

REGULAR SESSION MEETING JUNE 9, 2026

Be it remembered on the 9th day of June at 10:01 o'clock A.M., there was Begun and Holden a Regular Meeting of the Commissioner's Court in the Courthouse, in the town of Farwell, with the following members present, To-wit:

Isabel 'Izzy' Carrasco	Judge
Kirk Frye	Commissioner Pct. #1
Charles Wilkins	Commissioner Pct. #2
Kenny White	Commissioner Pct. #3
Casey Russell	Commissioner Pct. #4
Sharon May	County Treasurer
Susie Spring	County Clerk

Also Present:

Erick Geske, Sheriff
Wendy Carthel, Friona EDC
Amy Dudley
Srinivasan (Sun) Sundaresan, Excel Energy
Dru Chidester, Excel Energy
Patrick Lucero, Excel Energy
Tyler Lucero, Excel Energy
Jason Lytal, Excel Energy
Pam White
David White
Rob Pomper, State Line Tribune
Wendy Case, Extension Office
Janelle Duffey, Extension Office
Jade Steelman
Clint Mears, Friona Star

When the following was had and done, To-wit:

Call to Order

1. Prayer

Commissioner Frye led the Court in prayer to begin the meeting.

2. Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and the Texas Flag

The Court pledged their allegiance to the flags of the

United States of America and the State of Texas.

3. Open Forum for Public Comments

No one present had comments.

4. Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting

Upon a motion to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting on May 26, 2026, by Commissioner Frye, seconded by Commissioner Russell, the motion passed by a majority vote.

5. Consider Approval and Payment of Accounts Payable-Sharon May

Sharon May reported the Accounts Payable List for invoices for June 1st and 9th 2026. Motion by Commissioner White, seconded by Commissioner Wilkins to approve Payment of the Accounts Payable as presented. Motion carried by majority vote. See attached.

6. Consider Treasurer's Payroll Report-Sharon May

Commissioner Russell made the motion to approve the Treasurer's Payroll Report for May 29, 2026, Commissioner Frye seconded and the motion passed by majority vote. See attached.

7. Consider and Discuss Burn Ban

In spite of the recent rains, Parmer County remains in a drought situation. Commissioner Frye made a motion to continue the Burn ban for an additional 90 days. Commissioner White seconded the motion and the motion passed by a majority vote.

8. Consider and Discuss TAC/Medical Insurance Mid-Year Review

Judge Carrasco and Sharon May, Treasurer met with the TAC Consultants in regard to this report. The Judge and Sharon summarized the results for the Court. See attached. The majority of medical claims were circulatory (cardiovascular), digestive (diabetes) or musculoskeletal system diseases or acute injuries.

The Judge compared our county's experience to other counties around us and indicated we are in much better shape than other small counties. Commissioner Wilkins made a motion to continue with TAC's medical insurance. Commissioner Russell seconded and the motion passed with a majority vote.

9. Consider and Discuss Road Hands' CDL Policy

See attached current policy. In light of the difficulty in finding and keeping employees with CDLs, Judge Carrasco ask the Commissioners if they had any suggestions in regard to a change of the current policy. Several options were discussed, but no consensus was made as to a change.

Commissioner White made a motion to table this issue until each Commissioner had the opportunity to consider different options. Commissioner Wilkins seconded and the motion to table this issue to the next meeting was passed with a majority vote.

10. Discuss Parmer County Juvenile Probation Refund Check

Judge Carrasco reminded the Court that each year in the budget, Parmer County allocates an amount for Juvenile Probation. In 2025 the County allocation was \$60,000. A refund was made to the County of \$30,688 for the funds not utilized to house or otherwise meet the needs of the juvenile offenders in Parmer County.

11. Discuss Yearly Extension Interpretation

Wendy Case and Janelle Duffey, Extension Agents, present reports of their respective activities since the last report. See attached reports.

12. Discuss House Bill 3000/Rural Ambulance Grant

Judge Carrasco informed the Court that Parmer County has been approved for the \$500,000 grant to obtain a new ambulance. He said the City of Friona will receive the first ambulance. Going forward for additional grants in the future Farwell and Bovina will get the grant for an ambulance on this side of the county.

13. Discuss Apex/Excel Energy Wind Project

Tyler Lucero from Excel Energy informed the Court that Excel is in the process of purchasing the Lariat wind project. Once PUC approves the purchase, Excell will begin the process of constructing 187 turbines and 40+ transmission lines feeding into the Tolk station.

Road use agreements will need to be agreed upon. The Commissioners requested culvert size of 24. They also requested maps for location of the roads so that they can prepare the roads for Excel to do their work.

Construction is planned to begin March 2027 with a completion date of February 2029.

14. Consider and Discuss Matters Concerning the Parmer County Law Enforcement Center

- A. Vehicle Purchase through Sheriff's Immigration Law Enforcement Grant Program
- B. Annual Jail Inspection
- C. Jail Roster

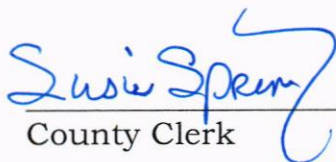
Sheriff Geske presented 3 bids for a Ford Explorer for purchase. The ICE grant is for \$80,000. Hamilton Ford offered a trade in allowance for the 2022 Ford pickup that has had issues since the major sand/wind/dirt storm last year. With the trade in credit of \$27,000 the cash price for the Expedition is \$42,061.50

Commissioner Wilkins made a motion to accept Hamilton Ford's bid. Commissioner White seconded and the motion passed with a majority vote.

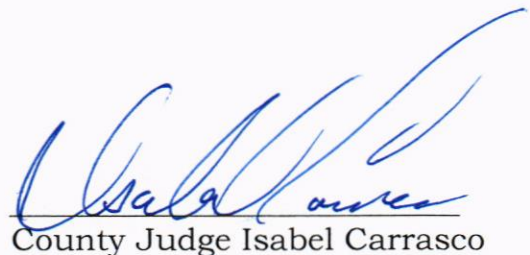
The Sheriff reported that the annual jail inspection went very well. Only one issue was pointed out in regard to a disciplinary policy. Upon further research on the technical assistance issue, it was resolved.

The Sheriff reported 33 inmates housed in the Parmer County Jail. 13 are from Lamb County, 2 are from Floyd County and 1 from Cochran County. 20 are Parmer County inmates.

With no further business to come before the Court, Commissioner White moved to adjourn. Commissioner Russell seconded and adjournment was called at 12:25 o'clock AM.


County Clerk




County Judge Isabel Carrasco