

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF ORANGE

BE IT REMEMBERED that a Regular Court Session was held on Tuesday, September 8, 2026, at 10:00 A.M. in the Commissioners' Courtroom of the Orange County Administration Building with the following in attendance:

John H. Gothia,	County Judge
Johnny A. Trahan,	Commissioner, Precinct No. 1
Chris Sowell,	Commissioner, Precinct No. 2
Kirk F. Roccaforte,	Commissioner, Precinct No. 3
Robert Viator Jr.,	Commissioner, Precinct No. 4

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M., Chaplain Mike Eaves, gave the invocation, John Gothia led in the Pledge of Allegiance and the following business was transacted, to-wit:

1. COMMENTS Johnny Trahan – His family has been through quite a bit the last few weeks, and just wanted to say thank you for all the prayers, notes, gifts and everything else. Our community truly is special and just wanted to say publicly thanks for everything everyone has done.
 Chris Sowell – Wanted to thank Entergy and especially the line men guys that are out there. He knows the guys out there got a lot of flak. If you're frustrated with something Entergy is doing, it's not those guys that are out there working in the field, working getting our energy back on, those guys out there work extremely hard.
 Kirk Roccaforte – Just want to let everyone know we don't have a special contact. The bridge is closed Hopefully things will work out and we can get it back open.
 John Gothia – Thanks to Entergy, they brought in a lot of crews from outside of our area to come in. This one really caught everyone by surprise by how intense it got. He watches Greg Bostwick a lot, and when he says we've never had a storm that intensifies when it hits the land, it was kind of a different storm all together. They did ramp up pretty quick to get us all back up and operational and his prayer is that that's our one shot for the year.

2. SEVEN Motion made by Chris Sowell, seconded by Robert Viator to make an explicit finding that the
 PINES improvement of the private road within the Seven Pines Subdivision is in public health safety
 SUBDI- and welfare of the county and due to benefit of the county residents and order an election
 VISION pursuant to Chapter 253 of the Texas Transportation Code.

All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.

3. PAYMENT OF BILLS Motion made by Johnny Trahan, seconded by Kirk Roccaforte to record in the minutes payment of bills approved by the County Auditor for September 1, 2026.

GENERAL FUND	\$5,062.20
ROAD & BRIDGE	-
MOSQUITO CONTROL	-
ADULT PROBATION	5,629.20
AIRPORT	288.86
CONSOLIDATED ACCOUNTS	-

TOTAL FOR PAYMENT	\$10,980.26

All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.
(See Exhibits for this date.)

4. BILLS Motion made by Johnny Trahan, seconded by Kirk Roccaforte approving payment of September 8, 2026 bills approved by County Auditor as per attested listings and also specifically, as follows:
- a. \$143,379.03 from the General Fund (001-105-54190) to Tyler Technologies for Tyler Tech ERP Pro: annual fees 10/01/2026 – 09/30/2027.
 - b. \$52,995.50 from the General Fund (001-101-52345) to Texas Association of Counties Risk Management Pool for Workers Compensation Quarterly Payment #4.
 - c. \$40,398.53 from the General Fund (001-681-57550) and (001-681-57590) to Texas Network Services for wireless microphone system and cameras for Pavilions 1-2 & 3-4 with network setup.
 - d. \$24,055.55 from the General Fund (001-111-52105) to The Master's Touch, L.L.C. for postage for the 2026 Mineral Tax and Real Estate Tax statements.
 - e. \$105,000.00 from the Road & Bridge Fund (002-573-54190) to Roadway Management Technologies for Pavement Lifecycle Management Subscriptions: 10/01/2024 – 09/30/2025 Contract Buyout Year 1, and 10/01/2025 – 09/30/2026 Contract Buyout Year 2, and export fee.
 - f. \$24,500.00 from the Airport Fund (034-610-53000) to Partner Industrial, L.L.C. for repainting the aviation fuel farm system.
 - g. \$47,866.00 from the Emergency/Disaster Fund (036-952-53005) to Gary R. Traylor & Associates, Inc. for FEMA-PA DR-4332 administrative services 02/08/2022 - 06/30/2026.
 - h. \$12,500.00 from the Non-recurring Grants Fund (037-827-53000) to OCV, L.L.C. for O.C.S.O. mobile app annual support and maintenance renewal.

- i. \$59,137.50 from the TDRA/GLO/Recovery Grants Fund (073-936-53002) to T. Johnson Industries for Pay App #9 Imelda Kinard Estates Drainage Project, Draw #12: 07/10/2026 – 08/06/2026.
- j. \$21,652.83 from the General Fund (001-111-54235) to U.T.M.B for contract payment due September 2026.

