

County of Lavaca



OFFICE OF THE

COUNTY JUDGE

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

DATE OF COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING: 5/12/2025

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Agenda Item Request:

Commissioners Court Regular Called Meeting Minutes for April 28, 2025

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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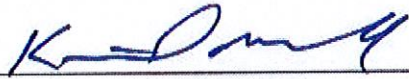
STATEMENT OF APPROVAL

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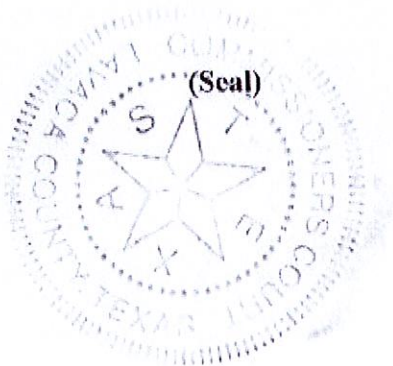
We, the County Judge, and Commissioners of Lavaca County, Texas, majority being present, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing Minutes of the Commissioners= Court Regular Meeting dated April 28, 2025, are this day approved as submitted.

Signed this the 12th day of May, 2025, A.D.

, County Judge
Keith Mudd

ATTEST:

, County Clerk
Barbara K. Steffek



THE STATE OF TEXAS)(
COUNTY OF LAVACA)(

Regular Meeting Monday, April 28, 2025

Lavaca County Commissioners' Court met in a Regular Called Meeting on Monday, April 28, 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

All members of the court were present.

Call to Order and Welcome

The meeting was called to order by County Judge Keith Mudd.

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

Discussion and/or action agenda:

1. Announcements / Public Comments (Sec. 551.0415 & 551.007)

- Kick-off meeting with grant administrator at 1:00PM this afternoon.

2. Closed Session- Per Sec. 551.071- Consultation with attorney.

Judge called for a motion to go into Closed Session per Sec. 551.071.

"I make a motion"

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: 19586

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

Closed Session Start: 10:04AM

Closed Session End: 10:42AM

3. EMS update. (Ems Director)

EMS Director, Michael Furrh gave update.

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: 19587

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

4. Discuss and/or approve creating a 4th Lavaca County EMS Crew and the timing and funding to implement. (EMS Director)

EMS Director, Michael Furrh spoke on this agenda item.

Judge called for a motion to approve creating a 4th Lavaca County EMS Crew, effective immediately and to fund this by transferring \$220,000 from the General fund to fund 121.

"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: 19588

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

****Judge skipped to item # 17 at this time.**

5. Discuss and/or approve reopening Lavaca County Road 340 for overweight oil field traffic. (Pct.3)

Kenny W. Siegel, Commissioner Pct. 3 spoke on this agenda item.

"I make a motion to approve opening Lavaca County Road 340 for overweight oil field traffic."

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: 19589

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

6. Accept reimbursement for repairs to damaged county roads from Kinder Morgan to Lavaca County Pct.2 Road and Bridge Account 302-4000-8266 in the amount of \$234,000.00. (Pct.2)

Wayne Faircloth, Commissioner Pct.2 spoke on this agenda item.

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: 19590

7. Discuss and/or approve disposition of real property formerly known as County Road 391 consisting of a .22-acre tract of land located in Sweet Home. (Pct.3)

Commissioner Kenny W. Siegel spoke on this agenda item.

"I make a motion to approve the disposition of real property formerly known as County Road 391D consisting of a .22-acre tract of land located in Sweet Home.

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: 19591

8. Discuss and/or approve Proclamation declaring the week of May 4th through May 10, 2025, as National Correctional Officer's Week. (Sheriff)

Sheriff Steven Greenwell spoke on this agenda item.

Wayne Faircloth, Commissioner Pct.2 read the Proclamation.

Judge called for a motion to approve this agenda item.

"I make a motion."

Moved by Commissioner Kenny W. Siegel, 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: 19592

9. Discuss and/or approve Proclamation declaring the week of May 11th through May 17, 2025, as National Police Week. (Sheriff)

Kenny W. Siegel, Commissioner Pct. 3 read the Proclamation.

Judge called for a motion to approve this agenda item.

"I make a motion to approve the Proclamation."

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: 19593

**** 5-minute recess.**

10. Discuss and/or approve the awarded contract between Lone Star Commissary and Lavaca County Jail. (Sheriff)

Sheriff Steven Greenwell spoke on this agenda item.

Judge called for a motion to reinstate this contract for another year.

"I make a motion to approve."

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: 19594

11. Discuss and/or approve Lavaca County FY 2024 Annual Financial Report presented by Wade Whitlow, KM&L

Certified Public Accountants. (Auditor)

Wade Whitlow with KM&L spoke on this agenda item.

"Your Honor, I move that we approve Lavaca County FY 2024 Annual Financial Report presented by Wade Whitlow, KM&L Certified Public Accountants."

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: 19595

Packet filed in Commissioner's Court Minutes.

12. Discuss and/or approve Bond for Rachael Barber Investigator for the Lavaca County Attorney's Office. (Judge)
Judge called for a motion to approve this agenda item.

"I make a motion to approve."

Moved by Commissioner Dennis W. Kocian, 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: 19596

13. Discuss and/or approve advertising for bids to replace the boiler for the Lavaca County Courthouse. (Judge)
Bids to be received by 10:30AM on Wednesday, May 14, 2025, and to be opened on Wednesday, May 14, 2025, at 11:00AM. Bids will be awarded at the Commissioners' Court Regular Meeting on Tuesday, May 27, 2025, at 10:00AM.

"I move that we approve advertising for bids to replace the boiler for the Lavaca County Courthouse."

