



THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT:

Vern L. Lyssy
County Judge

John Martinez, Commissioner, Precinct 1

Ronald Best, Commissioner, Precinct 2

Joel Behrens, Commissioner, Precinct 3

Gary Reese, Commissioner, Precinct 4

MEETING MINUTES

The Commissioners Court of Calhoun County, Texas will meet on Wednesday, August 26, 2026 at 10:00 AM in the Commissioners' Courtroom in the County Courthouse at 211 S. Ann Street, Suite 104, Port Lavaca, Calhoun County, Texas 77979.

AGENDA

1. Call Meeting to Order.

Meeting was called to order by Judge Vern Lyssy at 10:00am

2. Invocation.

Commissioner Ronald Best

3. Pledge of Allegiance.

US Flag: Commissioner Reese

Texas Flag: Commissioner Behrens

4. Discussion of Public Matters and Public Participation.

None.

5. Approve Commissioner Court Minutes.

- a. August 13, 2026 Special Joint Meeting
August 19, 2026 Meeting Minutes

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 3 Joel Behrens
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 4 Gary Reese
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 1 Martinez, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese
NAYS:	None

6. Accept Reports from the following County Offices.

- a. County Auditor-2026 Q1-Q3 Audit Letters & Cash Counts
b. Auditor's Monthly Reports - May and June 2026

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 3 Joel Behrens
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 2 Ronald Best
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 1 Martinez, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese
NAYS:	None

7. Consider and take necessary action on the 2026 budget adjustments.

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 4 Gary Reese
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 1 John Martinez
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 1 Martinez, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese
NAYS:	None

8. Approval of Bills and Payroll.

- a. MMC Bills: (Paid from MMC Operating Account):

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 2 Ronald Best
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 4 Gary Reese
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 1 Martinez, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese
NAYS:	None

b. County Bills/Payroll:

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 2 Ronald Best
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 4 Gary Reese
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 1 Martinez, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese
NAYS:	None

9. Receive a presentation from David Quin of Public Power Pool (P3) on the savings achieved by Calhoun County from participating in the P3 program and the group's recent procurement for a new electricity contract for 2026 through 2028 with Champion Energy Services. (VLL)

David Quinn gave a presentation.

10. Consider and take necessary action to approve the Preliminary Plat and Drainage Plan of Alamo Beach Subdivision, Block 3, Resubdivision No. 2. (JAM)

pass

11. Consider and take the necessary action to approve the Final Plat of Alamo Beach Subdivision, Block 3, Resubdivision No. 2. (JAM)

pass

12. Consider and take necessary action to approve the County Clerk's Records Archive Fund Plan for the budget year of 2027. (VLL)

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 2 Ronald Best
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 3 Joel Behrens
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 1 Martinez, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese
NAYS:	None

13. To approve and accept a donation in the amount of \$2500.00 from William J. Bozic, Jr. for the Historical Marker Fund. To be deposited and coded to Grant Fund 579. (VLL)

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 4 Gary Reese
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 2 Ronald Best
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 1 Martinez, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese
NAYS:	None

14. Consider and accept the Orders issued by the District Judges setting the salaries for the official and alternate court reporters serving the 135th, 24th, 267th, and 377th Judicial District Courts for Fiscal Year 2027, in accordance with Texas Government Code §52.051. (VLL)

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 4 Gary Reese
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 2 Ronald Best
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 1 Martinez, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese
NAYS:	None

15. Consider and Accept the Order from the District Judges Setting the Salaries of the County Auditor and Assistant Auditors for Fiscal Year 2027 and Approving the Number of Assistants for the Auditor's Office for Fiscal Year 2027. (VLL)

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 3 Joel Behrens
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 2 Ronald Best
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 1 Martinez, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese
NAYS:	None

16. Consider and take necessary action to pre-approve expenditures (incurred by the previous County Pct 4 Constable), under the County's Policy of Compliance with LGC 130.908. (VLL)

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 3 Joel Behrens
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 1 John Martinez
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 1 Martinez, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese
NAYS:	None

17. Consider and take necessary action to approve Addendum No. 1 for Bid Number 2026.14 — Agricultural Lease, Langdon Tract, 60 Acres. (VLL)

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 3 Joel Behrens
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 2 Ronald Best
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 1 Martinez, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese
NAYS:	None

