

**MINUTES OF COMMISSIONERS COURT MEETING**

I.

Attached hereto is/are public notice(s) posted for the meeting of **April 28, 2022.**

II.

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of Fayette County, Texas, Commissioners Court held in the Commissioners Courtroom (3<sup>rd</sup> floor - Room 303) at the Fayette County Courthouse located at 151 North Washington Street, La Grange, Texas.

III.

Attendance: County Judge Joe Weber **Absent**  
County Commissioner – Precinct No. 1, Jason McBroom **Judge Pro-Tem, Present**  
County Commissioner – Precinct No. 2, Luke Sternadel **Present**  
County Commissioner – Precinct No. 3, Harvey Berckenhoff **Present**  
County Commissioner – Precinct No. 4, Drew Brossmann **Present**

IV.

County Officials/County Personnel present during all or any part of the meeting:  
**Brenda Fietsam, County Clerk; Cassie Austin, Court Administrator;**  
**Cindy Havelka, County Auditor; Angela Hahn, Grant Specialist;**  
**Craig Moreau, Emergency Management Coordinator;**  
**Mark Zimmerman, Deputy Sheriff; Amber Hielscher, Floodplain Manager;**  
**Clint Sternadel, County Inspector & Office of Development & Permitting**

V.

Persons in attendance during all of any part of the meeting:  
**See Attached Exhibit A**

VI.

Meeting opened at **9:00 A.M.** on motion by Commissioner **Berckenhoff**, seconded by Commissioner **Brossmann**, votes for **4**, votes against **0**.

VII.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

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“Honor the Texas Flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible.”

INVOCATION

**AGENDA ACTION:**

1. **SUBJECT:** Consider and take appropriate action in approving the following minutes from previous meetings:

- i. April 14, 2022 – Regular Meeting
- ii. April 18, 2022 – Special Meeting

**ACTION:** Approved minutes from previous meetings.

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT:** Brenda Fietsam, County Clerk

**MOVED BY COMMR. Brossmann, SECONDED BY COMMR. Sternadel**  
Commr. McBroom, **Judge Pro-Tem** vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Sternadel, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Berckenhoff, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Brossmann, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Judge Weber, **Absent**

2. **SUBJECT:** Open public comments – petitions, requests or statements by the public. Close.

**ACTION:** Opened Public Comments.  
Accepted All Comments from Mr. Reed.  
Closed Public Comments.

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT:** Rodney R. Reed

**MOVED BY COMMR. Berckenhoff, SECONDED BY COMMR. Brossmann**  
Commr. McBroom, **Judge Pro-Tem** vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Sternadel, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Berckenhoff, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Brossmann, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Judge Weber, **Absent**

3. **SUBJECT: Hear update concerning 7V Solar Ranch/Candela project in Precinct 3 and take necessary action.**

**ACTION: Accepted all comments concerning 7V Solar Ranch/Candela project in Precinct 3.**

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 3 Exhibit"

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Amber Hielscher, Floodplain Manager; Evan Horn, EY; Cameron Pavluk, Candela Renewables; Juan Benzal, Naturgy; Sandra Martinez, Grupo Ortiz USA; William Bernsen**

**MOVED BY COMMR. Berckenhoff, SECONDED BY COMMR. Brossmann**  
Commr. McBroom, **Judge Pro-Tem** vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Sternadel, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Berckenhoff, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Brossmann, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Judge Weber, **Absent**

4. **SUBJECT: Consider and take appropriate action concerning the application from DJP Properties, LP requesting the division of real property located in Precinct 2.**

**ACTION: Approved the application from DJP Properties, LP requesting the division of real property located in Precinct 2.**

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 4 Exhibit"

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Clint Sternadel, County Inspector & Office of Development & Permitting**

**MOVED BY COMMR. Sternadel, SECONDED BY COMMR. Brossmann**  
Commr. McBroom, **Judge Pro-Tem** vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Sternadel, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Berckenhoff, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Brossmann, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Judge Weber, **Absent**

5. **SUBJECT: Consider and take appropriate action in approving the final plat of The Compound Subdivision.**

**ACTION: Approved the final plat of The Compound Subdivision, before final recording lots 1&2 as shown on the original plat, shall be re-platted as a single lot and submitted to the Judges office.**

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 5 Exhibit"

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Clint Sternadel, County Inspector & Office of Development & Permitting; William Bernsen**

