

Franklin County Commissioners Court
Commissioner Court Minutes
Regular Session
October 27, 2025

The Franklin County Commissioners Court met in a Regular Session on October 27, 2025, at 9:00 AM in the Commissioners' Courtroom at the Franklin County Courthouse located at 200 North Kaufman Street, Mount Vernon, Texas.

Members present:	Scott Lee	County Judge
	Sandy Cash	Commissioner Precinct 1
	Toby Godfrey	Commissioner Precinct 2
	Scott Newsome	Commissioner Precinct 3
	Scott Smith	Commissioner Precinct 4
	Brook Bussell	County Clerk

VISITORS: Ruth Greene, Carla Fox, Kathy Boren, Gary Boren, Yesi Valenzuela Castro, Lisa Lawrence, Mike Millender, Mary McLennan, Tina Jaggars, Paris Tillery, Marla White, Beth Hedges, Ricky Jones, Robert Zinn, G.W. Sharp, Max Cannaday, Blake Sheffield, and Landon Ramsay.

Judge Lee called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. Commissioner Smith offered prayer. The Pledges of Allegiance to the American flag and the Texas flag were recited.

Public Comments: None

Agenda Item 1 – CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 13, 2025 REGULAR SESSION – COUNTY CLERK – Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner Godfrey seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Agenda Item 2 – AUDIT CLAIMS AGAINST THE COUNTY AND AUTHORIZE THEIR PAYMENTS – COUNTY TREASURER – The total amount submitted for approval is \$375,411.51. Commissioner Godfrey made a motion to approve payment of the claims against the county as presented, and Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit 10/27/2025 – A

Agenda Item 3 – CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE THE ROAD USE AGREEMENT FOR PRECINCT 2 WITH INCENDIUM – PRECINCT 2 COMMISSIONER Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the Road Use Agreement with Incendium Resources. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Newsome. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit 10/27/2025 – B

Agenda Item 4 – CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF MT. VERNON FOR THE MT. VERNON FIRE DEPARTMENT – COUNTY JUDGE – Commissioner Cash made a motion to approve the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for Fire Protective Services with the City of Mount Vernon. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit 10/27/2025 – C

Agenda Item 5 – CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE TAC HEALTH AND EMPLOYEE BENEFITS POOL BILLING AND PAYMENT POLICIES ACKNOWLEDGMENT FORM FOR WRITE OFF OF PAST DUE BALANCE

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the TAC Health and Employee Benefits Pool Billing and Payment Policies Acknowledgment Form for the write-off of the past due balance. Commissioner Godfrey seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit 10/27/2025 – D

Agenda Item 6 – CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE ALLPAID CUSTOMER APPLICATION AND BANKING WORKSHEET TO ALLOW THE JUSTICE OF THE PEACE OFFICE TO ACCEPT DIRECT DEPOSITS –

Commissioner Godfrey made a motion to approve the AllPaid Customer Application and Banking Worksheet allowing the Justice of the Peace office to accept direct deposits. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Newsome. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit 10/27/2025 – E

Agenda Item 7 – CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASING 2022 XCMG PACKER FOR PRECINCT 3 – COMMISSIONER PCT 3 –

Commissioner Godfrey made a motion to approve the purchase of the 2022 XCMG Packer for the amount of \$56,500. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit 10/27/2025 – F

Agenda Item 8 – RECORD CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION SERVICES SECURITY AND PRIVACY TRAINING CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION FOR CLINT BAIN –

The Criminal Justice Information Services Security and Privacy Training Certificate of Completion for Clint Bain was recorded as presented.

See Exhibit 10/27/2025 – G

Agenda Item 9 – RECORD THE VOTE CENTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE BY-LAWS – ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR –

The Bylaws of the Franklin County Vote Center Advisory Committee (VCAC) were recorded as presented.

See Exhibit 10/27/2025 – H

Agenda Item 10 – RECORD THE MINUTES FOR THE OCTOBER 17, 2025 VOTE CENTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING – ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR –

The minutes of the October 17, 2025 meeting of the Franklin County Vote Center Advisory Committee were recorded as presented.

See Exhibit 10/27/2025 – I

Discussion:

- Tina Jagers invited the Court and public to the grand opening of the PAWS Animal Shelter on Wednesday, November 5, 2025. She also presented a brief update about the shelter.
- Commissioner Cash inquired about the Court issuing a proclamation for Veterans Day.
- Sheriff Jones informed the Court there will be a program at MVISD on Tuesday, October 28, 2025, about trafficking, AI, and online and cell phone safety. Commissioner Cash also commented about this, and Librarian Lisa Lawrence recommended reading the book "Culpability" by Bruce Holsinger.

Agenda Item 11 - ADJOURN - Commissioner Newsome made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Commissioner Godfrey seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:17 AM.

I, Brook Bussell, County Clerk, certify that this is an accurate accounting of the proceedings of the Commissioners Court Regular Session on October 27, 2025.

Witnessed and recorded this 5th day of November, 2025.

Brook Bussell, County Clerk