

Taylor County Commissioners' Court

May 20, 2025

The Commissioners' Court of Taylor County met in Regular Session on May 20, 2025, with the following members present:

1. Phil Crowley, County Judge
2. Kyle Kendrick, Commissioner, Precinct 2
3. Brad Birchum, Commissioner, Precinct 3
4. Chuck Statler, Commissioner, Precinct 4

Randall D. Williams, Commissioner, Precinct 1, Not Present

At which the following motions were heard:

1. **Judge Crowley convened the Court in open session at 9:00 a.m.**

2. **Invocation and Pledge**

A) Invocation

B) Pledge of Allegiance to United States Flag and Texas Flag

Minister Nathan Burrow Hillcrest Church of Christ gave the invocation and Commissioner Birchum led the Court in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flags of the United States of America and the State of Texas.

3. **Consider approval of Minutes and Adopt the Agenda.**

A) Consider approval of previous meeting minutes – May 06, 2025

Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular session held on May 06, 2025, and to adopt the agenda for the meeting of May 20, 2025, as printed and posted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously.

4. **Public Comment Pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.007 of items listed on this agenda.**

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No One Wished to Speak

5. **Public Hearings**

- A) CONVENE in a Public Hearing pursuant to Section 545.355 of the Texas Transportation Code to consider setting the speed limit of 50 mph on county road 385 located in Precinct 2.

No one wished to speak

- B) RECONVENE in Regular Session

Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to close the Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously.

6. **Presentations**

- A) Present Employee Service Awards

Frank Johnson, Sheriff Office, 40 Years of Service
Carol Taylor, Elections Office, 45 Years of Service

Freda Ragan, Elections, Department Head of the 1st Quarter

7. **Financial/Budget**

- A) Consider approval of bills for payment and ratify payroll and any appropriate action.

Commissioner Statler made a motion to approve payment of bills as submitted and ratify payroll. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

- 1. General Fund
- 2. JP 1-1 Tech Fees
- 3. ARPA Local
- 4. D. A. Seizure
- 5. Election Contracts
- 6. Co Law Lib Fund
- 7. Juvenile Educ Srvcs
- 8. Juvenile Local
- 9. Juvenile TDA Grant
- 10. Road and Bridge
- 11. State Fees

12. Self-Insurance
13. Employee Benefit
14. Other-Self Ins
15. Payroll Clearing

B) Receive 2nd Quarter Investment Report from County Treasurer (Becky Feeman)

No Motions Needed

B) Consider approval of the April 2025 Treasurer's Report and any appropriate action. (Becky Freeman)

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of April 2025 as presented by Mrs. Freeman. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

8. General Business

A) Receive presentation from the American National Leasing Company and any appropriate action. (Eric Reed)

No Motions Needed

B) Consider approval of a resolution to adopt the upgrade of voting system software and any appropriate action. (Freda Ragan)

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to approve of a resolution to adopt the upgrade of voting system software as presented and outlined by Mrs. Ragan, our Elections Administrator. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

C) Discuss and Consider use of approved ARPA project funds (SOMA software and implementation) for purchase of Tyler/SOMA integration tools and required programming any appropriate action. (Elijah Anderson, Rebecca Eidson)

Commissioner Statler made a motion to approve ARPA project funds (SOMA software and implementation) for purchase of Tyler/SOMA integration tools and required programming. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

9. **Road & Bridge**

- A) Consider order setting a speed limit of 50 mph on county road 385 located in Precinct 2 and any appropriate action. (Kyle Kendrick)

Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to approve setting a speed limit of 50 mph on county road 385 located in Precinct 2 and allow Judge Crowley to sign the Order on behalf of the Commissioner Court. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

10. **Purchasing, Bids, RFQ's, RFP's, Surplus**

- A) Consider approval to purchase a new backup generator for the Juvenile Detention Facility and any appropriate action. (Commissioner Kyle Kendrick, Allison Stafford, Banton Graham, Elijah Anderson)

Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to approve purchase a mother board for \$15,128.87 using construction contingency funds and come back in two weeks to discuss the purchase of a new generator. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

11. **Executive Closed Session**

- A) **CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION** In accordance with Government Code as follows:

Government Code Section 551.87, regarding Economic Development
Government Code Section 551.071. regarding consultation with an attorney on pending or contemplated litigation and a settlement offer
Government Code Section 551.076, regarding Security Matters
Government Code Section 551.074, regarding Personnel Matters

Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to **CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION**. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously at 9:41 a.m.

- B) **RECONVENE IN REGULAR SESSION** and any appropriate action.

Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to **RECONVENE IN REGULAR SESSION**. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously at 10:31 a.m..

Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to give Judge Crowley the authority to sign off on closing documents for litigation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously.

12. **Adjourn**

Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 10:32 a.m.

The foregoing Minutes have been examined, read and approved this the 3rd day of June 2025.

Brandi DeRemer
County Clerk, Taylor County, Texas

Phil Hordley
County Judge, Taylor County, Texas

