

MINUTES OF COMMISSIONERS COURT MEETING

I.

Attached hereto is/are public notice(s) posted for the meeting of **December 22, 2025**.

II.

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

III.

Attendance: County Judge Dan Mueller **Present**

County Commissioner – Precinct No. 1, Jason McBroom **Present**

County Commissioner – Precinct No. 2, Clint Sternadel **Present**

County Commissioner – Precinct No. 3, Harvey Berkenhoff **Present**

County Commissioner – Precinct No. 4, Drew Brossmann **Absent**

IV.

County Officials/County Personnel present during all or any part of the meeting:

Brenda Fietsam, County Clerk; Roger Wunderlich, Constable Precinct 2;

Angela Hahn, Emergency Management Coordinator; Josh Vandever, EMS Director;

Jacquelyn Kohleffel, Human Resources Manager/Payroll Coordinator;

Cindy Havelka, County Auditor; Cindy Novak, Assistant County Auditor;

Cassie Austin, Court Administrator; Blake Watson, Assistant County Attorney;

Amber Hielscher, County Inspector & Office of Development & Permitting

V.

Persons in attendance during all of any part of the meeting:

See Attached Exhibit A

VI.

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE TEXAS FLAG

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

VII.

Meeting opened at **8:59 a.m.** on motion by Commissioner **Berkenhoff**, seconded by Commissioner **Sternadel**, votes for **4**, votes against **0**.

AGENDA ACTION:

1. SUBJECT: Consider and take appropriate action in approving the following minutes from previous meetings:
 - i. October 9, 2025 – Regular Meeting
 - ii. December 8, 2025 – Regular Meeting

ACTION: Approved Minutes from the October 9, 2025 Regular Meeting and the December 8, 2025 Regular Meeting.

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Brenda Fietsam, County Clerk

MOVED BY COMM'R. McBROOM, SECONDED BY COMM'R. Sternadel

Comm'r. McBroom, vote for X, vote against _____

Comm'r. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against _____

Comm'r. Berkenhoff, vote for X, vote against _____

Comm'r. Brossmann, **Absent**

Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against _____

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

ACTION: Opened Public Comments.

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: **None**

MOVED BY COMMR. Berkenhoff, SECONDED BY COMMR. Sternadel

Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Berkenhoff, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Brossmann, **Absent**

Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against _____

ACTION: Accepted all Public Comments.

Closed Public Comments.

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: **None**

MOVED BY COMMR. McBroom, SECONDED BY COMMR. Sternadel

Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Berkenhoff, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Brossmann, **Absent**

Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against _____

3. **SUBJECT:** Open and hold public hearing to consider and accept comments, both written and oral, from members of the public concerning an appropriate speed limit for the following County Road: Bauer Rd (Precinct 2). Accept comments and close public hearing.

ACTION: Opened and Held Public Hearing concerning an appropriate speed limit for the following County Road: Bauer Road (Precinct 2).

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Commissioner Clint Sternadel; Kirby Keilers

See attached hereto marked "Exhibit B"

MOVED BY COMMR. Sternadel, SECONDED BY COMMR. McBroom

Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Berkenhoff, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Brossmann, **Absent**

Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against _____

ACTION: Accepted all Comments.

Closed Public Hearing.

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Commissioner Clint Sternadel;

Kirby Keilers

See attached hereto marked "Exhibit B"

MOVED BY COMMR. Sternadel, SECONDED BY COMMR. McBroom

Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Berkenhoff, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Brossmann, **Absent**

Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against _____

4. **SUBJECT:** Consider and take appropriate action in making a finding and determination that the *prima facie* speed limit concerning the following named road is unreasonable or unsafe, and in making and in signing an order concerning an appropriate speed limit for the following County Road: Bauer Rd (Precinct 2).

ACTION: Found and Determined that the *prima facie* speed limit concerning Bauer Road (Precinct 2) is unreasonable or unsafe; and

Signed an Order to set the speed limit at 40 mph.

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 4 Exhibit"

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: **Commissioner Clint Sternadel**

MOVED BY COMMR. Sternadel, SECONDED BY COMMR. McBroom

Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Berkenhoff, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Brossmann, **Absent**

Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against _____

5. **SUBJECT:** Accept comments and review the application from Legend Land Co. LLC., for a preliminary plat of Hidden Legend Oaks at Baca Loop Subdivision located in Precinct 3.

ACTION: Approved the Application from Legend Land Co. LLC., for a preliminary plat of Hidden Legend Oaks at Baca Loop Subdivision located in Precinct 3.

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 5 Exhibit"

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: **Amber Hielscher, County Inspector & Office of Development & Permitting**

MOVED BY COMMR. Berkenhoff, SECONDED BY COMMR. Sternadel

Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Berkenhoff, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Brossmann, **Absent**

Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against _____

6. **SUBJECT: Hear report from Angela Hahn, Emergency Management Coordinator & Grant Specialist.**

ACTION: Accepted Report from Angela Hahn, Emergency Management Coordinator & Grant Specialist.