**MOVED BY COMMR. Sternadel, SECONDED BY COMMR. Brossmann**  
Commr. McBroom, **Judge Pro-Tem** vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Sternadel, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Berckenhoff, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Brossmann, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Judge Weber, **Absent**

6. **SUBJECT: Consider and take appropriate action by signing an Order to include the following road, located in The Compound Subdivision: Compound Lane (Precinct 2), as a County owned and maintained road.**

**ACTION: Signed an Order to include the following road, located in The Compound Subdivision: Compound Lane (Precinct 2), as a County owned and maintained road.**

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 6 Exhibit"

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Clint Sternadel, County Inspector & Office of Development & Permitting; Cassie Austin, Court Administrator; Gene Kruppa, Fayette Water Supply**

**MOVED BY COMMR. Sternadel, SECONDED BY COMMR. Brossmann**  
Commr. McBroom, **Judge Pro-Tem** vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Sternadel, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Berckenhoff, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Brossmann, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Judge Weber, **Absent**

7. **SUBJECT: Consider and take appropriate action concerning granting Application for Pipeline Public Road Bored Crossing Permits, submitted by EOG Resources, Inc., for said pipeline to cross under Minarcik Road (Precinct 2), a public county road located in Fayette County, Texas.**

**ACTION: Granted Application for Pipeline Public Road Bored Crossing Permits, submitted by EOG Resources, Inc., for said pipeline to cross under Minarcik Road (Precinct 2), a public county road located in Fayette County, Texas.**

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 7 Exhibit"

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Clint Sternadel, County Inspector & Office of Development & Permitting**

**MOVED BY COMMR. Sternadel, SECONDED BY COMMR. Berckenhoff**  
Commr. McBroom, **Judge Pro-Tem** vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Sternadel, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Berckenhoff, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Brossmann, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Judge Weber, **Absent**

8. **SUBJECT:** Consider and take appropriate action, in accordance with Local Government Code 263.152-158, on a Resolution Authorizing the Disposition of Salvage and Surplus Property, concerning a 2009 Ford F-150 truck (VIN # 1FTRX12V39KC16136) and a 2003 Chevy Silverado truck (VIN # 2GCEC19T741214655), with said property to be offered for sale at an online auction by Rene Bates Auctioneers, Inc.

**ACTION:** Signed, in accordance with Local Government Code 263.152-158, on a Resolution Authorizing the Disposition of Salvage and Surplus Property, concerning a 2009 Ford F-150 truck (VIN # 1FTRX12V39KC16136) and a 2003 Chevy Silverado truck (VIN # 2GCEC19T741214655), with said property to be offered for sale at an online auction by Rene Bates Auctioneers, Inc.

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 8 Exhibit"

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT:** Commissioner Harvey Berckenhoff

**MOVED BY COMMR. Berckenhoff, SECONDED BY COMMR. Brossmann**  
Commr. McBroom, **Judge Pro-Tem** vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Sternadel, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Berckenhoff, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Brossmann, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Judge Weber, **Absent**

9. **SUBJECT: Consider and take appropriate action in setting a date for a public hearing concerning setting speed limit on the following road: North Anchor Ranch Loop (Precinct 3), and for authorization to publish notice of said hearing in the newspaper.**

**ACTION: Set a date of May 12, 2022 for a public hearing concerning setting speed limit on the following road: North Anchor Ranch Loop (Precinct 3), and for authorization to publish notice of said hearing in the newspaper.**

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Commissioner Harvey Berckenhoff; Cassie Austin, Court Administrator**

**MOVED BY COMMR. Berckenhoff, SECONDED BY COMMR. Brossmann**  
Commr. McBroom, **Judge Pro-Tem** vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Sternadel, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Berckenhoff, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Brossmann, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Judge Weber, **Absent**

10. **SUBJECT: Hear report from Angela Hahn, Grant Specialist.**

**ACTION: Accepted report from Angela Hahn, Grant Specialist.**

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 10 Exhibit"

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Angela Hahn, Grant Specialist; Mark Zimmerman, Sheriff Deputy; Jim Rebeck, Fayette Water Supply; Gene Kruppa, Fayette Water Supply**

**MOVED BY COMMR. Brossmann, SECONDED BY COMMR. Berckenhoff**  
Commr. McBroom, **Judge Pro-Tem** vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Sternadel, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Berckenhoff, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Brossmann, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Judge Weber, **Absent**

11. **SUBJECT:** Authorize submitting a request letter to GLO requesting advancement of funds for the CDBG-DR Housing Buyout Program.

