

THE STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF VICTORIA §

Be it remembered that on this the **23rd day June A.D., 2025**, the Commissioners Court convened in **Special Session** at the Victoria County Courthouse in the City of Victoria, Victoria County, Texas, with His Honor, Ben Zeller, County Judge, presiding and the following Commissioners attending:

Danny Garcia,	Commissioner Precinct No. 1
Jason Ohrt,	Commissioner Precinct No. 2
Shannon Martin,	Commissioner Precinct No. 3
Kenneth Sexton,	Commissioner Precinct No. 4
and	
Heidi Easley,	County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk

and the following orders were passed:



COUNTY OF VICTORIA

MINUTES

COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF VICTORIA COUNTY, TEXAS

Monday, June 23, 2025, 10:00 AM, SPECIAL TERM

VICTORIA COUNTY COURTHOUSE

115 N. BRIDGE ST., ROOM 241, SECOND FLOOR, VICTORIA, TX

1. Call to Order.

(1-0:00)

1. June 23, 2025. Ben Zeller, County Judge, called to order the Commissioners Court Special Term for Monday, June 23, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.

2. Invocation and Pledges.

(2-0:00)

2. June 23, 2025. County Judge Ben Zeller opened the meeting with prayer and the reciting of the Pledges of Allegiance of the United States of America and the State of Texas.

3. Citizens Communication.

(3-4:34)

3. June 23, 2025. Judge Ben Zeller opened the meeting to anyone wishing to address general County business which was not on the meeting agenda.

Airport Executive Director Lenny Llerena thanked Senator Lois Kolkhorst regarding the rider bill for the Victoria Regional Airport.

Public Health Director David Gonzales provided an update on mosquito spraying for Victoria County.

County Judge Zeller recognized Texas State Representative AJ Louderback and spoke about the Texas Legislature holding a special session on July 21, 2025.

Commissioner Shannon Martin stated that the grown-up brush around the relief bridge areas on SW Moody Street has been brought to the Courts attention and options and discussions are being held on how to address this situation.

Commissioner Kenneth Sexton mentioned that GBRA is working on the Guadalupe River log jams and that the Commissioners have no control over the log jams.

Hearing no further comments, Judge Ben Zeller continued with the next agenda item.

4. Consider approval of minutes and take appropriate action.

(4-9:38)

4. June 23, 2025. Moved by Kenneth Sexton and seconded by Jason Ohrt, the Commissioners Court approved the minutes of the Commissioners Court meeting held on June 16, 2025. Motion adopted.

5. Consider approval of accounts payable and take appropriate action.

(5-9:55)

5. June 23, 2025. Moved by Jason Ohrt and seconded by Danny Garcia, the Commissioners Court approved the accounts payable as presented by Michelle Samford, County Auditor.

Regular Accounts	6/23/2025	\$2,707,144.74
Supplemental Accounts	6/13/2025 – 6/18/2025	\$69,855.93

Motion adopted.

6. Receive monthly and quarterly reports from various county officials and departments and take appropriate action.

(6-10:22)

6. June 23, 2025. None. No action taken.

7. Consider approval of bond forfeiture releases and take appropriate action.

(7-10:32)

7. June 23, 2025. None. No action taken.

8. Consider approval of CMC Interim vendor payments and take appropriate action.

(8-10:42)

8. June 23, 2025. Moved by Danny Garcia and seconded by Shannon Martin, the Commissioners Court approved the CMC interim vendor payments dated June 19, 2025, in the amount of \$304,876.08 and the ACH report dated June 19, 2025, in the amount of \$3,066,830.47. Motion adopted.

9. Hear an update regarding hurricane preparedness from the Victoria Office of Emergency Management (VOEM) and take appropriate action.

(9-11:24)

9. June 23, 2025. The Commissioners Court passed on an update regarding Hurricane Preparedness from the Victoria Office of Emergency Management (VOEM). No action taken.

10. Consider approval of the initial payment to Sydaptic, Inc to begin jail control retrofit and take appropriate action.

(10-11:32)

10. June 23, 2025. Sheriff Justin Marr provided information to the Court. Moved by Kenneth Sexton and seconded by Shannon Martin, the Commissioners Court approved the initial payment to Sydaptic, Inc. to begin the Jail Control Retro-fit for the Victoria County Sheriff's Office. Motion adopted.

11. Consider approval of the Annual Texas LESO Surplus Property Program Application and take appropriate action.

(11-13:22)

11. June 23, 2025. Sheriff Justin Marr provided the Court with information. Moved by Danny Garcia and seconded by Jason Ohrt, the Commissioners Court approved the Annual Texas LESO Surplus Property Program Application for the Victoria County Sheriff's Office. Motion adopted.