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 6 Exhibit"

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Angela Hahn, Emergency Management Coordinator & Grant Specialist

MOVED BY COMMR. Berkenhoff, SECONDED BY COMMR. Sternadel

Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Berkenhoff, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Brossmann, **Absent**

Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against _____

7. **SUBJECT: Approve Amendment to Resolution authorizing the submission of an application to Bullet Resistant Components for Law Enforcement Vehicles to include wording provided by the Office of the Governor.**

ACTION: Approved Amendment to Resolution authorizing the submission of an application to Bullet Resistant Components for Law Enforcement Vehicles to include wording provided by the Office of the Governor.

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 7 Exhibit"

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Angela Hahn, Emergency Management Coordinator; Blake Watson, Assistant County Attorney

MOVED BY COMMR. McBroom, SECONDED BY COMMR. Sternadel

Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Berkenhoff, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Brossmann, **Absent**

Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against _____

8. **SUBJECT: Hear monthly report from Sheriff's Office.**

ACTION: **Deferred to the next regular scheduled meeting.**

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: **None**

MOVED BY COMM'R. Sternadel, SECONDED BY COMM'R. Berkenhoff

Comm'r. McBroom, vote for X, vote against _____

Comm'r. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against _____

Comm'r. Berkenhoff, vote for X, vote against _____

Comm'r. Brossmann, **Absent**

Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against _____

9. **SUBJECT: Hear report from Josh Vandever, EMS Director.**

ACTION: **Accepted Report from Josh Vandever, EMS Director.**

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 9 Exhibit"

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: **Josh Vandever, EMS Director; Cindy Havelka, County Auditor**

MOVED BY COMM'R. McBroom, SECONDED BY COMM'R. Sternadel

Comm'r. McBroom, vote for X, vote against _____

Comm'r. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against _____

Comm'r. Berkenhoff, vote for X, vote against _____

Comm'r. Brossmann, **Absent**

Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against _____

10. **SUBJECT:** Approve and sign an Order Designating Day of Week and Location of Regular Terms, and Setting Schedule of Fayette County Commissioners Court Regular Meetings for 2026.

ACTION: Approved and Signed an Order Designating Day of Week and Location of Regular Terms of Fayette County Commissioners Court Regular Meetings, being the 2nd option presented with the last 3 meetings to be held on Mondays; and Set the Schedule for 2026.

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 10 Exhibit"

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Cassie Austin, Court Administrator; Josh Vandever, EMS Director; Cindy Havelka, County Auditor; William Bernsen

MOVED BY COMMR. Sternadel, SECONDED BY COMMR. Berkenhoff

Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Berkenhoff, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Brossmann, Absent

Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against _____

11. **SUBJECT:** Approve the Amendment to the Contract and Agreement for Secure Short-Term Detention of Juvenile Offenders with Brazos County (*approved at Juvenile Board Meeting December 12, 2025*).

ACTION: Approved the Amendment to the Contract and Agreement for Secure Short-Term Detention of Juvenile Offenders with Brazos County (*approved at Juvenile Board Meeting December 12, 2025*).

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 11 Exhibit"

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: **Blake Watson, Assistant County Attorney**

MOVED BY COMM'R. McBROOM, SECONDED BY COMM'R. Sternadel

Comm'r. McBroom, vote for X, vote against _____

Comm'r. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against _____

Comm'r. Berkenhoff, vote for X, vote against _____

Comm'r. Brossmann, **Absent**

Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against _____

12. **SUBJECT:** Authorize audit engagement letter with Trliceck & Co., P.C. to conduct the required department audit for TJJD, (*approved at Juvenile Board Meeting December 12, 2025*).

ACTION: Authorized Audit Engagement Letter with Trliceck & Co., P.C. to conduct the required department audit for Texas Juvenile Justice Department, (*approved at Juvenile Board Meeting December 12, 2025*).

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 12 Exhibit"

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: **None**

MOVED BY COMM'R. Sternadel, SECONDED BY COMM'R. Berkenhoff

Comm'r. McBroom, vote for X, vote against _____

Comm'r. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against _____

Comm'r. Berkenhoff, vote for X, vote against _____

Comm'r. Brossmann, **Absent**

Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against _____

13. **SUBJECT:** Consider and take appropriate action in naming a private road in Precinct 1 “Camelback Ridge”, and adding Camelback Ridge as a private road into 9-1-1 addressing system.

ACTION: Named a private Road in Precinct 1 “Camelback Ridge”; and
Added Camelback Ridge as a private road into 9-1-1 addressing system.