**ACTION:** Authorized submitting a request letter to GLO requesting advancement of funds for the CDBG-DR Housing Buyout Program.

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 11 Exhibit"

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT:** Angela Hahn, Grant Specialist

MOVED BY COMMR. **Brossmann**, SECONDED BY COMMR. **Sternadel**  
Commr. McBroom, **Judge Pro-Tem** vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Sternadel, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Berckenhoff, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Brossmann, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Judge Weber, **Absent**

12. **SUBJECT:** Hear report from Craig Moreau, Emergency Management Coordinator.

**ACTION:** Accepted report from Craig Moreau, Emergency Management Coordinator.

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 12 Exhibit"

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT:** Craig Moreau, Emergency Management Coordinator; William Bernsen

MOVED BY COMMR. **Berckenhoff**, SECONDED BY COMMR. **Brossmann**  
Commr. McBroom, **Judge Pro-Tem** vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Sternadel, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Berckenhoff, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Brossmann, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Judge Weber, **Absent**



13. **SUBJECT: Hear update on Hazard Mitigation Plan and take necessary action in submitting a letter of extraordinary circumstances to TDEM.**

**ACTION: Accepted all updates on HMP; and**

**Submitted a letter of extraordinary circumstances to TDEM, today April 28, 2022.**

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 13 Exhibit"

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Craig Moreau, Emergency Management Coordinator; Angela Hahn, Grant Specialist; Cassie Austin, Court Administrator; Gene Kruppa, Fayette Water Supply; William Bernsen**

**MOVED BY COMMR. Berckenhoff, SECONDED BY COMMR. Brossmann**  
Commr. McBroom, **Judge Pro-Tem** vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Sternadel, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Berckenhoff, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Brossmann, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Judge Weber, **Absent**

14. **SUBJECT: Consider and take appropriate action in appointing Commissioner Luke Sternadel as the Fayette County Commissioners Court Representative on the Combined Community Action Inc., Board of Directors.**

**ACTION: Appointed Commissioner Luke Sternadel as the Fayette County Commissioners Court Representative on the Combined Community Action Inc., Board of Directors.**

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 14 Exhibit"

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Commissioner Jason McBroom**

**MOVED BY COMMR. Brossmann, SECONDED BY COMMR. Berckenhoff**  
Commr. McBroom, **Judge Pro-Tem** vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Sternadel, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Berckenhoff, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Brossmann, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Judge Weber, **Absent**

15. **SUBJECT:** Acknowledge the new service drop plans of Colorado Valley Telephone Cooperative, Inc (CVTC) to install new buried fiber optic cables and copper cables within the corridors of the following road(s): Pilchick Loop (Precinct 1), Ruether Rd, C H Allen Rd (Precinct 2), and W County Line Rd (Precinct 3).

**ACTION:** Acknowledged the new service drop plans of Colorado Valley Telephone Cooperative, Inc (CVTC) to install new buried fiber optic cables and copper cables within the corridors of the following road(s): Pilchick Loop (Precinct 1), Ruether Rd, C H Allen Rd (Precinct 2), and W County Line Rd (Precinct 3).

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 15 Exhibit"

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: **None**

MOVED BY COMMR. **Berckenhoff**, SECONDED BY COMMR. **Sternadel**  
Commr. McBroom, **Judge Pro-Tem** vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Sternadel, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Berckenhoff, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Brossmann, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Judge Weber, **Absent**

16. **SUBJECT: Authorize Clint Sternadel, D.R. Sewage & Septic Regulation Inspection Enforcement, to attend the Basic Environmental Law Training Course May 12, 2022 in Johnson City, Texas.**

**ACTION: Authorized Clint Sternadel, D.R. Sewage & Septic Regulation Inspection Enforcement, to attend the Basic Environmental Law Training Course May 12, 2022 in Johnson City, Texas.**

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 16 Exhibit"

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: None**

**MOVED BY COMMR. Brossmann, SECONDED BY COMMR. Berckenhoff**  
Commr. McBroom, **Judge Pro-Tem** vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Sternadel, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Berckenhoff, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Brossmann, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Judge Weber, **Absent**

