

2024

STATEMENT OF APPROVAL

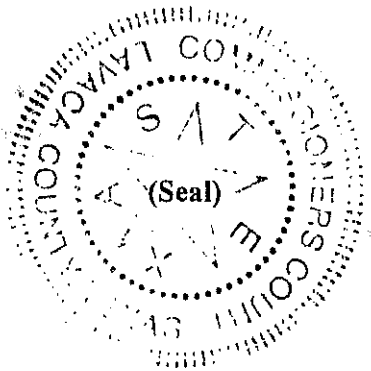
THE STATE OF TEXAS]

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 July 8 (July 10), 2024 are this day approved as submitted.

Signed this the 22nd day of July, 2024, A.D.

Keith Mudd, County Judge
Keith Mudd



ATTEST:

Barbara K Steffek, County Clerk
Barbara K. Steffek

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

Regular Meeting Wednesday, July 10 2024 (Monday, July 8, 2024.)

Notice is hereby given due to inclement weather, the July 8, 2024, Commissioners' Court is postponed until Wednesday, July 10, 2024 at 10AM 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 (Appeared by Zoom)

The attached sheets contain the names of the citizens and officials that were in attendance.

Confirm Quorum with Roll Call

Barbara K. Steffek, Lavaca County Clerk, was not present, but duly represented by Blair Blaschke, Deputy Clerk

Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4 was not present in the Courtroom, but did appear by Zoom and voted on each Agenda Item.

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.

- Frank Fisher announced that the Czech Republic President; Petr Pavel, will be in La Grange on Saturday 9AM-11AM at the Fayette County Czech Heritage Society.
- Greg Murille; Emergency Management Coordinator, spoke on the damages and helping other Counties with 911 calls.
- Tim Decker; Assistant EMS Chief, spoke about EMTF (Emergency Medical Task Force) helping Houston and sending units and crew members to offset the 911 needs. Lavaca County sent 4 crew members and 2 ambulances to Houston.

2. Discuss and/or approve Amendment to the Contract for Public Defender Services. (Judge)

Judge called for a motion to approve Amendment to the 6-month extension that was originally approved April 1, 2024. The Contract will now end by July 31, 2024.

“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: 19260

3. Discuss and/or approve Tyler Technologies Employee Access Pro Financial Management Suite to be utilized for human resources. (Auditor)

Shana Opela; County Auditor, spoke on this agenda item. Judge called for a motion to approve this agenda item.

“Yes.”

Moved by Commissioner Edward Pustka, 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: 19261

4. Discuss and/or approve Contract for Secure Long-Term Residential Service of Juvenile Offenders between Lavaca County Juvenile Probation Department and Victoria County Juvenile Justice Center/ Victoria County Juvenile Board. (Director of Juvenile Probation Services)

Judge called for a motion to approve this agenda item.

“So moved.”

Moved by Commissioner Kenny W. Siegel, 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: 19262

5. Discuss and/or approve Contract for Secure Short-Term Detention of Juvenile Offenders between Lavaca County Juvenile Probation Department and Victoria County Juvenile Justice Center/ Victoria County Juvenile Board. (Director of Juvenile Probation Services)

James Foster; JP 1, spoke on this agenda item.

"I make a motion to approve item number 5."

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: 19263

6. Advertise for bids for lease of approximately 60 acres of pastureland (5-year Lease- Lavaca County Farm.)
(Judge)

Bids will be received until Friday July, 26, 2024 at 10:15AM and opened at 10:30AM. The Bids will then be awarded at the Commissioners' Court Regular Meeting on Monday, August 12, 2024 at 10:00AM.

Judge called for a motion to approve this agenda item.

"Yes."

Moved by Commissioner Edward Pustka, 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: 19264

7. Discuss and/or approve VCS proposal to purchase equipment through the Senate Bill 22 funds to outfit the 2 new 2023 F-150 vehicles. (Sheriff)

J.R. Peters; Chief Deputy, spoke on this agenda item.

"I make a motion to approve the VCS proposal to purchase equipment through the Senate Bill 22 funds to outfit the 2 new 2023 F-150 vehicles."

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: 19265

8. Discuss and/or approve On Site Decals, LLC invoice in the amount of \$1,237.21 to be paid with Senate Bill 22 funds for the Lavaca County Sheriff's Office. (Sheriff)

J.R. Peters; Chief Deputy, 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.

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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: 19266

9. Discuss and/or approve authorization to issue request for proposal for Administrative Services (RFP) and request for qualifications for Engineering Services (RFQ) for grant pre-application (Phase I), application (Phase II), and implementation services for Texas Community Development Grant Program for 2025/2026 Community Development Fund (and all eligible activities per the application guidance) as administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture. (Judge)

Kelle Odom with Grant Works, 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.