- 12. Consider approval of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Victoria Parks Coalition, Inc. enacting a donation-based beautification initiative for Patriot Park and take appropriate action.**

(12-14:23)

12. June 23, 2025. Commissioner Shannon Martin provided the Court with information. Moved by Shannon Martin and seconded by Jason Ohrt, the Commissioners Court approved the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Victoria County, Texas and the Victoria Parks Coalition, Inc. enacting a donation-based beautification initiative for Patriot Park at Saxet Lake. Motion adopted.

- 13. Receive for the record the executed interlocal agreements with the Harris County Department of Education and the Purchasing Solutions Alliance for participation in their cooperative purchasing programs.**

(13-15:29)

13. June 23, 2025. Moved by Danny Garcia and seconded by Jason Ohrt, the Commissioners Court received for the record the executed Interlocal Agreements between Harris County Department of Education and Purchasing Solutions Alliance and Victoria County for participation in their cooperative purchasing programs. Motion adopted.

- 14. Reject all non-awarded bids received in response to the Invitations for Bids (IFB) for the Annual Supply of Road Materials and take appropriate action.**

(14-16:04)

14. June 23, 2025. Moved by Jason Ohrt and seconded by Shannon Martin, the Commissioners Court approved to reject all non-awarded bids received in response to the Invitations for Bids (IFB) for the Annual Supply of Road Materials. Motion adopted.

- 15. Consider approval of the following regarding the Invitation for Bid (IFB 2025-08) – Old Highway Road Ditch Drainage project and take appropriate action:**
a. Receive submitted bids.

(15a-17:16)

15a. June 23, 2025. Commissioner Sexton provided information to the Court. Moved by Shannon Martin and seconded by Jason Ohrt, the Commissioners Court received the submitted bids regarding the Invitation for Bid (IFB 2025-08) - Old Highway Road Ditch Drainage project. Motion adopted.

Consider approval of the following regarding the Invitation for Bid (IFB 2025-08) – Old Highway Road Ditch Drainage project and take appropriate action:

b. Receive bid tabulations and award recommendation letter from CivilCorp.

(15b-17:16)

15b. June 23, 2025. Commissioner Sexton provided the Court with information. Moved by Shannon Martin and seconded by Jason Ohrt, the Commissioners Court received the bid tabulations and award recommendation letter from CivilCorp regarding the Invitation for Bid (IFB 2025-08)-Old Highway Road Ditch Drainage project. Motion adopted.

Consider approval of the following regarding the Invitation for Bid (IFB 2025-08) – Old Highway Road Ditch Drainage project and take appropriate action:

c. Authorize the County Judge to enter into an agreement with Beck-Reit & Sons, LTD pending legal review.

(15c-17:16)

15c. June 23, 2025. Commissioner Sexton provided information to the Court. Moved by Shannon Martin and seconded by Jason Ohrt, the Commissioners Court authorized the

County Judge to enter into an agreement with Beck-Reit & Sons, Ltd, pending legal review, regarding the Invitation for Bid (IFB 2025-08) - Old Highway Road Ditch Drainage project. Motion adopted.

16. Receive corrected Competitive Sealed Proposal Instructions to Proposers and Bid Specifications for the Victoria County Regional Public Safety Training Center Project and take appropriate action.

(16-18:30)

16. June 23, 2025. County Engineer John Johnston provided information to the Court. Moved by Danny Garcia and seconded by Jason Ohrt, the Commissioners Court received the corrected Competitive Sealed Proposal Instructions to Proposers and Bid Specifications for the Victoria County Regional Public Safety Training Center Project. Motion adopted.

**17. Receive Phase 1 Environmental Site Assessment reports from AD Environmental Services, LLC for the following projects and take appropriate action:
a. Victoria County Mental Health Inpatient Facility.**

(17a-19:31)

17a. June 23, 2025. John Johnston, County Engineer, provided the Court with information. Moved by Kenneth Sexton and seconded by Shannon Martin, the Commissioners Court received the Phase 1 Environmental Site Assessment reports from AD Environmental Services, LLC for the Victoria County Mental Health Inpatient Facility. Motion adopted.

Receive Phase 1 Environmental Site Assessment reports from AD Environmental Services, LLC for the following projects and take appropriate action:

b. HMGP DR-4485-005 Victoria County Regional Emergency Operations Community Safe Room.

(17b-19:31)

17b. June 23, 2025. County Engineer John Johnston provided information to the Court. Moved by Kenneth Sexton and seconded by Shannon Martin, the Commissioners Court received the Phase 1 Environmental Site Assessment report from AD Environmental Services, LLC for the HMGP DR-4485-005 Victoria County Regional Emergency Operations Community Safe Room. Motion adopted.

