



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 5, 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.

Herb Decker expressed an issue with the hospital he came to court for several weeks ago.

5. Approve Commissioner Court Minutes.

a. July 29, 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 County Clerk & Jail Audit Letters, 2026 Q2 Juvenile Probation, POC Community Center, Waste Management, & Sheriff Texas IVSS Grant Audit Letters, 2026 Q2 & Q3 Fixed Asset Inventory Letters (Multiple Departments), & 2026 Q3 Cash Count Letters (Multiple Departments)

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 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. Hear the Memorial Medical Center Monthly Report given by Erin Clevenger.

Erin Clevenger gave a report.

10. Consider and take necessary action to allow Herman Adair to reserve the pavilion at Bill Sanders Memorial Park on September 5, 2026 for a 50th birthday party. (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

11. Consider and take necessary action on insurance proceeds check from TAC in the amount of \$682.50 for damages to a Sheriff's Office vehicle on 8/24/25. (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

12. Consider and take necessary action to allow the County Judge Vern Lyssy to sign the Order of Election and Notice of Election for the November 3, 2026, General Election. (VLL)

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

13. Consider and take necessary action to declare the following item in the Justice of the Peace Precinct 2 inventory as waste. (VLL)

- a. Asset #456-0083-12.9-Inch iPad (9-14-22) -Serial #SQ69F1998XPX-\$1361.58

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

14. Consider and take necessary action to approve \$3,143.34 in local funds for allocation to the construction budget for the Lane Road project under GLO Contract Number 20-065-064-C182, bringing the project's total construction budget to \$1,075,643,34. (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

15. Consider and take necessary action to accept a donation from Lewis Verne Pentecost to the Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$250.00 to be deposited into the Motivation account (2697-001-49082-679). (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

16. Consider and take necessary action to renew a contract with AARC Environmental, Inc for TPDES General Industrial Storm Water Permit Renewal for the airport and allow Judge Lyssy to sign all necessary documents. (RB)

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 renew the service agreement with Silverback Septic Solutions for Calhoun County Pct 2 office and allow Commissioner Best to sign. (RB)

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

18. Consider and take necessary action to accept a donation to the Sheriff's Office to be deposited into the Motivation account (2697-001-49082-679) in the amount of \$500.00 from KCS Public Relations, for Back to school event. (VLL)

Pass

19. Consider and take necessary action to approve the Contract with Lester Contracting, Inc. for Bid No. 2026.13 – Seadrift Drainage Improvements Project Phase II – GLO CDBG MIT Contract No. 22-085-014-D245 for Calhoun County, Texas and to authorize the County Judge to sign. (GDR)

Scott Mason with G&W Engineers explained.

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 authorize Commissioner Reese to utilize funds from GOMESA, not to exceed \$40,000, to complete the King Fisher Pier Extension Project, MBMT Contract No. 095, due to cost overages. (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

21. Adjourn.

10:40am

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