

I, Jamie Leal, 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 August 26, 2025.

ATTEST:

Jamie Leal, County Clerk
And Ex-Officio Clerk of the
Commissioners Court of
Karnes County, Texas



KARNES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

REGULAR SESSION - AUGUST 26, 2025

Commissioners Court met in regular session on Tuesday, August 26, 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: _____
Bob Alexander, Budd Ratliff, Peter & Rose Rakowitz and Sean O'brien.
6. Acknowledge: Results from the August 5, 2025 Tax Sale.
7. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Interlocal agreement for 9-1-1 Public Safety Answering Point Services (PSAP)
A motion by Commissioner Pct. #3 Rosales and seconded by Commissioner Pct. #4 Gisler to approve the agenda item as presented.
All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0.

8. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Declaring a fish aquarium from the Kenedy library as surplus and authorizing its sale at public auction.
A motion by Commissioner Pct. #1 Wiatrek and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales to Approve the agenda item as presented.
All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0.
9. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Consignment agreement between Karnes County and Alamo Auctioneers and designate County Judge as authorized signer.
A motion by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#4 Gisler to Approve the agenda item as presented.
All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 0, No 0, Abstained 0.
10. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Declaring (8) Samsung, (4) LG, (2) Motorola, (1) ZTE, (1) ATT, and (99) Apple cell phones as surplus, authorizing the sale of working units and the disposal of non-functioning units.
A motion by Commissioner Prct.#4 Gisler and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales to Approve the agenda item as presented.
All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0.
11. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) Amendment and supplementary documentation contained therein for the Karnes County EMS Administration & Training Center and allow the County Judge to execute the amendment on behalf of Karnes County. If approved, the date of commencement of work shall be thirty (30) days after the execution of the GMP amendment.
A motion by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales and seconded by Commissioner Pct. #1 Wiatrek to Approve the agenda item as presented.
Motion carried Yes 4, No 1 (Commissioner Pct.2 Lyssy) , Abstained 0.
12. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Payout of any overtime balances as of August 31st 2025. Amount to be approved on September 9th meeting. Payout date of September 26th payroll.
A motion by Commissioner Prct.#4 Gisler and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales to Approve the agenda item as presented.
All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 0, No 0, Abstained 0.
13. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Transferring 1984 Bobcat 863 PIN# (Product Identification Number) 5026-M-20359 non working condition to surplus.
A motion by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales and seconded by Commissioner Pct. #1 Wiatrek to Approve the agenda item as presented.
All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0.
14. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Entering into a Memorandum of Agreement with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (Warrant Service Officer Program 287g).
A motion by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales and seconded by Commissioner Pct. #1 Wiatrek to Approve the agenda item as presented.
All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0.
15. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Updated Mutual Assistance Agreement between Karnes County Detention Facility and Karnes County Sheriff's Office.

A motion by Commissioner Prct.#4 Gisler and seconded by Commissioner Pct. #1 Wiatrek to Approve the agenda item as presented.

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

16. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Memorandum of Understanding Sexual Assault Abuse Prevention and Intervention (SAAPI) Reporting Hotline, between Karnes County Detention Facility and Karnes County Sheriff's Office.

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

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

17. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove:: Authorizing the Sheriff to regulate on-call wrecker services for Karnes County to include a Service Agreement, Rules and Regulations, along with allowable charges, for crashes, non-consent arrest, impoundments, and non-accident tows. Along with the submitted 2025 updated wrecker service agreement.

A motion by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales and seconded by Commissioner Pct. #1 Wiatrek to Approve the agenda item as presented.

Motion carried Yes 3, No 2 (Commissioner Pct. #2 Lyssy and Commissioner Pct.# 4 Gisler), Abstained 0.

18. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Convene into executive session pursuant to Texas Gov. Code section 551.071 to consult with County Attorney.

The court took no action.

19. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: To retain attorney Jeff Chapman and the Chapman Law Firm as outside counsel for the purpose of construction related contract review and negotiation; legal advice; risk assessment; and document preparation.

This item was tabled to the next meeting.

20. Acknowledge: The 81st & 218th Judicial District CSCD (Adult Probation) proposed budget meeting for the FY 26-27 biennium is being filed with a Commissioner's Court within the CSCD's Judicial District-Karnes County, in accordance with Local Government Code, Section 140.004. Final year requirement, District Judge(2) approval of the CSCD's Biennium budgets. A meeting will be held on 8-22-25 at 11:00 AM in the Frio County District Courtroom (500 E Can Antonio Street, Pearsall, Tx) to finalize and approve the CSCD's FY 26-27 Budget.

21. 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) I.T. Dept.
- 3) EMS
- 4) Constable Pct #1

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

23. Updates From:
- A. Commissioner Pct. #1
 - B. Commissioner Pct. #2
 - C. Commissioner Pct. #3
 - D. Commissioner Pct. #4
24. Discuss/Acknowledgement of Personnel Changes - reporting by all departments on any changes in respective departments.
25. Payment of bills.
A motion by Commissioner Prct.#4 Gisler 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.
26. Acknowledge the Commissioners Court will meet on **September 9, 2025 at 9:00 AM**, in the Karnes County Historic Courtroom, located at 101 North Panna Maria Avenue, Suite 200, Karnes City, Texas 78118.
27. Acknowledge the Commissioners Court will hold a **Public Hearing/Public Meeting/Special Meeting on September 9, 2025 at 6:00 pm** in the Karnes County Historic Courtroom, located at 101 North Panna Maria Avenue, Suite 200, Karnes City, Texas 78118.
28. 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.