



NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S COURT MEETING

Erath County Courthouse
County Courtroom, 100 W. Washington, Stephenville, Texas
Monday, January 26, 2026 9:00 AM

MINUTES

On the 29th day of January, 2026 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

Gwinda Jones, County Clerk

***Note:** Meeting was originally set for January 26th but due to weather conditions (ice) the meeting was moved to January 29, 2026.

1. Pledge of Allegiance.
County Judge, Brandon Huckabee
2. Invocation
Invocation - David Whiteman
3. Public Comments.
No Public Comments
4. Land Development
 - a. Discussion and action to approve Final Plat for The legends of Comanche Moon Phase 3 & 4.
No action
5. Discussion and action to approve Joint Primary Election Services Contract between Erath County Elections Administrator and the Erath County Democratic Party for March 3, 2026 Primary. *Aprobar el contrato conjunto de servicios para las elecciones primarias entre el Administrador de Elecciones del Condado de Erath y el Partido Demócrata del Condado de Erath para la primaria del 3 de marzo de 2026.*

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 1 Dee Stephens and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 2 Albert Ray to approve Joint Primary Election Services Contract between Erath County Elections Administrator and the Erath County

Democratic Party for March 3, 2026 Primary.

Ayes: (5) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2026-007

6. Discussion and action to approve Joint Primary Election Services Contract between Erath County Elections Administrator and the Erath County Republican Party for March 3, 2026 Primary. *Aprobar el contrato conjunto de servicios para las elecciones primarias entre el Administrador de Elecciones del Condado de Erath y el Partido Republicano del Condado de Erath para la primaria del 3 de marzo de 2026.*

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 1 Dee Stephens and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 2 Albert Ray to approve Joint Primary Election Services Contract between Erath County Elections Administrator and the Erath County Republican Party for March 3, 2026 Primary.

Ayes: (5) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2026-008

7. Discussion and action to approve Joint Resolution and Statistical Information for Joint Primary for March 3, 2026 Election and if necessary Primary Runoff Election. *Aprobar la Resolución Conjunta y la Información Estadística para la Elección Primaria Conjunta del 3 de marzo de 2026 y, si es necesario, la Segunda Vuelta de la Elección Primaria.*

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 1 Dee Stephens and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 2 Albert Ray to approve Joint Resolution and Statistical Information for Joint Primary for March 3, 2026 Election and if necessary Primary Runoff Election.

Ayes: (5) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2026-009

8. Discussion and action to approve Democrat and Republican election judge appointments. *Discusión y acción para aprobar los nombramientos de jueces electorales demócratas y republicanos*

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 3 Sherman Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 4 Jim Buck to approve Democrat and Republican election judge appointments.

Ayes: (5) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2026-010

9. Discussion and action to approve departmental reports for November 2025 and December 2025.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 3 Sherman Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 4 Jim Buck to approve departmental reports for November 2025 and December 2025.

Ayes: (5) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2026-011

10. Discussion and action to approve a resolution forming Erath Somervell County Sub-Regional Planning Commission.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 3 Sherman Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 1 Dee Stephens to approve a resolution forming Erath Somervell County Sub-Regional Planning Commission.

Ayes: (5) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2026-012

11. Discussion and action to go out for bids for Mountain Lakes Overlay.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 4 Jim Buck and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 2 Albert Ray to go out for bids for Mountain Lakes Overlay.

Ayes: (5) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2026-013

12. Discussion and action to allow PCT 1 to clear fence row on County Road 270 for the Golightly Family.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 2 Albert Ray and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 3 Sherman Edwards to allow PCT 1 to clear fence row on County Road 270 for the Golightly Family.

Ayes: (5) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2026-014

13. Discussion and action on disposition of Medic 3 Ambulance.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 3 Sherman Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 1 Dee Stephens to deem Medic 3 Ambulance surplus.

Ayes: (5) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2026-015

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 2026-016

15. Discussion and action to approve budget adjustments.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 3 Sherman Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 4 Jim Buck to approve budget adjustments.

Ayes: (5) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2026-017

16. Discussion and action on burn ban.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 2 Albert Ray and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 1 Dee Stephens to take off burn ban.

Ayes: (5) Dee Stephens, Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2026-018

17. 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

Closed session not needed

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

Closed session not needed

19. Discuss any new business.

Thank you TxDot for how well they did on the roads and thank everyone that had to work out in the weather to keep things running and to keep us safe.

20. Adjourn.

Judge Huckabee adjourned the meeting at 9:36 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 29th day of January, 2026.

ATTESTED BY: GWINDA JONES, Erath County Clerk

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