

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 January 28, 2025.

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 - JANUARY 28, 2025

Commissioners Court met in regular session on Tuesday, January 28, 2025 at 9:00 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
Commissioner Pct. #1 David Wiatrek

1. Welcome.
Judge Hedtke opened the meeting and welcomed all present.
2. Quorum Present. ____ Yes ____ No Absent: ____
X Yes ____ No Absent:
3. Opening Prayer.
Judge Hedtke gave the opening prayer.
4. Pledge of Allegiance.
5. Citizens to be heard.
Names: _____
There were none.
6. Acknowledge: Completion of required training for Elected Official-County Commissioner Precinct #1.
7. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Candidate finalist (Alyssa Lyssy) for County Extension Agent for Ag/Natural Resources by Donnie Montemayor, Texas A & M AgriLife Extension Service District 11 Extension Administrator.

A motion by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#4 Gisler to Approve above agenda item as presented.

All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0.

8. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Resolution Opposing elimination of Countywide polling place program, Opposing Elimination of Electronic Pollbooks and Opposing Elimination of Electronic Ballot Marking Devices.

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 5, No 0, Abstained 0.

9. Acknowledge: End of Term Auditors for Sheriff Dwayne Villanueva, Constable Prct.#4 Fernando Rios, County Attorney David Chapman, and Commissioner Prct.#1 Shelby Dupnik.

10. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: 2025 Karnes County Resolution for payment "Non commissioners Court" claims.

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 5, No 0, Abstained 0.

11. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Convene into Executive Session pursuant to Tex. Govt. Code Section 551.074 to discuss Personnel policy compliance procedures.

A motion by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#2 Lyssy to Enter Closed Session at 9:27a.m.

All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0.

The Court reconvened into Open Session at 9.45a.m.

12. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Convene into Executive Session pursuant to Tex. Govt. Code 551.074 to discuss personnel matters related to the County Road & Bridge Engineer.

A motion by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#2 Lyssy to Enter Closed Session at 9:45a.m.

All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0.

Commissioner Gisler did not participate in Closed Session.

The Court reconvened into Open Session at 12:19p.m.

13. Discuss/Take possible action: Action to be taken from Executive Session item #11.
No action taken on the above agenda item.

14. Discuss/Take possible action: Action to be taken from Executive Session item #12.
A motion by Commissioner Prct.#2 Lyssy and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales to place Road & Bridge Engineer Wayne Gisler on a 30-day suspension without pay.

Commissioner Prct.#2 Lyssy, Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales voted aye.

County Judge Hedtke voted no.

Commissioners Wiatrek and Gisler abstained.

Motion carried Yes 2, No 1, Abstained 2.

15. Consent Agenda

**A motion by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#4 Gisler to Approve the Consent Agenda as presented.
All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0.**

A. Reports:

- 1) District Clerk
- 2) Elections Dept.
- 3) EMS

B. Budget Amendments: BA 2025-03; BA 2025-04

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

17. Updates From:

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

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

19. Payment of bills.

**A motion by Commissioner Prct.#4 Gisler and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales to Approve the payment of bills as presented.
All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0.**

20. Acknowledge the Commissioners Court will meet on **February 11, 2025 at 9:00 AM**, in the Karnes County Historic Courtroom, located at 101 North Panna Maria Avenue, Suite 200, Karnes City, Texas 78118.

21. Adjourn.

**A motion by Commissioner Prct.#2 Lyssy and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales to Adjourn.
All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0.**