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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: 19267

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

10. Discuss and/or approve amending existing Contract for Services Agreement between Lavaca County and Local Government Solutions, L.P. to unlimited TB image storage. (County Attorney)

Kyle Denney; County Attorney, 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 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: 19268

11. Discuss and/or approve Certificate of Exemption from Subdivision Requirements for Ryan Pope. (Pct. 2)

“I make a motion to approve Certificate of Exemption from Subdivision Requirements for Ryan Pope.”

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: 19269

12. Discuss and or approve the KBDI Index and a county wide burn ban (if needed). (Judge)

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

Judge tabled item and said that we will check back again next week and see if a burn ban will need to be put into place.

No Motion was made.

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

13. Discuss and or approve forming a committee to interview and hire a Veterans Service Officer and/or to explore creating a mutual aid agreement to partner with a neighboring county’s existing Veterans Service Officer. (Judge)

“I make a motion that we approve forming a committee to interview and hire a Veterans Service Officer and/or to explore creating a mutual aid agreement to partner with a neighboring county’s existing Veterans Service Officer and to appoint Steven Greenwell, Jerry Tanner, and James Fenner to that committee.”

Moved by Judge Keith Mudd, 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: 19270

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

14. Discuss and or approve authorization to issue requests for public auction services from companies that will represent Lavaca County in selling surplus property and equipment. (Judge)

*Gregory Chittum and Sandra Calvo with CM Company Auctions, spoke on this agenda item.
Judge called for a motion to approve 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: 19271

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

15. Discuss and or approve Rural Law Enforcement Salary Assistance Program Funds (SB-22) for the Lavaca County Attorney’s Office.

Kyle Denney spoke on this agenda item.

“I make a motion to allow the County Attorney to create a Victim Assistant Coordinator position with a salary up to \$45,000 and to allow them to create an Assistant DA position with a salary up to \$140,000, spending those SB-22 monies this fiscal year on those positions.”

Moved by Judge Keith Mudd, 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: 19272

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

16. Discuss and or approve Lavaca County Paving Agreement update. (Commissioners)

*Commissioner Kenny W. Siegel spoke on this agenda item.
Judge called for a motion to approve this agenda.*

“Yes.”

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: 19273

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

“So moved.”

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: 19274

Consent Agenda:

- 17. Meeting Minutes of the Commissioners Court Regular Called Meeting June 24, 2024.**
- 18. Application for Temporary Waterline Permit between Baytex Pipe Inc. and Precinct 2, to include I.C.R #261, 262.**
- 19. Application for Temporary Waterline Permit between Baytex Pipe Inc. and Precinct 2, to include LCR #258, #261, #256.**
- 20. Monthly Treasurer’s Report**
- 21. Quarterly Investment Report**
- 22. Monthly Auditor’s Report**
- 23. Tax Assessor-Collector Report as per Section 31.10 of the Property Tax Code**
- 24. Claims and/or Payroll.**
- 25. Budget Amendments, if any.**
- 26. County Officials Report.**
 - Charles Greive, Constable Pct. #2 Process Service Report, May 2024
 - James Foster, JP PCT #1 Money Distribution Report, May 2024
 - Kyle Denney, County Attorney, Hot Check Collection & Trust Fund Report, May 2024
 - Lori Wenske, District Clerk, Money Distribution Report, May 2024
 - Barbara K. Steffek, County Clerk, LGS & Tyler Total Collections Report, May & June 2024
 - Shana R. Opela, County Auditor’s Monthly Report, June 2024
 - Deborah A. Sevcik, Tax Assessor-Collector Report, April & May 2024
- 27. Claims and/or Payroll.**
- 28. 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 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: 19275

Adjournment by Presiding Officer at 11:20AM.

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



Signature Roster
Attendance at Commissioners Court Regular Called Meeting
July 10, 2024

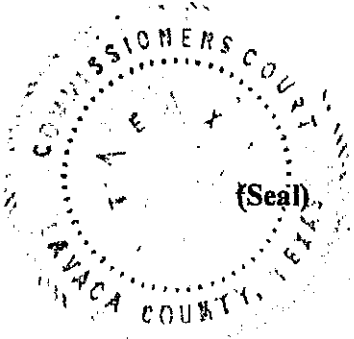
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Minutes of Barbara K. Steffek, County Clerk, Lavaca County:

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 July 8, 2024 - July 10, 2024

ATTEST

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



Signed this 15th day of July, 2024

Barbara K. Steffek, County Clerk
Barbara K. Steffek