

County of Lavaca



OFFICE OF THE

COUNTY JUDGE

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

DATE OF COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING:

February 9, 2020

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 for January 26, 2020.

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 January 26, 2020, are this day approved as submitted.

Signed this the 9th day of February 2020, A.D.


_____, County Judge
Keith Mudd

ATTEST:


Barbara K. Steffek by Blair Blacker, County Clerk
Barbara K. Steffek Deputy

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

Regular Meeting Monday, January 26, 2026

Lavaca County Commissioners' Court met in a Regular Called Meeting on Monday, January 26, 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
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)

- Lorena Kanak- Great State Republicans forum was cancelled due to the weather.
- Road use agreement did not make the agenda; this will be put on the next court meeting agenda.
- Greg Murrie thanked dispatchers and first responders for everything they've done. There was no major damage from the freeze, only a few issues with trees.
- Judge Mudd thanked Nailene and IT Team for setting up the new sound system.

***Judge skipped to item #15**

2. Accept monetary donation in the amount of \$1,500 from Capital Star Oil & Gas to the Lavaca County Sheriff's Office. (Sheriff)

"Your Honor, I move that we accept the monetary donation of \$1,500 from Capital Star Oil & Gas to the Lavaca County Sheriff's Office."

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

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| 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 \$1,500 from Capital Star Oil & Gas to the Lavaca County EMS. (EMS Director)

“I make a motion to approve.”

Moved by Commissioner Dennis W. Kocian, seconded by Commissioner Kenny W. Siegel.

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| 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. Community Connections program updates with the year-end report. (Community Connections Program Manager) Community Connections Program Director, Becky Janak gave program updates.

No Motion was made.

5. Discuss and/or approve Bond for Tenia Hudson Elections Administrator. (Judge)

“I make a motion to approve.”

Moved by Commissioner Dennis W. Kocian, seconded by Commissioner Kenny W. Siegel.

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| 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 Bond for Brandy Stuckey Chief Deputy Elections Administrator. (Judge)

“I’ll make that motion.”

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

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| 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. Discuss and/or approve Bond for Nailene Ruppert Administrative Assistant to the County Judge and Commissioners Court. (Judge)

"I make a motion to approve."

Moved by Commissioner Dennis W. Kocian, seconded by Commissioner Kenny W. Siegel.

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| 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 this agenda item. KBDI is at 483. The Fire Chief's have agreed to leave the burn ban off.

No Motion was made.

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

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

Commissioner Wayne Faircloth spoke on this agenda item.

"I make a motion that we approve the bid from Fred's Contract Services, LLC."

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

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| 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

10. Discuss and/or approve Addendum 16 between Local Government Solutions, L.P.(LGS) and Lavaea County to include one additional user for the District Clerk's Office. (District Clerk)

"I make a motion to approve."

Moved by Commissioner Dennis W. Kocian, seconded by Commissioner Kenny W. Siegel.

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| 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

11. Discuss and/or approve MOU between Gonzales County, Colorado County and Lavaca County for Cooperative Juvenile Probation Operations. (Judge)

“I make that motion.”

Moved by Commissioner Kenny W. Siegel, seconded by Commissioner Dennis W. Kocian.

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| 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

12. Discuss and/or approve Racial Profiling Reports for the years 2020-2026, submitted by Lavaca County Constable Precinct 4, which has been filed with the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement. (Pct. 4 Constable)

“I make a motion to accept.”

Moved by Commissioner Dennis W. Kocian, seconded by Commissioner Kenny W. Siegel.

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| 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

13. Discuss and/or approve Racial Profiling Report submitted by Lavaca County Constable Precinct 3, which has been filed with the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement. (Pct. 3 Constable)

“I make a motion.”

Moved by Commissioner Kenny W. Siegel, seconded by Commissioner Dennis W. Kocian.

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| 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

14. Discuss and/or approve the County Attorney’s Office to destroy the existing hard-back law books that are invalid and/or expired located in the Law Library. (County Attorney)

“I move we approve.”

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

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| 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

15. Discuss and/or approve the need for a county funded grant writer. (Judge)

County Attorney, James Reeves spoke on this agenda item.

Judge called for a motion to approve the Court Advisory Committee to establish an Exploratory Committee to come up with a plan of action.

"I make a motion for that."

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

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| 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

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

16. Discuss and/or approve MOU between Milam County and Lavaca County for Milam County to purchase a belly dump trailer in the amount of \$20,000.

"I make a motion to approve."

Moved by Commissioner Kenny W. Siegel, seconded by Commissioner Dennis W. Kocian.

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| 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

DOCUMENTATION RETURNED TO JUDGE'S OFFICE FOR SIGNATURES.

17. Discuss and/or approve TAC HEBP Member Contact Designation Change Form. (Auditor)

"I make that motion."

Moved by Commissioner Kenny W. Siegel, seconded by Commissioner Dennis W. Kocian.

