



NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S COURT MEETING

Erath County Courthouse
County Courtroom, 100 W. Washington, Stephenville, Texas
Tuesday, October 14, 2025 9:00 AM

MINUTES

On the 14th day of October, 2025 the Honorable Commissioners Court of Erath County, Texas, convened in Regular Session hereof in the County Courtroom of the Erath County Courthouse for the following purport, to wit:

Members Present: Commissioner Precinct 1, Dee Stephens
Commissioner Precinct 2, Albert Ray
Commissioner Precinct 3, Sherman Edwards
Commissioner Precinct 4, Jim Buck
County Judge, Brandon Huckabee

County Clerk, Gwinda Jones

1. Pledge of Allegiance.
County Judge, Brandon Huckabee
2. Invocation
Invocation by Ed Dittfurth
3. Public Comments.
No public comments
4. Land Development
 - a. Discussion and action to approve 6-month extension for Cedar Point RV/Cabin Storage LLC located in PCT 3.
 - b. Discussion and action to approve Final Plat for Lucky Bluff Bess located in PCT 1.

4 a.) No action
4 b.) MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 3 Sherman Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 1 Dee Stephens to approve Final Plat for Lucky Bluff Bess
Ayes: (5) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2025-326
5. Discussion and action to approve resolution for 2026 Indigent Defense Grant Program.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 1 Dee Stephens and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 2 Albert Ray to approve resolution for 2026 Indigent Defense Grant Program.

Ayes: (5) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2025-327

6. Discussion and action to approve right-of-way permit on County Road 163 in PCT 4.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 4 Jim Buck and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 3 Sherman Edwards to approve right-of-way permit on County Road 163

Ayes: (5) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2025-328

7. Discussion and action to approve job description for EMS Assistant Director.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 1 Dee Stephens and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 3 Sherman Edwards to approve job description for EMS Assistant Director.

Ayes: (5) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2025-329

8. Discussion and action to approve Volunteer Fire Department agreements for Bluff Dale, Carlton, Desdemona, Erath, Habin, Hico, Huckabay, Dublin, Lingleville, Lipan, Morgan Mill, Selden, Proctor and Gordon.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 2 Albert Ray and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 4 Jim Buck to approve Volunteer Fire Department agreements for departments in the county or come into the county

Ayes: (0) None: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2025-330

9. Discussion and action to approve the memorandum of understanding for School Resource Officers between the Erath County Sheriff's Office and Bluff Dale ISD, Morgan Mill ISD, Three Way ISD, and White Horse Academy.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 1 Dee Stephens and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 3 Sherman Edwards to approve the memorandum of understanding for School Resource Officers between the Erath County Sheriff's Office and Bluff Dale ISD, Morgan Mill ISD, Three Way ISD, and White Horse Academy.

Ayes: (5) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2025-331

10. Discussion and action to award bid for dispatch consoles for Erath County Joint Dispatch Center.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 3 Sherman Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 4 Jim Buck to award bid for dispatch consoles to Russ Bassett (\$199,638.61)

Ayes: (5) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2025-332

11. Discussion and action to approve an agreement for Social Media Archiving Subscription between CivicPlus and the Sheriff's Office.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 1 Dee Stephens and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 2 Albert Ray to approve an agreement for Social Media Archiving Subscription between CivicPlus and the Sheriff's Office. (\$3,808.01 annually)

Ayes: (5) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2025-333

12. Presentation of Treasurer's Report September 2025.

Treasurer's Report September 2025 present

13. Discussion and action to approve line item transfers.

No line item transfers were presented, but there were some unallocated funds received.

MOTION was made by County Judge Brandon Huckabee and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 3 Sherman Edwards to receive funds as presented.

Ayes: (5) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2025-334

14. 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.

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

Ayes: (5) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2025-335

15. 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 into Closed Executive Session in Accordance with the Open Meeting Act, *Tex. Govt. Code 551.071 through 551.086*, to discuss: Personnel (9:26 a.m.)

Ayes: (5) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2025-336

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 4 Jim Buck and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 3 Sherman Edwards to re-open in regular session (9:39 a.m.)

Ayes: (5) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2025-337

16. Discussion and action on items discussed in executive session.

No action taken in closed session

17. Discussion and action on burn ban.

Continue with burn ban

18. Discuss any new business.

Possible special session next week to approve RFP for insurance

19. Adjourn.

Meeting was Adjourned at 9:41 a.m. by Judge Huckabee

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 14th day of October, 2025.

ATTESTED BY: GWINDA JONES, Erath County Clerk

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