

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF ORANGE

BE IT REMEMBERED that a Special Court Session was held on Tuesday, April 22, 2025 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 spoke about Big Lou Moore, a friend that passed away. He stated Big Lou was involved in CCA and the Lions Club. He said your time on Earth is limited, make the most of it.
Robert Viator said if he is sharp with anyone, he wanted to apologize in advance. He is on Day 4 of no cigarettes.

2. TREASURER'S MONTHLY REPORT Motion made by Johnny Trahan, seconded by Chris Sowell approving the monthly reports from the County Treasurer for month ending June 30, 2025 and recording in the minutes of the Court:
 - a. Approval of Investments in the amount of \$392,242.26
 - b. Approval of Interest Earned to date in the amount of \$1,729,039.13
 - c. Treasurer's Report of revenues received and disbursed in accordance with the Local Government Code 114.026(d) and affidavit of approval by the Court. This report will be available on the county's website for viewing.
 - d. Pledged Security Collateral for a total of \$22,871,977.58 summary as follows:

· Wells Fargo Bank	\$14,092,627.23
· 1st Financial Bank	\$ 8,779,350.35

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

3. TREASURER'S QUARTERLY REPORT Motion made by Johnny Trahan, seconded by Chris Sowell approving for filing in the minutes of the Court the County Treasurer's quarterly investment report as required by the Public Funds Investment Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 2256. This report is for quarter ending June 30, 2025 and will be available for viewing on the County's website.

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

4. DIRECT DEPOSIT Motion made by Kirk Roccaforte, seconded by Robert Viator to file in the minutes of the Court a direct deposit from the State Comptroller of Public Accounts in the amount of \$1,053,677.15. These funds represent the ½ -cent Sales and Use Allocation for the month of May 2025 and have been credited to the General Operating Fund.

All Voted AYE. Motion Carried.

5. PAYMENT OF BILLS Motion made by Johnny Trahan, seconded by Kirk Roccaforte to acknowledge for recording in the minutes regarding payment of bills approved by the County Auditor for July 15, 2025.

GENERAL FUND	\$115,424.87
ROAD & BRIDGE	-
MOSQUITO CONTROL	-
ADULT PROBATION	1,347.85
AIRPORT	1,989.09
CONSOLIDATED ACCOUNTS	-

TOTAL FOR PAYMENT	\$118,761.81

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

6. BILLS Motion made by Kirk Roccaforte, seconded by Johnny Trahan to approve payment of July 22, 2025 bills approved by the County Auditor as per attested listings and also specifically as follows:

- a. \$114,694.70 from the General Fund (001-101-51270) to Texas Association of Counties HEBP for group medical, dental and life – under age 65 for July 2025.
- b. \$91,197.63 from the General Fund (001-101-51270) to Amwins Group Benefits, Inc. for insurance for retirees age 65 and over for August 2025.
- c. \$235,648.17 from the TDRA/GLO/Recovery Grants Fund (073-936-53001) to T Construction for services related to CDBG-DR-20-035-C911 drainage improvement projects through 1/28/2025.

- d. \$115,830.24 from the TDRA/GLO/Recovery Grants Fund (073-936-53001) to Schaumburg & Polk, Inc. for services related to CDBG-DR-20-035-C911 drainage improvement projects through 9/1/2024.
- e. \$40,950.00 from the TDRA/GLO/Recovery Grants Fund (073-936-53002) to Arceneaux, Wilson & Cole, L.L.C. for Contract 24-067-030-E218 Draw #3: Kinard Estates Drainage Improvements project.
- f. \$40,950.00 from the TDRA/GLO/Recovery Grants Fund (073-936-53003) to Arceneaux, Wilson & Cole, L.L.C. for Contract 24-067-031-E219 Draw #3: Tulane Road Drainage Improvements project.
- g. \$6,184.00 from the Special Grants Fund (081-927-53020) to Capital Plumbing for O.S.S.F. and 1 ST Time Sewer project

GENERAL FUND	\$892,122.97
ROAD & BRIDGE	206,809.66
MOSQUITO CONTROL	6,490.34
ADULT PROBATION	17,410.07
AIRPORT	18,615.86
CONSOLIDATED ACCOUNTS	77,324.54

TOTAL FOR PAYMENT	\$1,218,773.44

IN ADDITION TO:

STATE CRIMINAL COSTS AND
FEES QUARTER ENDING 6/30/25 \$177,538.53

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

7. AUDITOR'S
MONTHLY
REPORT

Motion made by Johnny Trahan, seconded by Kirk Roccaforte to receive and approve the County Auditor's Monthly Financial Reports.

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

8. LINE ITEM TRANSFER Motion made by Chris Sowell, seconded by Johnny Trahan to authorize the line item transfer as follows:

DISTRICT ATTORNEY, SHERIFF & DISTRICT JUDGES

From: 001-740-57590 (Sheriff's Equip. & \$5,000).....(\$ 4,325.00)
001-210-54550 (128th Travel/Reg/Dues/Etc.).....(\$ 1,334.00)
001-211-54550 (163rd Travel/Reg/Dues/Etc.).....(\$ 1,333.00)
001-212-54550 (260th Travel/Reg/Dues/Etc.).....(\$ 1,333.00)
001-260-54955 (Data Processing Services & Fees).....(\$ 1,275.00)
001-111-53830 (Contingency).....(\$ 6,400.00)
To: 001-111-54190 (Multi-Agency Software).....\$16,000.00

Purpose: To provide funds for "Cloud Gavel" Electronic Warrants Cloud Based Services software and implementation.

