

MINUTES

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on February 2, 2026, Commissioners Court of Galveston County, Texas, met at a regular meeting with the following present:

Mark Henry, County Judge

Darrell A. Apffel, Commissioner Precinct 1

Joe Giusti, Commissioner Precinct 2

Hank Dugie, Commissioner Precinct 3

Robin Armstrong, MD, Commissioner Precinct 4

Dwight D. Sullivan, County Clerk

CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order by Judge Henry at 9:30 A.M. at the Galveston County Courthouse.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Giusti led the Court in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Invocation was given by Commissioner Armstrong.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

CONSENT AGENDA

Submitted by the Auditor's Office:

- *1. Approval of the accounts payable checks dated 2/2/2026

Attachments: [1](#)

- *2. Order for payroll ending 1/28/2026 bi-weekly #3

Attachments: [2](#)

- *3. Order for supplemental payroll period ending 1/28/2026 bi-weekly #3

- *4. Early check release dated 1/6/2026 to Lucas Construction Company Inc., check number EFT-0044660

Attachments: [4](#)

- *5. Early check release dated 1/9/2026 to John Herrmann, check number AP00484775

Attachments: [5](#)

*6. Early check release dated 1/9/2026 to Texas Association of Counties, check number PA00348783

Attachments: [6](#)

*7. Early check release dated 1/14/2026 to Texas Association of Counties, check number PA00348788

Attachments: [7](#)

*8. Internal audit report of the Countywide Fuel Usage Audit for period of 10/1/2024 - 9/30/2025 with response letter from Zachary Smith, County Road Administrator, dated 1/14/2026

Attachments: [CC Agenda Packet 02.02.2026 Countywide Fuel Usage](#)

*9. Internal audit report of Justice of the Peace, Precinct 4 for period of 12/1/2024 - 11/30/2025 with response letter from Honorable Kathleen McCumber, dated 1/7/2026

Attachments: [CC Agenda Packet 2-2-2026 JP4](#)

*10. Quarterly audit report for the Department of Mosquito Control for period of 10/1/2025 - 12/31/2025

Attachments: [CC Agenda Packet 02.02.2026 Mosquito Control](#)

*11. Quarterly audit report for the Court Collections Office for period of 10/1/2025 - 12/31/2025

Attachments: [CC Packet 2-2-2026 Court Collections QTR 1](#)

*12. Quarterly audit report for the Juvenile Justice Department for period of 10/1/2025 - 12/31/2025

Attachments: [CC Packet 2-2-2026 Juvenile Justice QRT 1](#)

*13. Quarterly audit report for the Sheriff's Office Tax Sale Division for period of 10/1/2025 - 12/31/2025

Attachments: [CC Agenda Packet 02.02.2026 SO Tax Sale](#)

*14. Quarterly audit report for Constable, Precinct 1 for period of 10/1/2025 - 12/31/2025

Attachments: [CC Packet 2-2-2026 Constable 1 QRT 1](#)

*15. Quarterly audit report for Constable, Precinct 2 for period of 10/1/2025 - 12/31/2025

Attachments: [CC Packet 2-2-2026 Constable 2 QRT 1](#)

*16. Quarterly audit report for Constable, Precinct 3 for period of 10/1/2025 - 12/31/2025

Attachments: [CC Packet 2-2-2026 Constable 3 QRT 1](#)

*17. Quarterly audit report for Constable, Precinct 4 for period of 10/1/2025 - 12/31/2025

Attachments: [CC Packet 2-2-2026 Constable 4 QRT 1](#)

*18. Pursuant to Local Government Code 111.07075, certification of funds from Department of Homeland Security for Constable Precinct #1

Attachments: [Certification of Revenue-02.25.26 DHS ICE 287\(g\) Task Force Constable Pct 1](#)

*19. Pursuant to Local Government Code 111.07075, certification of funds from Department of Homeland Security for the Sheriff's Office

Attachments: [Certification of Revenue-02.25.26 DHS ICE 287\(g\) Task Force Sheriff](#)

*20. Receive and file refund check list from Odyssey submitted by the District Clerk

