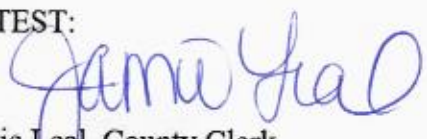


I, Jamie Leal, County Clerk of Karnes County, Texas, do hereby certify that the following Commissioners Court Minutes are a true and correct record of the proceedings from the Commissioners Court Meeting on January 13, 2026.

ATTEST:


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



KARNES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

REGULAR SESSION - JANUARY 13, 2026

Commissioners Court met in regular session on Tuesday, January 13, 2026 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 Pct.#2 Benny Lyssy
Commissioner Pct.#4 Wes Gisler

Agenda

1. Welcome.

Judge Hedtke opened the meeting and welcomed all present.

2. Quorum Present. ____ Yes ____ No Absent: ____
X Yes ____ No Absent: Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales

3. Opening Prayer.

Judge Hedtke gave the opening prayer.

4. Pledge of Allegiance.

5. Citizens to be heard.

Names: _____
Vi Swierc and Caroline Korzekwa

6. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Request by the Karnes County HR Director to approve a budget amendment moving \$1,400.00 from the Contingency Fund, GL 100-409-4997, to the County Judge's Bond expense, GL 100-400-4800. Senate Bill 387 went into effect on September 1, 2025, requiring that the County Judge's bond increase from \$100,000 to \$500,000. The cost of the Bond increase was not received until after the Budget was approved for FY 2026.

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 4, No 0, Abstained 0.

7. Acknowledge: Official Bond and Oath Received for David Wiatrek, Commissioner Pct 1; James Rosales, Commissioner Pct 3; Wesley Gisler, Commissioner Pct 4; Steven Bailey, Sheriff; Roel Salas, Constable Pct 1; David Kunschik, Constable Pct 3; John Brynelsen, Constable Pct 4; Tammy Braudaway, Tax Assessor/Collector
The agenda item is acknowledged.
8. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Karnes County and Wilson County Cares regarding Homebound Meals Program Support.
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 4, No 0, Abstained 0.
9. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Proposed budget for American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) surplus and if approved, allow for budget amendment to FY 26 expense GL Code 795-750-5720. Surplus funds are a result of earned interest on unused fund balance and are not subject to program restrictions.
A motion by Commissioner Pct. #1 Wiatrek and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#4 Gisler to approve the agenda item as presented. .
All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 4, No 0, Abstained 0.
10. 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 EMS Satellite Facility and to authorize appropriate County officials to take necessary actions to execute the approved contract.
A motion by Commissioner Prct.#4 Gisler and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#2 Lyssy to approve the agenda item as presented. .
Voted aye. Motion carried Yes 3, (Commissioner Prct.# 4 Gisler, Commissioner Prct #2 Lyssy and Judge Wade Hedtke)
No 0,
Abstained 1 (Commissioner Prct.# 1 Wiatrek)
11. Discuss/Take possible action: Pursuant to Tex. Gov. Code 551.071 consultation with Attorney for advice regarding pending or contemplated litigation or settlement offers in the matter of a notice of claim submitted by Law Office of David Rodriguez. Re: C & C Construction.
County Attorney Jennifer Tapia convened into executive session at 9:30 a.m.
Reconvened 10:21 a.m.
No action was taken.
12. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: 2026 Karnes County Resolution for "Non-Commissioners Court" claims.
A motion by Commissioner Pct. #1 Wiatrek and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#4 Gisler to approve the agenda item as presented. .
All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 4, No 0, Abstained 0.

13. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: State of Texas Commercial Card Contract and authorize implementation and administration of said program to the County Auditor'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 0, No 0, Abstained 0.
14. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Adopting Karnes County Credit Card Policy.
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 4, No 0, Abstained 0.
15. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: 2025-2026 Grant Resolution for the Truancy Prevention Program through the Karnes/Wilson Juvenile Probation Department.
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 4, No 0, Abstained 0.
16. Consent Agenda
A motion by Commissioner Prct.#4 Gisler and seconded by Commissioner Pct. #1 Wiatrek to approve the consent agenda as presented.
All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 4, No 0, Abstained 0.
- A. **Reports:**
 - 1) Justice of the Peace Pct #1
 - 2) Justice of the Peace Pct #3
 - 3) Justice of the Peace Pct #4
 - 4) Maintenance Dept.
 - 5) Sheriff's Dept.
 - 6) Constable Pct #1
 - 7) Constable Pct #3
 - 8) **Budget Amendments: BA 2026-05**
17. Discuss any item(s) from consent agenda to be considered and acted upon.
18. Updates From:
Judge Wade Hedtke
 - A. Commissioner Pct. #1
 - B. Commissioner Pct. #2
 - C. Commissioner Pct. #3
 - D. Commissioner Pct. #4
19. Reports From:
 - A. Auditor
 - B. Treasurer
20. Discuss/Action regarding Treasurer's Report

A motion by Commissioner Pct. #1 Wiatrek and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#2 Lyssy to approve the Treasurers Report as presented.
All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 4, No 0, Abstained 0.

21. Discuss/Acknowledgement of Personnel Changes - reporting by all departments on any changes in respective departments.
The agenda item is acknowledged.
22. Payment of bills.
A motion by Commissioner Prct.#2 Lyssy and seconded by Commissioner Pct. #1 Wiatrek to approve the payment of bills as presented.
All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 4, No 0, Abstained 0.
23. Acknowledge the Commissioners Court will meet on **January 27, 2026 at 9:00 AM**, in the Karnes County Historic Courtroom, located at 101 North Panna Maria Avenue, Suite 200, Karnes City, Texas 78118.
The agenda item is acknowledged.
24. Adjourn.
A motion by Commissioner Prct.#2 Lyssy and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#4 Gisler to adjourn.
All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 4, No 0, Abstained 0.