

MINUTES

On this, the 17th day of August, 2026, the Commissioners Court of Jack County, Texas, met in Regular Session at 9:01 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
Ronald Fitzgerald	Commissioner Precinct 2
Henry Birdwell	Commissioner Precinct 3
Vanessa James	County Clerk
Lisa Perry	County Auditor
Brad Campsey	County Treasurer
Frank Hefner	Emergency Management / IT
Macaul Johnson	County Judge's Assistant

The following public members were in attendance: John Barry IV, LeeAnna Furman, Jeff Jackson, Jacksboro City Manager Mike Smith, Anna Fitzgerald, Ashley Anderson, Mark Laird and Jeremy Jennings.

PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS AND CLAIMS

Commissioner Birdwell moved to approve all [accounts and claims](#) submitted. Commissioner Fitzgerald seconded the motion, which passed. (3-0). Commissioner Oliver abstained from the vote.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- (a) Approval of Minutes of Meeting for August 10, 2026;
- (b) Review and Acceptance of Tax Assessor-Collector [Reports](#) for July 2026;
- (c) Approval of the Public Notice for General Election on November 3, 2026;
- (d) Approval of the Texas Department of Agriculture Texans Feeding Texans: Home-Delivered Meal [Grant](#) Program for Concerned Citizens for FY 2027;

Commissioner Birdwell made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda and remove item (c) to be heard at a future meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Oliver and passed. (4-0)

PUBLIC FORUM (LIMITED TO 5 MINUTES PER PERSON)

No members of the public spoke.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVING THE ORDER RESTRICTING OUTDOOR BURNING FOR JACK COUNTY

Commissioner Fitzgerald made a motion to approve an [Order](#) restricting Outdoor Burning for Jack County for a 90-day period. Commissioner Birdwell seconded the motion, and it passed. (4-0)

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE FY 2027 CONSTABLE AND SHERIFF FEES

Commissioner Birdwell made a motion to approve the FY 2027 Constable and Sheriff [fees](#) as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Oliver, and it passed. (4-0)

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE CIVICPLUS AGENDA & MEETING MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE

Commissioner Oliver made a motion to approve [CivicPlus](#) Agenda & Meeting Management Software for \$14,087.50 and then an annual cost of \$10,075.00. Commissioner Fitzgerald seconded, and the motion passed. (4-0)

DISCUSSION OF COMMISSIONER PRECINCT OPERATIONS

Discussion made, no action taken.

REPORTS, IF ANY, BY OTHER DEPARTMENT HEADS

Discussion made, no action taken.

BUDGET WORKSHOP FY2026

Break from 11:20 a.m. – 11:26 a.m.
Discussion made, no action taken.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting was adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Brian Keith Umphress, County Judge

Gary Oliver, Commissioner Pct. #1

Ronald Fitzgerald, Commissioner Pct. #2

Henry Birdwell, Jr., Commissioner Pct #3

Terry Ward, Commissioner Pct. #4

ATTEST:

Vanessa James, County Clerk