

MINUTES

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on January 16, 2026, Commissioners Court of Galveston County, Texas, met at a special 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 3:30 P.M. at the Calder Annex.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Hank Dugie led the Court in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Invocation was given by Commissioner Robin Armstrong, MD.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

CONSENT AGENDA

Submitted by the Auditor's Office:

- *1. Approval of the accounts payable checks dated 1/16/2026
Attachments: [1](#)
- *2. Order for payroll ending 1/14/2026 bi-weekly #2
Attachments: [2](#)
- *3. Order for supplemental payroll period ending 1/14/2026 bi-weekly #2
- *4. Quarterly audit report of the payroll audit for period of 7/1/2024 - 9/30/2024
Attachments: [Payroll FY24 Q4 Audit Report](#)
- *5. Quarterly audit report of the payroll audit for period of 10/1/2024 - 9/30/2025
Attachments: [Payroll FY25 Audit Report](#)

- *6. FY 2025 Chapter 59 Asset Forfeiture Report for Blake Patton, Constable Precinct 1, for period of 10/1/2024 - 9/30/2025

Attachments: [\(C1\) CC Agenda Packet 01.16.2026](#)
- *7. FY 2025 Chapter 59 Asset Forfeiture Report for Derreck Rose, Constable Precinct 3, for period of 10/1/2024 - 9/30/2025

Attachments: [\(C3\) CC Agenda Packet 01.16.2026](#)
- *8. FY 2025 Chapter 59 Asset Forfeiture Report of the District Attorney's Office for period of 9/1/2024 - 8/31/2025

Attachments: [\(DA\) CC Agenda Packet 01.16.2026](#)
- *9. FY 2025 Chapter 59 Asset Forfeiture Report of the Sheriff's Office for period of 10/1/2024 - 9/30/2025

Attachments: [\(SO\) CC Agenda Packet 01.16.2026](#)
- *10. Indemnification requests from the Tax Assessor Collector's Office dated 12/8/2025 and 12/15/2025

Attachments: [10](#)
[10\(1\)](#)
- *11. IRS standard mileage rate for 2026

Attachments: [IRS Mileage Rate - 01.16.2026](#)
[IRS sets 2026 business standard mileage rate at 72.5 cents per mile, up 2.5 cents Internal Revenue Service](#)
- *12. Receive and file the restitution checklist from Odyssey submitted by Personal Bond/Collections

Attachments: [SR-292 coll](#)
[SR-294 Collections](#)
- *13. Receive and file the December 2025 Personal Bond/Collections Monthly Report submitted by Personal Bond/Collections

Attachments: [GC Personal Bond December 2025 Data Review](#)
- *14. Receive and file Summary of Biweekly Personnel Movements pay period #01, December 18 - December 31, 2025, submitted by Human Resources

Attachments: [PP 01 New Hires](#)
[PP 01 Personnel Movement](#)
[PP 01 Terminations](#)
- *15. Receive and file Clear Channel Outdoor, LLC no-cost contract for PSA space for 2026 submitted by County Judge

Attachments: [CLEAR CHANNEL CONTRACT 2026](#)
- *16. Receive and file the 2026 Eminent Domain Report with the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts as required by Government Code 2206.154 submitted by Legal Services Manager

Attachments: [Eminent Domain Filing 2026](#)

- *17. Consideration of approval of a resolution in support of nominating Commissioner Hank Dugie to serve on the Texas Conference of Urban Counties (CUC) Policy Committee submitted by Commissioner Pct 3

Attachments: [17](#)

- *18. Consideration of a resolution honoring the retirement of Mae Ross from the Galveston County Clerk's office submitted by Legal Services Manager

Attachments: [18](#)

- *19. Consideration of a resolution honoring the retirement of Pamela Young from the Galveston County Clerk's office, submitted by Legal Services Manager

Attachments: [19](#)

- *20. Consideration of approval of reappointments to the Harris-Galveston Subsidence District submitted by the County Judge

Attachments: [20](#)

(NO ACTION TAKEN)

- *21. Consideration of approval for the Judge to sign the proposal for Clear Water for annual treatment of the pond at Walter Hall Park submitted by Parks.

