

Taylor County Commissioners' Court

July 29, 2025

The Commissioners' Court of Taylor County met in Regular Session on July 29, 2025, with the following members present:

1. Phil Crowley, County Judge
2. Randall D. Williams, Commissioner, Precinct 1
3. Brad Birchum, Commissioner, Precinct 3
4. Chuck Statler, Commissioner, Precinct 4

Kyle Kendrick, Commissioner, Precinct 2, Absent

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**

Pastor Andrew Penns, Valley View Missionary Baptist Church, gave the invocation and Commissioner Statler 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- July 15, 2025

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular session held on July 15, 2025, and to adopt the agenda for the meeting of July 29, 2025, as printed and posted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously.

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

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Ms. Shelly Beavers asked the Court to consider adding additional street names on CR 149, CR 150, and CR 154

5. Presentations

A) Present Taylor County Historical Commission the Distinguished Service Award from Texas Historical Commission

B) Present Employee of the 2nd Quarter Awards

Wade Schrampfer, Law Enforcement
Mendy Wallace, Government and Services
Ryan Jobe, Administration of Justice
Scott Henderson, Department Head

6. 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 and ratify payroll. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

1. General Fund
2. JP 1-1 Tech Fees
3. JP 1-2 Tech Fees
4. JP 2 Sec Fees
5. ARPA Local
6. Election Contracts
7. Co Law Lib Fund
8. Jail Commissary
9. Juvenile TDA Grant
10. Road and Bridge
11. Historic CH Rest
12. State Fees
13. Self-Insurance
14. Employee Benefit
15. Other-Self Ins
16. Payroll Clearing

B) FY2026 Budget Discussion and any appropriate action.

No Motions Made

7. **General Business**

- A) Set Public Hearing for the County Clerk Records Archive Fee Plan to be held on Tuesday August 12, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to approve setting a Public Hearing for the County Clerk Records Archive Fee Plan to be held on Tuesday August 12, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner Courtroom. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

- B) Consider approval of Taylor County District Attorney Agreement amendment with LexisNexis and any appropriate action. (Frank Stamey)

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the Taylor County District Attorney Agreement amendment with LexisNexis as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

- C) Consider approval of Taylor County and District Judge Thomas Wheeler agreement amendment with LexisNexis and any appropriate action. (Frank Stamey)

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to approve the agreement with Thomas Wheeler amendment with LexisNexis and authorize Judge Crowley to sign the agreement. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

Commissioner Staler made a motion to approve the Taylor County agreement amendment with LexisNexis for 1 (one) year. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

Commissioner Statler made an amended motion to approve the Taylor County agreement amendment with Professional LexisNexis for 3 (three) year with the addition of the 1 (one) year Patron agreement. The amended motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

- D) Consider approval of a Joint Election Resolution for the November 4, 2025, Special State Constitutional Amendment Election and any appropriate action.

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to approve the Joint Election Resolution for the November 4, 2025, Special State Constitutional Amendment Election as outlined by Mrs. Ragan. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

- E) Consider approval of the Proposed Early Voting Schedule for the November 4, 2025, Special State Constitutional Amendment Election and any appropriate action.

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to approve the Early Voting Schedule as presented by Mrs. Freda Ragan for November 4, 2025, Special State Constitutional Amendment Election. The motion was seconded by Judge Crowley and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

- F) Consider Order of the November 4, 2025, Special State Constitutional Amendment Election and any appropriate action.

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to approve the November 4, 2025, Special State Constitutional Amendment Election as outlined by Mrs. Ragan. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

8. Road & Bridge

- A) Consider approval of a Right of Way Permit from Energy Transfer Fuel LP to install a 24" natural gas line under roads in Precincts 1 and 2, as listed in the application, and any appropriate action. (Commissioner Williams, Commissioner Kendrick)

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve Right of Way request from Energy Transfer Fuel LP to install a 24" natural gas line under roads in Precincts 1 and 2. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

- B) Consider approval of a Drainage Easement Agreement with City of Abilene for the Maple Street Widening and Drainage Improvement Project and any appropriate action. (Commissioner Chuck Statler)

Commissioner Statler made a motion to approve the Drainage Easement Agreement with City of Abilene for the Maple Street Widening and Drainage Improvement Project and ask that the Court will allow himself to sign the agreement along with Judge Crowley. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

- C) Consider approval of a Right of Way application from Taylor Telecom to install fiber optic internet along CR 179 in Precinct 4 and any appropriate action. (Chuck Statler)

Commissioner Statler made a motion to approve the Right of Way application from Taylor Telecom to install fiber optic internet along CR 179. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

9. Purchasing, Bids, RFQ's, RFP's, Surplus

- A) Consider renewal of ITB 2021-102 Office Supplies and Furniture and any appropriate action. (Scott Henderson)

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to renew the ITB 2021-102 Office Supplies and Furniture as outlined by Mr. Henderson. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

- B) Consider renewal of ITB 2022-110 Asphalt Materials and any appropriate action. (Scott Henderson)

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to renew the ITB 2022-110 Asphalt Materials with vendors as presented by Mr. Henderson. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

- E) Consider renewal of ITB 2022-109 Rock Road Materials and any appropriate action. (Scott Henderson)

Commissioner Williams made a motion to renew the ITB 2022-109 Rock Road Materials as presented by Mr. Henderson. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

- F) Discuss and consider approval of Coliseum Curb and Sidewalk changes to be taken out of project contingency and any appropriate action. (Clint Rosenbaum, Kyle Kendrick, Randy Williams, Scott Henderson)

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve of the Coliseum Curb and Sidewalk changes and funds to be taken out of the Expo Paving contingency fund in the amount of \$16,149.00. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

- G) Declare Surplus Property and any appropriate action. (Scott Henderson)

Commissioner Statler made a motion to approve of the declaration of surplus property. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

10. Executive Closed Session

A) In accordance with Government Code 551.071 Regarding Consultation with an attorney on pending or contemplated litigation and a settlement offer, CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Commissioner Statler made a motion to CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. Court convened at 9:57a.m.

B) RECONVENE IN REGULAR SESSION and any appropriate action.

No Action Taken

Commissioner Williams made a motion to RECONVENE IN REGULAR SESSION. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. Court Reconvened at 10:20 a.m.

11. **Adjourn**

Commissioner Williams made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

The foregoing Minutes have been examined, read and approved this the 12th day of August 2025.

Brandi DeRemus

County Clerk, Taylor County, Texas

Shirley Howell

County Judge, Taylor County, Texas