Attachments: [SR-292 dc.pdf](#)
[SR-294 DC.pdf](#)

*21. Receive and file the restitution checklist from Odyssey submitted by Personal Bond/Collections

Attachments: [SR-300 Collections](#)
[SR-306 Collections](#)

*22. Receive and file Summary of Biweekly Personnel Movements pay period #02, January 01, - January 14, 2026, submitted by Human Resources

Attachments: [PP 02 New Hire](#)
[PP 02 Personnel Movement](#)
[PP 02 Terminations](#)

*23. Consideration of approval of granting a reduction of a permit fee (Facility Permitting Policy, Section 5.1.2 and 5.1.3) to Way Out Women's Center for use of the Indoor Banquet Hall and Parking Lot at Walter Hall Park for their Annual Motorcycle Ride/Fundraiser on Saturday, April 18, 2026 and November 21, 2026 for their annual Thanks for Giving Event and Spring & Fall dates TBD in 2027 & 2028, presented by the Parks & Cultural Services Department

Attachments: [Way Out Women Fee Reduction 2026-2028](#)

*24. Consideration of approval of granting a reduction of a permit fee (Facility Permitting Policy, Section 5.1.2 and 5.1.3) for M.I. Lewis Social Service Center use of the downstairs banquet hall at Walter Hall Park for their Bingo Night Fundraising Event on Friday, April 24, 2026, presented by Parks & Cultural Services Department

Attachments: [M.I. Lewis](#)

*25. Consideration of approval for Galveston County Senior Services Division to accept a donation of items from the Merlyn Jean's Legacy of Love, submitted by Parks and Cultural Services Department

Attachments: [Merlyn Jean's Legacy 2026](#)

*26. Consideration of approval of a donation of a 4' x 6' beach toy library to be placed at beach entry points on the Bolivar beaches from Frontier Waste Solutions, submitted by Parks & Cultural Services

Attachments: [Consideration of Approval of a donation of Beach Toy Library](#)

*27. Consideration of authorizing replacement propellers for the airplane at Mosquito Control,

submitted by Legal Services Manager

*28. Consideration for the County Judge to sign Designated Agent Form EAB243N for Texas Department of Licensing & Regulation for Galveston County Mental Health Extended Observation Unit at 1207 S. Oak Street, La Marque, TX, 77568 submitted by Facilities

Attachments: [28](#)

*29. Consideration of approval for the County Judge to sign the proposal from Texas Aircraft Propeller & Acc to replace and repair propellers for Mosquito Control, submitted by Legal Services Manager

Attachments: [29](#)

*30. Consideration for authorization to extend the contract for RFP #B232009, Community Preparedness Program Administrator submitted by the Purchasing Agent

Attachments: [COMMU ITY](#)

*31. Consideration for authorization to dispose of salvage or surplus property submitted by the Purchasing Agent

Attachments: [seats](#)

[fac salvg cube walls](#)

[211101 SO kitchen equip 20260202](#)

[123201, Justice Pct 2 - office misc 20260202](#)

*32. Consideration for authorization to utilize cooperative purchasing agreement in lieu of competitive bidding requirements to purchase one JCB Hydradig 110W wheeled excavator on behalf of the Road and Bridge Department

Attachments: [Mini Ex COOP](#)

*33. Consideration of approval of resolution and interlocal agreement with TxDOT to provide uniformed, armed peace officers and equipment for law enforcement general surveillance and traffic control for the Ferry Landing submitted by Legal Services Manager

Attachments: [33](#)

*34. Consideration of approval of Mutual Aid Law Enforcement Agreement between Port of Galveston and the County of Galveston submitted by the Sheriff's Office

Attachments: [34](#)

*35. Consideration of approval and execution of a resolution designating a Civil Rights Liaison for Galveston County to the Texas OOG and the Federal OJP, submitted by Grants Administration

Attachments: [35](#)

*36. Consideration for approval and execution of the revised Authorized Signatory Resolution for the county's TDA - CDBG - CD Fund 25-26 Cycle Grant submitted by Grants Administration

Attachments: [36](#)

