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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 January 12, 2020, are this day approved as submitted.

Signed this the 26th day of January 2020, A.D.

K. D. Mudd, County Judge
Keith Mudd

ATTEST:

Barbara K. Steffek, County Clerk
Barbara K. Steffek



THE STATE OF TEXAS)(
COUNTY OF LAVACA)(

Regular Meeting Monday, January 12, 2026

Lavaca County Commissioners' Court met in a Regular Called Meeting on Monday, January 12, 2026 at 9:00 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 (please turn off cell phones and sign in)

Kenny W. Siegel, Commissioner Pct. 3 joined the meeting at 9:07AM during announcements.

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- President of Great State Republicans:
Great State Republicans will be having a candidate forum on January 26th at the High School cafetorium.
Paul Yamerick, Donna Perez and Elizabeth Kouba will be putting on a candidate forum for the Pct. 2 Commissioner race (Wayne Faircloth, Pat Steffek and Josh Moeller). This will take place at the Moravia Parish Hall on February 12th at 6:30PM.
Republican Women of Yoakum area will have a forum on February 7th from 5:00-8:00PM. and another on February 11th from 11:30-1:00PM.
Public Participation Form: Brandon Tingey spoke on roadway concerns on FM 957 by Moravia Store.
IT Director, Michael Wick gave update on courtroom video/audio technical difficulties. He stated that equipment is on order and issues should be resolved soon.

2. Accept monetary donation in the amount of \$10,000 from Dickson-Allen Foundation to the Lavaca County Press Gang in the care of the Records Retention/Archives. (Records Management)

"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:19877

3. Accept monetary donation in the amount of \$150,000 from Dickson-Allen Foundation to the Lavaca County EMS. (EMS Director)

Michael Furrh, EMS Director spoke on this agenda item.

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: 19878

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

4. Accept monetary donation in the amount of \$12,000 from Dickson-Allen Foundation to the Lavaca County Historical Commission. (Lavaca County Historical Commission)

Doug Kubicek with the Historical Commission, spoke on this agenda item.

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: 19879

5. Accept monetary donation in the amount of \$1,000 from Lake Robertson III to the Lavaca County Sheriff's Office. (Sheriff)

Sheriff Steven Greenwell 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: 19880

**6. Discuss and/or approve MOU between Lavaca County Sheriff's Office and Southern District of Texas (79).
(Sheriff)**

Sheriff Steven Greenwell spoke on 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: 19881

7. Acknowledge Governor Greg Abbott's Proclamation certifying that increased fire weather conditions pose an imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury, or loss of life or property in several counties. (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: 19882

8. Discuss and/or approve burn ban status. (Judge)

Tim Decker spoke on behalf of the Fire Chief Association. KBDI is at 537

There will be a Fish Fry Fundraiser on February 27th at 5:30PM ^{at} the Speaks Community Center.

"I make a motion to approve that we keep the burn ban off."

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: 19883

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9. Acknowledge new IRS business standard mileage rate of 72.5 cents per mile effective January 1, 2026. (Judge)

"I move to approve the standard mileage rate of 72.5 cents per mile effective January 1, 2026."

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: 19884

10. Discuss and/or approve the concrete slab removal located at 400 N. Texana Street. (Judge)

Commissioner Wayne Faircloth asked to table this for the next meeting until last Bid is received.

"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: 19885

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11. Discuss and/or approve changing the Lavaca County Pool Coordinator through the Texas Association of Counties Risk Management Pool. (Judge)

Judge spoke on this agenda item. Sheila Velasquez will be Interim Auditor. Shana Opela's name will need to be replaced with Sheila's on the documents provided.

"I make a motion that we put Sheila's name on the first two blanks and leave Brooke Presley as the Assistant Auditor."

Moved by Judge Keith Mudd, 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: 19886

12. Discuss and/or approve Contract and Agreement for Detention of Juvenile Offenders between Lavaca County and San Patricio County. (Judge)

"I make that motion."

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: 19887

13. Declare items on Exhibit A as surplus property to be transferred from the Lavaca County Elections Department to the Lavaca County IT Department. (Elections Administrator)

"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: 19888

14. Declare items on Exhibit B as surplus property from the Lavaca County Elections Department to be sold on Gov. Deals. (Elections Administrator)

"Your Honor, I move we declare the items on Exhibit B as surplus property from the Lavaca County Elections Department to be sold on Gov. Deals."