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: 19597

14. Discuss and/or approve advertising for bids for concrete and labor projects on Lavaca County Roads in Precinct 1, 2 and 3. (Commissioners Court)

Bids to be received by 10:30AM on Wednesday, May 14, 2025, and to be opened on Wednesday, May 14, 2025, at 10:45AM. Bids will be awarded at the Commissioners' Court Regular Meeting on Tuesday, May 27, 2025, at 10:00AM.

"Your Honor, I move that we approve advertising for bids for concrete and labor projects on Lavaca County Roads in Precinct 1, 2, and 3."

Moved by Commissioner Wayne Faircloth, 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: 19598

- 15. Discuss and/or approve Certificate of Exemption from Subdivision Requirements for Gilbert Henneke. (Pct.1)**
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1 spoke on this agenda item.

"I make a motion to extend an Exemption from Subdivision regulations."

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: 19599

- 16. Discuss and/or approve the realignment of Lavaca County Volunteer Fire Departments coverage map to include the new fire district for the Ezzell Volunteer Fire Department. (Judge)**

Assistant Fire Chief Brad Woods, spoke on this agenda item.

Judge called for a motion to approve this agenda item.

"I make a motion to approve."

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: 19600

- 17. Acknowledge the retirement of Carol Rogers for 12 years of dedicated service to the Lavaca County Tax Assessor-Collector's Office. (Tax Assessor-Collector)**

Tax Assessor- Collector, Deborah Sevcik, thanked Carol Rogers for her dedicated service.

No motion was made.

- 18. Acknowledge the hiring of Miranda Shimek Ramirez as Deputy Clerk for the Lavaca County Tax Assessor-Collector's Office starting date of May 5, 2025. (Tax Assessor-Collector)**

Judge called for a motion to approve this agenda item.

"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: 19601

19. Discuss and/or approve internet contract between AT&T and Lavaca County. (Judge)

Michael Wick with Lavaca County IT, spoke on this agenda item.

Judge called for a motion to approve this agenda item.

"I make a motion."

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: 19602

20. Discuss and/or approve Road Plan and Paving updates. (Commissioners Court)

Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1 spoke on this agenda item. Plans have been pushed off until next week.

No motion was made.

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

21. Discuss and/or approve the Elections Office remodel project at the Annex. (Judge)

Judge spoke on this agenda item and called for a motion to approve.

"I make a motion to approve."

Moved by Commissioner Kenny W. Siegel, 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: 19603

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

22. Discuss and/or approve Reinger Family Living Trust Subdivision Application including their subdivision private road use agreement. (Pct.1)

"I move that we table this."

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: 19604

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

"I make a motion to go into Consent Agenda."

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: 19605

23. Consent Agenda:

- a. Meeting Minutes of the Commissioners Court Regular Called Meeting April 14, 2025.
- b. Special Road Use Agreements between Baytex Energy and Lavaca County Precinct 3 to include LCR #301, # 300, 340.
- c. Temporary Waterline Permits between EOG Resources and Lavaca County 2 to include LCR #240, # 239, 244, 1295A.
- d. Temporary Waterline Permit Renewal between Baytex Energy and Lavaca County Precinct 2 to include LCR #292, #293.
- e. Temporary Waterline Permits between Baytex Energy and Lavaca County Precinct 2 to include LCR #290, #294, 291, 292, 293.
- f. Claims and/or Payroll.
- g. Budget Amendments, if any.
- h. County Officials Report.
 - Mike Buchanek, Constable Pct. #1 Process Service Report, March 2025
 - David Beyer, Constable Pct. #2 Process Service Report, March 2025
 - Larry Hlavac, Constable Pct. #3 Process Service Report, March 2025

Court members signing of paperwork related to items above.

24. Announce Next Meeting / Adjourn. (Judge)

Special Called Meeting (Workshop) at 1:00 PM.

Next scheduled meeting will be May 12, 2025.

County Judge Keith Mudd called for a motion to adjourn.

"So moved"

Moved by Commissioner Dennis W. Kocian, 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: 19606

Adjournment by Presiding Officer at: 12:15 PM

COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF

LAVACA COUNTY, TEXAS



Signature Roster

Attendance at Commissioners Court Regular Called Meeting

April 28, 2025

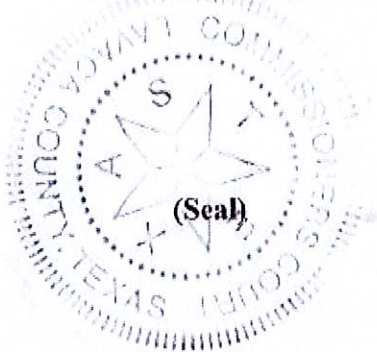
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6 Michael Wick	Michael Wick
7 Kerry L. Peterson	Kerry L. Peterson
8 Wade Whitlow	Wade Whitlow
9 Jimmy Appelt	Jimmy Appelt
10 Tammy Koerth	Tammy Koerth
11 James Reeves	James Reeves
12 JAMES FOSTER	JAMES FOSTER
13 Steven Grecawell	Steven Grecawell
14 Lori Wenske	Lori Wenske
15 CARL HERBST	CARL HERBST
16 Paul Yank	Paul Yank
17 Liz Woytek	Liz Woytek
18 John E. Schultz	John E. Schultz
19 BRAD WOODS	BRAD WOODS
20 GRET MUMFORD	GRET MUMFORD
21 Carol Rogers	Carol Rogers
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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 April 28, 2025.

ATTEST

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



Signed this 1st day of May,
Barbara K. Steffek, County Clerk
Barbara K. Steffek