

## MINUTES OF COMMISSIONERS COURT MEETING

### I.

Attached hereto is/are public notice(s) posted for the meeting of **August 30, 2023**.

### II.

The minutes of the Special Meeting of Fayette County, Texas, Commissioners Court held in the County Agricultural Building Training Room located at 255 Svoboda Lane, La Grange, Texas.

### III.

Attendance: County Judge Dan Mueller **Present**  
County Commissioner – Precinct No. 1, Jason McBroom **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;**  
**Josh Vandever, EMS Director; Cindy Havelka, County Auditor;**  
**Paula Vogel, Human Resources Manager; Blake Watson, Assistant County Attorney;**  
**Ron Naumann, Sgt. Deputy Sheriff; David Beyer, Lt. Deputy Sheriff;**  
**Keith Korenek, Sheriff; Amber Hielscher, Floodplain Manager**

### 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 **9:02 a.m.** on motion by Judge **Mueller**,  
seconded by Commissioner **Sternadel**, votes for **5**, votes against **0**.

**AGENDA ACTION:**

- 1. SUBJECT: Accept and approve the written plan of Industry Telephone Company, to install a new buried communications line upon and along the right-of-way of W Fuchs Road, (Precinct 2) with Industry Telephone Company being required to be responsible for repairs, and/or being required to make repairs, of direct or collateral damage, if any, caused by Industry Telephone Company, and/or its contractors, to the preceding road, and to other utilities utilizing the public right-of-ways.**

**ACTION: Approved the written plan of Industry Telephone Company, to install a new buried communications line upon and along the right-of-way of W Fuchs Road, (Precinct 2) with Industry Telephone Company being required to be responsible for repairs, and/or being required to make repairs, of direct or collateral damage, if any, caused by Industry Telephone Company, and/or its contractors, to the preceding road, and to other utilities utilizing the public right-of-ways.**

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 1 Exhibit"

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: None**

**MOVED BY COMMR. Sternadel, SECONDED BY COMMR. McBroom**

Commr. McBroom, 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 Mueller, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_

2. **SUBJECT: Approve Application for Permit to Lay Temporary Water Line in Road Right-of-Way, submitted by Dos Oilfield Services, LLC for said water line to be placed along Branecky Road (Precinct 3), a public county road located in Fayette County, Texas.**

**ACTION: Approved Application for Permit to Lay Temporary Water Line in Road Right-of-Way, submitted by Dos Oilfield Services, LLC for said water line to be placed along Branecky Road (Precinct 3), a public county road located in Fayette County, Texas.**

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 2 Exhibit"

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Amber Hielscher, Floodplain Manager**

**MOVED BY COMMR. Berckenhoff, SECONDED BY JUDGE Mueller**

Commr. McBroom, 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 Mueller, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_

3. **SUBJECT: Open and hold Public Hearing to consider the proposed 2024 Fayette County Budget, and to hear, consider and accept all comments. "This budget will raise more total property taxes than last year's budget by \$1,313,919.00 or 6.995%, and of that amount \$587,090.00 is tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year." Close Public Hearing.**

**ACTION: Opened Public Hearing to consider the proposed 2024 Fayette County Budget.**

MOVED BY COMMR. **Berckenhoff**, SECONDED BY COMMR. **Brossmann**  
Commr. McBroom, 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 Mueller, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_

**ACTION: Accepted all comments concerning the 2024 Fayette County Budget. Closed Public Hearing.**

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 3 Exhibit"

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Connie Sacco; Blake Watson, Assistant County Attorney; Kathryn Geesaman; Craig Moreau; Kimberly Rutledge; Josh Vandever, EMS Director; Cindy Havelka, County Auditor**

See attached hereto marked "Exhibit B"

MOVED BY COMMR. **Brossmann**, SECONDED BY COMMR. **Sternadel**  
Commr. McBroom, 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 Mueller, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_

4. **SUBJECT: Budget Workshop to discuss all expected, approximate revenues and expenditures for the Fayette County 2024 Budget and take any action the Commissioners Court deems necessary.**

**ACTION: Accepted all comments concerning the Fayette County 2024 Budget.  
Closed Budget Workshop.**

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Connie Sacco**

**MOVED BY JUDGE Mueller, SECONDED BY COMMR. Berckenhoff**

Commr. McBroom, 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 Mueller, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_

VIII.

Meeting adjourned at 9:31 a.m., August 30, 2023, on motion by Commissioner Berckenhoff, seconded by Commissioner Sternadel, votes for 5, votes against 0.

APPROVED this 14<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023.

Dan Mueller

Dan Mueller  
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

Brenda Fietsam  
County Clerk

