

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF LEON**

**IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURT
OF LEON COUNTY, TEXAS**

On this the 23rd day of March 2026, the Commissioners Court of Leon County, Texas, met for a regularly scheduled meeting at 9:30 a.m. with the following members present:

Byron Ryder – County Judge
Joey Sullivan – Commissioner Pct. No. 1
Paul Bing – Commissioner Pct. No. 2
Kyle Workman – Commissioner Pct. 3
T. J. Foley – Commissioner Pct. No. 4

Together with County Clerk Amy Kaiser, serving as an ex-officio member of the Commissioners Court, County Auditor Melissa Abney, County Treasurer Brandi Hill, Precinct 2 Constable John Franks, Elections Administrator Donna Kominczak, and Sheriff Kevin Ellis.

1. OPEN MEETING WITH PRAYER AND PLEDGES.

Pastor Lee Weiler, All-Around Cowboy Church – Marquez, opened the meeting with prayer; pledges to the American flag and Texas flag were rendered.

2. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON CLAIMS DUE.

Commissioner Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bing to approve the claims due.

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

3. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

Commissioner Sullivan made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Bing to approve the minutes from the previous session.

MOTION CARRIED.

4. REVIEW AND APPROVE PAYROLL TO BE ISSUED.

Commissioner Foley made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to approve the March 6, 2026, payroll.

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS #1.

Sheriff Kevin Ellis briefed the Court regarding the upcoming FIFA event, which will be held June 14-July 4, 2026, in both Houston and Dallas, possibly causing increased activity along the I-45 corridor.

Leon County Republican Party Chair Carol Milder addressed the Court regarding the upcoming March 28 precinct and county convention, to be held in Annex 2.

Danial McCoslin addressed the Court regarding the 391 Committee and BESS.

Commissioner Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bing, to approve an additional trail ride application, with the stipulation that the road will stay open during their use.

MOTION CARRIED.

EOC Coordinator Bob Hickman addressed the Court about upcoming changes from Code Red to EverBridge for the 911 Reverse call service.

County Clerk Amy Kaiser advised the Court that the software migration is complete and the County Clerk's office will open today at 10 a.m. The property fraud alert service also now is available.

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**6. ALICIA RICE, DIRECTOR OF ADVOCACY FOR SART, HERE TO MAKE THE
SART 2025 REPORT.**

Presentation only.

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7. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON DRAINAGE ISSUES IN LEON COUNTY WITH THE TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD.

Commissioner Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to take no action.

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

**8. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON LOTS 26 & 27 IN CEDAR CREEK
ESTATES IN PRECINCT 3.**

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Foley to allow for a variance on the subdivision requirement, with no stipulations.

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

9. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON WEB SERVICES CONTRACT.

Commissioner Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Foley to table this agenda item.

MOTION CARRIED; ITEM TABLED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

10. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING:**A. JOINT PRIMARY ELECTION 3/3/26 CANVASS**

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Foley to approve the canvass report.

MOTION CARRIED.

B. JOINT PRIMARY ELECTION POST-ELECTION MANUAL HAND-COUNT AUDIT.

Update only.

**C. AMENDMENT TO THE ORDER OF APPOINTMENT FOR EARLY VOTING
BALLOT BOARD.**

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Foley to approve the amendment to the order.

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

D. ACKNOWLEDGE ELECTION JUDGES, ALTERNATE JUDGES, CLERKS AND BALLOT BOARD.

Update only.

E. IMPORTANT DATES:

-SATURDAY, MAY 2, 2026, UNIFORM ELECTION DATE. THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 2026, LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE. MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2026, FIRST DAY OF EARLY VOTING BY PERSONAL APPEARANCE, TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 2026, LAST DAY OF EARLY VOTING BY PERSONAL APPEARANCE, MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2026, LAST DAY TO APPLY FOR BALLOT BY MAIL. CITIES HOLDING ELECTIONS INCLUDE CITY OF BUFFALO, CITY OF CENTERVILLE, AND CITY OF JEWETT. SCHOOLS HOLDING ELECTIONS INCLUDE NORMANGEE ISD AND OAKWOOD ISD (BOND ELECTION.)

-TUESDAY, MAY 26, 2026, PRIMARY RUNOFF ELECTION DATE. MONDAY, APRIL 27, 2026, LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE. FRIDAY, MAY 15, 2026, LAST DAY TO APPLY FOR BALLOT BY MAIL, MONDAY, MAY 18, 2026, FIRST DAY OF EARLY VOTING, FRIDAY, MAY 22, 2026, LAST DAY OF EARLY VOTING, TUESDAY, MAY 26, 2026, LAST DAY TO RECEIVE BALLOT BY MAIL.

F. HILLTOP LAKES 9-1-1 ADDRESSES UPDATE.

11. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON POST-APPROVAL OF CREMATION ORDER THAT WAS SIGNED ON MARCH 12, 2026.

Commissioner Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bing to post-approve the order.

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

**12. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON MASS GATHERING
APPLICATION (TRAIL RIDE) FOR KITTY STREET ROLLERS LEISURE HORSE
RIDING CLUB APRIL 10-12, 2026.**

Commissioner Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to approve this application, with the stipulation that the road will stay open during their use.

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

13. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON RESOLUTION BETWEEN LEON COUNTY AND FLOCK.

Commissioner Foley made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to table this agenda item.

MOTION CARRIED; ITEM TABLED.

