



COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES

9:00 AM

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF LIMESTONE

COMMISSIONERS' COURT
MINUTES

BE IT REMEMBERED that there came on Tuesday, August 26, 2025 on the hour of 9:00 AM, and was duly convened in a REGULAR MEETING in the county courtroom in the City of Groesbeck, Texas for the following purpose, to wit:

Members Present: Commissioner Jody Goodman, Commissioner Micah Anderson, Judge Richard Duncan, Commissioner Stephen Friday, Commissioner Bobby Forrest

Members Absent:

Staff Present: Kerrie Cobb, County Clerk; Natasha Goodman, County Auditor; James Trantham, Road Administrator; Shantell Carrizales, Executive Assistant

1. Call to Order and Proof of Posting of Notice

Judge Duncan called the Court to order and confirmed that notice was posted according to the Texas Open Meeting Act.

a. Exhibit

2. Invocation

Invocation was given by Commissioner Anderson.

3. Pledges

Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag was led by Judge Duncan.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag was led by Judge Duncan.

4. Roll Call

Judge Duncan verified that there was a quorum present.

5. Citizen's Comments

Constable, Precinct 2, Michael Carter spoke about his budget and the need for more money.

a. Exhibit

6. Consent Agenda

- a. Approve minutes.
- b. Approve bonds submitted on County Employees and Officials.
- c. Approve payment of bills.
- d. Approve investment or recall of funds.

Commissioner Friday MOVED to approve Consent Agenda Items; Approval of Minutes, Payment of Bills, Payroll and Comp Time Reports, Renewal of Bonds, Securities as pledged by Citizens State Bank in the amount of \$0 and Recall of funds from TexPool in the amount of \$1,500,000.00 and New Hires.

Commissioner Forrest SECONDED the motion.

ALL AYE

MOTION CARRIED

Regular Agenda

7. Accept for Record required monthly operation reports from County officials.

- a. Pct. 4 Constable Fees collected
- b. Sheriff's Office July 2025 Reports
- c. JP4 report 8/1/25-8/15/25

Commissioner Anderson MOVED to receive and approve monthly operation reports from County Officials.

Commissioner Goodman SECONDED the motion.

ALL AYE

MOTION CARRIED

8. Discuss and/or approve Limestone County acquisition and implementation of new voting system pursuant to Texas Election Code 129.003 and authorize County Judge to sign contract purchasing equipment.

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Commissioner Friday SECONDED the motion.

ALL AYE

MOTION CARRIED

- a. Quote

b. Contract

9. Discuss and/or approve dates and times to conduct Early Voting by Personal Appearance at the Main and Temporary Branch Early Voting Polling Places for the November 4, 2025 Constitutional Amendment Election.

Commissioner Forrest MOVED to approve dates and time to conduct Early Voting by Personal Appearance at the Main and Temporary Branch Early Voting Polling Places for the November 4, 2025 Constitutional Amendment Election, while amending Mexia Polling Places to stay open until 6:00 pm on Thursday, Oct. 30, 2025 and Friday, Oct. 31, 2025 of Early Voting.

Commissioner Anderson SECONDED the motion.

ALL AYE

MOTION CARRIED

a. Early Voting Places, Days and Times

10. Discuss and/or determine length of term for Election Judges.

Commissioner Friday MOVED to approve length of term for Election Judges.

Commissioner Anderson SECONDED the motion.

ALL AYE

MOTION CARRIED

a. Election Judge Term

11. Discuss and/or appoint Presiding and/or Alternate Judges to serve the 2025-2026 election term in each regular election precinct in all County elections.

Commissioner Friday MOVED to approve appointing Presiding and/or Alternate Judges to serve the 2025-2026 election term in each regular election precinct in all County elections.

Commissioner Goodman SECONDED the motion.

ALL AYE

MOTION CARRIED

a. Order of Appointment

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Judge Duncan stated Court was in Executive Session at 9:18 A.M.

Judge Duncan stated Court was out of Executive Session at 9:59 A.M.

13. Discuss and/or take action on items discussed in Executive Session.

NO ACTION TAKEN ON ITEM # 13.

