NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING OF LIBERTY COUNTY TEXAS

Notice is hereby given that a **REGULAR MEETING** of the above named **Liberty County Commissioners Court** will be held on the **26th day of August, 2025**, at **9:00 A.M.**, at the Liberty County Courthouse, 2nd Floor Courtroom, 1923 Sam Houston, Liberty, Texas, at which time the following subjects will be discussed, to-wit:

SEE ATTACHED.

Dated this the 21st day of August, 2025

Commissioners' Court of Liberty County, Texas

By:

Jay H. Knight, County Judge

Liberty, Texas

I, the undersigned, County Clerk, do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the above named Commissioners' Court, is a true and correct copy of said Notice, and that I posted a true and correct copy of said Notice on the bulletin board at the Courthouse door of Liberty County. Texas, at a place readily accessible to the general public at all times on the **21st day of August**, **2025** and said Notice remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said Meeting.

Dated 21st day of August, 2025

County Clerk, Liberty County, Texas

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LIBERTY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT Regular Meeting of Commissioners Court August 26, 2025 9:00 a.m. 1923 Sam Houston St., Room 203 - Liberty, Texas 77575

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:
- 2. PLEDGE TO THE U.S. FLAG AND TEXAS FLAG:
- 3. INVOCATION:
- 4. NOTICES AND PROCLAMATIONS:
- 5. PUBLIC COMMENT:
- 6. DECLARE CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:
- 7. CONSENT AGENDA:
 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 MINUTES: 8/12/2025 REGULAR MEETING
 - WARRANTS PAYABLE
 APPROVE WARRANTS PAYABLE
 - 3. BUDGET AMENDMENTS

R&B PCT 1: LINE ITEM TRANSFER

DISTRICT ATTORNEY: LINE ITEM TRANSFER COUNTY AUDITOR: LINE ITEM TRANSFER

R&B PCT 4: LINE ITEM TRANSFER

LC CONSTABLE PCT 4: LINE ITEM TRANSFER CONSTABLE PCT 6: TSU GRANT PROCEEDS

JP PCT 1: LINE ITEM TRANSFER

AG EXTENSION: DONATION FOR ELECTRIC GATE @ 501 PALMER ST / OFFICE EXP

PURCHASING OFF: LINE ITEM TRANSFER CONSTABLE PCT 1: LINE ITEM TRANSFER

- 4. MONTHLY REPORTS
 - a) PERMITS & INSPECTIONS JULY 2025 REPORT
 - b) JP PCT 1 JULY 2025 REPORT
 - c) JP PCT 2 JULY 2025 REPORT

- d) JP PCT 5 JULY 2025 REPORT
- e) CONSTABLE PCT 5 JULY 2025 REPORT
- f) INDIGENT HEALTHCARE JULY 2025 RPT
- g) COUNTY TREASURER JULY 2025 REPORT
- 5. OATHS & DEPUTATIONS
 - NONE -
- 6. PAYROLL CHANGES

TAX OFFICE: APPROVE VAC PAY FOR ERIC ARA - TOTAL \$517.02

7. SPECIAL MINUTES - DISTRICT JUDGES

APPROVE ORDER SETTING SALARIES FOR THE FOLLOWING: COURT REPORTER FOR 75th DISTRICT COURT; COURT REPORTER FOR 253rd DISTRICT COURT; COUNTY AUDITOR; FIRST ASSISTANT COUNTY AUDITOR; (5) ASSISTANT AUDITORS & THE APPOINTMENT OF THE LIBERTY COUNTY AUDITOR FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM

8. COUNTY AUDITOR - DWAYNE GOTT

APPROVE COUNTY AUDITOR PER LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE 130.902(D) TO INCREASE THE CHANGE FUND USED FOR DAILY OPERATIONS IN THE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE BY \$40.00 DUE TO THE ADDITION OF ONE NEW CASHIER DRAWER

9. ESD #7

INFORMATION ITEM: FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR ESD #7

10. TAX ASSESSOR COLLECTOR RICHARD BROWN

INFORMATION ITEM: ACKNOWLEDGE TAC RICHARD BROWN CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSES COMPLETED

11. COUNTY JUDGE JAY KNIGHT

APPROVE REQUESTS FOR YEARLY DONATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING ORGANIZATIONS THAT PROVIDE MEALS AND ACTIVITIES TO SENIOR CITIZENS IN LIBERTY COUNTY, TEXAS: CLEVELAND SENIOR CITIZENS \$10,000.00, GRACE INITIATIVE OF SOUTH LIBERTY COUNTY \$10,000.00; INTERFAITH MINISTRIES \$500.00; DAYTON SENIOR CENTER \$10,000.00

12. LIBERTY COUNTY JAIL COMMISSARY

JAIL COMMISSARY EXPENSES

8. REGULAR AGENDA:

1. COUNTY JUDGE JAY KNIGHT

INFORMATION ITEM:

REPORT FROM LIBERTY COUNTY SHERIFFON THE REPAIRS AT THE LIBERTY COUNTY JAIL.

