

County of Lavaca



OFFICE OF THE

COUNTY JUDGE

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

DATE OF COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING:

10/16/24

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Agenda Item Request:

Commissioners Court Regular Called Meeting for September 23 2024

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:


STATEMENT OF APPROVAL

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COUNTY OF LAVACA]

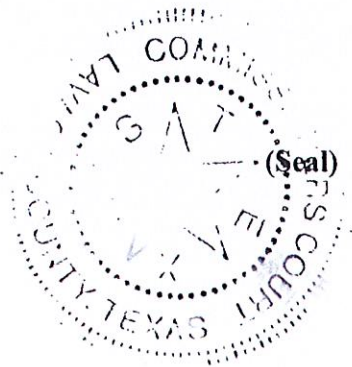
We, the County Judge, and Commissioners of Lavaca County, Texas, majority being present, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing Minutes of the Commissioners' Court Regular Meeting dated September 23, 2024, are this day approved as submitted.

Signed this the 16th day of October 2024, A.D.

, County Judge
Keith Mudd

ATTEST:

, County Clerk
Barbara K. Steffek



THE STATE OF TEXAS)(
COUNTY OF LAVACA)(

Regular Meeting Monday, September 23, 2024

Lavaca County Commissioners' Court met in a Regular Called Meeting on Monday, September 23, 2024 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 was given by Monsignor John Peters.

Pledge of Allegiance and Pledge to the Texas Flag by Judge Keith Mudd.

Discussion and/or action agenda:

1. Announcements.

No announcements were made.

2. Proclamation Honoring Monsignor John Peters for 50 years of spiritual service and leadership to Lavaca County. (Judge)

Judge read the Proclamation. Monsignor spoke and thanked everyone for the recognition. Judge called for a motion to approve this agenda item.

"So moved."

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	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

Motion Carried
Court Order: 19335

3. Proclamation Honoring Lawrence Kurtz, Advanced EMT. (EMS Director)

Judge read the Proclamation. Michael Furrh, EMS Director, and Lawrence Kurtz spoke.

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: 19336

4. Proclamation declaring the week of October 6th, through 12th, 2024 as National 4H Week. (Ag. Ext. Office)

Natalie Knesek and Shannon DeForest, County Extension Agents for Family Community Healthcare, spoke on this agenda item.

Judge read the Proclamation and 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: 19337

5. Proclamation declaring October 2, 2024 as Children’s Health Day. (Ag. Ext. Office)

Natalie Knesek, County Extension Agent for Family Community Healthcare, spoke on this agenda item.

Judge read the Proclamation.

“I moved that we approve item number 5, Proclamation declaring October 2, 2024 as Children’s Health Day.”

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: 19339

6. Discuss and/or approve to raise standard travel per diem per day rate from \$40.00 to \$50.00. (Pct.3)

Judge called for a motion to approve this agenda item.

“So moved.”

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: 19340

7. Discuss and/or approve Lease to own agreement between Anderson Machinery and Lavaca County Precinct 2 for the purchase of 2018 International 4000-gallon water truck serial number 3HAWGTATXJL342636. (Pct.2)

Commissioner Wayne Faircloth spoke on this agenda item.

Judge wanted on record that Anderson Machinery is a part of Buy Board.

“I move that we accept item number 7 regarding the lease to own agreement between Anderson Machinery and Lavaca County Precinct 2 for the purchase of 2018 International 4000-gallon water truck.”

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: 19341

8. Discuss and/or approve the purchase of 2016 Freightliner M2-106 4,000-gallon water truck serial number 3ALHCYCY2GDGT8303 for Lavaca County Precinct 3. (Pct.3)

Commissioner Kenny W. Siegel spoke on this agenda item.

It was also added for the record that this has a total purchase price originally \$136,000 with a cash purchase price of \$45,330.62

“I make a motion to approve the purchase of 2016 Freightliner M2-106 4,000-gallon water truck serial number ending in 8303 for Lavaca County Precinct 3.”

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: 19342

9. Discuss and/or approve the purchase of Laymor SM450-ST Broom #577283 SN: 37926 for Lavaca County Precinct 3 in the amount of \$30,000. (Pct.3)

Commissioner Kenny W. Siegel spoke on this agenda item.

"I make a motion to approve the purchase of Laymor SM450-ST Broom for Lavaca County Precinct 3 in the amount of 30,000."

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: 19343

10. Discuss and/or approve awarding the selected grant management firm for the grant pre application phase 1, application phase 2, and implementation services for the 2025-2026 Texas Community Development Grant Program for Community Development Fund (and all eligible activities per the application guidance) as administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture. (Judge)

The committee met and there was a 4-0 vote to award this to GrantWorks.

Judge called for a motion to approve this agenda item.

"So moved."

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: 19344

11. Certify County Auditor's salary per Local Government Code 152.031 (b). (District Clerk)

Judge called for a motion to approve this agenda item.

"So moved."

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: 19345

12. Certify County Auditor's Assistance salary per Local Government Code 84.021. (District Clerk)*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: 19346****13. Certification of salaries for Lavaca County Officials, Employees, and Lavaca County EMS for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. (Auditor)***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: 19347**

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

14. Discuss and/or approve Lavaca County Personnel Policies. (Auditor)*Judge spoke on this agenda item and 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: 19348**

15. Discuss and/or approve Memorandum of Understanding between Gulf Bend Center and Lavaca County.

(Judge)

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: 19349

16. Discuss and/or approve appointing Moulton Police Chief Daniel Beyer as the Gulf Bend Board of Trustees to represent Lavaca County. (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: 19350

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

17. Discuss and/or approve implementing the 2nd burn ban of the year. (Judge)

Asst. EMS Chief Tim Decker spoke on this agenda item.

