MINUTES

On this, the 12th day of January, 2026, the Commissioners Court of Jack County, Texas, met in Regular Session at 10:05 a.m., beginning with a prayer and the pledge of allegiance to the American flag and Texas flag, with the following individuals present:

Brian Keith Umphress	County Judge
Gary Oliver	Commissioner Precinct 1
Amy Salazar	Commissioner Precinct 2
Terry Ward	Commissioner Precinct 4
Vanessa James	County Clerk
Lisa Perry	County Auditor
Brad Campsey	County Treasurer
Frank Hefner	EMC/IT
Charles Hauger	Jack County Sheriff
Doug Angell	SO Chief Deputy
Ron Butler	TDEM
Jessica Bailey	Justice of the Peace
Macaul Johnson	County Judge's Administrative Assistant
Cara Smith	County Treasurer's Assistant
David Vanderkaay	Deputy County Constable
Lynn Casteel	Elections Administrator
Christina Hefner	Justice of the Peace Chief Deputy
Mckenzie Cox	Justice of the Peace Deputy
Kim Dungan	Human Resources
Suzanne Brooks	County Clerk's Chief Deputy

The following public members were in attendance: John Hatem, Zach Zeitler, Jacksboro Newspapers, Ashley Anderson, Anna Fitzgerald, Charlotte Haston, Melissa Rowland, Julie Hopkins, Genelle Hernandez, Ginger Johnson, Amanda Horn, Tony Horn, and Ken Alles.

PUBLIC FORUM

No members of the public spoke.

PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS AND CLAIMS

Judge Umphress moved to approve all accounts and claims submitted. Commissioner Salazar seconded the motion, which passed. (3-0) Commissioner Oliver abstained from the vote.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

(a) Approval of Minutes of Meeting for December 22, 2025;
(b) Discuss and approve the month of January as Sanctity of Human Life Awareness Month and Sunday, January 19, 2026, as Sanctity of Human Life Sunday;
(c) Approval of Official Bonds and Oaths for Michael Francis;
(d) Accept engagement letter to retain Bohreer Law Firm PLLC;
(e) Discuss and approve the re-plat of the Mesquite Estates subdivision;
(f) Discuss and approve the re-plat of the Lone Indian Ranch Addition Track No. 53R 12.50 acres;
(g) Approval of new federal mileage rate of 72.5 cents per mile;
(h) Approve contract renewal for IBM Service Suite for hardware and software;
(i) Acceptance of Extension Activity and Travel Report from agent Alinda Cox for the month of December 2025;

Commissioner Oliver made a motion to approve the presented Consent Agenda items, changing item (b) to Sunday, January 18, 2026. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Salazar and passed. (4-0)

TIMED AGENDA ITEM

No timed agenda items.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE RENOVATION PROJECT IN THE ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

The Elections Administrator described the work she is requesting to be done in her office. The changes will take the room back to its original layout.

Commissioner Oliver made a motion to approve the requested changes. Commissioner Salazar seconded the motion, and it passed (4-0)

DISCUSS AND RECEIVE THE TAX ABATEMENT AGREEMENT FOR C1 JACK I LLC

John Hatem with CyrusOne addressed the Court about the project.
Judge Umphress made a Motion to receive the tax abatement agreement. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Ward and it passed. (4-0)

DISCUSS AND APROVE THE LETTER OF ENGAGEMENT FOR CAPEX RESOURCES GROUP

Motion Judge to approve the letter of engagement for Capex Resources. Commissioner Oliver seconded the motion, and it passed. (4-0)

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE HIRING OF A FULL-TIME POSITION IN THE JACK COUNTY JUSTICE OF THE PEACE OFFICE

Justice Bailey updated the Court regarding the workload in her office and how it has increased over the last year.
Motion was made by Commissioner Ward to approve hiring a full-time or part-time position in the Justice of the Peace office. Commissioner Salazar seconded the motion, and it passed. 3-1 with Commissioner Oliver in opposition.

DISCUSSION OF COMMISSIONER PRECINCT OPERATIONS

Discussion made, no action taken.

REPORTS, IF ANY, BY OTHER DEPARTMENT HEADS

Discussion made, no action taken.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Driveway permits/subdivisions.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Commissioner Oliver moved to adjourn. Commissioner Salazar seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. (4-0).

The meeting was adjourned at 12:08 p.m.

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Brian Keith Umphress, County Judge

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Gary Oliver, Commissioner Pct. #1

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Amy Salazar, Commissioner Pct. #2

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Henry Birdwell, Jr., Commissioner Pct #3

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Terry Ward, Commissioner Pct. #4

ATTEST:

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Vanessa James, County Clerk