2. COUNTY AUDITOR - DWAYNE GOTT

CONSIDER AND APPROVE \$1000 EARNEST MONEY CONTRACT PAYMENT TO FIRST LIBERTY TITLE FOR PROPERTY BETWEEN PURCHASING DEPARTMENT AND TARVER BUILDING - PURCHASED APPROVED IN COMMISSIONERS COURT 8/12/2025

3. COMMISSIONER PCT 1 - BRUCE KARBOWSKI

CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN LIBERTY COUNTY AND THE CITY OF DAISETTA FOR MOWING CITY DITCHES AND THE CITY SEWER PLANT

4. I.T. DEPARTMENT - NICK DENNIS

CONSIDER AND APPROVE QUOTE OF \$299.73 FOR A NEW LASER PRINTER FOR JP PCT 4 - JUDGE WILBURN'S COURTROOM FROM CDW-G, TO BE PAID FROM THE JP TECHNOLOGY FUND

5. JP PCT 6 - JUDGE RALPH FULLER

CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF A NEW LASER PRINTER FOR JP PCT 6 - JUDGE FULLER'S COURTROOM, FROM CDW-G AT A COST OF \$466.89, TO BE PAID FROM THE JP TECHNOLOGY FUND

6. TAX ASSESSOR COLLECTOR RICHARD BROWN

CONSIDER AND APPROVE OVERPAY REFUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,367.70 FOR ACCOUNT 179541 FOR CUSTOMER COTALITY

7. TAX ASSESSOR COLLECTOR RICHARD BROWN

CONSIDER AND APPROVE OVERPAY REFUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,823.55 FOR ACCOUNT 268387 FOR CUSTOMER NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE, LLC.

8. TAX ASSESSOR COLLECTOR RICHARD BROWN

CONSIDER AND APPROVE ERRONEOUS REFUND TO IVAN AND GLADYS HUERTA PERTAINING TO ACCOUNT 69484, CUSTOMER DAVID PAUL GURTH

9. FIRE MARSHAL - NATHAN GREEN

CONSIDER AND APPROVE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF AMES AND THE LIBERTY COUNTY FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE TO PROVIDE FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY INSPECTIONS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS. THIS IS TO BE CONTINGENT ON THE ACCEPTANCE AND SIGNATURE OF THE AMES CITY COUNCIL.

10. FIRE MARSHAL - NATHAN GREEN

CONSIDER AND APPROVE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF DAYTON AND

THE LIBERTY COUNTY FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE TO PROVIDE FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY INSPECTIONS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS. THIS IS TO BE CONTINGENT ON THE ACCEPTANCE AND SIGNATURE OF THE DAYTON CITY COUNCIL.

11. FIRE MARSHAL - NATHAN GREEN

CONSIDER AND APPROVE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF DEVERS AND THE LIBERTY COUNTY FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE TO PROVIDE FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY INSPECTIONS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS. THIS IS TO BE CONTINGENT ON THE ACCEPTANCE AND SIGNATURE OF THE DEVERS CITY COUNCIL.

12. FIRE MARSHAL - NATHAN GREEN

CONSIDER AND APPROVE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF HARDIN AND THE LIBERTY COUNTY FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE TO PROVIDE FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY INSPECTIONS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS. THIS IS TO BE CONTINGENT ON THE ACCEPTANCE AND SIGNATURE OF THE HARDIN CITY COUNCIL.

13. FIRE MARSHAL - NATHAN GREEN

CONSIDER AND APPROVE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF KENEFICK AND THE LIBERTY COUNTY FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE TO PROVIDE FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY INSPECTIONS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS. THIS IS TO BE CONTINGENT ON THE ACCEPTANCE AND SIGNATURE OF THE KENEFICK CITY COUNCIL.

14. FIRE MARSHAL - NATHAN GREEN

CONSIDER AND APPROVE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF PLUM GROVE AND THE LIBERTY COUNTY FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE TO PROVIDE FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY INSPECTIONS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS. THIS IS TO BE CONTINGENT ON THE ACCEPTANCE AND SIGNATURE OF THE PLUM GROVE CITY COUNCIL.

15. FIRE MARSHAL - NATHAN GREEN

CONSIDER AND APPROVE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF DAYTON LAKES AND THE LIBERTY COUNTY FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE TO PROVIDE FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY INSPECTIONS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS. THIS IS TO BE CONTINGENT ON THE ACCEPTANCE AND SIGNATURE OF THE DAYTON LAKES CITY COUNCIL.

