



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, March 11, 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.

Alysa Jarvis, Rhonda Kokena, Judge Vern Lyssy, Cindy Krause and Mark Gonzales gave perspective on the hand counting for last week's election.

5. Approve Commissioner Court Minutes.

- a. February 26, 2026 Workshop Minutes

b. March 4, 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

6. Accept Reports from the following County Offices.

- a. Floodplain - February, 2026
- b. Justice of the Peace Pct 1 - February, 2026
- c. Justice of the Peace Pct 2 - January and February, 2026
- d. Sheriff's Department - February, 2026
- e. District Clerk - February, 2026
- f. County Clerk - February, 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

7. Consider and take necessary action on 2025 and 2026 budget adjustments.

2025:

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 4 Gary Reese
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

2026:

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	County Commissioner Pct 4 Gary Reese
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

8. Approval of Bills and Payroll.

- a. MMC Bills:

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

- 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

9. Public Hearing regarding amending the 2025 and 2026 Calhoun County budgets. (VLL)

Public Hearing opened at 10:19am
Demi Cabrera read the amendments.
Public Hearing closed at 10:26

10. Consider and take necessary action to amend the 2025 and 2026 Calhoun County budgets. (VLL)

2025:

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

2026:

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

11. Consider and take necessary action to approve the Calhoun County Library's February donation, surplus/salvage and waste lists. (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

12. Accept the Arbitrage report from Hilltop Securities for the period from October 16, 2025 to December 31, 2025 for the Combination Tax and Surplus Hospital Revenue Certificates of Obligation.

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

13. Consider and take necessary action to accept proceeds from the CM Company vehicle auction in the total amount of \$31,015.50. Of this amount, \$10,000.00 is to be deposited into Fund 760-53995, and \$20,997.50 is to be deposited into Fund 760-74055. The remaining \$18.00, representing proceeds from the sale of maintenance chairs, shall be deposited into the General Fund. (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

14. Consider and take necessary action to approve Change Order No. 6-REVISED for Bid No. 2024.05 – Seadrift Drainage Improvements Project – GLO Contract No. 22-085-014-D245 for Calhoun County, Texas and Authorize Commissioner Reese to Sign. (GDR)

Scott Mason explained Change Order no. 6

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

15. Consider and take necessary action to approve Change Order No. 7 for Bid No. 2024.05 – Seadrift Drainage Improvements Project – GLO Contract No. 22-085-014-D245 for Calhoun County, Texas and Authorize Commissioner Reese to Sign. (GDR)

Scott Mason explained Change Order No. 7

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

16. Consider and take necessary action to approve the final plat of White Dog LLC development. This being a 0.54 acre development out of Section 10 of the Wolf Point Ranch Subdivision as recorded in Volume 5, Page 417 of the deed records of Calhoun County, TX. And being the same 0.54 acre tract recorded in Instrument No. 2026-00067 of the Official records of Calhoun County. (JMB)

pass

17. Consider and take necessary action to allow Marker 48 Beach Fellowship Church to reserve the Miller's Point Pavilion for an Easter Egg Hunt, with a pulled pork sandwich fundraiser to send kids to church camp, on April 5, 2026 from 11:00AM to 4:00PM (JAM)

Mr. Biggs explained the fundraiser.

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

18. Consider and take necessary action to authorize Commissioner Reese to utilize GOMESA funds for enhancements to the newly constructed pavilion at Bill Sanders Memorial Park, not to exceed \$30,000. (GDR)

pass

19. Consider and take necessary action to approve maintenance agreements (Quote Numbers: Q-03420 & Q-43322) between Loftin Equipment Company and Calhoun County EMS and approve the EMS Director to sign. (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

20. To consider and take necessary action to allow the County Judge and Sheriff to sign new contracts for inmate housing. The change is an increase to the daily amount charged per out of county contract inmate. (VLL)

pass

21. Consider and take necessary action to allow Commissioner Ronny Best to be the authorized representative for the TXDOT 26ALPTLAV Project. (RB)

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

22. Adjourn.

Adjourned at 10:39

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