

County of Lavaca

OFFICE OF THE



COUNTY JUDGE

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

DATE OF COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING: July 15, 2025

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Agenda Item Request:

Commissioners Court Regular Called Meeting minutes for June 23, 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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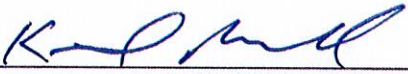
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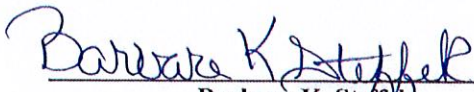
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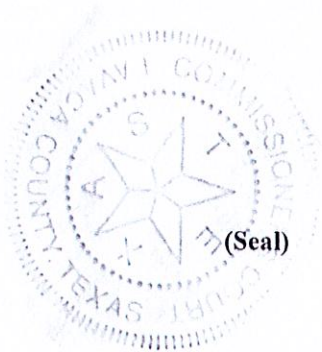
We, the County Judge, and Commissioners of Lavaca County, Texas, majority being present, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing Minutes of the Commissioners= Court Regular Meeting dated June 23, 2025, are this day approved as submitted.

Signed this the 14th day of July 2025, A.D.


_____, County Judge
Keith Mudd

ATTEST:


_____, County Clerk
Barbara K. Steffel



THE STATE OF TEXAS)(
COUNTY OF LAVACA)(

Regular Meeting Monday, June 23, 2025

Lavaca County Commissioners' Court met in a Regular Called Meeting on Monday, June 23, 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 Judge Keith Mudd.

Invocation, led by Commissioner Kenny W. Siegel.

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)

- "See something, say something"- Homeland Security posted a Bulletin stating that we are in high alert status after the recent bombing that took place.

2. Supplemental Insurance Presentation by Higginbotham Insurance Brokers, Frank Hejtmanak and Ty Gunn.
(Auditor)

Frank Hejtmanak presented to the Court.

No Motion was made.

3. Supplemental Insurance Presentation by Foundation Benefits, Jonathan Davis. (Auditor)

Jonathan Davis presented to the Court.

No Motion was made.

4. Discuss and/or approve Supplemental Insurance Broker for Lavaca County to begin October 1, 2025, for FY 2026. (Auditor)

"I make a motion to table approving Supplemental Insurance Broker for Lavaca County to begin October 1, 2025, for FY 2026."

Moved by County Judge Keith Mudd, 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: 19666

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

5. Discuss and/or approve TCDRS 2026 Plan Year Assessment and contribution rate for Lavaca County. (Auditor)
Shana Opela, Auditor spoke on this agenda item.

Judge called for a motion to approve TCDRS 2026 Plan Year Assessment and contribution rate for Lavaca County with no changes to the current existing plan.

"I make a motion."

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: 19667

6. Discuss and/or approve the following renewals with the 2026 TAC-HEBP:

- **Waiting Period - change from Date of Hire to a 30-Day Waiting Period.**
- **Cobra Administration: BenefitConnect COBRA Department - Contract between Lavaca and TAC HEBP**
(as marked). (Auditor)

Judge called for a motion to approve the Waiting Period change to a 30-Day Waiting Period and approve Cobra Administration.

"I make that 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: 19668

7. Discuss and ratify the 2nd 25th Judicial District Community Supervision and Corrections Department (CSCD) and Tri-County Juvenile Probation Department's (JPD) decision to move into separate managed entities, beginning this fiscal year. (Judge)

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: 19669

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

8. Discuss and/or approve Certificate of Exemption from Subdivision Requirements for Kathy and David Orsak. (Pct.1)

"I move that we approve the Exemption for Kathy and David Orsak on this track of ground.

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: 19660

9. Discuss and/or approve transferring 5 radios from the Hallettsville Volunteer Fire Department to the Ezzell Volunteer Fire Department. (IT Department)

Michael Wick, Hallettsville Fire Department 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: 19661

10. Discuss and/or approve Investigations Subscription Services Agreement between LeadsOnline, LLC and Lavaca County Sheriff's Office. (Sheriff)

Sheriff Greenwell 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: 19662

11. Discuss and/or approve 8th Amendment to Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between Counties and Cities associated with Operation Lone Star for Law Enforcement Services. (Sheriff)

Sheriff Greenwell spoke on this agenda item. He added that Law Enforcement will increase in the area the next few days.

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: 19663

12. Discuss and/or approve Bond for Manuel Franco, III Deputy Investigator. (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: 19664

13. Discuss and/or approve using courthouse security funds to hire part-time off duty officers to serve as bailiffs in the courtrooms under the general direction of the Sheriff's Office. (Sheriff)

Sheriff Greenwell spoke on this agenda item.