*37. Consideration to ratify and execute FY2027 STEP-COMP grant application to the Texas

Department of Transportation, submitted by Grant Administration

Attachments: [FY 2027 STEP COMP App Court Memo 02.02.2026](#)
[2027-GaCOSO-S-1YG-00126](#)

*38. Consideration of authorization to submit the FY2027 VAWA grant application and execute the supporting resolution to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, submitted by Grants Administration Department

Attachments: [Memorandum - FY2027 VAWA](#)
[eGrants - Project Summary](#)
[FY2027 Resolution VAWA](#)

*39. Consideration of authorization to submit the FY2027 Specialty Court for VTC grant application and execute the supporting resolution to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, submitted by Grants Administration Department

Attachments: [PSO_Veteran's_Resolution_Draft_v1](#)
[Memorandum and Application](#)

*40. Consideration of authorization to submit the FY2027 Project Safe Neighborhood grant application and execute the supporting resolution to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, submitted by Grants Administration Department

Attachments: [Memorandum](#)
[eGrants - Project Summary PSN](#)
[Feb 2 FY27 PSN Res Draft v2 JH](#)

*41. Consideration of authorization to submit the FY2027 MHSCE project grant application and execute the supporting resolution to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, submitted by Grants Administration Department

Attachments: [OOG - 4703604 - MHSCE App Memo](#)
[FY27 MHSCE Application](#)
[OOG - 4703604 - MHSCE Resolution](#)

*42. Consideration of authorization to submit the FY2027 HOPE Drug Court grant application and execute the supporting resolution to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, submitted by Grants Administration Department

Attachments: [OOG - 2520015 - HOPE App Memo](#)
[FY27 HOPE Application](#)
[OOG - 2520015 - HOPE Resolution](#)

*43. Consideration of authorization to submit the FY2027 VOCA grant application and execute the supporting resolution to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, submitted by Grants Administration Department

Attachments: [Memorandum - FY27VOCA](#)
[eGrants - Project Summary](#)
[FY2027 Resolution VOCA](#)

*44. Consideration of authorization to submit the FY2026 Mary Moody Northen Endowment grant application on behalf of the Galveston County Sheriff's Office Dive Team, submitted by the Grants Administration Department

Attachments: [44](#)

*45. Consideration of authorization to submit the FY2027 Testing of Forensic Evidence grant application and execute the supporting resolution to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, submitted by Grants Administration Department

Attachments: [Memorandum edits](#)

[eGrants - Project Summary](#)

[FY2027 Resolution_OOG Testing of Forensic Evidence Grant](#)

[Program - Without Match](#)

*46. Consideration of authorization for County Judge to submit the FY2027 RRBA grant application and execute the supporting resolution to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, submitted by Grants Administration Department

Attachments: [FY2027 Memo - RRBA](#)

[eGrants - Project Summary](#)

[FY2027 Resolution RRBA](#)

*47. Consideration of authorization for County Judge to submit the FY2027 Strategic Marine Investigation: Phase One - Capacity Enhancement Project grant application and execute the supporting resolution to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, submitted by Grants Administration Department

Attachments: [Feb 2 FY27 SMI Memo & Res Draft v1 JH](#)

[eGrants - Project Summary](#)

*48. Consideration of the 7th Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement by and between the County and Huitt-Zollars, Inc. for B181005 Hurricane Harvey Bayshore Park Boat Ramp Reconstruction and Mitigation, extending the agreement until July 2026, submitted by Legal Services Manager

Attachments: [48](#)

*49. Consideration of approval of agreement with Reliant Energy Retail Services, LLC. to participate in the CARE Program submitted by Professional Services

Attachments: [49](#)

*50. Approval to transfer Dickinson Bayou Watershed Steering Committee funds to City of League City submitted by Professional Services

Attachments: [Galv Co - Dickinson Bayou Watershed Invoice Lower Clear Creek and Dickinson Bayou DR1908 \(1\)](#)
[Galveston - Balance Sheet](#)

Motion to approve by County Judge Henry, seconded by Commissioner Giusti that the above action be taken by the Court.

