

## MINUTES OF COMMISSIONERS COURT MEETING

### I.

Attached hereto is/are public notice(s) posted for the meeting of **December 12, 2024.**

### 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 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; Cindy Novak, Assistant County Auditor;**  
**Sally Garrett, County Extension Agent, Family & Consumer Sciences;**  
**Scott Willey, County Extension Agent, Agriculture & Natural Resources;**  
**Kayla Kaspar, County Extension Agent, Agriculture & 4-H;**  
**Jacquelyn Kohleffel, Payroll Coordinator; Cassie Austin, Court Administrator;**  
**Billy Roensch, Constable Precinct 1; Blake Watson, Assistant County Attorney;**  
**Clint Sternadel, County Inspector & Office of Development & Permitting**  
**Josh Vandever, EMS Director**

### 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 **9:01 a.m.** on motion by Commissioner **Brossmann**,  
seconded by Commissioner **Berckenhoff**, votes for **5**, votes against **0**.

**AGENDA ACTION:**

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

- i. **November 25, 2024 – Regular Meeting**

**ACTION: Approved Minutes from the November 25, 2024 Regular Meeting.**

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

**MOVED BY COMMR. Sternadel, 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 \_\_\_\_\_

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. **Brossmann**, 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 \_\_\_\_\_

**ACTION: Accepted all Comments from Commissioner Jason McBroom.  
Closed Public Comments.**

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

**MOVED BY COMMR. **Berckenhoff**, 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 \_\_\_\_\_

3. **SUBJECT: Consider and take appropriate action in signing a Proclamation for Peggy Supak, District & County Attorney, for her faithful service to Fayette County.**

**ACTION: Deferred until next scheduled Meeting.**

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: None**

**MOVED BY JUDGE Mueller, 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: Texas AgriLife Extension Annual Interpretative Event to Commissioners Court.**

**ACTION: Accepted all Comments by Fayette County Ag Extension Agents.**

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 4 Exhibit"

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Sally Garrett, County Extension Agent, Family & Consumer Sciences; Scott Willey, County Extension Agent, Agriculture & Natural Resources; Kayla Kaspar, County Extension Agent, Agriculture & 4-H; Brenda Fietsam, County Clerk**

**MOVED BY COMMR. McBroom, 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 \_\_\_\_\_

5. **SUBJECT: Consider and take appropriate action in possibly lifting the burn ban.**

**ACTION: No Action Taken.**

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Commissioner Jason McBroom;  
Josh Vandever, EMS Director**

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

6. **SUBJECT: Consider and take action on resigning the EMS Director acting under the authority of the Commissioners Court to revise billing procedures in according with governmental requirements to participate in the Health and Human Services Commission's Ambulance Supplemental Payment Program.**

**ACTION: Deferred until next scheduled Meeting.**

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: None**

MOVED BY JUDGE **Mueller**, 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 \_\_\_\_\_

7. **SUBJECT: Hear monthly report from Clint Sternadel, County Inspector & Office of Development & Permitting.**

**ACTION: Accepted Monthly Report from Clint Sternadel, County Inspector & Office of Development & Permitting.**

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 7 Exhibit"

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

**MOVED BY COMMR. Brossmann, 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 \_\_\_\_\_

8. **SUBJECT: Consider and take appropriate action in the reappointing Jason McBroom and Mark Brown to the Fayette County Appraisal District Board of Directors for a two-year term ending December 31, 2026.**

**ACTION: Reappointed Jason McBroom and Mark Brown to the Fayette County Appraisal District Board of Directors for a two-year term ending December 31, 2026.**

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 8 Exhibit"

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

**MOVED BY COMMR. Brossmann, 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 \_\_\_\_\_

9. **SUBJECT: Consider and take appropriate action on contracts between Fayette County and four (4) attorneys, for their representation of indigent parties in court cases.**

**ACTION: Approved Contracts between Fayette County and four (4) attorneys, for their representation of indigent parties in court cases.**

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 9 Exhibit"