18. Consider and take necessary action to approve Addendum No. 1 for Bid Number 2026.15 — Agricultural Lease - Event Center Premises, 194.16 Acres. (VLL)

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 3 Joel Behrens
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 2 Ronald Best
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 1 Martinez, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese
NAYS:	None

19. Consider and take necessary action to allow Commissioner Behrens to act as the general contractor on a new office building for Precinct 3. (JMB)

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 4 Gary Reese
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 2 Ronald Best
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 1 Martinez, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese
NAYS:	None

20. Consider and take necessary action to allow E-911 Director Raquel Moarales to apply for ancillary benefits provided by GSM Insurors. These are benefits available to Ms. Morales at no cost to the County. (JMB)

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 1 John Martinez
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 2 Ronald Best
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 1 Martinez, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese
NAYS:	None

21. Consider and take necessary action to allow Calhoun County Judge Vern Lyssy sign the Voting Equipment Lease between Calhoun County Elections and Calhoun County ISD. (VLL)

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Judge Vern Lyssy
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 2 Ronald Best
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 1 Martinez, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese
NAYS:	None

22. Consider and take necessary action to approve the updated Purchase Agreement with Houston Mac Haik Dodge Chrysler Jeep (Frazer, LTD) and Calhoun County EMS, to supersede the agreement approved on July 8, 2026, and allow EMS Director to sign. (VLL)

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 3 Joel Behrens
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 4 Gary Reese
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 1 Martinez, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese
NAYS:	None

23. Consider and take necessary action to allow Calhoun County Judge Vern Lyssy to sign the Voting Equipment Lease between Calhoun County Elections and The City of Point Comfort. (VLL)

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 4 Gary Reese
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 2 Ronald Best
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 1 Martinez, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese
NAYS:	None

24. Consider and take necessary action to approve a Contract between Calhoun County Elections and Calhoun County ISD to conduct the November 03, 2026, General Election and approve the Elections Administrator to sign the Contract. (VLL)

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 3 Joel Behrens
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 1 John Martinez
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 1 Martinez, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese
NAYS:	None

25. Consider and take necessary action to declare the attached list of items for Calhoun County EMS as Salvage Surplus. (VLL)

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 3 Joel Behrens
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 2 Ronald Best
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 1 Martinez, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese
NAYS:	None

26. Consider and take necessary action to accept donation to the Sheriff's Office to be deposited into the Motivation account (2697-001-49082-679) in the amount of \$1193.00, from Law Enforcement Partners. (VLL)

pass

27. Consider and take necessary action to amend the Calhoun County Purchasing Policy. (VLL)

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 3 Joel Behrens
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 1 John Martinez
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 1 Martinez, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese
NAYS:	None

28. Consider and take necessary action to declare items Waste and remove from Precinct 4 R&B Inventory list. (GDR)

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 3 Joel Behrens
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 2 Ronald Best
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 1 Martinez, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese
NAYS:	None

29. Consider and take necessary action to update the Personnel Policy Section 13.00 adding the use of County Vehicles. (VLL)

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 3 Joel Behrens
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 1 John Martinez
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 1 Martinez, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese
NAYS:	None

30. Consider and take necessary action to approve the Calhoun County Museum to apply and set up an account with Certified Payments to accept Credit Card Payments.(VLL)

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 3 Joel Behrens
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 2 Ronald Best
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 1 Martinez, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese
NAYS:	None

31. Consider and take necessary action to amend the Calhoun County Qualified Educational Assistance Plan Tuition Assistance Policy. (VLL)

No action taken.

32. Consider and take any necessary action on setting the Salary Grievance Committee. (VLL)

pass

33. Adjourn.

Adjourned at 10:50am



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16.

To: Commissioners Court
From: Demi Cabrera, Assistant Auditor
Meeting Date: August 26, 2026
Department/Office: Auditor

Summary:

Consider and take necessary action to pre-approve expenditures (incurred by the previous County Pct 4 Constable), under the County's Policy of Compliance with LGC 130.908. (VLL)

Recommended Action:

Approve Invoices to be paid

Budget Line Item: Fund/Dept/GL/Grant

Constable Pct 4

Attachments:

1. Axon Enterprise Inc Invoices