

MINUTES OF MARION COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

AUGUST 31, 2026

The Commissioners' Court of Marion County met in Special Session at 9:00 a.m. on August 31, 2026. All members present with County Judge Leward LaFleur presiding.

**J.R. (JOHN ROSS) ASHLEY, COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT #1
JACOB PATTISON, COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT #2
PAUL D. WEBB, COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT #3
GERED R. LEE, COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT#4**

ITEM NO. 1

CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. ORDER APPROVING MINUTES OF MEETING ON AUGUST 10, 2026, AUGUST 14, 2026**
- b. ORDER TO EXAMINE ALL ACCOUNTS AND REPORTS RELATING TO FINANCES OF THE COUNTY**
- c. ORDER TO AUDIT AND SETTLE ALL ACCOUNTS AGAINST COUNTY AND DIRECT THEIR PAYMENT**
- d. ORDER TO APPROVE COUNTY AUDITOR FINANCIAL REPORT**

Motion by Ashley, seconded by Pattison to approve the consent agenda with the changes. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit "A" attached

ITEM NO. 2

9:00 AM – PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER CONTINUING TO FUND THE PRESERVATION AND RESTORATION OF RECORDS ARCHIVE PLAN FOR 2027 FOR THE COUNTY CLERK.

No Action Taken

See Exhibit "B" attached

ITEM NO. 3

**9:15 AM – PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PROPOSED 2027 MARION COUNTY
BUDGET.**

No One Signed Up to Speak - No Action Taken

ITEM NO. 4

**ORDER TO TAKE THE NECESSARY ACTION ON SALARIES, EXPENSES AND
ALLOWANCES OF ELECTED COUNTY AND PRECINCT OFFICIALS AS
PRESENTED IN PROPOSED 2027 BUDGET PER LGC 152.013.**

Motion by Ashley, seconded by Lee. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit "C" attached

ITEM NO. 5

9:30 AM – PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE 2026 PROPOSED TAX RATE OF 0.5358775.

No One Signed Up to Speak - No Action Taken

ITEM NO. 6

**MOTION TO APPROVE THE ORDER TO ADOPT COUNTY CLERK'S RECORDS
ARCHIVAL PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2027.**

Motion by Ashley, seconded by Webb. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit "D" attached

ITEM NO. 7

RECORD ANNUAL COMPENSATION ORDER FOR THE 276TH COURT REPORTER.

No Action Taken

See Exhibit "E" attached

ITEM NO. 8

RECORD ANNUAL COMPENSATION ORDER FOR THE 115TH COURT REPORTER.

No Action Taken

See Exhibit "F" attached

ITEM NO. 9

RECORD 2027 ANNUAL COMPENSATION ORDER FOR THE MARION COUNTY AUDITOR.

No Action Taken

See Exhibit "G" attached

ITEM NO. 10

ORDER TO APPROVE THE ACTION ON THE TCDRS PLAN AGREEMENT FOR PLAN YEAR 2027, AUTHORIZING COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN.

Motion by Lee, seconded by Webb. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit "H" attached

ITEM NO. 11

ORDER TO TAKE ACTION ON TAC 2026-2027 RENEWAL NOTICE AND BENEFIT CONFIRMATION FOR MEDICAL, DENTAL, VISION, LIFE, RETIREE COVERAGE, WAITING PERIOD AND COBRA ADMINISTRATION, AUTHORIZING COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN.

Motion by Lee, seconded by Ashley. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit "I" attached

ITEM NO. 12

ORDER TO ACCEPT THE 2027 MARION COUNTY BUDGET, THE PROPOSED BUDGET WITH THE FOLLOWING CHANGES WITH THE TWO LINE-ITEM TRANSFERS – CREATING NO CHANGE IN REVENUE OR EXPENSES OR FINAL BUDGET DEFICIT. TRANSFER THE \$6,200 FROM TREASURER EXTRA HELP AND \$5,000 FROM ELECTION EXTRA HELP TO COURT COORDINATOR \$7,776 AND COURT COORDINATOR BENEFITS \$3,424.

Motion by Lee, seconded by Ashley. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit “J” attached

ITEM NO. 13

ORDER TO APPROVE PROPERTY TAXES BE INCREASED BY THE ADOPTION OF A TAX RATE OF .5358775 WHICH IS EFFECTIVELY A 3.43 PERCENT INCREASE IN THE TAX RATE: GENERAL FUND RATE .4424355, ROAD AND BRIDGE RATE .0934420, WITH A TOTAL COMBINED 2026 RATE .5358775.

Motion by Ashley, seconded by Webb. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit “K” attached

ITEM NO. 14

ORDER TO RATIFY THAT THE ADOPTED 2027 BUDGET WILL RAISE MORE TOTAL PROPERTY TAXES THAN LAST YEAR’S PROPERTY TAXES BY \$111,971 WHICH IS A 2.40% INCREASE FROM LAST YEAR’S BUDGET AND THAT \$76,280 IS TAX REVENUE TO BE RAISED FROM NEW PROPERTY ADDED TO THE TAX ROLL THIS YEAR.

Motion by Pattison, seconded by Ashley. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried 4-0.

ITEM NO. 15

ROD ABBOTT, CPA PLLC TO PRESENT AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025.

No Action Taken

See Exhibit “L” in Folder

ITEM NO. 16

ORDER TO TAKE THE APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING THE THOMSON REUTERS WEST PROFLEX ORDER ID: Q-11908059 FOR 60 MONTHS AT \$3,232.15 INCREASING YEAR OVER YEAR, AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN.