17. **SUBJECT: Authorize Craig Moreau, EMC, to attend the 2022 Texas Emergency Management Conference May 31, 2022 through June 3, 2022 in San Antonio, Texas.**

**ACTION: Authorized Craig Moreau, EMC, to attend the 2022 Texas Emergency Management Conference May 31, 2022 through June 3, 2022 in San Antonio, Texas.**

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: None**

**MOVED BY COMMR. Berckenhoff, SECONDED BY COMMR. Sternadel**  
Commr. McBroom, **Judge Pro-Tem** vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Sternadel, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Berckenhoff, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Brossmann, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Judge Weber, **Absent**

18. **SUBJECT: Authorize Linda Svrcek, District Clerk, and Katie Janda, Deputy District Clerk, to attend the County & District Clerks' Association Region VII Spring Meeting on May 12, 2022 in Columbus, Texas.**

**ACTION: Authorized Linda Svrcek, District Clerk, and Katie Janda, Deputy District Clerk, to attend the County & District Clerks' Association Region VII Spring Meeting on May 12, 2022 in Columbus, Texas.**

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: None**

**MOVED BY COMMR. Brossmann, SECONDED BY COMMR. Berckenhoff**  
Commr. McBroom, **Judge Pro-Tem** vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Sternadel, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Berckenhoff, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Brossmann, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Judge Weber, **Absent**

19. **SUBJECT: Authorize Cindy Havelka, County Auditor and Paula Vogel, HR Manager to attend the County Auditor's Conference to be held on May 2 – 6, 2022.**

**ACTION: Authorized Cindy Havelka, County Auditor and Paula Vogel, HR Manager to attend the County Auditor's Conference to be held on May 2 – 6, 2022 in Austin, Texas.**

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: None**

**MOVED BY COMMR. Berckenhoff, SECONDED BY COMMR. Brossmann**  
Commr. McBroom, **Judge Pro-Tem** vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Sternadel, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Berckenhoff, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Brossmann, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Judge Weber, **Absent**

20. **SUBJECT: Authorize Cindy Havelka, County Auditor to attend a Budget and Tax Rate Training in Tom Green County on June 2, 2022.**

**ACTION: Authorized Cindy Havelka, County Auditor to attend a Budget and Tax Rate Training in Tom Green County on June 2, 2022.**

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: None**

**MOVED BY COMMR. Brossmann, SECONDED BY COMMR. Sternadel**  
Commr. McBroom, **Judge Pro-Tem** vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Sternadel, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Berckenhoff, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Brossmann, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Judge Weber, **Absent**

21. **SUBJECT: Consider and take appropriate action concerning approving the payment of currently due Fayette County bills and expenses.**

**ACTION: Approved the payment of currently due Fayette County bills and expenses.**

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 21 Exhibit"

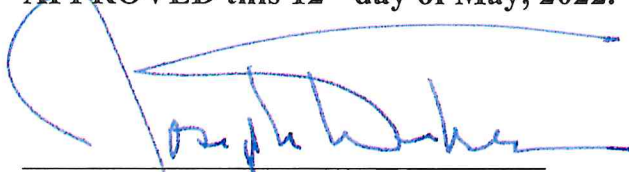
**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Cindy Havelka, County Auditor**

**MOVED BY COMMR. Berckenhoff, SECONDED BY COMMR. Sternadel**  
Commr. McBroom, **Judge Pro-Tem** vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Sternadel, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Berckenhoff, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Brossmann, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Judge Weber, **Absent**

VIII.

Meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m., April 28, 2022, on motion by Commissioner Sternadel seconded by Commissioner Brossmann, votes for 4, votes against 0.

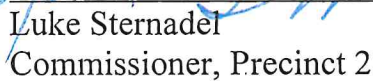
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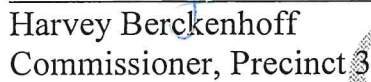
Joseph Weber  
Fayette County Judge



Jason McBroom  
Commissioner, Precinct 1



Luke Sternadel  
Commissioner, Precinct 2

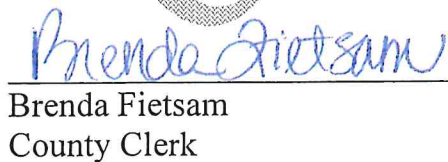


Harvey Berckenhoff  
Commissioner, Precinct 3



Drew Brossmann  
Commissioner, Precinct 4

ATTEST:



Brenda Fietsam  
County Clerk

