

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF LAMB**

**IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURT
OF LAMB COUNTY, TEXAS**

BE IT REMEMBERED that on this [26th day of August A.D., 2024](#), the Commissioners Court of Lamb County, Texas, convened in Regular Session in the Lamb County Courthouse, at Littlefield, Texas, with the following members present, to-wit:

JAMES M. DeLOACH, COUNTY JUDGE, PRESIDING
CORY DeBERRY, COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1
KENT LEWIS, COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 2
DANNY SHORT, COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3
LEE LOGAN, COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4

Together with County Clerk Rene Trevino serving as an Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court, County Auditor Gina Jones, and County Treasurer Jerry Yarbrough, when the following business was transacted, to wit:

Invocation and Pledge

County Judge DeLoach opened the meeting with prayer and led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the American and Texas flag.

1. Judge James M DeLoach called the meeting to order

2. Public Comment (3minutes max)

There were none

3. Consent agenda items;

- (a) Consider and take appropriate action on minutes from previous meeting(s);
Regular Meeting August 19, 2024.
- (b) Consider and take appropriate action on budget and salary amendments and/or line-item transfers;
There were none
- (c) [Consider and take appropriate action on bills presented by the County Auditor;
Gina Jones](#)

- (d) Consider and take appropriate action on payroll;
Jerry Yarbrough
- (e) Consider and take appropriate action on departmental reports;
In Packets

A motion was made by Commissioner Danny Short and seconded by Commissioner Cory DeBerry to approve the consent agenda items. The vote being called for and all voting Aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

4. Public hearing on the Creation of a Reinvestment Zone to be known as Lamb County Reinvestment Zone-Cage Ranch for purposes of tax abatement to provide economic development within the county, as described and depicted below;

10:07am Judge DeLoach opened Public Hearing.

No public comments.

10:19am Judge DeLoach closed Public Hearing.

Bob addressed that \$393,600 abatement period would be paid each year for 10 years.

5. Consider and take possible action to create a reinvestment zone for purposes of tax abatement to provide economic development within the county in accordance with Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code, said reinvestment zone to be known as Lamb County Reinvestment Zone-Cage Ranch and located as described and depicted in the application by Tax Abatement Agreement, and in the public notices publishes in accordance with Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code;

Motion was made by County Judge DeLoach and seconded by Commissioner Kent Lewis to create a reinvestment zone, to be known as Lamb County Reinvestment Zone-Cage Ranch for purposes of tax abatement to provide economic development within the county in accordance with Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code, said reinvestment zone to be located as described in the application by Cage Ranch Solar, LLC.

6. Consider and take possible action regarding a Road Use Agreement between Lamb County and Cage Ranch Solar, LLC, to address possible degradation of any county-maintained roads in the construction, operation, or maintenance of the Lamb County Reinvestment Zone-Cage Ranch.

Motion was made by Commissioner Kent Lewis and seconded by Commissioner Lee Logan to address possible degradation of the county-maintained roads in the construction. The vote being called for and all voting Aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

7. Consider and take possible action regarding the adoption of a Tax Abatement Agreement with Cage Ranch Solar, LLC, pursuant to Chapter 312, Texas Tax Code.

Motion was made by Judge DeLoach and seconded by Commissioner Kent Lewis to approve a tax abatement agreement with Cage Ranch Solar, LLC, to provide economic development within the Lamb County Reinvestment Zone-Cage Ranch located within Lamb County in accordance with Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code, upon land described in the application and public notices required by law, for the construction of a solar power generating project of approximately 300 MW capacity, at an estimated cost of \$213,120,000.00 dollars.

8. Executive Session;

Court convened to Executive Session at 10:29am.

Court reconvened from Executive Session at 11:07am.

9. Budget Work Session

The Court discussed matters related to the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget.

10. Public Hearing for 2024-2025 Fiscal Year Budget;

Judge DeLoach opened the Public Hearing at 11:15am.

No public comments.

Judge DeLoach closed the Public Hearing at 11:18am.

11. Consider and take appropriate action on Adoption of the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year Budget;

Motion was made by Commissioner Lee Logan and seconded by Commissioner Danny Short on adoption of the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year Budget. The vote being called for and all voting Aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

12. Consider and take appropriate action on Adoption of the 2024 Tax Rate;

No Action Taken.

13. Consider and take appropriate action on Ratify Property Tax Increase Reflected in the FY 2024-2025 Budget;

No Action Taken.

14. Consider and take appropriate action on Ratify Property Tax Increase Reflected in the FY 2024-2025 Budget;

No Action Taken.

15. Consider and take appropriate action on EDA Grant Resolution Change;

Motion was made by Commissioner Cory DeBerry and seconded by Commissioner Danny Short on the Economic Development Grant that will not change cost but will change percentage from 70/30 to 80/20. The vote being called for and all voting Aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

16. Consider and take appropriate action to Fund a IGT for LHC;

Motion was made by Commissioner Lee Logan and seconded by Commissioner Danny Short to approve action on request from LHC to fund an IGT. The vote being called for and all voting Aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

17. Future Agenda Items;

Future Agenda Items were discussed.

18. Adjournment;

There being no further business to come before this Commissioners Court, motion was made by Commissioner Lee Logan and seconded by Commissioner Danny Short to adjourn. The vote being called for and all voting Aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

The above and foregoing minutes were read and approved in open Court, the _____ day of _____, A.D., 2024.

James M. DeLoach
Lamb County Judge

I, Rene Trevino, Lamb County Clerk, attest that the foregoing is a true and accurate accounting of the Commissioners Court's authorized proceedings for August 26, 2024.

Rene Trevino
Lamb County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk
Of the Commissioners Court Lamb County, Texas