



NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S COURT MEETING

Erath County Courthouse
County Courtroom, 100 W. Washington, Stephenville, Texas
Monday, March 23, 2026 9:00 AM

MINUTES

On the 23rd day of March, 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 2, Albert Ray
Commissioner Precinct 3, Sherman Edwards
Commissioner Precinct 4, Jim Buck
County Judge, Brandon Huckabee

Members Absent: Commissioner Precinct 1, Dee Stephens

Gwinda Jones, County Clerk

1. Pledge of Allegiance.
County Judge, Brandon Huckabee
2. Invocation
3. Public Comments.
Vincent Parro - Vidio/Audio of meetings needs updated to improve sound and add camera to guest speakers.
JoAnna Friebele - speaking against Agenda Item #18
4. Presentation by Texas Association of Counties on CDL drug testing.
Texas Association of Counties presentation on CDL drug testing.
5. Presentation by Leon Conservation and Development.
Leon Conservation and Development presentation.
6. Land Development
 - a. Discussion and action to approve the replat application filed to revise LOT 17, OF LA SOMBRA ESTATES, AN ADDITION TO ERATH COUNTY TEXAS, replat into LOTS 17A, & 17B LA SOMBRA ESTATES located in pct 2.

b. Discussion and action to approve the replat application filed to revise LOTS 374 AND 375R OF MOUNTAIN LAKES, SECTION TWO, AN ADDITION TO ERATH COUNTY TEXAS, replat into LOT 374R, MOUNTAIN LAKES, SECTION TWO located in pct 3.

6 a.) MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 2 Albert Ray and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 3 Sherman Edwards to approve the replat application filed to revise LOT 17, OF LA SOMBRA ESTATES, AN ADDITION TO ERATH COUNTY TEXAS, replat into LOTS 17A, & 17B LA SOMBRA ESTATES located in pct 2.

Ayes: (4) Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2026-050

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 3 Sherman Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 2 Albert Ray to approve the replat application filed to revise LOTS 374 AND 375R OF MOUNTAIN LAKES, SECTION TWO, AN ADDITION TO ERATH COUNTY TEXAS, replat into LOT 374R, MOUNTAIN LAKES, SECTION TWO located in pct 3.

Ayes: (4) Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2026-051

7. 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: (4) Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2026-052

8. 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: (4) Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2026-053

9. Presentation of February 2026 Treasurer's Report
February 2026 Treasurer's Report presented

10. Discussion and action to approve using the open maintenance position for a custodial position.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 3 Sherman Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 4 Jim Buck to approve using the open maintenance position for a custodial position.

Ayes: (4) Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2026-054

11. Discussion and action to allow PCT 2 to go out for bids on truck shed/carport.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 4 Jim Buck and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 3 Sherman Edwards to allow PCT 2 to go out for bids on truck shed/carport.

Ayes: (4) Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2026-055

12. Discussion and action to allow PCT 2 to go out for bids on pipe fencing.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 4 Jim Buck and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 3 Sherman Edwards to allow PCT 2 to go out for bids on pipe fencing.

Ayes: (4) Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2026-056

13. Discussion and action to participate in the New Nation Opioids Six Remnant Defendants Settlement.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 3 Sherman Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 4 Jim Buck to participate in the New Nation Opioids Six Remnant Defendants Settlement.

Ayes: (4) Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2026-057

14. Discussion and action to adopt a resolution to designate signatories for the 2025 Texas CDBG program, grant agreement number CDV25-0062.

MOTION was made by County Judge Brandon Huckabee and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 2 Albert Ray to adopt a resolution as presented.

Ayes: (4) Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2026-058

15. Discussion and action to adopt a resolution adopting the required CDBG Civil Rights policies.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 3 Sherman Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 4 Jim Buck to adopt a resolution adopting the required CDBG Civil Rights policies.

Ayes: (4) Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2026-059

16. Discussion and action to Proclaim April as Fair Housing Month: This proclamation will help to fulfill Fair Housing activity obligations as required by the grant.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 4 Jim Buck and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 3 Sherman Edwards to Proclaim April as Fair Housing Month

Ayes: (4) Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2026-060

17. Discussion and action to allow Erath County VFD to use the funds budgeted in Equipment - Non-Capital for pagers, to be used for fire truck communications headsets instead.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Precinct 4 Jim Buck and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 3 Sherman Edwards to allow Erath County VFD to use the funds budgeted in Equipment - Non-Capital for pagers, to be used for fire truck communications headsets instead.

Ayes: (4) Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2026-061

18. Discussion and action to allow Erath County to intervene on the Dinosaur Longshore Line.

No Action

19. 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 to discuss Legal Matters (9:40 a.m)

Ayes: (4) Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2026-062

MOTION was made by County Judge Brandon Huckabee and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 4 Jim Buck to reconvene in open session (10:09 a.m.)

Ayes: (4) Albert Ray, Sherman Edwards, Jim Buck, Brandon Huckabee: Noes: (0) None
Motion Passed / Number 2026-063

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

No action taken in executive session.

21. Discussion and action on burn ban.

No action on burn ban.

22. Discuss any new business.

New business:

391 Meeting tomorrow at 2:00 p.m.

Dinosaur Longshore Line information meeting Saturday in Lingleville at 10:00 a.m.

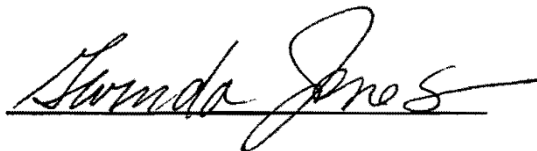
23. Adjourn.

Judge Huckabee adjourned the meeting at 10:19 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 23rd day of March, 2026.

ATTESTED BY: GWINDA JONES, Erath County Clerk

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gwinda Jones", is written over a horizontal line.

