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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 Meeting dated September 25, 2023 are this day approved as submitted.

Signed this the 10th day of October, 2023, A.D.

, County Judge
Keith Mudd



ATTEST:

, County Clerk
Barbara K. Steffel

THE STATE OF TEXAS)(
COUNTY OF LAVACA)(

Regular Meeting Monday, September 25, 2023

Lavaca County Commissioners' Court met in a Regular Called Meeting on Monday, September 25, 2023 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

Invocation was led by Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1.

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

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Judge announced that Great State Republican's will have Share Fryer speaking at 7:00p.m. at the Lutheran Church.

Discussion and/or action agenda:

- 1. Discuss and or approve continuing the Lavaca County fire ban and KBDI briefing from the Lavaca County Fire Association. (Judge)

Fire Chief, Billy Petru spoke on this agenda item.

A decision was made to stay under an active Burn Ban.

No Motion was made.

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

2. Discuss and or approve allocating funds for FY 2024 to Lavaca County Volunteer Fire Departments, per Public Welfare, account number 5640-6194. (Judge)

Fire Chief, Billy Petru spoke on this agenda item.

"I make a motion that we allocate \$10,000 across the board to each of the 5 Fire Departments, for a total of \$50,000 to start the fiscal year and then continue to pay the \$100 per out of city limit run per department. Any remaining balance at the end of fiscal year should be distributed by weighted average of how many runs were submitted to the county."

Moved by County 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: 19001

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

3. Discuss and/or take action on Quitclaim Deed between Todd A. Rehm and Lavaca County Precinct 1. (Pct. 1)

Commissioner Edward Pustka spoke on this agenda item.

"I make a motion to proceed with proper public notices."

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: 19002

DOCUMENTATION RETURNED TO JUDGE'S OFFICE FOR FUTURE MEETING.

4. Certification of salaries for Lavaca County Officials, Employees, and Lavaca County EMS for the 2023-2024 fiscal year. (Auditor)

"I'll make a motion in certifying the salaries of Lavaca County Officials, Employees, and Lavaca County EMS for 2023-2024 fiscal year"

Moved by Commissioner Dennis W. Kocian, seconded by Commissioner Edward Pustka.

Before the vote was taken, Judge stated that this agenda item should read: Certification of salaries for Lavaca County Officials and Employees for the 2023-2024 fiscal year.

Judge then asked that the original motion be struck.

Motion was amended

"Approve the salaries for Lavaca County Officials and Employees for the 2023-2024 fiscal year."

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: 19003

5. Proclamation declaring the week of October 3rd, through 9th, 2023 as National 4H Week. (Ag. Ext. Office)

4H Coordinator, Natalie Knesek and Shannon DeForest spoke on this agenda item.

Judge read the Proclamation.

Judge called for a motion to accept the Proclamation.

“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: 19004

6. Proclamation declaring October 6, 2023 as Children’s Health Day. (Ag. Ext. Office)

Natalie Knesek spoke on this agenda item.

“I make a motion.”

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: 19005

Commissioner Edward Pustka left the meeting at this time.

7. Discuss and/or approve plan to revise the Lavaca County Subdivision Regulations. (Judge)

The court spoke on some issues regarding Subdivision Regulations that need to be addressed in the future.

“I make a motion to get together at a later date and have a workshop with area stakeholders.”

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

County Judge Keith Mudd	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	ABSENT
Wayne Faircloth, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Kenny W. Siegel, Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

Motion Carried

Court Order: 19006

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

8. Discuss and/or approve lease purchase agreement between Anderson Machinery and Lavaca County Precinct 3 for 2016 Freightliner Model M2-106 4,000-Gal Water Truck VIN #3ALHCYCY2GDGT8303. (Pct. 3)

Kenny Siegel, Commissioner Pct. 3 spoke on this agenda item.

"I make a motion to approve the lease purchase agreement between Anderson Machinery and Lavaca County Precinct 3 for 2016 Freightliner Model M2-106 4,000-Gal Water Truck VIN#3ALHCYCY2GDGT8303."

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

County Judge Keith Mudd	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	ABSENT
Wayne Faircloth, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Kenny W. Siegel, Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

Motion Carried

Court Order: 19007

9. Discuss and/or approve Bond for Lisa Lowe Records Management. (Judge)

"I make a motion to approve Bond for Lisa Lowe Records Management."

