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STATEMENT OF APPROVAL

THE STATE OF TEXAS]
COUNTY OF LAVACA

Signed this the 28th day of July, A.D.

ATTEST:

County Clerk

Barbara K. Steffek

THE STATE OF TEXAS)(COUNTY OF LAVACA)(

Regular Meeting Monday, July 14, 2025

Lavaca County Commissioners' Court met in a Regular Called Meeting on Monday, July 14, 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)

- EOG donated 110 loads of screened gravel to CR 331 and 329, in the amount of \$80,000.
- Budget Season: Budgets are being prepared for approval.
- Judge introduced Scott Bauer, the new District Director for Congressman Michael Cloud.

2. Discuss and/or approve the 2025-2026 Vehicle Inventory Tax (VIT) Budget from the Tax Assessor-Collector. (Tax Assessor-Collector)

Deborah A. Sevcik, Tax Assessor- Collector, spoke on this agenda item.

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

[&]quot;I make a motion to approve."

3. Discuss and/or approve per Texas Government Code 552, any changes to county policy regarding the cost of servicing public information act requests and recovering all production costs including, employee's time, paper, toner, ink, copy machine fees, compact discs (CDs), thumb drives, external hard drives and / or any other related fees necessary to produce information. (Judge)

No Motion was made.

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

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

Shana Opela, Auditor, spoke on this agenda item.

"I make a motion to keep it the same with Foundation Benefits."

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: 19673

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

5. Discuss and/or approve EnviroTech Services, Inc. as a sole-source vendor in accordance with LGC 262.003.

(Auditor)

"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

6. Discuss and/or award round 2 of the Concrete and Labor Bids for county roads. (Commissioners Court)

Judge called for a motion to approve awarded Bids as shown below.

2nd Round Concrete & Labor Bid Tabulation

This is a Bid by Bidder and is NOT an offer to purchase by Lavaca County

Bids opened June 30,

Bids opened June 30, 2025 BID #		#1792 Jansky Sand & Gravel	#1793 L&J Concrete	#1794 JRC Concrete
Precinct 1		7 20114 64 61 14 14 14	Contract	John Cte
Price for Concrete & Labor to specific job	Precinct 1-CR 126	\$24,400.00	one and a second se	
site location	Precinct 1- CR 390	\$6,100.00		
Precinct 2				
Price for Concrete & Labor to specific job	Precinct 2- CR 269			\$4,506.25
site location	Precinct 2-CR 267			\$4,506.25
	Precinct 2-CR 218	\$5,650.00		
	Precinct 2- CR 237	\$5,650.00		
	Precinct 2- CR 214			\$6,695.00
Price for Concrete & Labor to specific job	Precinct 3-CR 302		\$17,850.00	
site location	Precinct 3- CR 350		\$7,965.00	
	Precinct 3- CR 347		\$2,375.00	
	Precinct 3-CR 320	\$8,700.00		
	Precinct 3-CR 307	\$4,800.00		

[&]quot;I make that 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

7. Discuss and/or approve the purchase of a 2025 Kenworth T880 VIN#: 1XKZDP9X3SJ135611 for Lavaca County Precinct 1 Commissioner. (Pct.1)

Commissioner Edward Pustka spoke on this agenda item.

"This will be replacing the 1995 International Truck, the Buy Board number is 723-23 and the price is 177,774.41 and I put that in a motion."

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: 19676

8. Discuss and/or approve the purchase of a 2024 Kenworth T480 VIN# 2NK5LJ9X1RM364042 for Lavaca County Precinct 1 Commissioner. (Pct.1)

"This is a tandem dump truck, the Buy Board number is 723-23 with a price of \$173,153.09 and will replace a 1983 truck, that is a motion."

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: 19677

9. Discuss and/or approve accepting reimbursement for repairs to damaged county roads from Kaler Energy Corp to Lavaca County Precinct 4 Road and Bridge Account #304-4000-8623 in the amount of \$12,00.00. (Pct.4) Commissioner Dennis W. Kocian spoke on this agenda item.

