

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 February 25, 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 - FEBRUARY 25, 2025

Commissioners Court met in regular session on Tuesday, February 25, 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: _____
☒ 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: Accept and Open bids submitted for TDHCA Contract # 1003578. HOME Grant Reconstruction/Assistance of (3) homes within Karnes County.
Two bids were received. 1) RM Quality Construction LLC - Conroe, Texas \$114,500 per house; 2) James W. Turner Construction - Tomball, Texas \$151,240 per house

7. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Contract ceremony signing between Karnes County and VTX Communications. Acknowledging the successful efforts advocating for a critical infrastructure

investment, resulting in the awarding of a BOOT II Grant totaling \$51,073,236.00; for the enhanced broadband connectivity in 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 5, No 0, Abstained 0.

8. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Presentation and approval of FY24 Annual Independent Audit by Armstrong, Vaughan & Associates, P. C.

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: Receipt of donation in the amount of \$1,500.00 from Karnes Electric Cooperative to Karnes County EMS. Funds are to be used at the discretion of the EMS Chief(s).

10. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: 2025-2026 Grant Resolution for the Truancy Prevention Program through the Karnes/Wilson Juvenile Probation Department.

A motion by Commissioner Prct.#4 Gisler 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.

11. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Adopting Local Procurement Policies & Procedures pertaining to the GLO Community Development Block Grant- Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) Method of Distribution (MOD) Program, Infrastructure Contract Number 24-065-115-E928.

A motion by Commissioner Prct.#2 Lyssy 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.

12. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Adopting Local Financial Policy & Procedures pertaining to the GLO Community Development Block Grant-Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) Method of Distribution (MOD) Program, Infrastructure Contract Number 24-065-115-E928.

A motion by Commissioner Prct.#2 Lyssy 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.

13. Acknowledge: Karnes County Sheriff's Office Racial Profiling Report for Year 2024.

14. Discuss/Take possible action: Presentation of United Healthcare audit and make recommendation for final payment to the carrier.

A motion by Commissioner Pct. #1 Wiatrek and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#2 Lyssy to Approve the above agenda item as presented. \$1,433.22 owe to United Healthcare.

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

15. Discuss/Take possible action: Presentation of Employee Gift card audit and make recommendation for use of remaining gift cards.

A motion by Commissioner Pct. #1 Wiatrek and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#2 Lyssy to Approve giving the remaining four employees who did not receive them their cards, redeem the remaining cards for their cash value, use those funds to pay the bill to United

Healthcare, and the rest to be used for employee appreciation.

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

16. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: A-lert Roofing to go over the bid that was submitted for Roof overlay on 210 W. Calvert, Karnes City, Texas 78118.
No action taken; item will be on a future agenda.
17. Consent Agenda
A motion by Commissioner Prct.#4 Gisler and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales to Approve the Consent Agenda as presented.
All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0.
- A. **Reports:**
 - 1) Justice of the Peace Pct #1
 - 2) District Clerk
 - 3) I.T. Dept.
 - 4) EMS
 - 5) Maintenance Dept.
 - 6) VSO
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 5, No 0, Abstained 0.
22. Acknowledge the Commissioners Court will meet on **March 11, 2025 at 9:00 AM**, in the Karnes County Multi-Purpose Room, located at 210 W. Calvert, Suite 150, 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 5, No 0, Abstained 0.