GENERAL FUND	\$570,557.02
ROAD & BRIDGE	259,879.70
MOSQUITO CONTROL	586.09
ADULT PROBATION	142.88
AIRPORT	24,743.08
CONSOLIDATED ACCOUNTS	17,571.61

TOTAL FOR PAYMENT	\$873,480.38

All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.
(See Exhibits for this date.)

5. ENGAGE-
MENT
LETTER

Motion made by Chris Sowell, seconded by Kirk Roccaforte to authorize the County Auditor to sign an engagement letter from Pattillo, Brown & Hill, L.L.P.

All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.

6. MONTHLY
FINANCIAL
REPORT

Motion made by Kirk Roccaforte, seconded by Robert Viator to accept the receipt of County Auditor's Monthly Financial Report(s).

All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.
(See Exhibits for this date.)

7. LINE-ITEM
TRANSFER

Motion made by Chris Sowell, seconded by Kirk Roccaforte to accept a line-item transfer:

OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE

From:	001-115-52100 (Office Supplies)	(\$1,500.00)
	001-115-59999 (Other)	(\$1,500.00)
	001-115-57595 (Equip. between \$2,000 & \$4,999)	(\$5,000.00)
To:	001-115-52150 (Janitorial Supplies)	\$8,000.00

Purpose: To provide funds for the remainder of this year.

All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.

8. LINE-ITEM TRANSFER Motion made by Kirk Roccaforte, seconded by Robert Viator to approve a line-item transfer for:

ROAD & BRIDGE

From: 002-573-52505 (Culverts & Pipe)(\$2,200.00)
To: 002-573-57590 (Equip. > \$5,000) \$2,200.00

Purpose: To cover the balance of payoff to purchase a Road Widener. Beginning balance of \$43,113.00 with rental credits of \$26,945.00 leaving balance of \$16,168.00 to buy.

All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.

9. LINE-ITEM TRANSFER Motion made by Robert Viator, seconded by Chris Sowell to approve a line-item transfer for:

ROAD & BRIDGE

From: 002-573-52520 (Drainage & Ditches)(\$40,000.00)
To: 002-573-52300 (Fuel, Oil, Gas & Grease) \$40,000.00

Purpose: To cover cost of fuel through the end of fiscal budget year.

All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.

10. LINE-ITEM TRANSFER Motion made by Kirk Roccaforte, seconded by Robert Viator to approve a line-item transfer for:

ROAD & BRIDGE

From: 002-573-52520 (Drainage & Ditches)(\$1,000.00)
To: 002-573-54551 (CDL Education) \$1,000.00

Purpose: To cover cost of CDL reimbursement through the end of fiscal budget year.

All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.

11. LINE-ITEM TRANSFER Motion made by Chris Sowell, seconded by Johnny Trahan to approve a line-item transfer for:

ENVIRONMENT HEALTH

From: 001-908-54190 (Software Services & Maint.)(\$2,400.00)
 001-908-57550 (Repairs/Rentals/Constr. Etc.)(\$1,050.00)
To: 001-908-54550 (Travel/Reg/Dues/Etc.) \$2,950.00
 001-908-52100 (Office Supplies) \$ 500.00

Purpose: To provide funds for remainder of fiscal year.

All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.

12. LINE-ITEM TRANSFER Motion made by Chris Sowell, seconded by Robert Viator to approve a line-item transfer for:

CONSTABLE PRECINCT 4

From: 001-778-52100 (Office Supplies) (\$300.00)
To: 001-778-57500 (Equip. Non-inventory < \$2,000) \$300.00

Purpose: To cover cost of a Deck Drawer system for securing equipment inside vehicle.

All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.

- 13a. JURY SYSTEM Motion made by Kirk Roccaforte, seconded by Robert Viator to approve for District Clerk to go to a new jury system, Genesis for \$30,340.00.

All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.

- 13b. IWORK SOFT-WARE Motion made by Johnny Trahan, seconded by Chris Sowell to approve for Road and Bridge to go to the Iwork tracking and management software program for \$32,000.00.

All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.

14. COLLEC-TION REPORT Motion made by Johnny Trahan, seconded by Kirk Roccaforte to approve the certification of the August 2026 Collection Report for the Tax Office as required under PTC 31.10.

All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.

