

County of Lavaca



OFFICE OF THE

COUNTY JUDGE

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

DATE OF COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING: 9/23/25

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.*

Please place each agenda item on a separate request form. 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 September 8, 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

THE STATE OF TEXAS]

COUNTY OF LAVACA]

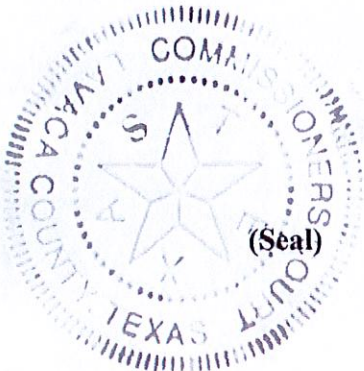
We, the County Judge, and Commissioners of Lavaca County, Texas, majority being present, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing Minutes of the Commissioners= Court Regular Meeting dated September 8, 2025, are this day approved as submitted.

Signed this the 23rd day of September 2025, A.D.

, County Judge
Keith Mudd

ATTEST:

, County Clerk
Barbara K. Steffek



THE STATE OF TEXAS)(
COUNTY OF LAVACA)(

Regular Meeting Monday, September 8, 2025

Lavaca County Commissioners' Court met in a Regular Called Meeting on Monday, September 8, 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
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 with the exception of Kenny W. Siegel, Commissioner Pct. 3.

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)

- Lorena Kanak, Lavaca County Republican Chair announced that tomorrow evening (September 9th) there will be a County Executive Committee Meeting in Moulton at George's Hall at 5:30pm. Representative A. J. Louderback will speak around 7:00pm. This will be open to the public.
Elections Administration Office: Lavaca County Elections will be having an Open House Reception to showcase their newly renovated office on September 18th from 9am-Noon and 1:00pm-4:00pm.
Reminder: Commissioner's Court Agenda must be posted 3 business days prior to the meeting. Judge added that changes to meeting dates and County Holidays will be discussed at the next meeting.

2. Discuss and/or approve 2026 Sheriff's and Constable's Fees. (Constables)

"I make a motion to accept."

Moved by Commissioner Dennis W. Kocian, seconded by Commissioner Wayne Faircloth.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Response. Rows include County Judge Keith Mudd (YES), Edward Pustka (YES), Wayne Faircloth (YES), Kenny W. Siegel (ABSENT), and Dennis W. Kocian (YES).

Motion Carried
Court Order: 19755

3. Acknowledge appointment letter from the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension to confirm that Shannon DeForest serves as the County Coordinator for Lavaca County. (Judge)

"Your Honor, I move that we approve the appointment letter from Texas A&M AgriLife Extension to confirm that Shannon DeForest serve as the County Coordinator for Lavaca County."

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	ABSENT
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

Motion Carried

Court Order: 19756

4. Discuss and/or approve the purchase of a vehicle for the Lavaca County Attorney's Office to be no more than \$45,000 used from line item 10054751040 to line item 10054758560. (County Attorney)

"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	ABSENT
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

Motion Carried

Court Order: 19757

5. Discuss and/or approve FY 2026 Victim's Coordinator and Liaison Grant Contract (C-02339) between the Office of the Attorney General and Lavaca County Attorney's Office. (County Attorney)

"I move that we approve the Contract for Victim's Coordinator between the Office of the Attorney General and the Lavaca County Attorney's Office for \$49,500.00.

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	ABSENT
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

Motion Carried

Court Order: 19758

6. Discuss and/or approve letter from the City of Hallettsville regarding the county citizen use of the City Transfer Station located at 804 CR 201 Hallettsville, TX 77964. (Judge)

Judge called for a motion to table this agenda item.

"So moved."

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	ABSENT
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

Motion Carried

Court Order: 19759

7. Discuss and/or approve letter of support from the Senate of the State of Texas for the placement of a plaque of William Barret Travis's 1836 "Victory or Death" letter at the Lavaca County Courthouse. (Judge)

"I make a motion that we investigate this a little further to get more information before making a decision."

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	ABSENT
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

Motion Carried

Court Order: 19760

8. Discuss and/or approve increasing bond for Keith Mudd, Lavaca County Judge, from \$100,000 to \$500,000 effective September 1, 2025 to be in compliance with new Texas laws (Texas Senate Bill 387), for judges presiding over guardianship and probate proceedings. (Judge)

"I move we approve the Bond."

Moved by Commissioner Edward Pustka, 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	ABSENT
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

Motion Carried

Court Order: 19761

9. Discuss and/or approve the change of EMS billing companies from Emergicon, LLC. To EMS Management and Consultants. (EMS Director)

EMS Assistant Chief Tim Decker, spoke on this agenda item.

"I make a motion to approve."

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	ABSENT
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

Motion Carried

Court Order: 19762

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

10. Discuss and/or approve accepting monetary donation from Allied Title Company and Crossroads Bank in the total amount of \$300.00 to the Lavaca County Sheriff's Office to be used for the National Night Out. (Sheriff) *Sheriff Greenwell spoke on this agenda item. National Night Out will take place Tuesday October 7th, 2025, 5pm-7pm at the Hallettsville Soccer fields.*

"Yes, I make a motion to approve accepting monetary donation from Allied Title Company and Crossroads Bank in the total amount of \$300.00 to the Lavaca County Sheriff's Office to be used for the National Night Out."

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: 19763

11. Discuss and approve application for procurement cards through US Bank One Commercial Card. (Auditor) *Shana Opela Auditor, spoke on this agenda item.*

"I make a motion to approve."

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: 19764

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 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: 19765

12. Consent Agenda:

- a. Meeting Minutes of the Commissioners Court Regular Called Meeting August 25, 2025.
- b. Financial Contract for the precinct 3 maintainer approved in Commissioners Court Regular Called Meeting August 11, 2025.
- c. Claims and/or Payroll.
- d. Budget Amendments, if any.

e. County Officials Report.

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

Travis Hill, JP PCT #2 Money Distribution Report, July 2025

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

Court members signing of paperwork related to items above.

13. Announce Next Meeting September 23, 2025/Adjourn. (Judge)

Meeting will be on Tuesday, September 23, 2025.

“So moved”

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

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

Court Order: 19766

Adjournment by Presiding Officer at: 10:32AM.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF

LAVACA COUNTY, TEXAS



Signature Roster
Attendance at Commissioners Court Regular Called Meeting
September 08, 2025

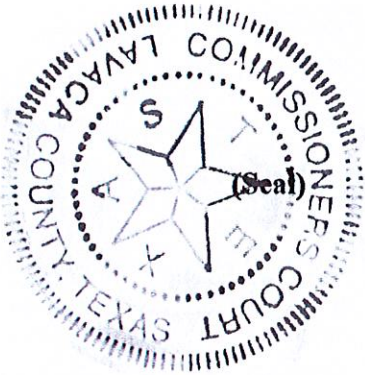
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4 <i>Lorena Loma Karak</i>	Lorena Karak
5 <i>Jimmy Appert</i>	Jimmy Appert
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7 <i>Tammy Korth</i>	Tammy Korth
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9 <i>Greg Murren</i>	Greg Murren
10 <i>Deborah A. Sevcik</i>	Deborah A Sevcik
11 <i>Frank Fisher</i>	Frank Fisher
12 <i>Lori Wenske</i>	Lori Wenske
13 <i>Kerry L. Peterson</i>	Kerry L. Peterson
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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 September 8, 2025.

ATTEST

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



Signed this 8th day of September 2025

Barbara K. Steffek, County Clerk
Barbara K. Steffek