16. FIRE MARSHAL - NATHAN GREEN

CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT REJECTED BY THE CITY OF DAISETTA FOR THE LIBERTY COUNTY FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE TO PROVIDE FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY INSPECTIONS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS. THE CITY OF DAISETTA HAS CONTRACTED WITH A THIRD PARTY FOR THESE SERVICES.

17. FIRE MARSHAL - NATHAN GREEN

CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE PREVIOUSLY APPROVED LIBERTY COUNTY FIRE MARSHAL OFFICE FEE SCHEDULE TO GO INTO EFFECT ON SEPTEMBER 2, 2025

18. CONSTABLE PCT 2 - JOHN TUCKER

CONSIDER AND APPROVE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN LIBERTY COUNTY CONSTABLE PRECINCT 2 AND HULL-DAISETTA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR

19. CONSTABLE PCT 5 - DAVID HUNTER

CONSIDER AND APPROVE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN LIBERTY COUNTY CONSTABLE PRECINCT 5 AND TARKINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR

20. PURCHASING AGENT - HAROLD SEAY

CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF A 2022 PNEUMATIC ROLLER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$110,800.00 FROM R.B. EVERETT & CO. THROUGH BUYBOARD CONTRACT #685-22 FOR PCT 4

21. COUNTY AUDITOR - DWAYNE GOTT

CONSIDER AND APPROVE ELEVATOR MAINTENANCE SERVICE CONTRACT WITH ELEVATORS OF BEAUMONT AT THE RATE OF \$240.00 PER MONTH

22. PERMITS & INSPECTIONS - MELINDA SOLIDAY

CONSIDER AND APPROVE DRAW REQUEST #10 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$410,800.00 FOR THE GLO MIT-MOD CONTRACT #24-065-014-E171. ATTACHED IN THE PACKET FOR YOUR REVIEW IS THE REQUEST AND INVOICE INFORMATION

23. PERMITS & INSPECTIONS - MELINDA SOLIDAY

CONSIDER AND APPROVE ROYAL OAKS 2 REQUEST TO RELEASE THE ROAD MAINTENANCE BOND. THE INITIAL SUBDIVISION WAS TO HAVE OVER 40 LOTS. THEY HAVE SINCE RE-PLATED AND ONLY HAVE 8 LOTS IN THIS SECTION ALL OF WHICH HAVE ACCESS TO CR 2184 AND THEREFORE DO NOT REQUIRE NEW ROADS TO BE BUILT

24. PERMITS & INSPECTIONS - MELINDA SOLIDAY / COMMISSIONER BRUCE KARBOWSKI

CONSIDER AND APPROVE WAIVING THE TWO (2) YEAR MAINTENANCE PERIOD TO APPROXIMATELY 2600' OF COUNTY ROAD 48619 FROM THE DETENTION POND TO THE CUL-de-SAC IN LIEU OF \$20,000.00 PREPAYMENT FOR ROAD REPAIRS

25. PERMITS & INSPECTIONS - MELINDA SOLIDAY

CONSIDER AND APPROVE PAYMENT OF LJA ENGINEERING INVOICE #202528802 DATED 07/14/2025 IN THE AMOUNT \$356.800.00 AND INVOICE #202532584 DATED 08/01/2025 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$54,000.00. THESE INVOICES ARE FOR THE ENGINEERING SERVICES OF THE COUNTY WIDE DRAINAGE STUDY GLO CDBG-MIT-MOD GRANT

26. PERMITS & INSPECTIONS - MELINDA SOLIDAY

CONSIDER AND APPROVE CHANGE ORDER #2 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$84,553.14, MAKING THE REVISED TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT \$1,283,414.59 FOR THE AMES SANITARY SEWER PROJECT SERVICES FROM SCHAUMBURG & POLK, INC., USING ARPA FUNDS. THE CHANGE ORDER AMOUNT IS WITHIN THE CONTINGENCY AMOUNT (\$1,464,241.11) ESTABLISHED WITHIN THE CONTRACT. ATTACHED IS THE CHANGE ORDER WITH MAYOR DOMAIN'S SIGNATURE APPROVAL.

27. COUNTY ATTORNEY MATTHEW POSTON / KATHRINE MCCARTY

CONSIDER AND APPROVE AMENDED DONATION AND ROAD USE SETTLEMENT AND RELEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN LIBERTY COUNTY AND NATURAL GAS PIPELINE COMPANY OF AMERICA, LLC FOR THE USE OF COUNTY ROAD 109 IN PCT. 1.