See attached hereto marked “Agenda Action 13 Exhibit”

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

MOVED BY COMM'R. McBROOM, SECONDED BY COMM'R. Sternadel

Comm'r. McBroom, vote for X, vote against _____

Comm'r. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against _____

Comm'r. Berkenhoff, vote for X, vote against _____

Comm'r. Brossmann, **Absent**

Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against _____

14. **SUBJECT:** Acknowledge the fiber optic upgrade plans of Colorado Valley Telephone Cooperative, Inc (CVTC) to install new buried fiber optic cables within the corridors of the following road(s): Copperhead Rd (Precinct 1) and Boehnke Rd (Precinct 3).

ACTION: Acknowledged the fiber optic upgrade Plans of Colorado Valley Telephone Cooperative, Inc. (CVTC) to install new buried fiber optic cables within the corridors of the following roads: Copperhead Road (Precinct 1) and Boehnke Road (Precinct 3).

See attached hereto marked “Agenda Action 14 Exhibit”

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: **None**

MOVED BY COMM'R. Berkenhoff, SECONDED BY COMM'R. Sternadel

Comm'r. McBroom, vote for X, vote against _____

Comm'r. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against _____

Comm'r. Berkenhoff, vote for X, vote against _____

Comm'r. Brossmann, **Absent**

Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against _____

15. SUBJECT: Hear monthly report from Auditor and Human Resources Department.

ACTION: Accepted monthly Report from Auditor.

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 15 Exhibit"

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: **Cindy Havelka, County Auditor; Jacquelyn Kohleffel, Human Resources Manager/Payroll Coordinator**

MOVED BY COMMR. Sternadel, SECONDED BY COMMR. Berkenhoff

Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Berkenhoff, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Brossmann, **Absent**

Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against _____

16. SUBJECT: Consider and take appropriate action in authorizing the partial and/or complete termination of Service Agreement with Unifirst.

ACTION: Authorized termination of Service Agreement of Precinct 3 and Precinct 4 with Unifirst; and

Authorized County Auditor and Human Resources to draw up contract with Cintas, for Precinct 3 and Precinct 4.

NOTE: Precinct 1 and Precinct 2 will remain in Contract with Unifirst.

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: **Blake Watson, Assistant County Attorney; Jacquelyn Kohleffel, Human Resources Manager/Payroll Coordinator; Cassie Austin, Court Administrator**

MOVED BY COMMR. Berkenhoff, SECONDED BY COMMR. Sternadel

Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Berkenhoff, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Brossmann, **Absent**

Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against _____

17. **SUBJECT:** Consider and take appropriate action in approving 2026 Salary increase to go in effect on the second January payroll. This would cover the starting week of January 4, 2026.

ACTION: Approved 2026 Salary Increase to go in effect on the second January payroll. This would cover the starting week of January 4, 2026.

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Cindy Havelka, County Auditor; Jacquelyn Kohleffel, Human Resources Manager/Payroll Coordinator

MOVED BY COMMR. Sternadel, SECONDED BY COMMR. McBroom

Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Berkenhoff, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Brossmann, **Absent**

Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against _____

18. **SUBJECT:** Consider and take appropriate action in accepting all Requests for Proposals and/or awarding request for Financial Auditing Services for Fiscal Year ending 2025 with the option to extend for two additional one-year terms.

ACTION: Accepted all Requests for Proposals for Financial Auditing Services for Fiscal Year ending 2025 with the option to extend for two additional one-year terms; and

Awarded to KM&L, LLC.

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 18 Exhibit"

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Cindy Havelka, County Auditor; Angela Hahn, Emergency Management Coordinator; Cindy Novak, Assistant County Auditor

MOVED BY COMMR. McBroom, SECONDED BY COMMR. Sternadel

Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Berkenhoff, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Brossmann, **Absent**

Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against _____

19. 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 19 Exhibit"

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

MOVED BY COMM.R. McBROOM, SECONDED BY COMM.R. Sternadel

Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Berckenhoff, vote for X, vote against _____

Commr. Brossmann, **Absent**

Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against _____

YEA
NO
ABSTINENCE

VIII.

Meeting adjourned at 9:59 a.m., December 22, 2025, on motion by Commissioner Berckenhoff, seconded by Commissioner Sternadel, votes for 4, votes against 0.

APPROVED this 8th day of January, 2026.

Dan Mueller

Dan Mueller
Fayette County Judge

Absent

Jason McBroom
Commissioner, Precinct 1

Clint S.

Clint Sternadel
Commissioner, Precinct 2

Harvey Berckenhoff

Harvey Berckenhoff
Commissioner, Precinct 3

Drew Brossmann

Drew Brossmann
Commissioner, Precinct 4

ATTEST:

Brenda Fietsam

Brenda Fietsam
County Clerk



Commissioners Court December 22, 2025