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| 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

18. Discuss and/or approve budget amendment increasing the budget in Fund 194 Capital Improvement-Courthouse from \$300,000.00 to \$645,000.00 to accommodate the Courthouse Exterior Door Restoration. (Auditor)

Judge spoke on this agenda item and asked for a motion to approve this increase.

“I make that motion.”

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

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| 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

19. Discuss and/or approve budget amendment increasing the budget in Fund 165 Courthouse Security from \$18,000.00 to \$146,106.00. (Auditor)

Judge spoke on this agenda item and asked for a motion to approve.

“I make a motion to approve.”

Moved by Commissioner Dennis W. Kocian, seconded by Commissioner Kenny W. Siegel.

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| 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: 19893

20. Discuss and/or approve Resolution Supporting Legislation to Exempt Texas Counties from the State Hotel Occupancy Tax. (Judge)

Judge and Commissioner Faircloth spoke on this agenda item.

“So moved.”

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

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| 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: 19894

21. Discuss and/or approve exemption request from the Lavaca County Subdivision Regulations for Erik and Lisa Christensen. (Pct.3)

Judge called for a motion to table this agenda item.

“So moved.”

Moved by Commissioner Kenny W. Siegel, seconded by Commissioner Dennis W. Kocian.

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| 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: 19895

22. Discuss and/or approve Certificate of Exemption from Subdivision Requirements for Don Spies. (Pct.3)

“I make a motion to approve.”

Moved by Commissioner Kenny W. Siegel, seconded by Commissioner Dennis W. Kocian.

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| 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: 19896

23. Discuss and/or approve Certificate of Exemption from Subdivision Requirements for David and Amy Adamek. (Pct.3)

“I make a motion to approve.”

Moved by Commissioner Kenny W. Siegel, seconded by Commissioner Dennis W. Kocian.

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| 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: 19897

24. Discuss and/or approve changing the yield sign located on county road 348 to a stop sign. (Pct.3)

“I make a motion to approve that.”

Moved by Commissioner Kenny W. Siegel, seconded by Commissioner Dennis W. Kocian.

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| 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: 19898

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

25. Acknowledge letter from the Texas Historical Commission who conducted an onsite inspection at the Lavaca County Courthouse on December 17, 2025, stating Lavaca County Courthouse is in good standing. (Judge)

"I make a motion to approve

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

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| 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: 19899

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

"I make that motion."

Moved by Commissioner Kenny W. Siegel, seconded by Commissioner Dennis W. Kocian.

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| 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: 19900

26. Consent Agenda:

- a) Meeting Minutes of the Commissioners Court Regular Called Meeting January 12, 2025.
- b) NCIC Correctional Communications Service Agreement Contract Amendment.
- c) Temporary Waterline Permits between Baytex/ Eagle Ford and Lavaca County precincts 2 and 3, to include LCR #299,298,353,351294,291,299.
- d) Tax Assessor-Collector Report as per Section 31.10 of the Property Tax Code.
- e) Claims and/or Payroll.
- f) Budget Amendments, if any.
- g) County Officials Report.

Mike Buchanek, Constable Pct. #1 Process Service Report: December 2025

James Foster, JP Pct #1 Money Distribution Report: December 2025

Travis Hill, JP Pct #2 Money Distribution Report: December 2025

Mark Yackel, JP PCT #3 Money Distribution Report: December 2025

Hallie Hall, JP Pct #4, Money Distribution Report: December 2025

Lori Wenske, District Clerk, Money Distribution Report: August 2025

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

Court members signing of paperwork related to items above.

27. Announce Next Meeting February 09, 2026/Adjourn. (Judge)

Next Meeting will be February 9, 2026 at 9:00AM.

County Judge Keith Mudd called for a motion to adjourn.

“So moved.”

Moved by Commissioner Dennis W. Kocian, seconded by Commissioner Kenny W. Siegel.

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| 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: 19901

Adjournment by Presiding Officer at: 10:08AM

**COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF
LAVACA COUNTY, TEXAS**



Signature Roster
Attendance at Commissioners Court Regular Called Meeting
January 26, 2026

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| 1 | Rufi | Rudy Moreno Fred's Services |
| 2 | Michael Wick | Michael Wick |
| 3 | Becky Janak | Becky Janak |
| 4 | | NICHOLAS BIZUMME |
| 5 | Dixie Appelt | Dixie Appelt |
| 6 | Lorina Kanak | Lorina Kanak |
| 7 | James 12 | James Reeves |
| 8 | Tommy Kaerth | Tommy Kaerth |
| 9 | SPS | Stewin Greenwell |
| 10 | Brook | Brook Moreno |
| 11 | 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 January 20, 2020.

ATTEST

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

Signed this 20th day of January 2020
Barbara K. Steffek, County Clerk
Barbara K. Steffek