28. COUNTY ATTORNEY MATTHEW POSTON / KATHRINE MCCARTY

CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE DONATION OF A RIGHT-OF-WAY PORTION OF CR-2318 IN PCT. 4 TO LIBERTY COUNTY.

29. COUNTY JUDGE JAY KNIGHT

INFORMATION ITEM:

NOTICE ABOUT HB 1522 AMENDS GOVERNMENT CODE \$551.043(a). NEW AGENDA POSTING DATES ARE IN THE PACKET FOR UPCOMING COMMISSIONER COURT DATES.

30. PURCHASING AGENT - HAROLD SEAY

CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE REVISED FINANCE PROPOSAL FROM THE CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL SERVICES CORPORATION (CFSC) FOR THE PURCHASE OF A MINI- HYDRAULIC EXCAVATOR FOR PCT #1, AND IF APPROPRIATE, EXECUTE GOVERNMENTAL EQUIPMENT LEASE-PURCHASE AGREEMENT #001-70192943

31. COUNTY ATTORNEY MATTHEW POSTON / KATHRINE MCCARTY

DISCUSS AND TAKE POTENTIAL ACTION RELATED TO THE FIRE SERVICE AGREEMENTS BETWEEN LIBERTY COUNTY AND ALL FIRE-RELATED ENTITIES FOR THE UPCOMING FISCAL YEAR.

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33. JUDGE CHAMBERS / JUDGE HINCH / JUDGE KNIGHT

CONSIDER, APPROVE AND ELECT TO OBTAIN INSURANCE FOR THE JUDGES OF THE COUNTY COURT, THE COUNTY COURT AT LAW AND THE COUNTY COURT AT LAW #2 AND PAY THE PREMIUMS FOR THE INSURANCE COVERAGE, PURSUANT TO SECTION 25.0006, V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE.

34. LIBERTY COUNTY O.E.M. - ANTWYNE JOHNSON / LCSO- BILLY KNOX

CONSIDER AND APPROVE TWO SATELLITE PHONES FOR OEM. ONE WILL BE LOCATED AT OEM AND THE OTHER AT THE LCSO. THE TOTAL COST IS \$2,851.12 WITH A YEARLY RECURRING COST OF \$1,627.12.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

THE COMMISSIONERS COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF LIBERTY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT ANY TIME DURING THE COURSE OF THIS MEETING TO DISCUSS ANY OF THE MATTERS LISTED ABOVE, AS AUTHORIZED BY TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTIONS 551.071(CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY); 551.072 (DELIBERATION ABOUT REAL PROPERTY); 551.0725 (DELIBERATIONS REGARDING CONTRACT BEING NEGOTIATED); 551.073 (DELIBERATIONS ABOUT GIFTS AND DONATIONS); 551.074 (PERSONNEL MATTERS); 551.076 (DELIBERATIONS ABOUT SECURITY DEVISES); AND 551.087 (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT); 418.183 (SECURITY MATTERS).

1. COUNTY ATTORNEY MATTHEW POSTON / KATHRINE MCCARTY

AN EXECUTIVE/ CLOSED SESSION MEETING WILL OCCUR REGARDING THE FOLLOWING MATTERS: PURSUANT TO SECTION 551.071 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE (CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY) AND SECTION 551.0725 (CONTRACTS BEING NEGOTIATED), FOR THE COMMISSIONERS COURT TO CONSULT WITH AND SEEK ADVICE FROM ITS ATTORNEY REGARDING POTENTIAL UPDATES TO THE CURRENT FIRE SERVICE AGREEMENTS FOR THE 2025-2026 FISCAL YEAR.

2. COUNTY ATTORNEY MATTHEW POSTON / KATHRINE MCCARTY

AN EXECUTIVE/ CLOSED SESSION MEETING WILL OCCUR REGARDING THE FOLLOWING MATTERS: PURSUANT TO SECTION 551.071 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE (CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY), FOR THE COMMISSIONERS COURT TO CONSULT WITH AND SEEK ADVICE FROM ITS ATTORNEY REGARDING ANY POTENTIAL AMENDMENT AND/ OR TERMINATION TO THE CURRENT COVID PAY POLICY.

10. PUBLIC ATTENDANCE INFORMATION:

- Please remember the Liberty County Commissioners Courtroom is tobacco-free.
- Please turn off all cell phones during the Liberty County Regular Meeting of Commissioners Court.
- Members of the public may speak before the Liberty County Commissioners Court. The person speaking must complete the form required and limit comments to three minutes or less.

11. ADJOURNMENT:

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF LIBERTY

I hereby certify that this instrument was FILED on the date and the time stamped hereon by me and was duly RECORDED in the Records of Liberty County. Texas.

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Lee Haidusek Chambers. County Clerk Liberty County, TX