JONES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 11, 2025 - 9:00 AM

The Commissioner's Court of Jones County, Texas, met this day in regular session with the following members present: Dale Spurgin, County Judge, presiding; Roy Spalding, Commissioner Precinct 1; Lonnie Vivian, Commissioner Precinct 2; Danny Collett, Commissioner Precinct 3; Joel Spraberry, Commissioner Precinct 4; and LeeAnn Jennings, Jones County Clerk.

- 1. APPROVE MINUTES OF THE LAST REGULAR MEETING.
 - Commissioner Spalding entered a motion to approve the minutes of the July 28, 2025 regular meeting as presented. Commissioner Vivian seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye.
- 2. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON DISASTER DECLARATION FOR DR 4416 AND ALL ITEMS RELATED REGARDING FEMA AND TDEM FORMS AND REQUIREMENTS.

 No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.
- 3. **DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON HAULING AND MATERIAL BIDS.**No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.
- **4. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON EQUIPMENT PURCHASE.** No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.
- 5. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON LANCIUM LLC AND LEARN OF THE POTENTIAL FOR ONE OR MORE DATA CENTERS TO BE ESTABLISHED IN JONES COUNTY. Commissioners Court went into executive session at 9:03 AM and reconvened at 10:12 AM. No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.
- **6. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON JONES CITY SOLAR ROAD USE AGREEMENT.** No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.
- 7. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON ROAD IMPROVEMENT AND CROSSING AGREEMENT BETWEEN JONES COUNTY, TEXAS AND LONE STAR TRANSMISSION, LLC. No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.
- 8. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON ANSON SOLAR CENTER 2 EASEMENT AGREEMENTS FOR CULVERT PROJECTS. No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.
- 9. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON VACA DEL SOL AND FUNSTON SOLAR PROJECTS No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.
- **10. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON CYBERSECURITY TRAINING.**No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.
- 11. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON ASBESTOS REMOVAL AGREEMENT WITH AML. No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.
- 12. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON ASBESTOS REMOVAL MONITORING AGREEMENT WITH ENPROTEC HIBBS & TODD. Commissioner Spalding entered a motion to accept the air monitoring sampling results of the asbestos abatement from Enprotec Hibbs & Todd. Commissioner Vivian seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye. See Exhibit A.
- 13. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON APPLYING FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION (EDA) DISASTER GRANT.

No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.

14. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON SETTING A SPEED LIMIT ON CR 364.

Commissioner Vivian entered a motion to rescind the motion to advertise for a speed limit of 35 mph to be set on CR 364 from CR 385 to Highway 277. Commissioner Spalding seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye.

15. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON REQUEST FOR SPEED LIMIT ON CR 360.

No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.

16. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON BURN BAN.

No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.

17. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON WHEAT ROW SUBDIVISION SECTION 1.

No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.

- 18. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON TO ORDER A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 4, 2025. Commissioner Spalding entered a motion to order a special election for voting on the Constitutional Amendments to be held on November 4, 2025. Commissioner Spraberry seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye. See Exhibit B.
- 19. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON A JOINT ELECTION CONTRACT WITH MERKEL ISD FOR AN ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 4, 2025. Commissioner Vivian entered a motion to approve a joint election contract with Merkel ISD for an election to be held on November 4, 2025. Commissioner Collett seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye. See Exhibit C.
- 20. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON SETTING TXDMV OPTIONAL FEES.

Judge Spurgin entered a motion to enter no changes to the TXDMV optional fees.

Commissioner Spalding seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye. See Exhibit D.

21. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON COURTHOUSE PLUMBING REPAIRS.

No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.

- 22. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION REGARDING SETTLEMENT TERMS WITH (1) PURDUE (AND CERTAIN OF ITS AFFILIATES) AND THE SACKLER FAMILY, AND (2) SANDOZ, INC (SANDOZ SUBDIVISION SETTLEMENT), AND (3) ALVOGEN AMNEAL, APOTEL, HIKMA, INDIVIOR, MYLAN, SUN, AND ZYDUS ("ALVOGEN"), AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE OR OTHER AUTHORIZED OFFICIALS/REPRESENTATIVES TO EXECUTE THE SETTLEMENT PARTICIPATION AND RELEASE FORMS REGARDING SETTLEMENTS IN THE MATTER OF OPIOD MULTI-DISTRICT LITIGATION FOR THE COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF IN RE: NATIONAL PRESCRIPTION OPIATE LITIGATION, MDL NO. 1:17-MD-02804. Commissioner Spalding entered a motion to execute settlement participation and release forms regarding settlements in the matter of opiod multi-district litigation for the county. Commissioner Vivian seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye. See Exhibit E.
- 23. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON ORDERING AN ELECTION FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF PUBLIC ROADS TAX AND FARM TO MARKET OR FLOOD CONTROL TAX.

 No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.
- **24. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON NO NEW REVENUE RATE AND VOTER APPROVAL RATE.** No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.
- 25. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON CALENDAR FOR APPROVAL OF TAX RATE AND BUDGET. No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.

26. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON THE 2025 CERTIFIED TAX ROLL.

No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.

27. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON 2026 BUDGET WORKSHOP.

Commissioner Vivian entered a motion to set the proposed 2026 budget. Commissioner Spraberry seconded the motion. Judge Spurgin polled the Court. Commissioner Spalding voted aye. Commissioner Vivian voted aye. Commissioner Collett voted aye. Commissioner Spraberry voted aye. Judge Spurgin voted aye. See Exhibit F.

Commissioner Spraberry entered a motion to set the proposed 2025 tax rate at the voter approval rate of maintenance and operation of 0.504240, interest in sinking of 0.032053 for a total tax rate of 0.536293. Commissioner Vivian seconded the motion. Judge Spurgin polled the Court. Commissioner Spalding voted aye. Commissioner Vivian voted aye. Commissioner Collett voted aye. Commissioner Spraberry voted aye. Judge Spurgin voted aye.

28. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON 2026 PROPOSED BUDGET AND 2025 TAX RATE. Commissioner Spalding entered a motion to advertise for a public hearing to be held September 8, 2025 at 9 AM on the 2026 proposed budget and 2025 tax rate. Commissioner Collett seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye. See Exhibit G.

29. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON TREASURER'S REPORT.

Commissioner Vivian entered a motion to approve the Treasurer's report as presented.

Commissioner Spalding seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye. See Exhibit H.

30. AMEND BUDGET AND APPROVE LINE ITEM TRANSFERS.

Commissioner Vivian entered a motion to amend the budget and approve line-item transfers.

Commissioner Spalding seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye. See Exhibit I.

31. PAY BILLS.

Commissioner Vivian entered a motion to pay the bills as presented by the Auditor. Commissioner Collett seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

The Extension Office submitted an office agenda for the Court to review. See Exhibit J.

ADJOURN

Commissioner Vivian entered a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Collett seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye.

Attest:

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Commissioner Precinct 2

Commissioner Precinct 4

Commissioner Precinct 1

Commissioner Precinct 3

LeeAnn Jennings, County Clerk

& Clerk of the Court