MINUTES OF COMMISSIONERS COURT MEETING

I.

Attached hereto is/are public notice(s) posted for the meeting of **June 25, 2026.**

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 **Absent**
County Commissioner – Precinct No. 2, Clint 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; Billy Roensch, Constable Precinct 1;
Jacquelyn Kohleffel, Human Resources Manager/Payroll Coordinator;
Candace Koether, Human Resources/Payroll Assistant;
Cindy Havelka, County Auditor; Josh Vandever, EMS Director;
Amber Hielscher, County Inspector & Office of Development & Permitting;
Angela Hahn, Emergency Management Coordinator;
Cassie Austin, Court Administrator; Blake Watson, Assistant County Attorney;
Donna Macik, Elections Administrator

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 **4**, votes against **0**.

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AGENDA ACTION:

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

    i. **June 11, 2026 – Regular Meeting**

    ACTION: **Approved Minutes from the June 11, 2026 Regular Meeting.**

    PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: **Brenda Fietsam**

    MOVED BY COMMR. **Brossmann**, SECONDED BY COMMR. **Sternadel**
    Commr. McBroom, **Absent**
    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 _____

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

ACTION: **Opened Public Comments.**

MOVED BY COMMR. **Berckenhoff**, SECONDED BY COMMR. **Brossmann**
Commr. McBroom, **Absent**
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 Public Comments from Kathy Schatte.**
Closed Public Comments.

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: **Kathy Schatte**

See attached hereto marked "Exhibit B"

MOVED BY COMMR. **Brossmann**, SECONDED BY COMMR. **Sternadel**
Commr. McBroom, **Absent**
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 _____

UNOFFICIAL

3. **SUBJECT: Consider and take appropriate action concerning the following application requesting the division of real property: Dallas Byers located in Precinct 4.**

ACTION: **Approved Application requesting the division of real property: Dallas Byers located in Precinct 4.**

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 3 Exhibit"

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

MOVED BY COMMR. **Brossmann**, SECONDED BY COMMR. **Berckenhoff**
Commr. McBroom, **Absent**
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: Consider and take appropriate action in approving the Revised Fayette County Subdivision Regulations.**

ACTION: **Approved the Revised Fayette County Subdivision Regulations as presented.**

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 4 Exhibit"

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

MOVED BY COMMR. **Sternadel**, SECONDED BY COMMR. **Berckenhoff**
Commr. McBroom, **Absent**
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 _____

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5. **SUBJECT: Consider, discuss, and take appropriate action in discussing potentially entering in to a lease agreement with Children's Advocacy Center for property located at 227 N Main St, La Grange, TX 78945.**

ACTION: **No Action Taken.**

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: **None**

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: Authorize EMS to purchase a 2025 Chevy Tahoe to be used as an EMS Supervisor Unit and Deployments, located at Chiefs Pursuit Surplus, 52186 US 290 Hempstead, TX 77445, for $58,468.22, using EMS Deployment funds and CATRAC County Pass-Through Grant funds and allow County personnel to sign all paperwork.**

ACTION: **No Action Taken.**

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: **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 _____

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7. **SUBJECT: Approve Official Bond for Chief Appraiser.**

ACTION: **Approved Official Bond for Chief Appraiser.**

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 7 Exhibit"

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

MOVED BY COMMR. **Sternadel**, SECONDED BY COMMR. **Brossmann**
Commr. McBroom, **Absent**
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: Accept and approve the request from Fayette Electric Cooperative, Inc., to set three (3) poles and two guy wires in the right-of-way along Petter Rainosek Loop (Precinct 4), to extend service to a customer located at 4800 Petter Rainosek Loop.**

ACTION: **Approved the Request from Fayette Electric Cooperative, Inc., to set three (3) poles and two guy wires in the right-of-way along Petter Rainosek Loop (Precinct 4), to extend service to a customer located at 4800 Petter Rainosek Loop.**

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 8 Exhibit"

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

MOVED BY COMMR. **Brossmann**, SECONDED BY COMMR. **Sternadel**
Commr. McBroom, **Absent**
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 _____