Motion by Lee, seconded by Ashley. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit "M" attached

ITEM NO. 17

ORDER TO AUTHORIZE AUDITOR TO ISSUE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR INMATE COMMUNICATION SERVICES.

Motion by Pattison, seconded by Lee. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit "N" attached

ITEM NO. 18

ORDER TO TAKE NECESSARY ACTION REGARDING AUTO LIABILITY, AUTO PHYSICAL DAMAGE AND GENERAL LIABILITY RENEWAL QUESTIONNAIRE FOR DECEMBER 2026 - DECEMBER 2027 THROUGH TAC RISK MANAGEMENT POOL, AUTHORIZING COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN.

Motion by Ashley, seconded by Pattison. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit "O" attached

ITEM NO. 19

ORDER TO APPROVE ACTION REGARDING ANNUAL MONTHLY PEST CONTROL SERVICE FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PRECINCT 2 BUILDING AT \$600, AUTHORIZING JP2, MANDY MOORE TO SIGN.

Motion by Webb, seconded by Lee. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit "P" attached

ITEM NO. 20

ORDER TO TABLE ITEM NO. 20.

Motion by Ashley, seconded by Webb. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit "Q" attached

ITEM NO. 21

ORDER TO TABLE ITEM NO. 21.

Motion by Lafleur, seconded by Lee. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried 5-0.

ITEM NO. 22

**ORDER TO APPROVE ITEM NO. 22 DISCUSS AND TAKE NECESSARY ACTION ON
PROCLAMATION DECLARING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER AS SUICIDE
PREVENTION AWARENESS MONTH ALLOWING THE MARION COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS COURT TO SIGN.**

Motion by Lafleur, seconded by Ashley. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried 5-0.

See Exhibit "R" attached

ITEM NO. 23

**ORDER TO APPROVE THE CHANGES MADE BY THE SHERIFF IN THE ITEM NO.
3 OF THE KELLYVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR
RENTING THE CENTER WHEN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ARE CONSUMED. WE
HAVE ADDED NO. 3 SECURITY PROVIDED BY DEPUTY ARE BOOKED FOR
DEDICATED BLOCKS OF TIME, WHICH PREVENTS THEM FROM ACCEPTING
OTHER WORK FOR THOSE HOURS. BOOKING MINIMUMS AND SCHEDULING
COMMITMENTS REMAIN FIXED ONCE THE EVENT BEGINS. FOUR (4) HOUR
MINIMUM FOR ANY SECURITY WORK, HAS BEEN ADDED BY THE MARION
COUNTY SHERIFF, DAVID CAPPS.**

Motion by Lafleur, seconded by Ashley. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit "S" attached

ITEM NO. 24

ORDER TO TABLE ITEM NO. 24.

Motion by Ashley, seconded by Pattison. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried 4-0.

ITEM NO. 25

**ORDER TO APPROVE THE "ORDER OF ELECTION" FOR THE NOVEMBER 3, 2026
GENERAL ELECTION. THE ORDER INCLUDES DATES, TIMES AND LOCATIONS
FOR EARLY VOTING AND ELECTION DAY AND APPROVE OF OUR COUNTY
JUDGE TO SIGN.**

Motion by Ashley, seconded by Lee. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit "T" attached

ITEM NO. 26

**ORDER TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF JUDGES AND ALTERNATE
JUDGES FROM THE NAMES THAT APPEAR ON THE "ORDER OF APPOINTMENT
FOR ELECTION JUDGES AND ALTERNATE JUDGES" FOR ONE-YEAR TERM
BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1, 2026 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2027.**

Motion by Pattison, seconded by Ashley. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit "U" attached

ITEM NO. 27

**ORDER TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF PRESIDING JUDGE AND
ALTERNATE JUDGES FOR THE EARLY VOTING BALLOT BOARD FROM THE
NAMES THAT APPEAR ON THE "ORDER OF APPOINTMENT FOR THE EARLY
VOTING BALLOT BOARD" ON NOVEMBER 3, 2026 ELECTION.**

Motion by Lee, seconded by Webb. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit "V" attached

ITEM NO. 28

**ORDER TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF PRESIDING JUDGE AND
ALTERNATE JUDGE FOR THE CENTRAL COUNT FROM THE NAMES THAT
APPEAR ON THE "ORDER OF APPOINTMENT FOR THE CENTRAL COUNT" FOR
NOVEMBER 3, 2026 ELECTION.**

Motion by Lee, seconded by Ashley. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit "W" attached

ITEM NO. 29

**ORDER TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF THE FOLLOWING EXPERIENCED
PERSONNEL FOR CENTRAL COUNT STATION FOR THE NOVEMBER 3, 2026
ELECTION. MANAGER: KAREN JONES, TABULATION SUPERVISOR: LISA
DAUGHERTY, ASSISTANT TABULATION SUPERVISOR: ERA JOHNSON.**

Motion by Lee, seconded by Ashley. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried 4-0.

ORDER TO ADJOURN

Motion by Ashley, seconded by Lee. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried 4-0.
Meeting adjourned at 9:57 a.m.

**There being no further business brought to the attention of the Commissioners' Court,
it is ordered that the Commissioners' Court of Marion County, Texas, adjourn and
stand adjourned until the next Regular Session, unless and until called together in
Special Session before that time**

I attest to the accuracy of
the foregoing minutes.

the foregoing minutes.


COUNTY CLERK


COUNTY JUDGE



**NOTE: ALL REPORTS, LETTERS OR OTHER ATTACHMENTS MENTIONED IN
THE ABOVE MINUTES ARE ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK**