

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 December 23, 2025.

ATTEST:



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



KARNES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

REGULAR SESSION - DECEMBER 23, 2025

Commissioners Court met in regular session on Tuesday, December 23, 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 Pct. #1 David Wiatrek
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: ____
X Yes ____ No Absent:

3. Opening Prayer.

Judge Hedtke gave the opening prayer.

4. Pledge of Allegiance.

5. Citizens to be heard.

Names: _____
Bryan Camber

6. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Adopting a Resolution for the Karnes County Appraisal District Board of nomination.
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.

7. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Election Ballot Vote designation for the Texas Association of Counties Health and Employee Benefits Pool Board of Directors.
A motion by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#4 Gisler to approve voting for the five positions.
All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0.
8. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Extending current Burn Ban for an additional 90 days.
A motion by Commissioner Prct.#2 Lyssy and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales to approve the agenda item as presented.
Commissioner Prct.#2 Lyssy, Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales, Commissioner Prct.#4 Gisler and Judge Hedtke voted aye.
Commissioner Prct.#1 Wiatrek voted no.
Motion carried Yes 4, No 1, Abstained 0.
9. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Request by the Karnes County HR Director to approve a budget amendment to move the \$1,000 donation from Mr. John Banks of Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins & Mott LLP that was acknowledged by Court on November 25, 2025, and receipted to GL 100-380-1001 (receipt # R00055486) to GL 100-409-4885, Employee Appreciation Expense, for use in paying expenses associated with the Karnes County Employee Luncheon.
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 5, No 0, Abstained 0.
10. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Proposed EMS fee schedule for calendar year 2026.
A motion by Commissioner Prct.#4 Gisler and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales to approve agenda item as presented.
All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0.
11. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Approve and Appoint "Randy Deming" to the Karnes County Emergency Services District #1 Board of Directors.
A motion by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#4 Gisler to approve agenda item as presented.
All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0.
12. Acknowledge: Add Reserve Constable Jose L. Guerrero as a reserve Constable for Pct.1. Jose Guerrero has over 15 years of Constable duty.
The agenda item is acknowledged.
13. Discuss/Take possible action: How to utilize for county purposes or dispose of 2014 Chevrolet Tahoe, VIN# 1GNLC2E05ER200357.
A motion by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#2 Lyssy to approve to utilize the 2014 Chevy Tahoe, and for Commissioner Wiatrek to purchase minimum parts to be put into the truck to be taken out of contingency funds.
All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0.
14. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Designate Lupe Snyder as the alternate TCEQ Designated Representative (DR) for Karnes County.

A motion by Commissioner Pct. #1 Wiatrek and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#2 Lyssy to Approve agenda item as presented.

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

15. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Rental service agreement with Southpoint Rentals to provide portable toilet for KCRB Karnes City shop facility.
A motion by Commissioner Pct. #1 Wiatrek and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#2 Lyssy to approve agenda item as presented.
All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0.
16. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Recommendation by Precinct 4 Commissioner to approve contract with DRG Architects to design and perform construction phase services for the Precinct 4 Service Center and to authorize appropriate County Officials to take necessary actions to execute the approved contract.
A motion by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#4 Gisler to approve agenda item as presented.
All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0.
17. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Authorized signers for each Fund 500 - Capital Outlay line item (attached) regarding invoices and work authorization as deemed necessary for the projects.
A motion by Commissioner Prct.#4 Gisler and seconded by Commissioner Pct. #1 Wiatrek to approve changes and additions to authorized signatures for each fund 500-Capital Outlay line item as attached regarding invoices and work authorizations as deemed necessary for the projects.
All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0.

500-500-5703 Annex Repairs - Rene Montalvo

500-500-5704 Archive Court Records Bldg- Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales

500-500-5705 Audio Upgrades- Jimmy Lopez

500-500-5706 C.A.D System- Sheriff Bailey

500-500-5707 EMS Unit -Casey Ebrom

500-500-5708 Gillette EMS Station- Commisisoner Prct.#3 Rosales,Casey Ebrom

500-500-5709 Jail Facility Equipment Sheriff Bailey

500-500-5710 Runge EMS Station- Commissioner Prct.#3 Gisler, Casey Ebrom

500-500-5731 Jail Facility Improvements- Sheriff Bailey

500-500-5732 Security Upgrades- Jimmy Lopez, Rene Montalvo

500-500-5768 Precinct 2 Office Furnings- JP #2 Korzekwa, Commissioner Prct.2 Lyssy

500-500-5769 Precinct 2 Service Center-JP #2 Korzekwa, Commissioner Prct.2 Lyssy

500-500-5770 Precinct 4 Service Center- JP#4 Sotelo, Commissioner Prct.#4 Gisler

500-500-5771 EMS Training Facility- Casey Ebrom, Commissioner Prct.#1 Wiatrek

18. Acknowledge: The annual tax report of taxes collected during the fiscal year 2024-2025 required by tax code 31.10.
Agenda item was acknowledged.
19. Acknowledge: Acknowledge and present the continuing education transcript for the reporting period of January 1, 2025-December 31, 2025 of hours received by Tammy Braudaway, Karnes

County Tax Assessor-Collector according to Tax Code 6.231. This is a requirement of this office and it must be filed annually with commissioners court.

The agenda item was acknowledged.

20. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Budget amendment for Fund 197, Operation Lone Star.
A motion by Commissioner Prct.#4 Gisler 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.
21. Acknowledge: The donation of 30 bleeding control kits from Devon Energy to the Karnes County Sheriff's Office.
The agenda was acknowledged.
22. Acknowledge: Establishment of new inmate trust fund account with Falls City National Bank for purposes included in Correct Commissary Contract approved in Commissioners Court on October 14, 2025.
The agenda item was acknowledged.
23. Acknowledge: Opening of Karnes County Sheriff's Office & Jail Addition Request for Qualifications received as stated in "Request for Qualifications" (RFQ).
The agenda item was acknowledged.
 - 1) Brinkley Srgt. Gen Tech Arch.
 - 2) DRG San Antonio
 - 3) Burns Arch.-Galveston
 - 4) IM Studios LLC Arch.- San Antonio
24. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Reject the sole bid for the Karnes County Sheriff's Office & Jail HVAC Replacement from "Brandt" due to lack of quality workmanship in previous job done at the Karnes County Sheriff's Office.
A motion by Commissioner Pct. #1 Wiatrek 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.
25. Discuss/Take possible action: Initiate new request for proposal process for Karnes County Sheriff's Office & Jail HVAC replacement.
A motion by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#4 Gisler to approve agenda item as presented.
All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0
26. Consent Agenda
A motion by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales and seconded by Commissioner Pct. #1 Wiatrek 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) Justice of the Peace Pct #2
- 3) Justice of the Peace Pct #4
- 4) District Clerk
- 5) EMS
- 6) Constable Pct #4
- 7) TxDMV
27. Discuss any item(s) from consent agenda to be considered and acted upon.
28. Updates From:
 - A. Commissioner Pct. #1
 - B. Commissioner Pct. #2
 - C. Commissioner Pct. #3
 - D. Commissioner Pct. #4
29. Reports From:
 - A. Tax Assessor/Collector
30. Discuss/Acknowledgement of Personnel Changes - reporting by all departments on any changes in respective departments.
31. Payment of bills.
A motion by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#4 Gisler to approve the payment of bills as presented.
All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0.
32. Acknowledge the Commissioners Court will meet on **January 13, 2026 at 9:00 AM**, in the Karnes County Multi-Purpose Room, located at 210 W. Calvert, Suite 150, Karnes City, Texas 78118.
The agenda item is acknowledged.
33. 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.