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State of Texas  
County of Panola

BOBBIE DAVIS  
COUNTY CLERK, PANOLA COUNTY, TEXAS  
BY P. Davis DEPUTY

On the 10<sup>th</sup> day of March 2026, the Commissioners' Court of Panola County, Texas met in a regular meeting of the Court at 9:00 AM in the Commissioners' Courtroom of said County with the following members of the Court present:

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| Rodger McLane    | County Judge              |
| Billy Alexander  | Commissioner, Precinct #1 |
| David A. Cole    | Commissioner, Precinct #2 |
| Craig M. Lawless | Commissioner, Precinct #3 |
| Dale LaGrone     | Commissioner, Precinct #4 |

Also attending were Vicki Heinkel, Administrative Assistant to the County Judge/County Commissioners' Coordinator and Bobbie Davis, County Clerk. Attached to and made a part of these minutes is a list of other attendees and the office or organization that each represent. The following proceedings were held at this meeting:

**PRAYER:** Commissioner David A. Cole gave the prayer.

**OPEN MEETING:**

1. **CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

Keri Perot-Vance, Executive Director, Panola County Chamber of Commerce, reported on new businesses in the County.

2. **COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS:**

Commissioners asked for patience as they clean up trees and debris left in the wake of the recent winter storm.

3. **COUNTY JUDGE'S REPORT:**

County Judge McLane expressed his appreciation to Commissioner Billy Alexander for presiding over the February 24, 2026 session of Commissioners' Court and stated he will also be absent for the March 24, 2026 session of court to attend a County Judge's school.

4. **CONSENT ITEMS:**

**PERSONNEL**

- a. To record the resignation of Takoda Dugger as a Detention Officer with the Panola County Sheriff's Department effective March 19, 2026.
- b. To record the resignation of Erin L. Johnson as 123<sup>rd</sup> District Court Coordinator effective March 20, 2026. \*SEE NOTE BELOW.
- c. To record the employment of Karen England as a temporary employee with the Panola County Criminal District Attorney's Office effective for 90 days beginning March 10, 2026 at the rate of \$20.16 per hour.
- d. To record a change in status of employment for Raven McPherson from Panola County Justice of the Peace Clerk, Precincts #2 and 3 to 123<sup>rd</sup> District Court Coordinator effective March 21, 2026 at the budgeted amount of pay. \*SEE NOTE BELOW.

#### ROAD & BRIDGE

- a. To approve and record a request by KCB Services LLC to place a 10' temporary water line for frac within the right-of-way of Panola County Road #3062.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

- a. To approve minutes of Commissioners' Court meetings held during the month of February 2026.
- b. To approve and record Federal Annual Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification Report between the Federal Government, Panola County Sheriff's Department and Panola County for Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2025.
- c. To approve and record Federal Annual Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification Report between the Federal Government, Panola County Criminal District Attorney's Office and Panola County for Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2025.
- d. To approve and record Federal Annual Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification Report between the Federal Government, Panola County Constable, Precinct #1 and 4 and Panola County for Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2025.
- e. To approve and record Federal Annual Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification Report between the Federal Government, Panola County Constable, Precinct #2 and 3 and Panola County for Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2025.
- f. To record Chapter 59 Asset Forfeiture Report by Law Enforcement Agency for the Panola County Sheriff's Department for Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2025.

- g. To record Racial Profiling Report for Fiscal Year 2025 for Panola County Sheriff Cutter Clinton.
- h. To record Construction Contract Change Order #1 (Contract No. CDV23-0438) for Rock Hill Water Supply Corporation.

**REQUESTS FOR CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE**

- a. To approve and record a Request for Attendance at a Conference form(s) for the following Panola County elected official(s)/employee(s): PCSD Reserve Deputy Brack LaGrone; PCSD Sergeant Deputy Chris Hansen; PCSD Sergeant Deputy Stephen Gillie; PCSD Captain Adam Jones; and Panola County Tax Assessor-Collector Holly Gibbs.

Commissioner Billy Alexander moved and Commissioner Craig M. Lawless seconded the motion to approve the Consent Items, *with the exception of Personnel Items B and D at the request of District Judge Rafferty* \*. The motion carried unanimously.

A COPY OF EACH LETTER, AMENDMENT, REQUEST, AND/OR BOND IS ATTACHED TO AND MADE A PART OF THE MINUTES.

- 5. Commissioner Dale LaGrone moved and Commissioner Billy Alexander seconded the motion to approve payment of current Panola County bills as prepared and submitted by the County Auditor. The motion carried unanimously. SEE PAYMENT REGISTER ATTACHED.
- 6. Commissioner David A. Cole moved and Commissioner Craig M. Lawless seconded the motion to approve payment of Panola County payroll as prepared and submitted by the County Treasurer. The motion carried unanimously. SEE PAYROLL DISTRIBUTION REGISTER ATTACHED.
- 7. Commissioner Billy Alexander moved and Commissioner Craig M. Lawless seconded the motion to approve a plat for Long Branch Estates – Lots 1-5 to be located in the J. McAdams Survey, A-422 in Panola County, Texas (tabled from the February 24, 2026 session of Commissioners' Court). The motion carried unanimously. SEE PLAT ATTACHED.
- 8. Commissioner Billy Alexander moved and Commissioner Dale LaGrone seconded the motion to approve Sourcewell Contract #AG082923-DAC from United Ag & Turf for the purchase of a John Deere 5105M Utility Tractor for use by the Panola County Road and Bridge Department, Precinct #1. The motion carried unanimously. SEE INFORMATION ATTACHED.
- 9. Commissioner Craig M. Lawless moved and Commissioner David A. Cole seconded the motion to approve BuyBoard Contract #787-25 from Brazos Trailers for the purchase of a 2026 Brazos 40' Pit Boss belly dump trailer for use by the Panola County Road and Bridge Department, Precinct #3. The motion carried unanimously. SEE INFORMATION ATTACHED.

10. Commissioner Dale LaGrone moved and Commissioner David A. Cole seconded the motion to approve an agreement with Fortinet Inc. for software support for the Panola County Courthouse, Panola County Sheriff's Department and Panola County Annex building effective February 11, 2026 and ending September 12, 2029. The motion carried unanimously. SEE QUOTE ATTACHED.

The meeting was adjourned.

Dated the 10<sup>th</sup> day of March 2026.

*Rodger G. McLane*

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Rodger G. McLane, County Judge

*4/7/26*

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Date

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I, Bobbie Davis, County Clerk, attest that the foregoing is a true and accurate accounting of the authorized proceedings of Commissioners' Court held on March 10, 2026.

*Bobbie Davis*

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Bobbie Davis, County Clerk



*4/7/26*

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Date