



NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S COURT MEETING

Erath County Courthouse
County Courtroom, 100 W. Washington, Stephenville, Texas
Monday, March 10, 2025 9:00 AM

MINUTES

1. Pledge of Allegiance.
County Judge, Brandon Huckabee
2. Invocation
Invocation - John Mangus
3. Public Comments.
None
4. Discussion and action to approve election contract for the May 3, 2025 Special Election with Bluff Dale ISD.
Discusión y acción para aprobar el contrato electoral para las elecciones especiales del 3 de mayo de 2025 con Bluff Dale ISD.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 1 Dee Stephens and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 2 Albert Ray to approve election contract for the May 3, 2025 Special Election with Bluff Dale ISD.
Ayes: (5) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2025-081
5. Discussion and action to approve election contract for the May 3, 2025 Election with the City of Dublin.
Discusión y acción para aprobar el contrato electoral para las elecciones especiales del 3 de mayo de 2025 con la Ciudad de Dublín.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 2 Albert Ray and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 1 Dee Stephens to approve election contract for the May 3, 2025 Election with the City of Dublin.
Ayes: (5) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2025-082
6. Discussion and action to re-address the Order that was signed on April 8, 2024, approving permanently combining election precinct 35 into election precinct 33.
Discusión y acción para volver a abordar la Orden que se firmo el 8 de abril de 2024, aprobando la combinación permanente del distrito electoral 35 en el distrito electoral 33.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 1 Dee Stephens and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 2 Albert Ray to re-address the Order that was signed on April 8, 2024, approving permanently combining election precinct 35 into election precinct 33.

Ayes: (5) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck,: Noes: (0) None

Motion Passed / Number 2025-083

7. Discussion and action to allow HR to use Comanche County Medical located in Stephenville for pre-employment testing.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 3 Sherman Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 4 Jim Buck to allow HR to use Comanche County Medical located in Stephenville for pre-employment testing.

Ayes: (5) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck: Noes: (0) None

Motion Passed / Number 2025-084

8. Discussion and action to award 457b plan for county employees.

MOTION was made by County Judge Brandon Huckabee and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 3 Sherman Edwards to award 457b plan for county employees to BMY Wealth Management Group.

Ayes: (5) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None

Motion Passed / Number 2025-085

9. Discussion and action to provide Careflite package for state employees.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 3 Sherman Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 2 Albert Ray to provide Careflite package for state employees.

Ayes: (4) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck: Noes: (0) None

Motion Passed / Number 2025-086

10. Discussion and action to approve fee schedule for court-appointed attorney in district court.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 1 Dee Stephens and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 3 Sherman Edwards to approve fee schedule for court-appointed attorney in district court.

Ayes: (5) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck: Noes: (0) None

Motion Passed / Number 2025-087

11. Discussion and action to approve lease agreement for copier for the Dublin Tax Office.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 3 Sherman Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 1 Dee Stephens to approve lease agreement for copier for the Dublin Tax Office.

Ayes: (5) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck: Noes: (0) None

Motion Passed / Number 2025-088

12. Discussion and action to award selected engineering/architectural/surveying service providers for grant pre-application, application and project implementation for Erath County's 2025-2026 Texas Community Development Block Grant Fund Program for Program funded and administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 2 Albert Ray and seconded by County Judge Brandon Huckabee to award Jacob & Martin engineering/architectural/surveying service providers for grant pre-application, application and project implementation for Erath County's 2025-2026 Texas Community Development Block Grant Fund Program for Program funded and administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture.

Ayes: (5) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2025-089

13. Receive and open BID proposals for Mountain Lakes Overlay.

Open BID proposals for Mountain Lakes Overlay. Bids:
DFW Paving LLC - \$81,882.20
HD Cooks Rock Solid, Inc. - \$88,185.00
Elite Asphalt LLC - \$120,894.25

14. Discussion and action to award BID proposal for Mountain Lakes Overlay.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 3 Sherman Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 1 Dee Stephens to award BID proposal for Mountain Lakes Overlay to DFW Paving LLC

Ayes: (4) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2025-090

15. Discussion and action to approve two deputies from the Sheriff's Office to go to the state of Colorado for specialized Animal Cruelty Training.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 1 Dee Stephens and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 3 Sherman Edwards to approve two deputies from the Sheriff's Office to go to the state of Colorado for specialized Animal Cruelty Training.

Ayes: (4) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2025-091

16. Discussion and action to approve the Master Service Agreement and Preliminary Service Agreement between Erath County and McKinstry for the Renovation and Expansion of the Erath County Joint Dispatch and Emergency Operations Center.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 3 Sherman Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 1 Dee Stephens to approve the Master Service Agreement and Preliminary Service Agreement between Erath County and McKinstry for the Renovation and Expansion of the Erath County Joint Dispatch and Emergency Operations Center.

Ayes: (4) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2025-092

17. Discussion and action to approve lease agreement between Erath County and Alec Fambro.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 1 Dee Stephens and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 2 Albert Ray to approve lease agreement between Erath County and Alec Fambro. (NW Tower)

Ayes: (4) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2025-093

18. Discussion and action on reclassification between capital/No-Capital allocating.

Auditor discussed the reclassification between capital/No-Capital allocating.

19. Discussion and action to approve budget adjustments.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 1 Dee Stephens and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 2 Albert Ray to approve budget adjustments.

Ayes: (4) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2025-094

20. Discussion and action to approve invoices presented for regular and recurring payment as presented by the County Auditor and issue order to the County Treasurer to disburse the funds. (K. Reeves)

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 4 Jim Buck and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 3 Sherman Edwards to pay the bills.

Ayes: (4) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2025-095

21. Discussion and action on burn ban.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 2 Albert Ray and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 3 Sherman Edwards enact a burn ban.

Ayes: (4) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2025-096

22. Closed Executive Session in Accordance with the Open Meeting Act, *Tex. Govt. Code 551.071 through 551.086*, to discuss:
- a. Personnel
 - b. Legal Matters
 - c. Real Estate
 - d. Reconvene

MOTION was made by County Judge Brandon Huckabee and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 4 Jim Buck to recess regular session and go into Closed Executive Session in Accordance with the Open Meeting Act, *Tex. Govt. Code 551.071 through 551.086*, to discuss: Legal Matters (9:48 a.m.)

Ayes: (5) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2025-097

MOTION was made by County Judge Brandon Huckabee and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 3 Sherman Edwards to resume regular session (10:00 a.m.)

Ayes: (5) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2025-098

23. Discussion and action on items discussed in closed executive session.

MOTION was made by County Judge Brandon Huckabee and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 1 Dee Stephens to approve our county attorney to respond as requested to our outside auditors. We waive limited client attorney privilege for that.

Ayes: (5) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2025-099

24. Discuss any new business.

New Business:

All Precincts - high winds caused lots of damage to dead trees. Debris is everywhere. They are picking it up as quickly as possible. Hope to have it all picked up by mid-week. Big thank you to county employees and neighbors helping neighbors!

25. Adjourn.

MOTION to Adjourn was made by Commissioner Precinct 4 Jim Buck and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 2 Albert Ray

Ayes: (4) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck: Noes: (0) None; Absent: (0)
Number 2025- 100

Meeting was Adjourned at 10:04 a.m.

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF ERATH

The above and foregoing is a true and complete copy of the minutes taken in my capacity as County Clerk of the Commissioners Court of Erath County, Texas, at the time and place heretofore set forth. DATED at Stephenville, Texas, this 10th day of March, 2025.

ATTESTED BY: GWINDA JONES, Erath County Clerk

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Gwinda Jones", is written over a horizontal line.