



THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT:

Vern L. Lyssy
County Judge

(ABSENT) David Hall, 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, October 29, 2025 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.

Judge Vern Lyssy thanked the public for showing up in support.

Russell Cain explained he will be at his office on Saturday, November 8th for those wanting to file their oath of office.

5. Approve Commissioner Court Minutes.

- a. October 22, 2025

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 3 Joel Behrens
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 2 Ronald Best
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese

6. Consider and take necessary action on budget adjustments.

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 4 Gary Reese
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 3 Joel Behrens
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese

7. Approval of Bills and Payroll.

- a. County Bills:

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 2 Ronald Best
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 4 Gary Reese
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese

- b. MMC Bills:

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 2 Ronald Best
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 3 Joel Behrens
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese

8. Consider and take necessary action to accept the RAC FY26 EMS Provider grant funding in the amount of \$8381.00. (VLL)

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 3 Joel Behrens
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 4 Gary Reese
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese

9. Consider and take necessary action to accept an anonymous donation of \$60.00 cash to be put in the EMS motivational fund. (VLL)

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 4 Gary Reese
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 2 Ronald Best
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese

10. Consider and take necessary action to declare items in the Calhoun County Court at Law Inventory as waste.

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 3 Joel Behrens
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 2 Ronald Best
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese

11. Discuss and take necessary action to allow Sandra Richter to reserve the pavilion at Indianola for a memorial service for her husband on November 8, 2025 from 10:00am – 3:00pm (RB)

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 4 Gary Reese
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 2 Ronald Best
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese

12. Consider and take necessary action to approve an Interlocal Cooperation Contract between the City of Point Comfort and Calhoun County for certain governmental functions and services and authorize Judge Lyssy to sign contract.

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 3 Joel Behrens
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 4 Gary Reese
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese

13. Consider and take necessary action to authorize Kathy Pullin with Give Domestic Violence the Boot to host a boat show at King Fisher Beach Park, weather permitting, September 4 – 6, 2026. Liability insurance will be provided at a later date.

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 3 Joel Behrens
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 4 Gary Reese
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese

14. Consider and take necessary action on Enacting an Order Prohibiting Outdoor Burning (Burn Ban) in Calhoun County.

passed

15. Consider and take necessary action to authorize loan in the amount of \$500,000 from the General Fund to the CDBG-MIT2 Infrastructure - Capital Project Fund. (VLL)

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 3 Joel Behrens
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 4 Gary Reese
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese

16. Acknowledge letter from Calhoun County Auditor regarding retirement from County Auditor position.

Candice Villarreal read her letter of retirement.

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Judge Vern Lyssy
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 4 Gary Reese
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese

17. Consider and take necessary action to approve the surety bonds for the new Pct. 4 Constable and the new Pct. 1 County Commissioner.

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 3 Joel Behrens
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 4 Gary Reese
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese

18. Consider and take necessary action by Calhoun County Commissioners Court to appoint and swear in Nathan Lapham as Constable Pct. 4 to fill the vacancy that resulted from the resignation of former Constable Kevin Koliba. (VLL)

Judge Vern Lyssy swore Nathan Lapham in.

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 3 Joel Behrens
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 4 Gary Reese
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese

19. Consider and take necessary action by Judge Vern Lyssy to appoint and swear in John A. Martinez as Commissioner Pct. 1 to fill the vacancy that resulted from the passing of former Commissioner David Hall. (VLL)

Judge Vern Lyssy swore John Martinez in.

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 2 Ronald Best
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 3 Joel Behrens
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese

20. Adjourn.

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 3 Joel Behrens
SECONDER:	County Commissioner Pct 2 Ronald Best
AYES:	County Judge Lyssy, County Commissioner Pct 2 Best, County Commissioner Pct 3 Behrens, County Commissioner Pct 4 Reese