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County of Lavaca

OFFICE OF THE



COUNTY JUDGE

REQUEST TO BE PLACED ON THE LAVACA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT AGENDA

DATE OF COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING: Feb. 10 2026

This form, along with any related information that needs to be included in the Commissioners Court agenda packet, is to be submitted to the County Judge's office, **no later than 2 p.m. on WEDNESDAY** prior to the Commissioners Court date. Commissioners Court will meet on the second and fourth Mondays of each month. All contracts should be submitted after the county attorney's review and approval.

[REDACTED] The request form and all accompanying paperwork may be submitted in hard copy or electronically.

All agenda item requests **must** be signed by the county judge or by one of the commissioners.

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Agenda Item Request:

Commissioners Court Regular Called Meeting Minutes for January 27, 2026

Judge/Commissioner Approval for Inclusion on Agenda:

Judge/Commissioner Signature

Date

Date of Request: _____

Action Consent

Name of Person Making Request: Barbara K. Steffek, County Clerk

Will anyone else be addressing this item? Yes No

If so, who? _____

Additional Instructions:

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STATEMENT OF APPROVAL

THE STATE OF TEXAS]

COUNTY OF LAVACA]

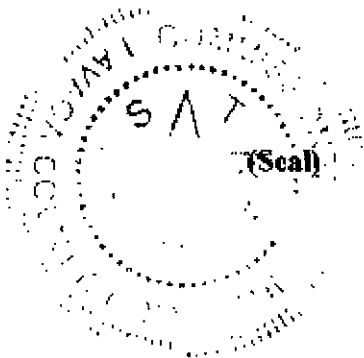
We, the County Judge, and Commissioners of Lavaca County, Texas, majority being present, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing Minutes of the Commissioners' Court Regular Meeting dated January 27, 2025, are this day approved as submitted.

Signed this the 10th day of February 2025, A.D.

Keith Mudd, County Judge
Keith Mudd

ATTEST:

Barbara K. Steffek, County Clerk
Barbara K. Steffek



THE STATE OF TEXAS)(
COUNTY OF LAVACA)(

Regular Meeting Monday, January 27, 2025

Lavaca County Commissioners' Court met in a Regular Called Meeting on Monday, January 27, 2025 at 10:00 AM, in the Lavaca County Commissioners' Courtroom, 1st Floor, in Hallettsville, Texas,

Present:

- Keith Mudd, County Judge
- Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1
- Wayne Faircloth, Commissioner Pct. 2
- Kenny W. Siegel, Commissioner Pct. 3
- Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4
- Barbara K. Steffek, Lavaca County Clerk

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

Confirm Quorum with Roll Call

Call to Order and Welcome

Invocation was led by Frank Fishar.

Pledge of Allegiance and Pledge to the Texas Flag by Judge Keith Mudd

Discussion and/or action agenda:

1. Announcements.

- TxDot sidewalk Project for the Annex will be on the agenda for February. Judge asked that the Court pick up copies of the proposals to review beforehand.
- Lavaca County Republican County Chairman, Lorena Kanak announced that Great State Republicans will have their first meeting of the year today, January 27, 2025 at 7PM. Lavaca County EMS will be instructing a course on CPR and choking. The meeting will be held at the Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall.
- A \$250,000 Road use Bond agreement for any Oil Company that comes in Lavaca County will be put on the agenda for the next meeting. Copies were handed to the Court today for review prior to the next meeting.

2. Accept monetary donation from the Dickson Allen Foundation to the Lavaca County Historical Commission in the amount of \$12,000, to be utilized towards purchasing Texas Historical Markers, Texas Historical Cemetery Designations for the County, and hosting historical/education workshops including the Alton Allen Historical Conference. (Lavaca County Historical Commission)

"I make a motion to accept."

Moved by Commissioner Dennis W. Kocian, seconded by Commissioner Kenny W. Siegel.

County Judge Keith Mudd	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	YES
Wayne Faircloth, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Kenny W. Siegel, Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

Motion Carried

Court Order: 19481

3. Accept monetary donation from Capital Star Oil & Gas, Inc. to the Lavaca County Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$1,500 as unbudgeted revenue. (Sheriff)

Judge called for a motion to approve this agenda item.

"So moved."

Moved by Commissioner Wayne Faircloth, seconded by Commissioner Edward Pustka.

County Judge Keith Mudd	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	YES
Wayne Faircloth, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Kenny W. Siegel, Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

Motion Carried

Court Order: 19482

4. Accept monetary donation from Capital Star Oil & Gas, Inc. to the Lavaca County EMS in the amount of \$1,500. (EMS Director)

Judge called for a motion to approve this agenda item.

"So moved."

Moved by Commissioner Wayne Faircloth, seconded by Commissioner Edward Pustka.

County Judge Keith Mudd	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	YES
Wayne Faircloth, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Kenny W. Siegel, Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

Motion Carried

Court Order: 19483

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

5. Discuss and/ or approve changes to section 7.08 Law enforcement salary and 7K exemption of the Personnel Policy and for Lavaca County Section 9.07 compensatory time. (Sheriff)

Judge stated that this will convert the Sheriff's Office salaries (Deputies, Jailers and Dispatchers) back to an hourly pay for first 171 hours per month and overtime after that.

