MINUTES OF COMMISSIONERS COURT MEETING

I.

Attached hereto is/are public notice(s) posted for the meeting of September 25, 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 Berckenhoff Absent
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;
Steven Svec, Courthouse Maintenance; Billy Roensch, Constable Precinct 1;
Angela Hahn, Emergency Management Coordinator; Cindy Havelka, County Auditor;
Cindy Novak, Assistant County Auditor; Josh Vandever, EMS Director;
Blake Watson, Assistant County Attorney;
Amber Hielscher, County Inspector & Office of Development & Permitting;
JoAnn Fishbeck, Probation Director; Matt O'Neal, Adult Probation

V.

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

VI. <u>INVOCATION</u>

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 Brossmann, 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. September 11, 2025 Regular Meeting
 - ii. September 18, 2025 Special Meeting

ACTION: Approved Minutes from the September 11, 2025 Regular Meeting.

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: 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, Absent

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. Sternadel, SECONDED BY COMMR. Brossmann Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against Commr. Berckenhoff, Absent Commr. Brossmann, vote for X, vote against Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against **ACTION: Accepted all Public Comments. Closed Public Comments.** PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Commissioner Drew Brossmann MOVED BY COMMR. Sternadel, SECONDED BY COMMR. Brossmann Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against Commr. Berckenhoff, Absent Commr. Brossmann, vote for X, vote against _____ Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against

3.	SUBJECT: Consider and take appropriate action in signing proclamation proclaiming September 27, 2025 as "Flatonia Masonic Lodge 436 Day" in Fayette County.
	ACTION: Signed Proclamation proclaiming September 27, 2025 as "Flatonia Masonic Lodge 436 Day" in Fayette County.
	See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 3 Exhibit"
4.	PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Jeff Messer, Flatonia Masonic Lodge 436 Representative MOVED BY COMMR. McBroom, SECONDED BY COMMR. Sternadel Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against Commr. Berckenhoff, Absent Commr. Brossmann, vote for X, vote against Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against SUBJECT: Presentation of 2024 Distinguished Service Award to Fayette County Historical Commission in recognition of its active and well-balanced preservation
	program, award accepted by Bobbie Nash, Chairperson. ACTION: Presented 2024 Distinguished Service Award to Fayette County Historical Commission in recognition of its active and well-balanced preservation program, award accepted by Bobbie Nash, Chairperson.
	See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 4 Exhibit" PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Bobbie Nash, Fayette County Historical Commission Chairperson; Wyatt Walker; Jeff Messer MOVED BY COMMR. Brossmann, SECONDED BY COMMR. Sternadel Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against Commr. Berckenhoff, Absent Commr. Brossmann, vote for X, vote against Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against

5.	SUBJECT: Consider and take appropriate action in appointing Wyatt Walker and Mark Mazoch as new members to the Fayette County Historical Commission.
	ACTION: Appointed Wyatt Walker and Mark Mazoch as new members to the Fayette County Historical Commission.
	See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 5 Exhibit"
	PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Bobbie Nash, Fayette County Historical Commission Chairperson
	MOVED BY COMMR. McBroom, SECONDED BY COMMR. Sternadel Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against Commr. Berckenhoff, Absent Commr. Brossmann, vote for X, vote against Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against
6.	SUBJECT: Consider and take appropriate action in re-setting a date for a public hearing concerning setting speed limit on the following roads: Leonhardt Rd (Precinct 2).
	ACTION: Re-set the Date for a Public Hearing concerning setting speed limit on the following roads: Leonhardt Rd (Precinct 2) to the next scheduled meeting on October 9, 2025.
4	PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Commissioner Clint Sternadel MOVED BY COMMR. Sternadel, SECONDED BY COMMR. Brossmann Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against Commr. Berckenhoff, Absent Commr. Brossmann, vote for X, vote against Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against