"I make that motion to approve using courthouse security funds to hire part-time off duty officers to serves as bailiffs in the courtrooms under the general direction of the Sheriff's Office."

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: 19665

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

14. Discuss and/or approve contract work on CR 217 in relation to recent road construction in the amount of \$8,361.00. (Pct.2)

"I propose we approve contract work on CR 217 in relation to recent road construction in the amount of \$8,361.00."

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

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

Motion Carried

Court Order: 19666

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

15. Discuss and/or approve the Annex parking lot demolition plans including the TXDOT sidewalk project and removal of existing and unnecessary power lines. (Judge)

Project start date will be April 2026.

Judge called for a motion to approve this agenda item, allowing Judge to call the city to turnoff utilities to the building and remove existing powerlines.

"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: 19667

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

16. Discuss and/or approve using contingency funding to hire temporary personnel for the Agri Life Department.
(Judge)

"I move we approve using contingency funding to hire temporary personnel for the Agri Life Department."

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: 19668

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

17. Discuss and/or approve the cost of co-hosting with the City of Hallettsville the Golden Crescent Regional Planning Commission Annual Meeting held on August 27, 2025, 6:00PM. (Judge)

This event will take place at Blase's Place and the hall rental will be split with the city.

"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:

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

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

Precinct 4 is getting materials delivered.

No Motion was made.

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

"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: 19670

19. Consent Agenda:

- a. Meeting Minutes of the Commissioners Court Regular Called Meeting June 9, 2025.
- b. Lavaca County Communications Committee Tower Lease Agreement between Hallettsville Communications and Lavaca County. Approved on April 14, 2025, Regular Called Meeting.
- c. Lavaca County Routing Agreement and Road Use Bond Agreement between EOG Resources and Lavaca County Precinct 2.
- d. Claims and/or Payroll.
- e. Budget Amendments, if any.
- f. County Officials Report.

Mike Buchanek, Constable Pct. #1 Process Service Report, May 2025
Travis Hill, JP PCT #2 Money Distribution Report, May 2025
Mark Yackel, JP PCT #3 Money Distribution Report, May 2025
Lori Wenske, District Clerk, Money Distribution Report, April 2025
Barbara K. Steffek, County Clerk, LGS & Tyler Total Collections Report, April and May 2025

Court members signing of paperwork related to items above.

20. Announce Next Meeting July 14, 2025/Adjourn. (Judge)

Next Commissioner's Court Meeting will be July 14, 2025.

There will be a Budget Workshop on July 23, 2025 from 9AM-12PM that will not be broadcast.

County Judge Keith Mudd called for a motion to adjourn.

"Motion to adjourn."

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: 19671

Adjournment by Presiding Officer at: 11:04AM.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF

LAVACA COUNTY, TEXAS

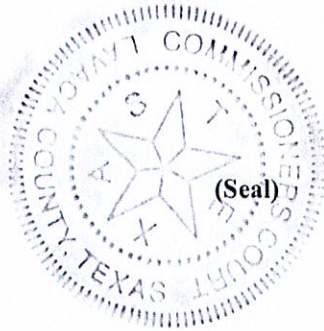


Signature Roster
Attendance at Commissioners Court Regular Called Meeting
June 23, 2025

Sign Here	Print Name Here
1 <i>Shana Opela</i>	<i>Shana Opela</i>
2 <i>[Signature]</i>	<i>LOUATALL E. DAVIS</i>
3 <i>Doug Kubicek</i>	Doug Kubicek
4 JACOB TOLLIE LCEMS	
5 Brent Pierce TPD	
6 <i>Jean Wheelis</i>	<i>Jean Wheelis</i>
7 <i>Michael Wick</i>	Michael Wick
8 <i>[Signature]</i>	<i>JAMES FOSTER</i>
9 <i>Jimmy Apple</i>	<i>Jimmy Apple</i>
10 <i>Tammy Koerth</i>	Tammy Koerth
11 <i>St. Shemell</i>	Steven Greenwell
12 <i>Deborah A. Sevcik</i>	Deborah A. Sevcik
13 <i>Kerry L. Peterson</i>	Kerry L. Peterson
14 <i>LARRY ALAYAK</i>	LARRY ALAYAK
15 <i>Blair Brachke</i>	Blair Brachke
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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 June 23, 2025



ATTEST

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

Signed this 27th day of June 2025,
Barbara K Steffek, County Clerk
Barbara K. Steffek