"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

10. Acknowledge Governor Greg Abbott's Proclamation renewing the disaster proclamation concerning border security. (Judge)

"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: 19679

11. Acknowledge Governor Greg Abbott's Proclamation renewing a state of disaster in a certain number of counties based on the existence of serious drought conditions that pose an imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury, or loss of property. (Judge)

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: 19680

12. Discuss and/or approve Certificate of Exemption from Subdivision Requirements for Eric Joseph Janak. (Pct. 1)

Commissioner Edward Pustka spoke on this agenda item.

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: 19681

13. Discuss and/or approve Certificate of Exemption from Subdivision Requirements for Marty Alan Janak. (Pct.2) Commissioner Wayne Faircloth spoke on this agenda item.

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

[&]quot;I make that a motion."

[&]quot;I move that Lavaca County remove the Subdivision Regulations for this property."

[&]quot;Upon examination, it is determined that we should extend this and exempt them from Subdivision regulations."

14. Discuss and/or approve Certificate of Exemption from Subdivision Requirements for the Estate of Doris Faye Allee. (Pct.1)

Commissioner Edward Pustka spoke on this agenda item.

"I ask that we exempt them from our 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: 19683

15. Discuss and/or approve Subdivision Application filed by Richard Frazier requesting a Certificate of Exemption from Subdivision Requirements. (Pct.1)

Commissioner Edward Pustka spoke on this agenda item.

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: 19696

16. Discuss and/or approve Commercial Lease Agreement between Moulton Community Medical Clinic District and Lavaca County EMS. (Judge)

Judge called for a motion to approve this agenda item.

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

^{**} Item number 15 was tabled until the County Attorney would be available for an Executive Session.

[&]quot;Upon examination of the application and public hearing it is the finding of the Commissioners Court of Lavaca County that this Certificate of Exemption should be extended to Richard Frazier based on the determination that the application adequately demonstrates eligibility for exemption from the Lavaca County Subdivision Regulation under Sections 1.3 (c)."

[&]quot;So moved."

17. Discuss and/or approve Resolution authorizing the Lavaca County Sheriff's Office staff to act on behalf of Lavaca County to submit the grant applications for the Operation Stone Garden of the Office of the Governor. (Sheriff)

Sheriff Steven Greenwell spoke on this agenda item.

"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: 19686

18. Discuss recognizing the Hallettsville Knights of Columbus for their generous donation of the KC Annex to be utilized during the recent OLS operation. (Sheriff)

Sheriff Steven Greenwell took this time to thank the KC's for allowing the operation to utilize their Annex to hold briefings.

No Motion was made.

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

19. Accept anonymous monetary donation of \$1,825.00 to the Lavaca County Sheriff's Office to pay the first half of the police academy. (Sheriff)

Sheriff Steven Greenwell informed the Court that Jenna Austin (former Jailer) is the recipient of the donation.

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: 19687

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

20. Discuss and/or approve Interlocal agreement between Golden Crescent Regional Planning Commission and the Lavaca County Sheriff's Office for E9-1-1 Public Safety Answering Point Services for the fiscal Year 2026-2027. (Sheriff)

Sheriff Steven Greenwell spoke on this agenda item.

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: 19688

[&]quot;So moved."

[&]quot;I make a motion to approve."

21. Discuss and/or approve Addendum 12 between Lavaca County and Local Government Solutions, L.P. to add the Sheriff's Office as an additional licensed user. (Sheriff)

"I'll 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: 19689

22. Discuss and/or approve declaring items on Exhibit A as surplus property to be sold on Gov Deals. (Sheriff)

"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: 19690

23. Discuss and/or approve Bond for Lindsay Guerrero Court Clerk for Justice of the Peace Precinct 4. (JP. 4) Hallie Hall, JP #4 introduced Lindsay to the court.