18. Consider approval of a plat exemption request from James R Harbovsky & Joye LeAnn Nalls at 1450 Warburton Road, located in Precinct 3, and take appropriate action.

(18-20:29)

18. June 23, 2025. County Engineer John Johnston spoke to the Court about the plat exemption. Moved by Shannon Martin and seconded by Kenneth Sexton, the Commissioners Court approved the plat exemption request from James R. Harbovsky and Joye LeAnn Nalls at 1450 Warburton Road in Precinct No. 3 with the following conditions:

- * Shall secure and verify the 911 addresses for the tracts with the Golden Crescent Regional Planning Commission.
- * No future tract created shall be less than 1-acre, excluding easements.
- * All created/revised tracts, new property deeds and ingress/egress easement(s) must be created and filed in the Victoria County Clerk's Public Records.

- * Further subdivision of tracts shall comply with the requirements of the effective published version of the VCDSM at the time of subdivision.
- * Each tract will have its own water well and Onsite Sanitary Sewer Facility (OSSF) (septic system).
- * Each tract shall have public right of away frontage or access to a public right-of-way through an ingress/egress easement.

Motion adopted.

- 19. Consider approval of the Contract Amendment for the Tuberculosis Prevention and Control Combined-State and Federal Grant Program Contract No. HHS001437400027, to add funds and extend the contract for the period beginning September 1, 2025 through August 2026-Fiscal Year 2026 and take appropriate action.**

(19-21:49)

19. June 23, 2025. Public Health Director David Gonzales provided information to the Court. Moved by Kenneth Sexton and seconded by Shannon Martin, the Commissioners Court approved the contract amendment for the Tuberculosis Prevention and Control Combined-State and Federal Grant Program Contract No. HHS001437400027, to add funds and extend the contract for the period beginning September 1, 2025 through August 2026-Fiscal year 2026. Motion adopted.

- 20. Consider the Detention and Residential Contract between Victoria County Regional Juvenile Justice Center and Bowie County and take appropriate action.**

(20-24:02)

20. June 23, 2025. Moved by Shannon Martin and seconded by Kenneth Sexton, the Commissioners Court approved the Detention and Residential Contracts between Victoria Regional Juvenile Justice Center and Bowie County. Motion adopted.

- 21. Consider approval of Resolution No. 2025-053 for donation of a surveillance camera from the Vietnam Veterans of America valued at \$3,500 for Patriot Park and take appropriate action.**

(21-24:13)

21. June 23, 2025. Commissioner Shannon Martin provided the Court with information. Moved by Kenneth Sexton and seconded by Jason Ohrt, pursuant to Local Government Code §81.032, the Commissioners Court approved Resolution No. 2025-053 for a donation of a surveillance camera valued at \$3,500.00 from the Vietnam Veterans of America to be utilized for and dedicated to Patriot Park. Motion adopted.

- 22. Consider approval of Resolution No. 2025-054 for donation of time and labor valued at \$1,020 from VCS Security Systems to install a surveillance camera at Patriot Park and take appropriate action.**

(22-25:01)

22. June 23, 2025. Moved by Shannon Martin and seconded by Kenneth Sexton, pursuant to Local Government Code §81.032, the Commissioners Court approved Resolution No. 2025-054 for a donation of time and labor for installation of surveillance camera valued at \$1,020.00 from VCS Security Systems to be utilized for and dedicated to Patriot Park. Motion adopted.

- 23. Receive for the record Discretionary Funds Budget Amendment, Sheriff Commissary Fund (380) and take appropriate action.**

(23-25:29)

23. June 23, 2025. Moved by Jason Ohrt and seconded by Shannon Martin, the Commissioners Court received for the record, the Discretionary Funds Budget Amendment for the Sheriff Commissary Fund (380) as an increase to expenditures. Motion adopted.

24. Consider approval of the following 2025 budget amendments and take appropriate action:

(24-25:47)

24. June 23, 2025. Moved by Kenneth Sexton and seconded by Shannon Martin, the Commissioners Court approved the 2025 budget amendments for:

- a. General Fund/Various Departments, Expenditures - Line item transfer
- b. Emergency Management, Expenditures - Line item transfer
- c. Airport Fund, Expenditures - Line item transfer
- d. Road and Bridge, Precinct No. 1, Expenditures - Line item transfer
- e. Capital Projects Fund, Expenditures - Increase
- f. General Fund/Sheriff's Office, Expenditures - Line item transfer
- g. Health Department, Revenues and Expenditures - Line item transfer

Motion adopted.

25. Adjourn.

(25-26:29)

25. June 23, 2025. The Commissioners Court adjourned the meeting of June 23, 2025.