All Voted AYE. Motion Carried.

9. LINE ITEM TRANSFER Motion made by Kirk Roccaforte, seconded by Chris Sowell to authorize the line item transfer as follows:

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PRECINCT 2

From: 001-226-57500 (Equip. Non-Inv < \$2,000).....(\$2,000.00)
To: 001-226-54851 (General Misc. Collections).....\$2,000.00

Purpose: To provide funds to cover increase of Graves, Humphries, Stahl (GHS) fees.

All Voted AYE. Motion Carried.

10. LINE ITEM TRANSFER Motion made by Robert Viator, seconded by Kirk Roccaforte to authorize the line item transfer as follows:

ROAD & BRIDGE

From: 002-573-54120 (Engineering & Lab Fees).....(\$40,000.00)
To: 002-573-52300 (Fuel, Oil, Gas & Grease).....\$40,000.00

Purpose: To cover the cost of fuel, oil, gas and grease for the remaining budget year.

All Voted AYE. Motion Carried.

11. LINE ITEM TRANSFER Motion made by Johnny Trahan, seconded by Kirk Roccaforte to authorize the line item transfer as follows:

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

From: 001-740-52300 (Fuel, Oil, Gas & Grease).....(\$4,000.00)
To: 001-740-54550 (Travel/Reg/Dues/Etc.).....\$4,000.00

Purpose: To pay for flights, hotel costs for 2 CID officers to go out of state to work on a cold case. Also to replenish line item for upcoming expenses on travel for officer classes and registrations through end of budget.

All Voted AYE. Motion Carried.

12. LINE ITEM TRANSFER Motion made by Johnny Trahan, seconded by Chris Sowell to authorize the line item transfer as follows:

ELECTION ADMINISTRATION

From: 001-808-52220 (Election Expense).....(\$1,200.00)
To: 001-808-54550 (Travel/Reg/Dues/Etc.).....\$1,200.00

Purpose: To provide funds to attend Election Law Seminar.

All Voted AYE. Motion Carried.

13. LINE ITEM TRANSFER Motion made by Kirk Roccaforte, seconded by Robert Viator to authorize the line item transfer as follows:

DISTRICT CLERK

From: 001-220-52100 (Office Supplies).....(\$1,736.00)
To: 001-220-54130 (Contracted Services & Maintenance).....\$1,736.00

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

All Voted AYE. Motion Carried.

14. APPROVE PUBLICATION Motion made by Johnny Trahan, seconded by Kirk Roccaforte to approve the publication of any proposed increase in the salaries, expenses, or allowances of elected County or Precinct officers for the upcoming budget year, pursuant to Local Government Code 152.013(b).

All Voted AYE. Motion Carried.

15. PRESENTATION
Franny Woods presented the quarterly reporting by Texas A&M AgriLife Extension on their programs.
16. USE OF FUNDS
Motion made by Chris Sowell, seconded by Robert Viator approving the use of Opioid Abatement Funds to purchase an app for opioid prevention and drug prevention.

All Voted AYE. Motion Carried.
17. APPROVE RENEWAL
Motion made by Johnny Trahan, seconded by Kirk Roccaforte to approve a one-year renewal of the agreement between Orange County and Tetra Tech, Inc. for RFP-23002, Debris Monitoring Services and authorizing for the County Judge or Judge Pro Tem to sign the same. The renewal period shall be August 8, 2025 through August 7, 2026.

All Voted AYE. Motion Carried.
(See Exhibits for this date.)
18. APPROVE CONTRACT
Motion made by Johnny Trahan, seconded by Chris Sowell to approve a proposed contract for Professional Services between the County and Arceneaux Wilson & Cole LLC for the County's 2019 Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Elevations grant.

All Voted AYE. Motion Carried.
(See Exhibits for this date.)
19. TABLED AGENDA ITEM
Table Agenda Item 19, discussion and possible action regarding the Purchasing Agent to advertise for bids on (2) Pickleball Court for RFP-25008 Claiborne West Park in Vidor, Precinct 2.
20. TABLED AGENDA ITEM
Tabled Agenda Item 20, discussion and possible action appointing a selection committee for RFP-25008 Claiborne West Park for the Pickleball Courts.
21. AWARD BID
Motion made by Johnny Trahan, seconded by Kirk Roccaforte awarding IFB-25006 Road Materials to Vulcan Construction Materials LLC and authorizing the County Judge or Judge Pro Tem to sign the same.

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

22. DECLINE
PARTICI-
PATION

Motion made by Chris Sowell, seconded by Robert Viator to decline participation with the Regional Public Defender Office Local Government Corporation and authorizing the County Judge or Judge Pro Tem to provide written documentation of the County's decision to decline participation. This program provides legal representation for indigent defendants in death-eligible capital murder cases. Orange County has not previously participated in this program. The County's cost for participation would be \$31,366.00 per year for fiscal years 2026 and 2027.

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

23. ADJOURN
COURT

There being no further business, a motion was made Robert Viator, seconded by Kirk Roccaforte to adjourn the 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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