“The Judge will make a motion to approve implementing the 2nd burn ban of the year.”

Moved by Judge Keith Mudd, 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: 19351

18. Discuss and/or approve proposal from Kofile Technologies in the amount of \$10,441.42 for a preservation and image project for Civil Records 3786-4127 and authorize District Clerk to sign proposal. Project will be paid out of the Dickson Allen Foundation Grant. (Records Management Officer/ District Clerk)

Judge called for a motion to approve this agenda item.

"So moved."

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	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

Motion Carried

Court Order: 19352

19. Discuss and/or approve awarding RBO Technology quote #11114256 in the amount of \$339,065.24 (TIPS 230202) and quote #11114251 in the amount of \$112,616.10 (Omnia R192008) for building safety and security in the Lavaca County Annex. (Judge)

Steven Greenwell, Security Advisor spoke on this agenda item.

"I make a motion to move into closed session."

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: 19353

Closed session began at 10:59AM

Closed session ended at 11:10AM

Judge called for a motion to approve this agenda item.

"So moved."

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: 19353A

20. Closed Session (If needed) to discuss building safety and security in Lavaca County buildings. (Judge)
Closed session took place while discussing the previous agenda item.

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

"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: 19354

Consent Agenda:

- 21. Meeting Minutes of the Commissioners Court Regular Called Meeting September 10, 2024.**
- 22. Special Road Use Agreement between Trio Consulting & Management, LLC and Lavaca County Precinct 1 to include LCR #1, #1A, #1B.**
- 23. Special Road Use Agreement between EOG Resources and Lavaca County Precinct 3 to include LCR #331, #329.**
- 24. Application for Temporary Waterline Permit between Price Petro Services and Lavaca County precinct 2 to include LCR #269.**
- 25. Application for Pipeline Permit between Hurd Enterprise LTD, and Lavaca County precinct 3 to include LCR #383.**
- 26. Application for Pipeline Permit between Hurd Enterprise LTD, and Lavaca County precinct 3 to include LCR #384.**
- 27. Colorado Valley request for approval for the installation of new Buried Fiber Optic cable within the corridors of LCR #210A.**
- 28. Southwestern Bell Telco request for approval for the installation of new Buried Fiber Optic cable within the corridors of LCR #348.**
- 29. Texas Association of Counties Risk Management Pool Worker's Compensation Renewal Questionnaire for the Lavaca County Senior Citizens Program.**
- 30. Texas Association of Counties Risk Management Pool Worker's Compensation Renewal Questionnaire for Lavaca County.**
- 31. Tax Assessor-Collector Report as per Section 31.10 of the Property Tax Code.**
- 32. Claims and/or Payroll.**
- 33. Budget Amendments, if any.**
- 34. County Officials Report.**

Larry Hlavac, Constable Pct. #3 Process Service Report, August 2024
 Mark Yackel, JP PCT #3 Money Distribution Report, August 2024
 Lori Wenske, District Clerk, Money Distribution Report, August 2024
 Barbara K. Steffek, County Clerk, LGS & Tyler Total Collections Report, August 2024

35. Claims and/or Payroll.

36. Budget Amendments, if any.

Court members signing of paperwork related to items above.

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: 19355

Adjournment by Presiding Officer at 11:17AM

COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF

LAVACA COUNTY, TEXAS



Signature Roster

Attendance at Commissioners Court Regular Called Meeting
September 23, 2024

Sign Here	Print Name Here
1 Shana Kapela	Shana Kapela
2 Deedra Lahodny	Deedra Lahodny
3 Gret Munroe	Gret
4 James R	James Reeves
5 Virginia Portida	Virginia Portida
6 Jean Wheelis	Jean Wheelis
7 R A Steffek	Richard A. Steffek
8 Jennifer Steffek	Jennifer Steffek
9 Natalie Knezer	Natalie Knezer
10 Shannon R DeForest	Shannon R DeForest
11 Becky Janak	Becky Janak
12 Tim Weatherly	Tim Weatherly
13 Tammy Koertth	Tammy Koertth
14 Shirley Kocian	Shirley Kocian
15 Shannon Longoria	Shannon Longoria
16 Doug Kubicek	Doug Kubicek
17 Linda Wick	LINDA WICK
18 LAWRENCE KURTZ	LAWRENCE KURTZ
19 Mark Yankel	Mark Yankel
20 Kerry L. Peterson	Kerry L. Peterson
21 Melissa Leepola	Melissa Leepola
22 Jimmy Apple	Jimmy Apple
23 Denise Bynoch	Denise Bynoch



Signature Roster
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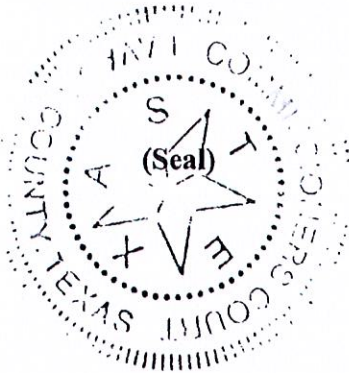
24	Adrienne Pargmann	Adrienne Pargmann
25	Lori Wensky	Lori A. Wensky
26	Deborah A Sevcik	Deborah A Sevcik
27	Christian Pargmann	Christian Pargmann
28	J R Peters	JR PETERS
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Minutes of Barbara K. Steffek, County Clerk, Lavaca County:

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 23, 2024.

ATTEST

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



Signed this 25th day of September, 2024

Barbara K. Steffek, County Clerk
Barbara K. Steffek