Judge called for a motion to approve this agenda item.

"So moved."

Moved by Commissioner Kenny W. Siegel, seconded by Commissioner Dennis W. Kocian.

County Judge Keith Mudd	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	YES
Wayne Faircloth, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Kenny W. Siegel, Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

Motion Carried

Court Order: 19484

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

6. Discuss and/or approve contract labor for part-time court security personnel. (Sheriff)

Judge informed the court that this is a contract with Gonzales County for part-time Bailiffs with a base pay of \$35 per hour that will be paid out of the Court Security fund, line item 100-5498-1050. With this contract the County will now share traveling Certified Bailiff's with Gonzales County to be used for court days.

Sergeant Raul Diaz spoke on this agenda item.

Judge called for a motion to approve the payment of \$35 an hour and to allow the Auditor's Office to work out the details with Gonzales County.

"Yes."

Moved by Commissioner Edward Pustka, seconded by Commissioner Wayne Faircloth.

County Judge Keith Mudd	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	YES
Wayne Faircloth, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Kenny W. Siegel, Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

Motion Carried

Court Order: 19485

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

7. Discuss and/or approve changes for servicing Public Information Act Requests, and discuss the time and cost involved to the county. (Judge)

Public Participation Form was filled out by Frank Fishar to speak on this agenda item.

Judge spoke on some of the request that have been received by the Judge's and Commissioner's Offices and how they will be handled moving forward.

No Motion was Made.

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

8. Executive Session.

No Executive Session that took place during this meeting.

County Judge Keith Mudd called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda

"So moved."

Moved by Commissioner Kenny W. Siegel, seconded by Commissioner Dennis W. Kocian.

County Judge Keith Mudd	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	YES
Wayne Faircloth, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Kenny W. Siegel, Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

Motion Carried

Court Order: 19486

Consent Agenda

9. Meeting Minutes of the Commissioners Court Regular Called Meeting January 13, 2025.
10. Request for the installation of a new Buried Fiber Optic cable between Colorado Valley Telephone Cooperative, Inc. and Lavaca County Precinct 2 to include LCR #217.
11. Temporary Waterline Permits between Baytex Energy and Lavaca County Precinct 3 and Precinct 2, to include LCR: 299,353,351,291,294,299.
12. Claims and/or Payroll.
13. Budget Amendments, if any.
14. County Officials Report.

Court members signing of paperwork related to items above.

County Judge Keith Mudd called for a motion to adjourn.

"So moved"

Moved by Commissioner Kenny W. Siegel, seconded by Commissioner Wayne Faircloth.

County Judge Keith Mudd	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	YES
Wayne Faircloth, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Kenny W. Siegel, Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

Motion Carried

Court Order: 19487

Adjournment by Presiding Officer at: 10:36AM

COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF

LAVACA COUNTY, TEXAS

**Lavaca County Commissioners Court
Public Participation Form**

Instructions: This form is to be filled out correctly and in its entirety. If printing, please write legibly. Failure to follow these instructions will prohibit you from speaking.

NAME:

Frank Fisher

(Please use legal name/No Nicknames)

HOME ADDRESS:

4121 FM 957

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TELEPHONE:

361-772-5549

PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT:

N/A

EMPLOYMENT TELEPHONE:

NA

Do you represent any particular group or organization?

N/A

If you do represent any particular group or organization, please state the name, address and telephone number of such group or organization:

Which agenda item (or items) do you wish to address?

Item 7

In general, are you for or against such agenda item (or items)?

For

Against

Undecided

Signature:

Frank Fisher

Note: This Public Participation Form must be presented to the County Clerk before the start of Commissioner's Court. In person forms will be accepted at the Commissioner's Courtroom up to the start of the meeting. Emailed forms to countyclerk@co.lavaca.tx.us will be accepted up to 1 hour before the start of the meeting.



Signature Roster
Attendance at Commissioners Court Regular Called Meeting
January 27, 2025

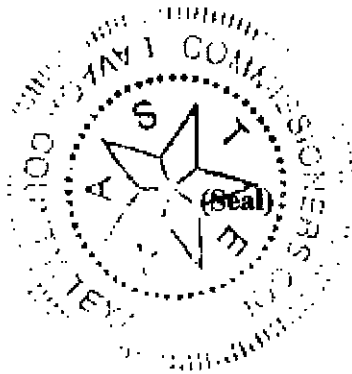
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2 Doug Kubiczek	Doug Kubiczek
3 Lorena Karak	Lorena Karak
4 Tammy Koerth	Tammy Koerth
5 Michael Wick	Michael Wick
6 [Signature]	Gregory Munnice
7 Christian Palacios	Christian Palacios
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Minutes of Barbara K. Steffek, County Clerk, Lavaca County;

I, Barbara K. Steffek, 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 Regular Called Meeting on January 27, 2026.

ATTEST

Barbara K. Steffek, County Clerk
& Ex-Officio Clerk of
Commissioners' Court of
Lavaca County, Texas



Signed this 27th day of January
Barbara K. Steffek, County Clerk
Barbara K. Steffek