

County of Lavaca



OFFICE OF THE

COUNTY JUDGE

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

DATE OF COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING: Feb 12, 2024

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

[REDACTED]. 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.

Agenda Item Request:

Commissioners Court Regular called Meeting Minutes for January 22, 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:

19142

STATEMENT OF APPROVAL

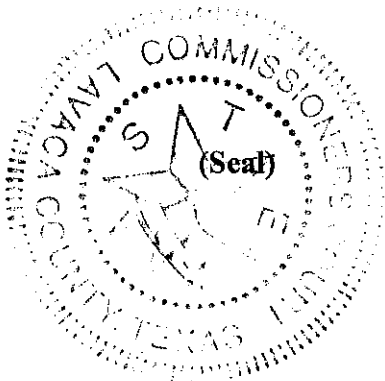
THE STATE OF TEXAS]

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 Meeting dated January 22, 2024 are this day approved as submitted.

Signed this the 12th day of February, 2024, A.D.

Keith Mudd, County Judge
Keith Mudd



ATTEST:

Barbara K. Steffel, County Clerk
Barbara K. Steffel

THE STATE OF TEXAS)(
COUNTY OF LAVACA)(

Regular Meeting Monday, January 22, 2024

Lavaca County Commissioners' Court met in a Regular Called Meeting on Monday, January 22, 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 (please turn off cell phones and sign in)

All members of the court were present.

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. Approve the contract between Kofile and the Lavaca County Clerk for the imaging of three Probate Minute Books. (County Clerk)

Barbara Steffek, County Clerk spoke on this agenda item.

"I make a motion to approve the contract between Kofile and the Lavaca County Clerk for imaging of three Probate Minute Books."

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

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

Motion Carried

Court Order: 19121

2. Discuss and/or approve Division Order between Rocky Creek Resources, LLC and Lavaca County. (Judge)

Judge called for a motion to approve this agenda item.

“So moved.”

Moved by Commissioner Wayne Faircloth, 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: 19122

3. Discuss and/or approve Bond for James Foster Justice of the Peace Precinct 1. (Judge)

“Yes, I move that we approve the Bond for James Foster Justice of the Peace Precinct 1.”

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: 19123

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

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: 19124

5. **Acknowledge monetary donation from Dickson-Allen Foundation in the amount of \$12,000.00 to the Lavaca County Historical Commission to help in the preservation of Lavaca County History. As noted in the LCHC application for the grant, the money will be used to fund projects dealing with the Texas State Historical Commission: State Historical Markers, State Historic Cemetery Designations, the Alton C. Allen Historical Conference, and other projects to help preserve Lavaca County History. (Lavaca County Historical Commission)**

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: 19125

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

6. **Discuss and/or approve amending the 2022 Resolution between Texas Department of Transportation and Lavaca County to include County Road 130 over Rickaway Branch to be funded with 100% federal funds. (Pct.1)**

*Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1 and Doug Kubicek, Lavaca County Historical Commission, spoke on this 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: 19126

7. **Discuss and/or approve amending the 2022 Resolution between Texas Department of Transportation and Lavaca County to include County Road 376 at Mustang Creek. (Pct.3)**

*Kenny W. Siegel, Commissioner Pct. 3 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: 19127

8. Discuss and/or approve accepting resignation from Karen Bludau Lavaca County Treasurer effective date April 1, 2024. (Judge)

Judge spoke on this agenda item.

“I’ll make a motion to accept it, reluctantly.”

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: 19128

9. Discuss and or approve the process to appoint a Treasurer to replace Karen Bludau effective April 1, 2024. (Judge)

Applications will be accepted until the end of the day February 9, 2024 at 5:00pm.

“I make a motion that we accept the applications for the position of Treasurer until the end of the day on Friday, February 9, 2024 by 5:00p.m.

Moved by Judge Keith Mudd, seconded by Commissioner Edward Pustka and 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: 19129

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

10. Discuss and or approve the Road Plan and Paving Agreement between the Lavaca County Commissioners. (Commissioners)

All members of the court spoke on this agenda item.

Agenda item was tabled.

No motion was made.

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

11. 2023 EMS Report. (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 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: 19130

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

“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: 19131

Consent Agenda:

12. Meeting Minutes of the Commissioners Court Regular Called Meeting January 8, 2024.

13. Meeting Minutes of the Commissioners Court Special Called Meeting January 5, 2024.

14. Colorado Valley Telephone Cooperative, Inc request approval for the installation of a new Buried Fiber Optic cable within the corridors of County Road 235, 77D.

15. Certificate of Completion awarded to Lori Wenske, Lavaca County District Clerk for completing the required 20 hours of continuing education for 2023 as prescribed in section 51.605 of the Texas Government Code.

16. Claims and/or Payroll.

17. 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 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: 19132

Adjournment by Presiding Officer at: 10:59 A.M.

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



Signature Roster

Attendance at Commissioners Court Regular Called Meeting

January 22, 2024

	Sign Here	Print Name Here
1	<i>Shana Opelt</i>	Shana P Opelt
2	<i>Jimmy Appelt</i>	Jimmy Appelt
3	<i>Deborah A. Sevcik</i>	Deborah A. Sevcik
4	<i>Steven Greenwell</i>	Steven Greenwell
5	<i>James Foster</i>	JAMES FOSTER
6	<i>Michal Helmon</i>	MICHAEL HELMON
7	<i>Doug Kubicek</i>	Doug Kubicek
8	<i>Lorena M. Kanak</i>	Lorena M. Kanak
9	<i>Lori A. Wensel</i>	Lori A. Wensel
10	<i>Cheryl Thompson-Dragos</i>	Cheryl Thompson-Dragos
11	<i>JR Peters</i>	JR PETERS
12	<i>Karen Bludau</i>	Karen Bludau
13	<i>Tammy Koerth</i>	Tammy Koerth
14	<i>Gregory Mueser</i>	Gregory Mueser
15	<i>Blair Blaschke</i>	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 Meeting on January 22, 2024.

ATTEST

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

Signed this 23rd day of January, 2024

Barbara K. Steffek, County Clerk
Barbara K. Steffek

