## THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF ANGELINA

Commissioners Court met in Regulàr Session on Tuesday, September 9, 2025 at 10:00 A.M. at the Angelina County Commissioners Courtroom and Annex, 211 East Shepherd Avenue, Room 106, Lufkin, Texas with the following members present:

Keith Wright County Judge
Tim Sprinkle Commissioner Precinct #1
Kermit Kennedy Commissioner Precinct #2
Tom Berry Commissioner Precinct #3
Kenneth Jeffrey Commissioner Precinct #4

- 1. Judge Wright called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. with all members present.
- 2. Opening prayer by Rev. W.R. Ricks, First Missionary Baptist Church, Lufkin, Texas.
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Flag of the State of Texas.
- 4. Public Forum: None

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

- 5. Consider approval of the minutes of August 26, 2025 Regular Session of Commissioners Court Meeting;
- 6. Discussion/action on a budget transfer for Justice of the Peace, Pct. #3:

Transfer from: Capital Outlay #010-078-4995 \$2,000.00 Transfer to: Postage #010-078-4616 \$2,000.00 \*To cover Post Office rent and purchase stamps

7. Discussion/action on a budget transfer for County Court at Law #2:

Transfer from: Trial Expenses #010-011-4621 \$3,000.00 Transfer to: Visit Reporter #010-011-4638 \$3,000.00

8. Discussion/action on transferring \$281,720.00 from the Covid Cares Fund to the Unit Road Special Projects Fund to repair Jack Nerren Road. This money will be returned to the Covid Cares Fund in 2026:

Transfer from: Capital Outlay for #059-150-4995 \$ 281,720.00

Covid Cares

Transfer to: Unit Road Special #035-135-4995 \$ 281,720.00

Projects

9. Discussion/action on a request from Road & Bridge to create a budget for revenue received from Sale of Surplus Equipment as follows:

Credit:	Sale of Surplus	#035-000-3244	\$97,911.25
	Assets		
Debit:	Hard Top Roads	#035-135-4803	\$97,911.25

10. Discussion/action on a budget transfer for Road & Bridge:

Transfer from:	Train. Personnel	#035-135-4248	\$ 3,000.00
	Bridge Repair	#035-135-4801	\$ 7,000.00
	Vehicle Expense	#035-135-4302	\$ 13,000.00
	Capital Outlay	#035-135-4995	\$125,000.00
	Contingency	#035-135-4647	\$ 34,744.00
Transfer to:	Tires	#035-135-4417	\$ 10,000.00
	Contract Services	#035-135-4123	\$ 13,000.00
	Repair/Main. Equi	#035-135-4311	\$ 59,744.00
	Hard Top Roads	#035-135-4803	\$100,000.00

<sup>\*</sup>To cover unexpected repairs, Contract services, and Hard Top Roads

- 11. Consider approval of any departmental reports and routine items;
- 12. Discussion/action on approval and authorization for payment of the bills as submitted by the County Auditor;

Tim Sprinkle made a motion to approve the consent agenda, with the exception of items #8, #9 and #10, which will be included in the business agenda. Kenneth Jeffrey seconded the motion.

Voted For: Tim Sprinkle, Kermit Kennedy, Tom Berry and Kenneth Jeffrey

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

## **BUSINESS AGENDA**

Tom Berry made a motion to approve item #8. Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion. Voted For: Tim Sprinkle, Kermit Kennedy, Tom Berry and Kenneth Jeffrey

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

Kermit Kennedy made a motion to approve item #9. Kenneth Jeffrey seconded the motion.

Voted For: Tim Sprinkle, Kermit Kennedy, Tom Berry and Kenneth Jeffrey

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

Kermit Kennedy made a motion to approve item #10. Kenneth Jeffrey seconded the motion.

Voted For: Tim Sprinkle, Kermit Kennedy, Tom Berry and Kenneth Jeffrey

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

- 13. The Court opened a public hearing at 10:12 A.M. on the approval of a Resolution concerning the proposed issuance of revenue bonds by the Colorado Health Facilities Authority, for the benefit of CommonSpirit Health / Memorial Health System of East Texas' healthcare facilities. No comments were made; the public hearing was closed at 10:13 A.M.
- 14. Kermit Kennedy made a motion to approve the Resolution, with the Judge's signature. Tom Berry seconded the motion.

Voted For: Tim Sprinkle, Kermit Kennedy, Tom Berry and Kenneth Jeffrey Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

- 15. The Court opened a public hearing at 10:15 A.M. on the proposed 2026 Fiscal Year Budget for Angelina County. No comments were made; the public hearing was closed at 10:15 A.M.
- 16. Judge Wright made a motion to approve the proposed 2026 FY Budget for Angelina County, after deleting the PIO position and associated software and moving those funds to contingency. Kenneth Jeffrey seconded the motion.

Voted For: Tim Sprinkle, Kermit Kennedy, Tom Berry, Kenneth Jeffrey and Judge Wright

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

17. Kenneth Jeffrey made a motion to approve to ratify the property tax increase reflected in the 2026 Fiscal Year Budget for Angelina County. Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion.

Voted For: Tim Sprinkle, Kermit Kennedy, Tom Berry and Kenneth Jeffrey

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

18. Kenneth Jeffrey made a motion to approve the Angelina County Certified Salary Schedule for the 2026 Fiscal Year. Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion. Voted For: Tim Sprinkle, Kermit Kennedy, Tom Berry and Kenneth Jeffrey Voted Against: (None) Motion carried.

- 19. The Court opened a public hearing at 10:21 A.M. on the approval of the 2026 Archival Plan for the preservation and restoration of the County Clerk's Archives. No comments were made; the public hearing was closed at 10:21 A.M.
- 20. Tom Berry made a motion to approve the 2026 Archive Plan for the County Clerk. Tim Sprinkle seconded the motion.

Voted For: Tim Sprinkle, Kermit Kennedy, Tom Berry and Kenneth Jeffrey

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

21. Kermit Kennedy made a motion to approve the recommendation of the Insurance Committee to appoint Tim Sprinkle, Commissioner Pct #1 to replace Rocky Thigpen. Tom Berry seconded the motion.

Voted For: Tim Sprinkle, Kermit Kennedy, Tom Berry and Kenneth Jeffrey Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

22. Kenneth Jeffrey made a motion to approve the purchase of vests for the investigators out of the Security Fund. Tom Berry seconded the motion.

Voted For: Tim Sprinkle, Kermit Kennedy, Tom Berry and Kenneth Jeffrey

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

23. Kermit Kennedy made a motion to approve the transfer of a 2017 Chevrolet Tahoe SUV from the Sheriff's Office to the Angelina County District Attorney. Tom Berry seconded the motion.

Voted For: Tim Sprinkle, Kermit Kennedy, Tom Berry and Kenneth Jeffrey

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

- 24. Died for a lack of motion. (Discussion/action on approving Indemnity Insurance coverage for County Court at Law Judges for an estimated cost of \$1500.00 in order to cover new bond requirements.)
- 25. Judge Wright made a motion to adjourn at 10:27 A.M. Tom Berry seconded the motion.

Voted For: Tim Sprinkle, Kermit Kennedy, Tom Berry and Kenneth Jeffrey

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

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