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: 19691

24. Discuss and/or approve Annex parking lot improvements including timing and demolition plans. (Judge)

Judge noted that there will be a Special Called Meeting at a later time that will be located at the Annex, for a walk through and to discuss further demolition plans.

No Motion was made.

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

[&]quot;I make a motion to approve."

25. EMC Update and Report. (Emergency Management Coordinator)

Greg Murrile, Emergency Management Coordinator, gave update.

Due to the current events in the Hill Country, the focus of this update was directed towards preparedness in the event of heavy rain fall and potential flooding.

3 Recording Stations (gauges) on the Lavaca River.

- Bridge in Witting
- Breslau
- Bridge in Hallettsville

Alarm thresholds were lowered by 5' on the Lavaca and Navidad River to notify sooner in case of flooding.

Siren Systems:

- Hallettsville has 1 siren that is currently inoperable. (manually operated)
- Shiner has 3 sirens that are operational. (manually operated)
- Moulton has no sirens but looking into getting one.

CodeRed is an opt-in system that requires signing up to receive alerts.

National Weather Service warnings come directly from National Weather Service and requires no sign up, as long as your emergency alert settings on your cellphone are turned on.

Dispatch Emergency Contacts: Working on a process to put in place if Precinct contacts are needed.

No Motion was made.

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

26. Discuss and/or approve advertising for open positions in the Road and Maintenance Department for precinct 1,2 and 4. (Commissioners Court)

Judge called for a motion to approve joint advertisement for open positions in the precincts.

"So moved."

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

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: 19692

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

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

Commissioner's gave update-Approximately 5+ miles got paved last week. Everything is running smoothly.

No Motion Made.

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

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

"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: 19693

28. Consent Agenda:

- a. Meeting Minutes of the Commissioners Court Regular Called Meeting June 23, 2025.
- b. 2025-2026 TAC-HEBP Renewal Notice and Benefit Confirmation approved on June 23, 2025 Regular Called Meeting.
- c. Temporary Waterline permit between EOG Resources and Lavaca County Precinct 2 to include LCR #231,230,228,229,226.
- d. Tax Assessor-Collector Report as per Section 31.10 of the Property Tax Code.
- e. Monthly Treasurer's Report.
- f. Monthly Auditor's Report.
- g. Claims and/or Payroll.
- h. Budget Amendments, if any.
- i. County Officials Report.

Larry Hlavac, Constable Pct. #3 Process Service Report, May & June 2025

James Foster, JP PCT #1 Money Distribution Report, May 2025

Hallie Hall, JP PCT #4, Money Distribution Report, May 2025

James Reeves, County Attorney, Hot Check Collection & Trust Fund Report, June 2024-May 2025

Barbara K. Steffek, County Clerk, LGS & Tyler Total Collections Report, June 2025

Shana R. Opela, County Auditor's Monthly Report, June 2025

Court members signing of paperwork related to items above.

Judge asked to go back to agenda item # 15 and called for a motion to move into Executive Sesson to discuss the item.

"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: 19694

Executive Session began: 11:19AM

Judge called for a motion to move out of Executive Session.

"I make that motion."

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: 19695

Executive Session ended: 11:31AM

29. Announce Next Meeting July 28, 2025/Adjourn. (Judge)

Next Meeting is July 28, 2025, at 10:00AM

A Budget workshop will be held on the July 23, 2025 at 9:00 AM that will not be broadcast live.

A Special Called Meeting will be held to go over the Annex project. (Date to be determined)

County Judge Keith Mudd called for a motion to adjourn.

"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: 19697

Adjournment by Presiding Officer at 11:36AM.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF

LAVACA COUNTY, TEXAS

^{*} Item # 15 was discussed and voted on at this time.



Signature Roster Attendance at Commissioners Court Regular Called Meeting July 14, 2025

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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 July 14, 20%.

(Seal) (Seal)

ATTEST

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

Signed this ____

. County Clerk

Barbara K. Steffek

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BARBARA K. STEFFEK, CLERK COUNTY COURT LAVACA CO., TX Deputy