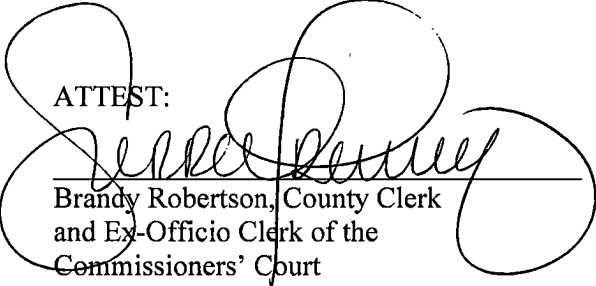
15. RESOLUTION Motion made by Chris Sowell, seconded by Johnny Trahan to authorize County Judge or Judge Pro Tem to sign a Resolution of the Orange County Commissioners Court authorizing the pursuant of federal grant funding under the U.S. Department of Justice "BIDEN" Program for the construction of a 500-bed detention facility and directing related preparatory actions.
- All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.
(See Exhibits for this date.)
16. NO ACTION No action upon projects presented by the Maintenance Department.
17. ROAD & BRIDGE Tracy Leach stated that the bridge is still down. The bridge was opened 4 times. They had \$5,300 in culvert fees. Collection receipts were \$20,382. There were 1,433 participants at the Citizen Collection Station. Waste billing was \$23,716. Recycle receipts were \$2,930.89. They are still working on building roads; they are going to finish Tulane then get back on Church house when they get some good weather to pave the road.
18. APPOINT REPRESENTATIVE Motion made by Robert Viator, seconded by Kirk Roccaforte to appoint Missy Pillsbury As the Designated Sponsor's Authorized Representative for the FY 2027 Routine Airport Maintenance Program (RAMP) Grant, M2720ORNG.
- All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.
19. AUTHORIZE GRANT Motion made by Chris Sowell, seconded by Kirk Roccaforte to authorize the County Judge to sign the FY 2027 RAMP Grant, M2720ORNG. The scope of services includes airport Maintenance at Orange County Airport. The project has an estimated maximum eligible cost of \$111,111.11, with the State reimbursing 90% (not to exceed \$100,000.00) and the County providing a 10% match of \$11,111.11.
- All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.
20. AMENDED NOTICE OF ELECTION Motion made by Johnny Trahan, seconded by Chris Sowell to approve and sign the Amended Notice of Election for the General Election to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, to change location from St. Francis to North Orange Baptist Church.
- All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.
(See Exhibits for this date.)

21. POLICY REVISION Motion made by Johnny Trahan, seconded by Kirk Roccaforte to approve the revision of Orange County Personnel Policy #260 Longevity to add a policy history at the end of each policy and add in a phrase to clarify the language.
- All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.
(See Exhibits for this date.)
22. POLICY REVISION Motion made by Chris Sowell, seconded by Kirk Roccaforte to approve the revision of Orange County Personnel Policy #313 Sick Leave to change the accrual rate of sick time from 3.69 per pay period, to 4.00 per pay period and take line out to allow exempt employees to be able to use ½ day sick time.
- All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.
(See Exhibits for this date.)
23. RENEW 2026 MEDICAL PROGRAM Motion made by Robert Viator, seconded by Johnny Trahan to approve participation in the County Choice Silver Health Plan for Orange County Retirees over 65 years of age by renewing the 2026 medical health program.
- All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.
24. CLOSED MEETING Closed meeting held pursuant to Section §551.071, to discuss with Assistant County Attorney one or more discrete and unrelated matters regarding pending or threatened litigation, as well as to seek or receive information and advice from Assistant County Attorney on legal matters that are not related to litigation or settlement of litigation but are matters in which the duty of the attorney to the Court otherwise conflicts with Chapter 551.
- The Court went into closed session. This session was not recorded.
25. RETURN TO OPEN MEETING Return to open meeting. Take any action deemed necessary based upon discussion in closed meeting.
- NO ACTION No action taken upon closed meeting held pursuant to Section §551.071, to discuss with Assistant County Attorney one or more discrete and unrelated matters regarding pending or threatened litigation, as well as to seek or receive information and advice from Assistant County Attorney on legal matters that are not related to litigation or settlement of litigation but are matters in which the duty of the attorney to the Court otherwise conflicts with Chapter 551.

26. ADJOURN There being no further business, a motion was made by Johnny Trahan, seconded by
MEETING Kirk Roccaforte to adjourn Commissioners' Court meeting.

All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.
John Gothia adjourned the Commissioners' Court meeting.

ATTEST:



Brandy Robertson, County Clerk
and Ex-Officio Clerk of the
Commissioners' Court

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