

Taylor County Commissioners' Court

November 18, 2025

The Commissioners' Court of Taylor County met in Regular Session on November 18, 2025, with the following members present:

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

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**

Chuck Staler, Commissioner, Precinct 4 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.

Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular session held on November 04, 2025, and to adopt the agenda for the meeting of November 18, 2025, as printed and posted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously.

4. **Presentations**

A) Employee Service Award Presentations

Judge Harriet Haag, Judge County Court at Law #2, 35 Years of Service
Josh Ruelas, Sheriff Office, 20 Years of Service

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

A) Public Comment Pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.007 of items listed on this agenda.

No one wished to speak

6. **Public Hearing**

A) Public Hearing on "No Thru Trucks" on CR 385 in Precinct 2

No one wished to speak

B) Public Hearing on "No Thru Trucks" and setting a speed limit of 45 mph on CR 256 and Ohlhausen Rd (CR 339) in Pct. 1

No one wished to speak

Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to close the public hearing and reconvene in regular session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously.

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

1. General Fund
2. JP 1-1 Tech Fees
3. JP 3 Sec Fees
4. ARPA Local
5. D. A. Special
6. D. A. Seizure
7. Co Law Lib Fund
8. Juvenile TJJD Grant
9. Jail Commissary
10. Juvenile Local
11. Juvenile TDA Grant
12. Sheriff Forfeiture
13. Road and Bridge
14. Historic CH Rest
15. Cert. of Oblig. -2

- 16. State Fees
- 17. Self-Insurance
- 18. Employee Benefit
- 19. Payroll Clearing

- B) Consider approval of the purchase of Ballistic Shields for Constable Pct. 1 and source of funding and any appropriate action. (Constable Dwight Kinney/ Elijah Anderson)

Commissioner Stalter made a motion to approve of the purchase of Ballistic Shields for Constable Pct. 1 and source of funding using contingency funds until another source becomes available. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

8. **General Business**

- A) Consider approval of renewing the Juvenile Justice Center's Crime Bond and any appropriate action. (Roseann Seelke)

Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to approve of renewing the Juvenile Justice Center's Crime Bond Policy as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

- B) Consider approval of entering into an Interlocal Agreement with Regional Public Defenders Office for capital cases and any appropriate action. (Judge Crowley)

Judge Crowley made a motion to approve of entering into an Interlocal Agreement with Regional Public Defenders Office for capital cases as outlined. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

- C) Consider approval of a Resolution authorizing the Sheriff to enter into a multiple-use agreement with TxDOT allowing the installation and operation of automated license plate recognition cameras in TxDOT right-of-way and any appropriate action. (Sheriff Ricky Bishop)

Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to approve of a Resolution authorizing the Sheriff to enter into a multiple-use agreement with TxDOT allowing the installation and operation of automated license plate recognition cameras in TxDOT right-of-way. The motion was seconded by Judge Crowley and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

- D) Consider approval of Resolution of Support for Abilene Business Convention and Visitors Bureau to host the 99th Annual West Texas County Judges and Commissioners Association Conference in April 2028 and any appropriate action.

Judge Crowley made a motion to approve the Resolution of Support for Abilene Business Convention and Visitors Bureau to host the 99th Annual West Texas County Judges and Commissioners Association Conference in April 2028. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

- E) Consider approval of Resolution of support for Abilene Business Convention & Visitors Bureau to host 106th Annual County Judges and Commissioner Association of Texas Conference in October 2028 and any appropriate action.

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to approve of Resolution of support for Abilene Business Convention & Visitors Bureau to host 106th Annual County Judges and Commissioner Association of Texas Conference in October 2028. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

- F) Discuss and Consider drought conditions and implementing a burn ban and any appropriate action.

Roll Call: Commissioner Williams, Yes, Commissioner Kendrick, Yes, Commissioner Birchum, Yes, Commissioner Statler, Yes, Judge Crowley, Yes

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to approve implementing a burn ban. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

- G) Consider approval of setting a public hearing and meeting for consideration of adopting new tax abatements pursuant to Texas Tax Code, Chapter 312 for property located in Taylor County, TX on December 16, 2025 at 9 a.m. and any appropriate action. (Judge Crowley/ Frank Stamey)

Commissioner Statler made a motion to approve of setting a public hearing and meeting for consideration of adopting new tax abatements pursuant to Texas Tax Code, Chapter 312 for property located in Taylor County. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

9. **Road & Bridge**

- A) Consider approval of an order for “No Thru Trucks” on CR 385 in Precinct 2 and any appropriate action.

Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to approve the order for “No Thru Trucks” on CR 385. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

- B) Consider approval of order for setting a speed limit of 45 mph and installing “No Thru Truck” Signs on CR 256 and Ohlhausen RD (CR 339) in Precinct 1 and any appropriate action.

Laura Klauss, spoke in support of item
Karen Hoyng, spoke in support of item
Pam Jones, spoke in support of item
Adam Klauss, spoke in support of item

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve setting a speed limit of 45 mph and installing “No Thru Truck” Signs on CR 256 and Ohlhausen RD (CR 339) in Precinct 1. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

- C) Consider approval of setting a Public Hearing to set the speed limit of 40 mph on CR 378 (Derstine Road) on December 2, 2025 at 9 a.m. and any appropriate action. (Commissioner Kyle Kendrick)

Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to approve setting a Public Hearing to set the speed limit of 40 mph on CR 378 (Derstine Road). The motion was seconded by Judge Crowley and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

- D) Consider approval of a Right of Way application from Energy Transfer Fuel, LP to install natural gas pipeline on Brick Plant Road and Jarman Street in Precinct 2 and any appropriate action. (Commissioner Kyle Kendrick)

Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to approve Right of Way application from Energy Transfer. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

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

- A) Declare Surplus Property and any appropriate action. (Commissioner Brad Birchum)

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to declare the Rex Works SP910 Vibratory Roller S/N- 91HX 894 as surplus to be auctioned off. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

- B) Consider approval of New Jury Software from Tyler Technologies through Sourcewell Contact # 060624-TTI and any appropriate action. (Tammy Robinson/ Frank Stamey)

Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to approve of New Jury Software from Tyler Technologies through Sourcewell Contact # 060624-TTI. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

11. **Executive Closed Session**

- A) In accordance with Government Code 551.087, Regarding Business Prospect/Economic Development, discuss Project Surf CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Statler and carried unanimously, court convened in executive session at 9:52 a.m.

- B) RECONVENE IN REGULAR SESSION

Commissioner Williams made a motion to RECONVENE IN REGULAR SESSION. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously, court reconvened in regular session at 10:00 a.m. . [Exhibit]

- C) Consider adoption of a Resolution approving Chapter 381 Economic Development Agreement for Project Surf and any appropriate action.

Commissioner Staler made a motion that the Commissioner's Court of Taylor County adopt the Resolution approving Chapter 381 Economic Development Agreement for Project Surf in partnership with DCOA. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried with 4-1 Vote (Commissioner Williams, No). [Exhibit]

12. **Adjourn**

Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 10:01 a.m.

The foregoing Minutes have been examined, read and approved this the 2nd day of December 2025.

Brandi Dekemer County Clerk, Taylor County, Texas
Phil Howley County Judge, Taylor County, Texas

