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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 July 28, 2025, are this day approved as submitted.

Signed this the 11<sup>th</sup> day of August 2025, A.D.

, County Judge  
Keith Mudd

ATTEST:

, County Clerk  
Barbara K. Steffek



**THE STATE OF TEXAS )(**  
**COUNTY OF LAVACA )(**

**Regular Meeting Monday, July 28, 2025**

Lavaca County Commissioners' Court met in a Regular Called Meeting on Monday, July 28, 2025 at 10:00 AM, in the Lavaca County Commissioners' Courtroom, 1<sup>st</sup> 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.**

**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)**

- Coach Jerry Bonewald passed away over the weekend. Prayers go out to his family, he was a big part of this community.

**2. Discuss and/or approve FY 2026 Wildlife Damage Management and Predator Control Field Agreement between Texas Wildlife Damage Management Association, Inc. and Lavaca County. (Judge)**

"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: 19699**

**3. Discuss and/or approve declaring a 2009 Toshiba E Studio 225 printer tag number 000356 as surplus property from the Lavaca County Annex Courtroom. (IT Department)**

"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: 19700**

**4. Discuss and/or approve out of state travel for the IT Department to attend Genetec Training.  
(Judge)**

*Judge called for a motion to approve sending Michael Wick, IT, to Washington D.C. for Training.*

"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: 19701**

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

**5. Discuss and/or approve the quote from Atmax Equipment (BuyBoard Contractor) in the amount of \$327,731.08 for Lavaca County Precinct 2. (Pct.2)**

*Commissioner Wayne Faircloth spoke on this agenda item.*

"I make a motion the court approve the purchase of this ATMAX MowerMax."

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: 19702**



**6. Discuss and/or approve the purchase of a 2024 New-New Holland Powerstar 110 Tractor Serial No: ELRT5 110PRLE50327 FOR Lavaca County Precinct 2. (Pct.2)**

*Commissioner Wayne Faircloth spoke on this agenda item.*

"I make a motion we approve item number 6 the purchase of a 2024 New Holland Powerstar 110 tractor with a sale price of \$81,773.90."

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: 19703**

**7. Discuss and/or approve modifying the Lavaca County Road Bond and Routing Agreement. (Pct.2)**

*Commissioner Wayne Faircloth and Commissioner Kenny Siegel spoke on this agenda item.  
The Court will table this item and refer to Council for this modification.*

**No Motion made.**

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

**8. Present retirement plaque to Donald Muehr for 20 years of service to Lavaca County precinct 1 Road and Maintenance Department. (Pct.1)**

*Commissioner Edward Pustka presented a plaque to Donald Muehr.*

*\*Commissioner Wayne Faircloth stepped out of the Courtroom during the presentation of this item.*

"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

**Motion Carried**

**Court Order: 19704**

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

**9. Discuss and/or approve the 2025-2026 budget process and any related budget issues. (Judge)**

*\*Commissioner Wayne Faircloth returned to the Courtroom.*

*Judge spoke on the Budget numbers, he is hoping to have the Proposed Budget posted online by August 1, 2025.  
The Court addressed a few budget issues.*

**No Motion made.**

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

**10. Discuss and/or deliberate any last-minute budget requests, and/or hear budget requests from officials and/or department heads who missed Budget Workshop. (Judge)**

There were no requests for this agenda item.

**No Motion made.**

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

**11. Discuss and/or approve transferring a 2020 Ford Explorer VIN# 1FM5K8AB0LGC52546 from the Lavaca County Sheriff's Office to the Lavaca County Judge's Office. (Sheriff)**

"I move we approve transferring a 2020 Ford Explorer, VIN ending in 52546 from the Lavaca County Sheriff's Office to the Lavaca County Judge's office."

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: 19705**

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

**12. Discuss and/or approve transferring a Ford F-150 VIN# 1FfFW1E55MFB80582 from the Lavaca County Sheriff's Office to Lavaca County Precinct 2. (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: 19706**

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**13. Discuss and/or approve upcoming mandated state changes to agenda postings from 72- hour notice, to 3-business days' notice, and the effects on the court and operations and consider changing court dates to accommodate in 2025-2026 (Judge)**

*Judge spoke on this agenda item; no decisions were made at this time.*

**No Motion was made.**

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**14. Discuss and/or approve date and time for calling a Special Meeting of the Commissioners' Court to be held at the Annex Courtroom for the purpose of touring and inspecting all Annex facilities, including the newly acquired property at 400 N. Texana (Judge).**

*This item is to notify the public of a Quorum.*

*After the August 11, 2025, meeting, the Court will go through the agenda/consent agenda and recess when finished and meet at the Annex to tour the changes of the facility and adjourn the meeting there.*

**No Motion was 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: 19707**

**15. Consent Agenda**

- a. Meeting Minutes of the Commissioners Court Regular Called Meeting July 14, 2025.
- b. Tax Assessor-Collector Report as per Section 31.10 of the Property Tax Code.
- c. Quarterly Investment Report.
- d. Claims and/or Payroll.
- e. Budget Amendments, if any.
- f. County Officials Report.
  - Mike Buchanek, Constable Pct. #1 Process Service Report, June 2025
  - David Beyer, Constable Pct. #2 Process Service Report, June 2025
  - Kerry L. Peterson, Constable Pct. #4 Process Service Report, June 2025
  - James Foster, JP PCT #1 Money Distribution Report, June 2025
  - Travis Hill, JP PCT #2 Money Distribution Report, June 2025
  - Mark Yackel, JP PCT #3 Money Distribution Report, June 2025
  - Hallie Hall, JP PCT #4, Money Distribution Report, June 2025
  - Deborah A. Sevcik, Tax Assessor-Collector Report, March, April and May 2025
- g. Meeting Minutes of the Commissioners Court Special Called Budget Workshop July 23, 2025.

Court members signing of paperwork related to items above.

**16. Announce Next Meeting August 11, 2025/Adjourn. (Judge)**  
**Next Meeting August 11, 2025 at 10:00AM.**

County Judge Keith Mudd called for a motion to adjourn.

"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:19708**

**Adjournment by Presiding Officer at: 10:46AM.**

**COMMISSIONERS' COURT**

**OF LAVACA COUNTY,**

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## Signature Roster

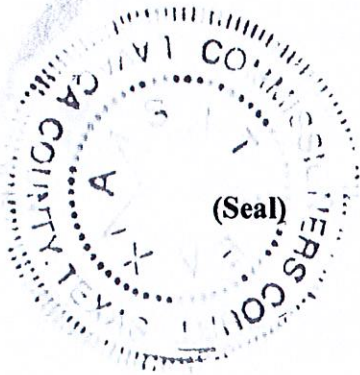
Attendance at Commissioners Court Regular Called Meeting  
July 28, 2025

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1 Shana Opel	Shana Opel
2 Tammy Koert	Tammy Koert
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4 [Signature]	Joshua Mueller
5 Doug Kubicek	Doug Kubicek
6 Jimmy Appelt	Jimmy Appelt
7 [Signature]	DONALD MUELLER
8 Lorena Kanak	Lorena Kanak
9 Karen Renger	Karen Renger
10 Pat Stettin	Pat Stettin
11 [Signature]	JAMES FOSTER
12 [Signature]	GRAZ MURRAY BEN
13 [Signature]	Kerry L. Peterson
14 Deborah A. Sevcik	Deborah A. Sevcik
15 Blair Blaschke	Blair Blaschke
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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 28, 2025.



**ATTEST**

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

Signed this 29<sup>th</sup> day of July 2025,

Barbara K Steffek, County Clerk  
Barbara K. Steffek