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Judge Dan Mueller**

**MOVED BY JUDGE Mueller, 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 \_\_\_\_\_

10. **SUBJECT: Consider and take appropriate action in approving Interlocal Agreement for Road Maintenance and Repair between the City of Ellinger and Fayette County, Texas.**

**ACTION: Deferred until next scheduled Meeting.**

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: None**

**MOVED BY JUDGE Mueller, 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 \_\_\_\_\_

11. **SUBJECT: Consider and take appropriate action on Advance Funding Agreement, for the replacement or rehabilitation of a bridge off the state system, between the Texas Department of Transportation and Fayette County, Texas re: E. Radhost School Rd over Cedar Branch (Precinct 4).**

**ACTION: Approved Advance Funding Agreement, for the replacement or rehabilitation of a bridge off the state system, between the Texas Department of Transportation and Fayette County, Texas re: E. Radhost School Rd over Cedar Branch (Precinct 4).**

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 11 Exhibit"

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Commissioner Drew Brossmann**

**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 \_\_\_\_\_



12. **SUBJECT:** Acknowledge the fiber upgrades and 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): Bear Creek Rd, West Point Loop, Belota Walla Rd (Precinct 1), Sand Rock Rd, Laird Rd, Krause Rd, S. Weyand Rd (Precinct 2), N. Kemlon Rd, Vacek Loop, E. Parker Rd, O'Quinn Branch Rd (Precinct 3), E Sedan Rd, Knape Rd, Baumgarten Rd, Vival Rd, Gebert Rd, and Freyburg Hall Rd, Hermis Rd and Gebert Rd (Precinct 4).

**ACTION:** Acknowledged the fiber upgrades and 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): Bear Creek Rd, West Point Loop, Belota Walla Rd (Precinct 1), Sand Rock Rd, Laird Rd, Krause Rd, S. Weyand Rd (Precinct 2), N. Kemlon Rd, Vacek Loop, E. Parker Rd, O'Quinn Branch Rd (Precinct 3), E Sedan Rd, Knape Rd, Baumgarten Rd, Vival Rd, Gebert Rd, and Freyburg Hall Rd, Hermis Rd and Gebert Rd (Precinct 4).

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 12 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 \_\_\_\_\_

13. **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 13 Exhibit"

**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. Berckenhoff, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_

Commr. Brossmann, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_

Judge Mueller, vote for **X**, vote against \_\_\_\_\_

VIII.

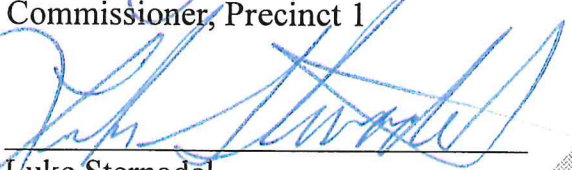
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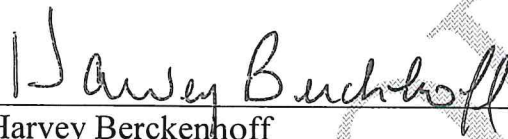
**APPROVED** this 23rd day of December, 2024.




Dan Mueller  
Fayette County Judge

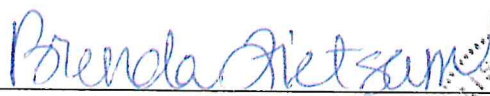
  
Jason McBroom  
Commissioner, Precinct 1

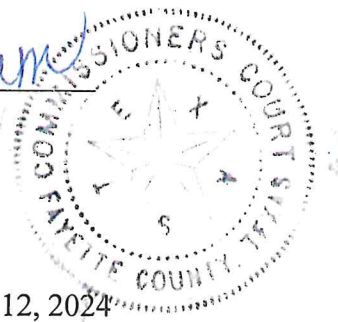
  
Luke Sternadel  
Commissioner, Precinct 2

  
Harvey Berckenhoff  
Commissioner, Precinct 3

  
Drew Brossmann  
Commissioner, Precinct 4

ATTEST:

  
Brenda Fietsam  
County Clerk



Commissioners Court December 12, 2024