7. SUBJECT: Consider and take appropriate action concerning the following applications requesting the division of real property: Betsy Guettler and Lonnie Lehmann located in Precinct 1. ACTION: Approved Application requesting the division of real property: Betsy Guettler and Lonnie Lehmann, located in Precinct 1. See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 7 Exhibit" PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Amber Hielscher, County **Inspector & Office of Development & Permitting** MOVED BY COMMR. McBroom, SECONDED BY COMMR. Sternadel Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against Commr. Berckenhoff, Absent Commr. Brossmann, vote for X, vote against Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against 8. SUBJECT: Approve the Routing Agreement and Road Use Bond Agreement submitted by Magnolia Oil & Gas Operating, LLC, for said Company's overweight loads to travel, as indicated on the attached map, on the following road: Halstedt Road (Precinct 2), a public county road in Fayette County, Texas. ACTION: Approved the Routing Agreement and Road Use Bond Agreement submitted by Magnolia Oil & Gas Operating, LLC, for said Company's overweight loads to travel, as indicated on the attached map, on the following road: Halstedt Road (Precinct 2), a public county road in Fayette County, Texas. See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 8 Exhibit" PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Amber Hielscher, County Inspector & Office of Development & Permitting MOVED BY COMMR. Sternadel, SECONDED BY COMMR. McBroom Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against _____ Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against Commr. Berckenhoff, Absent Commr. Brossmann, vote for X, vote against _____ Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against

9.	SUBJECT: Consider and take appropriate action in approving the Revised Fayette County Subdivision Regulations.
	ACTION: Deferred to the next scheduled Meeting on October 9, 2025.
	PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Amber Hielscher, County Inspector & Office of Development & Permitting; William Bernsen
	MOVED BY COMMR. Sternadel, SECONDED BY COMMR. Brossmann Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against Commr. Berckenhoff, Absent Commr. Brossmann, vote for X, vote against Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against
10.	SUBJECT: Discuss and possibly approve a contract with Komatsu Architecture to update the Courthouse Master plan.
	ACTION: Deferred to the next scheduled Meeting on October 9, 2025.
	PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Angela Hahn, Emergency Management Coordinator
	MOVED BY COMMR. Brossmann, SECONDED BY COMMR. McBroom Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against Commr. Berckenhoff, Absent
	Commr. Brossmann, vote for X , vote against Judge Mueller, vote for X , vote against

11.	SUBJECT: Discuss and possibly approve a resolution in support of an application to the Supporting Border Crisis Response and Enforcement Projects grant program.		
	ACTION: No Action Taken.		
	PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Angela Hahn, Emergency Management Coordinator		
	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		
12. SUBJECT: Consider and take appropriate action in signing a Resolutic authorizing designated signatories for contractual documents and documents for requesting funds pertaining to the General Land Office Community Developme Block Grant – Mitigation Program (CDBG-MIT) method of Distribution (MO) Contract number 24-065-184-F179.			
	ACTION: Signed a Resolution authorizing designated signatories for contractual documents and documents for requesting funds pertaining to the General Land Office Community Development Block Grant – Mitigation Program (CDBG-MIT) method of Distribution (MOD) Contract number 24-065-184-F179.		
	See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 12 Exhibit"		
	PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Angela Hahn, Emergency Management Coordinator		
***	MOVED BY COMMR. McBroom, SECONDED BY COMMR. Sternadel Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against Commr. Berckenhoff, Absent Commr. Brossmann, vote for X, vote against Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against		

13. SUBJECT: Consider and take appropriate action in signing a Resolution regarding the adoption of the following policies: Citizen Participation Plan and Grievance Procedure; Section 3 Policy; Excessive Force Policy; Section 504 Policy and Grievance Procedures; and Fair Housing Policy; all pertaining to the General Land Office Community Development Block Grant — Mitigation Program (CDBG-MIT) method of Distribution (MOD) Contract number 24-065-184-F179.

ACTION: Signed a Resolution regarding the adoption of the following policies: Citizen Participation Plan and Grievance Procedure; Section 3 Policy; Excessive Force Policy; Section 504 Policy and Grievance Procedures; and Fair Housing Policy; all pertaining to the General Land Office Community Development Block Grant — Mitigation Program (CDBG-MIT) method of Distribution (MOD) Contract number 24-065-184-F179.

