

I, Carol Swize, County Clerk of Karnes County, Texas, do hereby certify that the following Commissioners Court Minutes are a true and correct record of the proceedings from the Commissioners Court Meeting on December 20, 2024.

ATTEST:

Carol Swize
Carol Swize, County Clerk
And Ex-Officio Clerk of the
Commissioners Court of
Karnes County, Texas



KARNES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

REGULAR SESSION - DECEMBER 20, 2024

Commissioners Court met in regular session on Friday, December 20, 2024 at 9:30 AM in the Karnes County Historic Courtroom located at 101 North Panna Maria Avenue, in the city of Karnes City, Texas, with the following members present:

County Judge Wade Hedtke
Commissioner Prct.#2 Benny Lyssy
Commissioner Prct.#3 James Rosales
Commissioner Prct.#4 Wes Gisler

1. Welcome.
Judge Hedtke opened the meeting and welcomed all present.
2. Quorum Present. ☐ Yes ☐ No Absent: _____
☐ Yes ☐ No Absent: Commissioner Prct.#1 Dupnik
3. Opening Prayer.
Judge Hedtke gave the opening prayer.
4. Pledge of Allegiance.
5. Citizens to be heard.
Names: _____
Caroline Korzekwa
Tommy Shockome
6. Acknowledge: Acknowledge and present the continuing education transcript for the reporting period of January 1, 2024-December 31, 2024 of hours received by Tammy Braudaway, Karnes County Tax Assessor-Collector. This is a requirement of this office, and it must be filed annually with Commissioner's Court.
This agenda item was acknowledged.

7. Acknowledge: The annual tax report of taxes collected during the fiscal year 2023-2024 required by tax code Sec. 31.10(b).
This agenda item was acknowledged.
8. Acknowledge: Constable Prct.#2 vehicle exchange with Constable Prct.#4 vehicle.
This agenda item was discussed and the proposed exchange of vehicles was declined.
9. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Executing background investigation reports for Karnes County through "Guardian".
No action taken on the above agenda item.
10. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Authorizing Declaration of Local State of Disaster for Karnes County.
A motion by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#4 Gisler to Approve the above agenda item as presented.
All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 4, No 0, Abstained 0.
11. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Temporarily amending the Karnes County Pay Policy effective Jan. 1, 2025, to allow the Sheriff's Office to pay overtime instead of comp. time.
A motion by Commissioner Prct.#2 Lyssy and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales to Approve the above agenda item as presented.
All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 4, No 0, Abstained 0.
12. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Requesting Sheriff Department Audit for end of office term.
No action taken on the above agenda item.
13. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove the ranking and recommendation of the selection committee for the Construction Manager-at-Risk (CMAR) for the Karnes County EMS - Administration/Training Center project.
A motion by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#2 Lyssy to Approve the recommendation of Weaver & Jacobs Construction.
All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 4, No 0, Abstained 0.
14. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove resolution certifying that all remaining American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds have been committed for expenditure in accordance with federal rules & regulations.
A motion by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#4 Gisler to Approve the above agenda item as presented.
All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 4, No 0, Abstained 0.
15. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove CY 2025 fee schedule for Karnes County EMS
A motion by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#2 Lyssy to Approve the above agenda item as presented.
All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 4, No 0, Abstained 0.
16. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Presentation of FY24 Karnes County Sheriff's Jail Commissary Audit.

A motion by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#2 Lyssy to Approve the above agenda item as presented.

All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 4, No 0, Abstained 0.

17. Consent Agenda

A motion by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#2 Lyssy to Approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 4, No 0, Abstained 0.

A. **Reports:**

- 1) District Clerk
- 2) Elections Dept.
- 3) EMS
- 4) Constable Pct #3
- 5) Constable Pct #4

B. **Budget Amendments:BA-2025-02**

C. **Minutes**

18. Discuss any item(s) from consent agenda to be considered and acted upon.

19. Updates From:

- A. Commissioner Pct. #1
- B. Commissioner Pct. #2
- C. Commissioner Pct. #3
- D. Commissioner Pct. #4

20. Discuss/Acknowledgement of Personnel Changes - reporting by all departments on any changes in respective departments.

21. Payment of bills.

A motion by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#2 Lyssy to Approve the payment of bills as presented.

All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 4, No 0, Abstained 0.

22. Acknowledge the Commissioners Court will meet on **January 14, 2025 at 9:00 AM**, in the Karnes County Historic Courtroom, located at 101 North Panna Maria Avenue, Suite 200, Karnes City, Texas 78118.

23. Adjourn.

A motion by Commissioner Prct.#2 Lyssy and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales to Adjourn.

All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 4, No 0, Abstained 0.