14. Discuss and/or take action on plat for Hildebrandt Love Nest Phase I.

Commissioner Goodman MOVED to approve plat for Hildebrandt Love Nest Phase 1.

Commissioner Anderson SECONDED the motion.

ALL AYE

MOTION CARRIED

15. Discuss and/or take action on nomination to the Board of Directors for the Limestone Appraisal District.

Commissioner Forrest MOVED to approve nominations to the Board of Directors for the

Limestone Appraisal District.

Commissioner Friday SECONDED the motion.

ALL AYE

MOTION CARRIED

- a. Notice to Nominate Board of Directors for Limestone Appraisal District

16. Discuss and/or take action on updating the Limestone County Employee Guidelines 19.05 to reflect the increase in retiree coverage amount.

Commissioner Anderson MOVED to approve updating the Limestone County Employee Guidelines 19.05 to reflect the increase in retiree coverage amount.

Commissioner Goodman SECONDED the motion.

ALL AYE

MOTION CARRIED

- a. LCEG 19.05 Retiree Coverage

17. Discuss and/or take action on resolution for Texans Feeding Texans grant.

Commissioner Forrest MOVED to approve resolution for Texans Feeding Texans grant.

Commissioner Friday SECONDED the motion.

ALL AYE

MOTION CARRIED

- a. Texans Feeding Texans Resolution 2025-26

18. Discuss and/or take action on covering budget shortfall for food costs for the Jail.

Commissioner Forrest MOVED to approve covering budget shortfall for food costs for the Jail, \$32,000 to come out of contingencies line.

Commissioner Anderson SECONDED the motion.

ALL AYE

MOTION CARRIED

19. BUDGET WORKSHOP

A Budget Workshop was held with various budget items discussed, including a \$2.00 increase for Law Enforcement Division, increasing a salary by \$10,000 for HR person, increasing conference and dues for HR position by \$1,000, hiring a part-time Maintenance position at \$20.00/hr 30 hours week and \$15,000 travel for Ag Extension, this year only.

20. Discuss and/or take action on authorizing the Auditors Office to publish Elected Officials' Salaries.

Commissioner Anderson MOVED to approve authorizing the Auditors Office to publish Elected Officials Salaries.

Commissioner Goodman SECONDED the motion.

ALL AYE

MOTION CARRIED

- a. Elected Officials' Salaries

21. Discuss and/or propose 2025 tax rate, if rate will exceed the No-New Revenue Rate, take record vote & schedule a public hearing.

Commissioner Forrest MOVED to approve proposed tax rate at \$0.56 to be adopted on

September 9, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

Commissioner Anderson SECONDED the motion.

ALL AYE

MOTION CARRIED

a. 2025 Tax Rate Calculation

22. Announce date, time & place to adopt FY 2025-26 budget.

Judge Duncan MOVED to set the Public Hearing for Adoption of Budget for FY 2025-2026 for September 9, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Courtroom, Groesbeck, Texas.

ALL AYE

MOTION CARRIED

23. Discuss and/or take action on budget for County Extension Office.

Judge Duncan discussed having a firm dollar amount in next year's contract. Discussion was made to not change travel amount but know that it could change next year. Court did not think that Limestone County should pay to train County Extension Office employees.

a. County Extension Budget

24. Adjournment

Commissioner Friday MOVED to adjourn the meeting.

Commissioner Forrest SECONDED the motion.

ALL AYE

MOTION CARRIED

(10:16 A.M. Tuesday, August 26, 2025)

The above minutes were tendered to the Court at the Meeting of September 9, 2025 with the following members present:

County Judge

Richard Duncan
County Judge

Commissioner Pct. #1

Jody Goodman
Commissioner Pct. #1

Commissioner Pct. #2

Micah Anderson
Commissioner Pct. #2

Commissioner Pct. #3

Stephen Friday
Commissioner Pct. #3

Commissioner Pct. #4

Bobby Forrest
Commissioner Pct. #4

ATTEST: _____
Kerrie Cobb, County Clerk
Honorable Commissioners' Court
Limestone County, Texas

BY: _____
Deputy