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

County Judge Keith Mudd	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	ABSENT
Wayne Faircloth, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Kenny W. Siegel, Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

Motion Carried

Court Order: 19008

10. Discuss and/or approve Bond for Deputy Raul Diaz start date: 09/18/2023. (Sheriff)

"I make a motion to approve Bond for Deputy Raul Diaz start date: 09/18/2023."

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

County Judge Keith Mudd	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	ABSENT
Wayne Faircloth, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Kenny W. Siegel, Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

Motion Carried

Court Order: 19009

11. Discuss and/or approve Certificate of Exemption from Subdivision Requirements for Thomas and Cathy Collins. (Pct. 1)

Judge spoke on this agenda item.

“Judge makes a motion that we approve the Certificate of Exemption from Subdivision Requirements for Thomas and Cathy Collins.”

Moved by Keith Mudd, County Judge, seconded by Commissioner Kenny W. Siegel.

County Judge Keith Mudd	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	ABSENT
Wayne Faircloth, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Kenny W. Siegel, Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

Motion Carried

Court Order: 19010

12. Discuss and/or approve Certificate of Exemption from Subdivision Requirements for Daniel and Bernice Motal. (Pct. 2)

“Your Honor, I move that we discuss and approve Certificate of Exemption from Subdivision for Daniel and Bernice Motal.”

After motion was made, Judge stated that Exemption would be approved but easement would have to go through TXDOT.

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

County Judge Keith Mudd	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	ABSENT
Wayne Faircloth, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Kenny W. Siegel, Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

Motion Carried

Court Order: 19011

13. Announce contest winner for the 2023 I voted and future voter sticker contest. (Judge)

Judge announced the Top 3 finalists for each category and then announced winners: The Winner for Future Voter is Daniel Hernandez, 5th Grader from Moulton. And the I Voted Winner is John W. Moore III, 10th Grader from Shiner.

No motion was made and no vote was taken.

Court Order: 19012

Commissioner Wayne Faircloth left the meeting at this time.

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

“So moved.”

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

Motion Carried.

No Vote was taken

Court Order: 19013

Commissioner Wayne Faircloth returned to the meeting during signing of paperwork.

Consent Agenda

- 1. Meeting Minutes of the Commissioners Court Regular Called Meeting September 11, 2023.**
- 2. Application for Pipeline Permit between Baytex Energy and Lavaca County Precinct 2 to include LCR #292.**
- 3. Amend the Order of Constitutional Amendments Election to be held on November 7, 2023.**
- 4. Claims and/or Payroll.**
- 5. County Officials Reports.**

Steve Greenwell, JP PCT #1 Money Distribution Report, September 2023

Travis Hill, JP PCT #2 Money Distribution Report, September 2023

Mark Yackel, JP PCT #3 Money Distribution Report, September 2023

Hallie Hall, JP PCT #4, Money Distribution Report, September 2023

Barbara K. Steffek, County Clerk, LGS & Tyler Total Collections Report, August 2023

- 6. 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	ABSENT
Kenny W. Siegel, Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

Motion Carried

Court Order: 19014

Adjournment by Presiding Officer at 11:15 A.M.



Signature Roster

Attendance at Commissioners Court Regular Called Meeting

September 25, 2023

Sign Here	Print Name Here
1	FRANK FISHER
2	Carroll Scagin Brincefield
3 Doug Kubicek	Doug Kubicek
4	Tamis Richardson
5	Cheryl Thompson-Drape
6	William Petru
7	Shana Kopela
8	Lori A. Wenske
9	Paul Janacek
10	Sheila Jansky
11	Jimmy Apelt
12	BRANDY G. STUCKEY
13	Natalie Knesek
14	Amy Kloesel
15	Greg Murren
16	Karen Bludau
17	Shannon R DeForest
18	Deborah A. Sercik
19	Mitch Harmon
20	JR PETERS
21	Lorena Kanak
22	John E. Schulte
23	Steve



Signature Roster
Attendance at Commissioners Court Regular Called Meeting
September 25, 2023

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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 September 25 2023.

ATTEST

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



Signed this 28th day of September, 2023

Barbara K. Steffek, County Clerk
Barbara K. Steffek