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9. **SUBJECT: Acknowledge letter from TXDOT concerning road closure on Kramr Rd at Bull Creek Bridge (Precinct 2) for the replacement of an existing bridge, the roadway at this location will be closed approximately 6 months, the projects are scheduled for an August 2026 letting, typically, construction starts 2-3 months after the letting date.**

ACTION: **Acknowledged Letter from TXDOT concerning road closure on Kramr Road at Bull Creek Bridge (Precinct 2) for the replacement of an existing bridge, the roadway at this location will be closed approximately 6 months, the projects are scheduled for an August 2026 letting, typically, construction starts 2-3 months after the letting date.**

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 9 Exhibit"

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

MOVED BY COMMR. **Sternadel**, SECONDED BY COMMR. **Berckenhoff**
Commr. McBroom, **Absent**
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 _____

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10. **SUBJECT: Acknowledge letter from TXDOT concerning road closure on Freyburg-Engle Rd at Rocky Creek Bridge (Precinct 3) for the replacement of an existing bridge, the roadway at this location will be closed approximately 6 months, the projects are scheduled for an August 2026 letting, typically, construction starts 2-3 months after the letting date.**

ACTION: **Acknowledged Letter from TXDOT concerning road closure on Freyburg-Engle Road at Rocky Creek Bridge (Precinct 3) for the replacement of an existing bridge, the roadway at this location will be closed approximately 6 months, the projects are scheduled for an August 2026 letting, typically, construction starts 2-3 months after the letting date.**

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 10 Exhibit"

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

MOVED BY COMMR. **Berckenhoff**, SECONDED BY COMMR. **Sternadel**
Commr. McBroom, **Absent**
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 _____

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11. **SUBJECT: Accept and approve the written plan of Fiberlight, to install a new buried communications line upon and along the right-of-way of Holub Rd, Hertel Rd and Adamek Rd (Precinct 4) with Fiberlight being required to be responsible for repairs, and/or being required to make repairs, of direct or collateral damage, if any, caused by Fiberlight, and/or its contractors, to the preceding road, and to other utilities utilizing the public right-of-way.**

ACTION: **Accepted and Approved the written Plan of Fiberlight, to install a new buried communications line upon and along the right-of-way of Holub Road, Hertel Road and Adamek Road (Precinct 4) with Fiberlight being required to be responsible for repairs, and/or being required to make repairs, of direct or collateral damage, if any, caused by Fiberlight, and/or its contractors, to the preceding road, and to other utilities utilizing the public right-of-way.**

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 11 Exhibit"

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

MOVED BY COMMR. **Brossmann**, SECONDED BY COMMR. **Berckenhoff**
Commr. McBroom, **Absent**
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 _____

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12. **SUBJECT: Accept and approve the written plan of GVTC Communications, to install and set 136 primary poles upon and along the right-of-ways of Rauder Rd, Hurlock Rd, Old Smithville Rd, N. Old Smithville Rd, W. Old Lockhart Rd, Groverland Trail and Red Hollow Lane (Precincts 1 & 3) with GVTC Communications being required to be responsible for repairs, and/or being required to make repairs, of direct or collateral damage, if any, caused by GVTC Communications, and/or its contractors, to the preceding road, and to other utilities utilizing the public right-of-way.**

ACTION: **Deferred to the July 9, 2026 meeting.**

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 12 Exhibit"

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: **Commissioner Harvey Berckenhoff; Ron Simons; David Freeman**

See attached hereto marked "Exhibit B"

MOVED BY COMMR. **Berckenhoff**, SECONDED BY COMMR. **Brossmann**
Commr. McBroom, **Absent**
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 _____

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13. **SUBJECT: Authorize the following class requests: Commissioner Clint Sternadel to attend the 2026 North & East CJAC Conference July 20-23, 2026 in Montgomery; Josh Vandever EMS Director and up to 4 employees to attend the Texas EMS Evolution 2026 Conference at the A&M Hotel and Convention Center September 28-30 in College Station; EMS to send up to 4 Employees to Texas EMS Conference November 22-25 in Fort Worth.**