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: 19889

15. Discuss and/or approve Racial Profiling Report submitted by Lavaca County Constable Precinct 4, which has been filed with the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement. (Pct. 4 Constable)

Judge called for a motion to table since no documentation had been received.

"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: 19890

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16. Discuss and/or approve County Boat Agent Agreement between Lavaca County Tax Assessor-Collector and Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. (Tax Assessor-Collector)

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

Judge called for a motion to approve this agenda item.

"So moved."

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: 19891

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

"I make a motion to move into consent agenda."

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: 19892

17. Consent Agenda:

- a) Meeting Minutes of the Commissioners Court Regular Called Meeting December 22, 2025.
- b) Meeting Minutes of the Commissioners Court Regular Called Meeting November 24, 2025.
- c) Temporary Waterline Permits between EOG Resources and Lavaca County Precinct 1 and 2, to include LCR #194, 196, 183, 237.
- d) Application for Pipeline Permit between EOG Resources and Lavaca County Precinct 1 to include LCR #190.
- e) Monthly Treasurer Report.
- f) Monthly Auditor's Report.
- g) Quarterly Investment Report.
- h) Tax Assessor-Collector Report as per Section 31.10 of the Property Tax Code.
- i) Claims and/or Payroll.
- j) Budget Amendments, if any.
- k) County Officials Report.

Court members signing of paperwork related to items above.

18. Announce Next Meeting January 26, 2026/Adjourn. (Judge)

Next Commissioner's Court Regular Meeting will be January 26, 2026 at 9:00AM

County Judge Keith Mudd called for a motion to adjourn.

"I make a motion."

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: 19892

Adjournment by Presiding Officer at: 9:51AM.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF
LAVACA COUNTY, TEXAS

**Lavaca County Commissioners Court
Public Participation Form**

Instructions: This form is to be filled out correctly and in its entirety. If printing, please write legibly. Failure to follow these instructions will prohibit you from speaking.

NAME: BRANDON TINGEY

(Please use legal name/No Nicknames)

HOME ADDRESS:

2878 LCR 250
MALTON, TX

TELEPHONE: 832 654 5597

PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT:

EMPLOYMENT TELEPHONE:

Do you represent any particular group or organization? No

If you do represent any particular group or organization, please state the name, address and telephone number of such group or organization:

Which agenda item (or items) do you wish to address?

Robbery 957 @ 247

In general, are you for or against such agenda item (or items)?

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For

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Against

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Undecided

Signature:

Brandon Tinge

Note: This Public Participation Form must be presented to the County Clerk before the start of Commissioner's Court. In person forms will be accepted at the Commissioner's Courtroom up to the start of the meeting. Emailed forms to countyclerk@co.lavaca.tx.us will be accepted up to 1 hour before the start of the meeting.



Signature Roster
Attendance at Commissioners Court Regular Called Meeting
January 12, 2026

Sign Here	Print Name Here
1 Peter Cenotti	Peter Cenotti
2 Martin C Steffek	Martin C Steffek
3 Rudy M	Rudy Moreno
4 Doug Kubicek	Doug Kubicek
5 Brandon	BRANDON TINGE
6 [Signature]	GREG MORRIS
7 Jimmy Appelt	Jimmy Appelt
8 [Signature]	JAMES FOSTER
9 Deborah A Sewick	Deborah A Sewick
10 Jimmy Koerth	Jimmy Koerth
11 Christie Koerth	Christie Koerth
12 Steve Greenwood	Steven Greenwood
13 Larry Hlavac	LARRY HLAVAC
14 Lori Wenske	Lori Wenske
15 Ten Nieto	Ten Nieto
16 Michael Wick	Michael Wick
17 Brent Price	Brent Price TPWD
18 Sheila Velasquez	Sheila Velasquez
19 Lorena Kanak	Lorena Kanak
20 Brian 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 January 12, 2020.

ATTEST

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



Signed this 13th day of January 2020
Barbara K. Steffek, County Clerk
Barbara K. Steffek