the proclamation designating October 4-10, 2015 as National 4-H week in Texas.

8. Hire Chris Hermes for custodian/maintenance position effective October 5, 2015, Grade 3, 1st Quartile. (County Judge)

Moved by Commissioner Edward Pustka, Seconded by Commissioner Ronald Berckenhoff, and adopted by all members present voting AYE and none voting NO, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED to hire Chris Hermes for custodian/maintenance position effective October 5, 2015 as Grade 3, 1st Quartile.

9. Ratify Proclamation signed by Lavaca County Judge proclaiming October 7, 2015 as Children's Health Day in Lavaca County. (County Judge)

Moved by Commissioner Ronald Berckenhoff, Seconded by Commissioner Edward Pustka, and adopted by all members present voting AYE and none voting NO, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED to ratify the proclamation signed by the Lavaca County Judge proclaiming October 7, 2015 as Children's Health Day in Lavaca County.

10. Engagement letter from Beyer & Co. Certified Public Accountants for the annual audit of the Lavaca County Juvenile Probation Department for the year ending September 30, 2015. **(Probation Department)**

Moved by Commissioner Dennis Kocian, Seconded by Commissioner R. W. Brown, and adopted by all members present voting AYE and none voting NO, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED to accept the engagement letter from Beyer & Co. Certified Public Accountants for the annual audit of the Lavaca County Juvenile Probation Department for the year ending September 30, 2015.

11. Letter of request from the Festival of Lights Chairpersons to continue the seasonal display on the Lavaca County Courthouse grounds for the 2015 season. **(County Judge)**

Moved by Commissioner Dennis Kocian, Seconded by Commissioner R. W. Brown, and adopted by all members present voting AYE and none voting NO, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED to accept the letter of request from the Festival of Lights Chairpersons to continue the seasonal display on the Lavaca County Courthouse grounds for the 2015 season and the use of the courthouse for Santa Claus.

12. Declare as surplus property: Morgan Portable Building Serial #158131 15'8" X 40' previously used for Courthouse and County Clerk Records Retention. **(County Clerk)**

Moved by Commissioner Dennis Kocian, Seconded by Commissioner R. W. Brown, and adopted by all members present voting AYE and none voting NO, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED to declare as surplus property.

13. Remove JoAnn Kristek as reserve deputy, effective August 31, 2015. **(Sheriff)**

Moved by Commissioner Edward Pustka, Seconded by Commissioner Ronald Berckenhoff, and adopted by all members present voting AYE and none voting NO, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED to remove JoAnn Kristek as reserve deputy, effective August 31, 2015.

14. Hire Carl Hobbs as a part-time Assistant County Attorney at the rate of \$75.00 per hour and authorize payment from the Deputies and Assistants line item in the County Attorney's budget, specifically the funds designated for an Assistant County Attorney. **(County Attorney)**

Moved by Commissioner Edward Pustka, Seconded by Commissioner Ronald Berckenhoff, and adopted by all members present voting AYE and none voting NO, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED to hire Carl Hobbs as a part-time Assistant County Attorney at the rate of \$75.00 per hour and authorize payment from the Deputies and Assistants line item in the County Attorney's budget, specifically the funds designated for an Assistant County Attorney.

15. Tax Resale Deed from Lavaca County to Jason Lee Harper, Sr. and Denise Rene Harper for Lot 4, Block 50, Original Town site, City of Shiner, Lavaca County, Texas and authorize County Judge to sign said deed. **(Tax Assessor Collector)**

Moved by Commissioner Edward Pustka, Seconded by Commissioner Ronald Berckenhoff, and adopted by all members present voting AYE and none voting NO, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED for Tax Resale Deed from Lavaca County to Jason Lee Harper, Sr. and Denise Rene Harper for Lot 4, Block 50, Original Town site, City of Shiner, Lavaca County, Texas and authorize County Judge to sign said deed.

16. Advertise for part-time Paramedic, not to exceed 24 hours per week. (EMS Director)

Moved by Commissioner Edward Pustka, Seconded by Commissioner Ronald Berckenhoff, and adopted by all members present voting AYE and none voting NO, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED to advertise for part-time Paramedic, not to exceed 24 hours per week.

17. Increase ambulance base rate charges effective October 1, 2015. (EMS Director)

Moved by Commissioner Dennis Kocian, Seconded by Commissioner R. W. Brown, and adopted by all members present voting AYE and none voting NO, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED to increase the ambulance base rate charges effective October 1, 2015 as per amendment she has here.

Consent Agenda – Unless a member of the Court requests a separate consideration of any items, all under the Consent Agenda are considered to be of routine nature or have been previously deliberated by the Court in an open meeting and therefore may be approved by one motion, second and vote.

Moved by Commissioner Ronald Berckenhoff, Seconded by Commissioner Edward Pustka, and adopted by all members present voting AYE and none voting NO, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED to approve the consent agenda as is.

18. Minutes of September 14, 2015 Regular Meeting.
19. Suzanne Evans granting Lavaca County Precinct #1 permission to enter property located along LCR #16D, for the purpose of clearing the Right of Way and correcting drainage problems along said roadway.
20. Pipeline Permit between Trio Consulting & Management, LLC and Lavaca County Precinct #3 to include LCR #381.
21. Budget Amendments, if any.
22. Claims.

Court members signing of paperwork related to items above.

Adjournment by Presiding Officer.

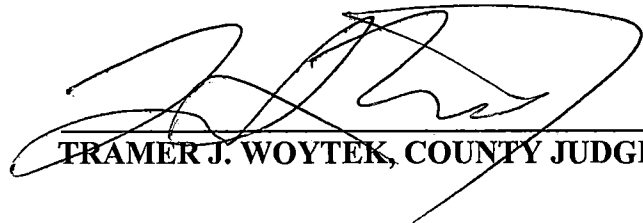
STATEMENT OF APPROVAL

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~~30~~, 2015 are
this day approved as submitted.

Signed this the 13th day of October, A.D. 2015.


TRAMER J. WOYTEK, COUNTY JUDGE

ACKNOWLEDGED:


ELIZABETH A. KOUBA, COUNTY CLERK