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 13 Exhibit"

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

MOVED BY COMMR. Brossmann, SECONDED BY COMMR. Sternad	lel
Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against	
Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against	
Commr. Berckenhoff, Absent	
Commr. Brossmann, vote for X , vote against	
Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against	

SUBJECT: 14. Consider and take appropriate action in approving contract amendments with Langford Community Management Services for grant administration services and Weishuhn Engineering, Inc for engineering services for GLO CDBG-MIT Contract number 24-065-184-F179. ACTION: Approved Contract Amendments with Langford Community Management Services for grant administration services and Weishuhn Engineering, Inc. for engineering services for GLO CDBG-MIT Contract number 24-065-184-F179. See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 14 Exhibit" PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Angela Hahn, Emergency **Management Coordinator** MOVED BY COMMR. McBroom, SECONDED BY COMMR. Sternadel Commr. McBroom, vote for **X**, vote against Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against Commr. Berckenhoff, Absent Commr. Brossmann, vote for X, vote against Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against 15. SUBJECT: Consider and take appropriate action in approving Contracts with Bell Tex Construction for removal of black algae from the exterior of the Fayette County Courthouse, sidewalks, Veterans Memorial and Fayette County Old Jail. ACTION: Approved Contracts with Bell Tex Construction for removal of black algae from the exterior of the Fayette County Courthouse, sidewalks, Veterans Memorial and Fayette County Old Jail. See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 15 Exhibit" PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Steven Svec, Courthouse Maintenance MOVED BY COMMR. Sternadel, SECONDED BY COMMR. McBroom Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against _____ Commr. Berckenhoff, Absent Commr. Brossmann, vote for X, vote against Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against

16.	SUBJECT: Hear report from Josh Vandever, EMS Director.
	ACTION: Accepted Report from Josh Vandever, EMS Director.
	See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 16 Exhibit"
	PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Josh Vandever, EMS Director
	MOVED BY COMMR. Brossmann, SECONDED BY COMMR. Sternadel Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against Commr. Berckenhoff, Absent Commr. Brossmann, vote for X, vote against Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against
17. SUBJECT: Consider and take appropriate action in the re-appointment of Vandever to the Fayette County Appraisal District Board of Directors for a year term ending December 31, 2027.	
	ACTION: Re-Appointed Josh Vandever to the Fayette County Appraisal District Board of Directors for a two-year term ending December 31, 2027.
	See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 17 Exhibit"
	PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Josh Vandever, EMS Director
	MOVED BY COMMR. Brossmann, SECONDED BY COMMR. Sternadel Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against
	Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against
	Commr. Berckenhoff, Absent
	Commr. Brossmann, vote for X , vote against Judge Mueller, vote for X , vote against
×	Judge Widener, vote for A, vote against

18. SUBJECT: Acknowledge letter from TXDOT concerning road closure on FM 1115 at Peach Creek (Precinct 3) for the replacement of an existing bridge, the roadway at these locations will be closed approximately 6 months, the projects are scheduled for a December 2025 letting, typically, construction starts 2-3 months after the letting date. ACTION: Acknowledged Letter from TXDOT concerning road closure on FM 1115 at Peach Creek (Precinct 3) for the replacement of an existing bridge, the roadway at these locations will be closed approximately 6 months, the projects are scheduled for a December 2025 letting, typically, construction starts 2-3 months after the letting date. See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 18 Exhibit" PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Cassie Austin, Court Administrator MOVED BY COMMR. Brossmann, SECONDED BY COMMR. Sternadel Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against Commr. Berckenhoff, Absent Commr. Brossmann, vote for X, vote against Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against SUBJECT: Acknowledge the letter from Combined Community Action about no 19. longer needing to use the Camp Street annex. ACTION: Acknowledged the Letter from Combined Community Action about no longer needing to use the Camp Street annex. See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 19 Exhibit" PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Commissioner Jason McBroom MOVED BY COMMR. McBroom, SECONDED BY COMMR. Sternadel Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against _____ Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against _____ Commr. Berckenhoff, Absent Commr. Brossmann, vote for X, vote against _____

Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against

20. Acknowledge the fiber 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): Haw Creek Rd and Sykora Rd (Precinct 2). ACTION: Acknowledged the fiber 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): Haw Creek Road and Sykora Road (Precinct 2). See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 20 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, Absent Commr. Brossmann, vote for X, vote against Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against 21. SUBJECT: Consider and take appropriate action concerning the request by CSCD for equipment and furnishings. ACTION: Approved the Requests by 155th District Community Supervision and Corrections Department (CSCD) from Computer Network Technologies and Colorado Valley Communications. See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 21 Exhibit" PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Cindy Havelka, County Auditor; JoAnn Fishbeck, Probation Director; Matt O'Neal, Adult Probation; Steven Svec, Courthouse Maintenance; Josh Vandever, EMS Director MOVED BY COMMR. McBroom, SECONDED BY COMMR. Brossmann Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against Commr. Berckenhoff, Absent Commr. Brossmann, vote for X, vote against _____ Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against

22.	SUBJECT: Consider and take appropriate action on the SAVNS Maintenance Grant Contract between the Office of the Attorney General for the State Fisca Year 2026.
	ACTION: Approved the SAVNS Maintenance Grant Contract between the Office of the Attorney General and Fayette County for the State Fiscal Year 2026.
	See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 22 Exhibit"
	PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Cindy Havelka, 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. Berckenhoff, Absent Commr. Brossmann, vote for X, vote against Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against
23.	SUBJECT: Consider and take appropriate action in approving the Worker's Compensation Questionnaire from the Texas Association of Counties Risk Management Pool for the coverage period of January 01, 2026 through January 1, 2027.
	ACTION: Approved the Worker's Compensation Questionnaire from the Texas Association of Counties Risk Management Pool for the coverage period of January 01, 2026 through January 1, 2027.
	See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 23 Exhibit"
	PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Cindy Havelka, County Auditor MOVED BY COMMR. Sternadel, SECONDED BY COMMR. Brossmann Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against Commr. Berckenhoff, Absent Commr. Brossmann, vote for X, vote against Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against

24.	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 24 Exhibit"
	PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Cindy Havelka, 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. Berckenhoff, Absent Commr. Brossmann, vote for X, vote against Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against
25. SUBJECT: Enter into closed (executive) session to discuss matters relate security devices and/or security audits Government Code, Section 551.07 551.089, with final action to be taken in open session.	
	ACTION: Enter into Closed Session at 9:49 a.m. to discuss matters related to security devices and/or security audits Government Code, Section 551.076 and 551.089, with final action to be taken in open session.
Á	PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Cindy Havelka, County Auditor; Blake Watson, Assistant County Attorney; Cassie Austin, Court Administrator MOVED BY COMMR. Brossmann, SECONDED BY COMMR. Sternadel Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against Commr. Berckenhoff, Absent Commr. Brossmann, vote for X, vote against Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against

26.	SUBJECT: Return and reconvene to open meeting.
	ACTION: Returned and Reconvened to Open Meeting at 9:56.
	PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: None
	MOVED BY COMMR. Brossmann, SECONDED BY COMMR. Sternadel Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against Commr. Berckenhoff, Absent Commr. Brossmann, vote for X, vote against Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against
27.	SUBJECT: Consider and take appropriate action deemed necessary, including a
	final action, decision or vote on the matters deliberated in closed session.
	ACTION: No Action Taken.
	PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: None
	MOVED BY COMMR. Brossmann, SECONDED BY COMMR. Sternadel
	Commr. McBroom, vote for X, vote against
	Commr. Sternadel, vote for X, vote against
	Commr. Berckenhoff, Absent
	Commr. Brossmann, vote for X, vote against
	Judge Mueller, vote for X, vote against

VIII.

Meeting adjourned at 9:57 a.m., September 25, 2025, on motion by Commissioner Brossmann, seconded by Commissioner Sternadel, votes for 4, votes against 0.

APPROVED this 9th day of October, 2025.

Dan	Muella
Dan Mueller	

Fayette County Judge

Jason McBroom

Commissioner, Precinct 1

Clint Sternadel

Commissioner, Precinct 2

Harvey Berckenhoff

Commissioner, Precinct 3

Drew Brossmann

Commissioner, Precinct 4

ATTEST:

Brenda Fietsam County Clerk

Commissioners Court September 25, 2025