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14. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON APPLYING FOR THE RADIO COMMUNICATIONS GRANT.

No action taken.

15. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON APPLYING FOR THE ELECTIONS SECURITY GRANT.

No action taken.

16. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON CREATING A WRITTEN PERMISSION AGREEMENT (PERMIT) FOR BURNING/PREPARING HAY MEADOWS DURING A BURN BAN.

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sullivan to take no action.

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

17. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON ROAD USE AGREEMENT AND/OR PIPELINE AGREEMENT FOR BARKLEY ROAD IN PCT. 4 (ADDAX MIDSTREAM, LLC).

Commissioner Foley made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to approve the agreement.

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

**18. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON RACIAL PROFILING REPORT
FOR PCT. 2 CONSTABLE.**

Constable John Franks presented his report. Commissioner Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bing to approve the report.

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

**19. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
VEHICLE BIDS.**

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bing to accept the bid.

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

20. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON LEON COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT VENDING MACHINES IN ANNEX 1 AND 2.

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Foley to approve the placement of the machines in Annex 1 and 2, with signage in case of issues with machines.

MOTION CARRIED.

21. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON RESOLUTION OF THE LEON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT REGARDING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ADDITIONAL DATA CENTERS IN THE STATE OF TEXAS.

Commissioner Foley made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to approve the resolution.

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

22. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON DATA CENTERS IN LEON COUNTY.

None submitted.

23. DISCUSS 391 APPLICATION AND RESOLUTION AND TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY.

Judge Ryder made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sullivan to not allow any member of the Leon County Commissioners Court to serve on the 391 Committee.

VOTE BREAKDOWN:

Yes; Ryder, Sullivan, Bing, Workman

No: Foley

MOTION CARRIED.

Judge Ryder made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman, to amend the 391 resolution and 391 application to read: "Applicant affirms continuous full-time residency in Leon County, Texas", removing the 10-year residency requirement.

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

24. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON ESD AUDITS.

None submitted.

25. COUNTY ATTORNEY KEITH COOK TO UPDATE THE COMMISSIONERS ON BUILDING COMMITTEE AND IT COMMITTEE.

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Foley, to table this agenda item.

MOTION CARRIED; ITEM TABLED.**26. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS AND TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY.**

None submitted.

27. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING MONTHLY REPORTS (COUNTY AUDITOR) PER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 114.044.

Commissioner Foley made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to approve the following reports:

January 2026: JP Precinct 2

February 2026: District Clerk

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

28. DISCUSS AND- POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON APPROVAL OF THE COUNTY TREASURER'S MONTHLY REPORT AND AUTHORIZE AFFIDAVIT OF SAME, IN ACCORDANCE WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE 114.026.

County Treasurer Brandi Hill presented the report. Commissioner Foley made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to approve the following report:

February 2026

MOTION CARRIED.

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29. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON DONATION(S) AND/OR REIMBURSEMENT(S).

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Foley to approve the following donations:

Senior Nutrition: \$689

MOTION CARRIED.

30. PURCHASE AND/OR SELLING REQUESTS AND TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY.

A. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON A BVCOG SERVICE ORDER FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND INSTALLATION OF FIBER AT THE NEW JUVENILE PROBATION BUILDING.

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sullivan to approve the service order.

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

B. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON A BVCOG SERVICE ORDER FOR THE DIRECT INTERNET ACCESS FIBER SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR THE NEW JUVENILE PROBATION BULDING.

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sullivan to approve the order.

MOTION CARRIED.

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C. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION REGARDING THE ISSUANGE OF A RFP FOR COMMUNICATIONS TOWERS.

Commissioner Foley made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to approve the issuance of the RFP.

MOTION CARRIED.

31. CLOSE REGULAR SESSION AND OPEN EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE 551.071 (CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY) AND 551.074 (PERSONNEL).

Regular session closed at 11:19 a.m. on Monday, March 23, 2026.

32. OPEN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

33. DISCUSS ANY COUNTY ISSUES WITH COUNTY ATTORNEY.

34. DISCUSS PERSONNEL ISSUES WITH COUNTY ATTORNEY.

35. CLOSE EXECUTIVE SESSION.

36. RESUME REGULAR SESSION.

Regular session resumed at 11:50 a.m. on Monday, March 23, 2026.

37. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON ANY COUNTY ISSUES WITH THE COUNTY ATTORNEY.

None submitted.

38. DISCUSS PERSONNEL ISSUES WITH COUNTY ATTORNEY.

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Foley, to establish a part-time position for maintenance, with a rate of up to \$25 per hour.

MOTION CARRIED.

39. DISCUSS EXECUTIVE SESSION ISSUE(S) AND TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY.

None submitted.

40. PUBLIC COMMENTS #2.

None submitted.

41. COMMISSIONERS OPEN FORUM.

Commissioner Foley reminded the Court about the upcoming Leon County Youth Livestock show and the Normangee Youth Livestock Show, both coming up in April.

42. ADJOURN.

Commissioner Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to adjourn.

MOTION CARRIED; MEETING ADJOURNED.

SIGNED AND APPROVED this the _____ day of _____, 2026.

Byron Ryder, County Judge

Joey Sullivan, Commissioner Pct. No. 1

Paul Bing, Commissioner Pct. No. 2

Kyle Workman, Commissioner Pct. No. 3

T.J. Foley, Commissioner Pct. No. 4

ATTEST:

Amy Kaiser, Leon County Clerk