

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 May 12, 2026.

ATTEST:

Jamie Leal

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



KARNES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

REGULAR SESSION - MAY 12, 2026

Commissioners Court met in regular session on Tuesday, May 12, 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.#3 James Rosales
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:

3. Opening Prayer.

Judge Hedtke gave the opening prayer.

4. Pledge of Allegiance.

5. Citizens to be heard.

Names: _____
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6. Acknowledge: Mental Health Awareness month in May presented by Camino Real.
The agenda item is acknowledged.

7. Acknowledge: Community Council of South Central Texas Proclamation for May 2026.
The agenda item is acknowledged.

8. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Budget Amendment to Falls City Public Library in the amount of \$6,000.00 from Unreserved Fund Balance 250-271-2751 with \$3,000.00 going to Books 250-651-5900 and \$3,000.00 going to Programming 250-651-4222. The purpose of this amendment is to provide more programming for our Summer Reading Program and continue to provide new books for our patrons.
A motion by Commissioner Prct.#2 Lyssy and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales to approve the budget amendment to Falls City Public Library in the amount of \$6,000.00 from unreserved fund balance 250-271-2751 with \$3,000.00 going to Books 250-651-5900 and \$3,000.00 going to programming 250-651-4222. The purpose of this amendment is to provide more programming for our Summer Reading Program and continue to provide new books for patrons.
All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 4, No 1(Commissioner Prct.#1 Wiatrek), Abstained 0.
9. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between El Oso Water Supply Corporation and Karnes County for the Texas Department of Agriculture 2025/2026 Texas Community Block Grant application and contract, if awarded.
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.
10. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: TAC Board of Directors health/employee benefits pool Special Election Ballot. Only 1 choice to approve for or against for a 3 year term (2025/2027).
A motion by Commissioner Pct. #1 Wiatrek and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales to approve TAC Board of Directors health/employee benefits pool Special Election Ballot selecting the Honorable John Gothia for the position.
All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0.
11. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Magnolia Oil and Gas Operating, LLC; Division Orders reviewed and advised with proposed revisions by Co. Attorney Tapia to present before Commissioners Court.
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.
12. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Updated Rules of Procedure, Conduct and Decorum 2026 with current Commissioners Court Members. Approved & updated by Co. Attorney Tapia.
This item was tabled to the next meeting.
13. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Entering an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Kenedy for financial assistance, to install a traffic signal on US 181, near Freeny Drive in Kenedy, Texas.
This item was tabled to the next meeting.
14. Acknowledge: Proclamation declaring May 17 through May 23, 2026, as Emergency Medical Services Week.
The agenda item is acknowledged.
15. Discuss/Take possible action: To declare (13) computer monitors, (16) desktop computers, (6) printers, and (2) copiers as surplus and authorize their disposal.

A motion by Commissioner Pct. #1 Wiatrek and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales to declare (13) computer monitors, (16) desktop computers, (6) printers, and (2) copiers as surplus and authorize the IT department to recycle them.

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

16. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Falls City ISD Memorandum of Understanding for one (1) Full-time School Resource Officer, and one (1) Part-time School Resource Officer.

A motion by Commissioner Prct.#2 Lyssy 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.

17. Acknowledge: County Attorney's end of term audit- June 13, 2024 update.

The agenda item is acknowledged.

Missing laptop found.

18. Consent Agenda

A motion by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#2 Lyssy 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 #2
- 2) Justice of the Peace Pct #3
- 3) Justice of the Peace Pct #4
- 4) Sheriff's Dept.
- 5) Constable Pct #1

- 6) TxDMV

B. AES

**B. Budget Amendments: 2026-10
should be Budget Amendment 2026-14**

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

20. Updates From:

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

21. Reports From:

- A. Auditor
- B. Treasurer

22. Discuss/Action regarding Treasurer's Report

A motion by Commissioner Prct.#3 Rosales and seconded by Commissioner Prct.#2 Lyssy to approve the Treasurers Report as presented.
All voted aye. Motion carried Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0.

23. Discuss/Acknowledgement of Personnel Changes - reporting by all departments on any changes in respective departments.
The agenda item is acknowledged.
24. 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.
25. Acknowledge the Commissioners Court will meet on **May 26, 2026 at 9:00 AM**, in the Karnes County Jail Courtroom, located at 500 E. Wall St., Karnes City, Texas 78118.
The agenda item is acknowledged.
26. 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.