Attachments: [21](#)

- *22. Consideration of approval of TXU Energy Contract Service Point Change Request Form RSR-00386771 and RSR-00386772 for the deletion of 2201 Avenue L Galveston, TX 77550 submitted by Facilities

Attachments: [22](#)
[22\(1\)](#)

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

Attachments: [23](#)

- *24. Consideration of a Service Agreement with John Welch, a certificated aviation mechanic for aircraft maintenance and repairs, submitted by Legal Services Manager

Attachments: [24](#)

- *25. Consideration of a Service Agreement with Mike Jones, a certificated airplane pilot for mosquito aerial spraying, submitted by Legal Services Manager

- *26. Consideration of approval of RightFax Prime Support with Open Text submitted by Information Technology

Attachments: [26](#)
[26\(1\)](#)
[26\(2\)](#)

- *27. Consideration of approval to authorize the County Judge to execute Amendment No 3 to the RESTORE Act Texas City Hurricane Protection Levee Repair grant, Contract Number 582-20-11883 submitted by the County Engineer

Attachments: [27](#)

- *28. Consideration of appointing a Special Commissioner to advertise for proposals for the lease of the majority of the Joe Faggard Building located on Bolivar Peninsula to an AARP Chapter, submitted by Legal Services Manager

Attachments: [28](#)

- *29. Consideration of appointing a Special Commissioner to advertise for proposals for the lease of office space, approximately 400 square feet in size, located in the Joe Faggard Building, located on Bolivar Peninsula to a Chamber of Commerce submitted by Legal Services Manager

Attachments: [29](#)

- *30. Consideration of approval for the County Judge to sign the Hartford CrimeShield advanced renewal application for commercial, non-profit, and governmental entities submitted by Legal Services Manager

Attachments: [30](#)

- * Consideration of approval of the following budget amendments submitted by Professional Services:

- *31. BA 26-64-0116-A
Human Resources- Request transfer from within Human Resources - Various Spend Categories to Various Spend Categories to fund personnel adjustment

Attachments: [HR Personnel BA 01.16](#)

- *32. BA 26-65-0116-B
Emergency Management- Consideration of approval of personnel budget adjustments for Emergency Management

Attachments: [01.16 Emergency Mgmt. Personnel BA](#)

- *33. PM 26-01-0116-A
Public Health- Consideration of approval for Behavior Health Observation Unit project budget

Attachments: [Behavior Health BAT-0000476](#)
[Behavior Health First Budget](#)

- *34. PM 26-02-0116-B
Beach and Parks Department- Consideration of approval to close the completed Bayside Regional Park project and establish the La Salle Park Improvements - Concessions and Jack Brook Park Improvements projects

Attachments: [La Salle Initial Budget](#)
[Bayside Old Project Closing BAT-0000465](#)
[Jack Brook Dog Park Intial Budget](#)

- *35. PM 26-03-0116-C
Road & Bridge Department- Consideration of approval for Port Bolivar Frenchtown Road improvements project budget

Attachments: [Frenchtown Rd Initial Budget](#)

Motion to approve consent agenda items 1-35 by County Judge Henry, seconded by Commissioner Giusti with the exception of item(s): 20. (Agenda item 20 is deferred.)

Passed: 5-0

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

Nay: None

ACTION AGENDA

Purchasing

36. Consideration to award RFQ 25-079 Professional Services for Future Engineering Projects

Attachments: [36](#)

Motion to approve by County Judge Henry, seconded by Commissioner Giusti that the above action be taken by the Court. (A full list of companies is available in Item #36.)

Passed: 5-0

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

Nay: None

Right of Way

37. Receive public comments on Replat of Lot 4 of GKK Estates Subdivision

Public Hearing was opened at 3:44 P.M.

Public Hearing held.

No public comments.

Public Hearing was closed at 3:44 P.M.

38. Consideration of approval, approval with conditions or disapprove of Replat of Lot 4 of GKK Estates Subdivision

Attachments: [38](#)

Motion to approve unconditionally by County Judge Henry, seconded by Commissioner Apffel 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

General Counsel

a. BREAK INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Break into Executive Session at 3:45 P.M.

b. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Texas Government Code Section 551.071, Consultation with Attorney: the Commissioners Court will enter into an executive session as permitted under the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Government Code to seek the advice of its attorney about pending or contemplated litigation, a settlement offer, or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the County under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas- clearly conflicts with the Open Meetings Act relating to each of the following items:

b.39. D.S., EEOC Charge 460-2025-08579

b.40. L.D., EEOC Charge 460-2024-08935

b.41. Claimant Ethan Dick

b.42. Claimant Maya Phoenix

b.43. Claimant Roger Bellew

c. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Texas Government Code Section 551.074, Personnel Matters: the Commissioners Court will enter into executive session as permitted under the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code, Personnel Matters: to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee:

c.44. Chief Financial Officer
Chief Information Officer
Chief Public Defender
County Engineer
Director of Facilities
Director of Grants Administration
Director of Human Resources
Director of Parks & Cultural Services
Director of Personal Bond/Collections
Director of Road & Bridge

Mosquito Control Manager

d. RECONVENE INTO SPECIAL MEETING

Reconvene into special meeting at 4:33 P.M.

ADJOURN

Commissioners Court adjourned at 4:33 P.M. on Friday, January 16, 2026.