ACTION: **Authorized the following Class Requests: Commissioner Clint Sternadel to attend the 2026 North & East CJAC Conference July 20-23, 2026 in Montgomery; Josh Vandever EMS Director and up to 4 employees to attend the Texas EMS Evolution 2026 Conference at the A&M Hotel and Convention Center September 28-30 in College Station; EMS to send up to 4 Employees to Texas EMS Conference November 22-25 in Fort Worth.**

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: **None**

MOVED BY COMMR. **Sternadel**, SECONDED BY COMMR. **Berckenhoff**
Commr. McBroom, **Absent**
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 _____

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14. **SUBJECT: Consider and take appropriate action concerning rate adjustments for the renewal of Fayette County Employee Health, Dental & Vision Insurance for 2026-2027 presented by Texas Association of County Health and Employee Benefits Pool (TAC HEBP).**

ACTION: **Accepted and Approved rate adjustments for the renewal of Fayette County Employee Health, Dental & Vision Insurance for 2026-2027 as presented by Texas Association of County Health and Employee Benefits Pool (TAC HEBP).**

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 14 Exhibit"

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: **Cindy Havelka, County Auditor; Brenda Fietsam, County Clerk; Donna Macik, Elections Administrator**

MOVED BY COMMR. **Sternadel**, SECONDED BY COMMR. **Brossmann**
Commr. McBroom, **Absent**
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 _____

15. **SUBJECT: Consider, discuss, and take appropriate action regarding the request for price increases by Cleveland Asphalt.**

ACTION: **Approved the Request for price increases by Cleveland Asphalt.**

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 15 Exhibit"

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

MOVED BY COMMR. **Brossmann**, SECONDED BY COMMR. **Sternadel**
Commr. McBroom, **Absent**
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 _____

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16. **SUBJECT: Consider, discuss, and take appropriate action regarding Tyler Pace Program for ERP Pro 10 for County Auditor's Office.**

ACTION: **Approved Tyler Pace Program for ERP Pro 10 for County Auditor's Office.**

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 16 Exhibit"

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

MOVED BY COMMR. **Brossmann**, SECONDED BY COMMR. **Berckenhoff**
Commr. McBroom, **Absent**
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 _____

17. **SUBJECT: Consider, discuss and take appropriate action in approving a program from ClearGov for budgeting purposes.**

ACTION: **Denied the Program from ClearGov for budgeting purposes.**

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

MOVED BY COMMR. **Brossmann**, SECONDED BY COMMR. **Sternadel**
Commr. McBroom, **Absent**
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 _____

UNOFFICIAL

18. **SUBJECT: Hear report from the Auditor's office and Human Resource office regarding budget reports and salary changes.**

ACTION: **Accepted Report from the Auditor's office and Human Resource office regarding budget reports and salary changes.**

See attached hereto marked "Agenda Action 18 Exhibit"

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

MOVED BY COMMR. **Sternadel**, SECONDED BY COMMR. **Berckenhoff**
Commr. McBroom, **Absent**
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 _____

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 COMMR. **Sternadel**, SECONDED BY COMMR. **Brossmann**
Commr. McBroom, **Absent**
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 _____

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20. SUBJECT: Budget Workshop.

ACTION: **Opened Budget Workshop for 2027.**

MOVED BY COMMR. **Berckenhoff**, SECONDED BY COMMR. **Brossmann**
Commr. McBroom, **Absent**
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 of the 2027 Budget Workshop.**
Closed Budget Workshop.

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: **Cindy Havelka, County Auditor; Donna Macik, Elections Administrator; Cassie Austin, Court Administrator; Jacquelyn Kohleffel, Human Resources Manager/Payroll Coordinator**

MOVED BY COMMR. **Sternadel**, SECONDED BY COMMR. **Brossmann**
Commr. McBroom, **Absent**
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 _____

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VIII.

Meeting adjourned at **10:29 a.m.**, **June 25, 2026**, on motion by Commissioner **Berckenhoff**, seconded by Commissioner **Brossmann**, votes for **4**, votes against **0**.

APPROVED this 9th day of July, 2026.

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 FAYETTE COUNTY, TEXAS

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