Passed: 5-0

Aye: County Judge Henry, Commissioner Apffel, Commissioner Giusti, Commissioner Dugie, Commissioner Armstrong

Nay: None

- * Consideration of approval of the following budget amendments submitted by Professional Services:
- *51. 25-202-0202-A
Coastal Restoration and Conservation - Request transfer from GOMESA Coastal Conservation Fund - Budgeted Reserves to Coastal Restoration and Conservation - Transfer to Grant Match - Mandatory to fund Bolivar Beach & Dune Restoration Phase II
Attachments: [BA 25-202-0202-A](#)
- *52. 26-66-0202-A
Environmental Services - Request transfer from Beach and Parks Fund - Budgeted Reserves to Environmental Services - Various Spend Categories to fund personnel creation
Attachments: [BA 26-66-0202-A](#)
- *53. 26-67-0202-B
Sheriff's Office - Request transfer from Sheriff's Office - Bailiffs - Various Spend Categories to Sheriff's Office - Patrol - Various Spend Categories to fund personnel adjustment
Attachments: [BA 26-67-0202-B](#)
- *54. 26-68-0202-C
Elections- Request transfer from within Election Services - Repair and Maintenance for Equipment - Goods to Repair and Maintenance for Equipment - Services to fund license and support
Attachments: [BA 26-68-0202-C](#)
- *55. 26-69-0202-D
Information Technology- Request transfer from Information Technology - Various Spend Categories to General Fund - Budgeted Reserves to eliminate personnel positions
Attachments: [BA 26-69-0202-D](#)
- *56. 26-70-0202-E
Mosquito Control Department- Request transfer from Mosquito Control Fund - Budgeted Reserves to Mosquito Control - Multiple Spend Categories to fund the equipment and repair of the County plane
Attachments: [BA 26-70-0202-E](#)

Motion to approve consent agenda items 1-56 with the exception of item(s): 50. (Agenda items 50 voted on separately.)

Passed: 5-0

Aye: County Judge Henry, Commissioner Apffel, Commissioner Giusti, Commissioner Dugie, Commissioner Armstrong

Nay: None

ACTION AGENDA

Grants Administration

57. Request to open a public hearing to receive public comment on proposed Texas Parks and Wildlife - Texas Range Program (Planning Grant) application

Attachments: [TexasRangeGrant-Compiled Application-reoslution-publicnotice](#)

Public Hearing was opened at 9:33 A.M.

Public Hearing held.

No public comments.

Public Hearing was closed at 9:33 A.M.

58. Consideration of authorizing a resolution for FY2026 Texas Parks and Wildlife - Texas Range Program (Planning Grant) grant application on behalf of Galveston County Parks Department for Clay Shooting Range Planning Grant

Attachments: [58 \(1\)](#)
[58 \(2\)](#)

Motion to approve by Commissioner Dugie, seconded by Commissioner Giusti that the above action be taken by the Court.

Passed: 5-0

Aye: County Judge Henry, Commissioner Apffel, Commissioner Giusti, Commissioner Dugie, Commissioner Armstrong

Nay: None

Purchasing

59. Consideration to award ITB 25-077, Mobile Restroom Trailers

Attachments: [restroom trailers](#)

Motion to approve by County Judge Henry, seconded by Commissioner Giusti that contract be awarded to Comforts of Home Services, Inc., as recommended.

Passed: 5-0

Aye: County Judge Henry, Commissioner Apffel, Commissioner Giusti, Commissioner Dugie, Commissioner Armstrong

Nay: None

60. Consideration of awarding RFP 25-071 Juvenile Justice Center Air Handler Upgrades and executing the resultant contract

Attachments: [60](#)

Motion to approve by County Judge Henry, seconded by Commissioner Dugie that contract be awarded to American Holdings, Inc., d/b/a American Mechanical Services of Houston, LLC as recommended.

Passed: 5-0

Aye: County Judge Henry, Commissioner Apffel, Commissioner Giusti, Commissioner Dugie,
Commissioner Armstrong

Nay: None

ADJOURN

Commissioners Court adjourned at 9:35 A.M. on Monday, February 02, 2026.