

Lamar County Board of Commissioners

Special Called Meeting

January 6th, 2026

Present: Chairman Ryran Traylor, Commissioner Jarrod Fletcher, Commissioner Jason Lovett, Commissioner Ashley Gilles, Commissioner Truman Boyle, County Administrator Sean Townsend, Deputy County Clerk Logan Evans

1. Call to Order

- a. Chairman Traylor called the meeting to order at 4:00 P.M.
- b. Agenda Amendment
Commissioner Lovett made a motion to amend the agenda and move the Executive Session to Topic A. Commissioner Fletcher seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2. Items for Discussion

- a. Board Appointments – Solid Waste Authority Board
Commissioner Fletcher made a motion to go into Executive Session. Commissioner Gilles seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.
The Commissioners exited Executive Session at 4:24 P.M. and Commissioner Lovett made a motion to adjourn Executive Session. Commissioner Fletcher seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.
Commissioner Lovett then made a motion to rescind any previous motions regarding the Solid Waste Authority Board. Commissioner Fletcher seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0. Commissioner Boyle made a motion to appoint Commissioner Gilles to the Solid Waste Authority Board. Commissioner Lovett seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0. Commissioner Gilles abstained from the vote.
Commissioner Lovett then gave the idea for both Commissioner Boyle and himself to submit resumes for the one remaining spot on the board and have the public vote on who should serve on the board. Chairman Traylor felt it was too late to do that since Commissioner Gilles had already been voted in to one of the two spots that have been vacated without the same process.
Commissioner Gilles made a motion to appoint Commissioner Boyle to the second seat of the Solid Waste Authority Board. It was seconded by Commissioner Boyle. Commissioner Fletcher and Lovett were opposed. Chairman Traylor then broke the tie, and appointed Commissioner Boyle to the SWA Board since he had previously served. The motion passed 3-2.

b. Sherriff's Office – New Patrol Vehicles

Sheriff Brad White opened with complimenting his first responders as well as Chief Matthews and his firefighters for their quick response time and sharp thinking at the accident in front of Lamar County High School.

The Sheriff is asking for approval to purchase four new patrol vehicles. Three vehicles would be brand new at \$50,000 and one vehicle would be used at \$35,000. Upon reviewing the budget, County Administrator Townsend says the Sheriff's Departments budget consists of \$365,000. Looking at the long run, the Sheriff's Department makes up about 10% of collections in Lamar County. Each vehicle costs approximately \$8,500 to equip with emergency lights.

Commissioner Fletcher was concerned that if we do not purchase a used vehicle in time, we will be unable to get one.

Commissioner Lovett asks if there is anything that would prohibit us from accelerating the purchase of these vehicles before they go up in price.

Commissioner Lovett made a motion for the purchase of one used vehicle and two new vehicles for the total price of \$136,000.

Commissioner Lovett amended his motion due to final purchase details regarding the equipping of the vehicles. He asks County Administrator Townsend if it would be okay to purchase two new vehicles and one used vehicle for a cheaper price.

Commissioner Lovett made a new motion to purchase two new vehicles and one used vehicle for approximately \$170,000 and to fully equip these vehicles for service.

Commissioner Fletcher seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.


3. Public Comment

4. Round Table Discussion

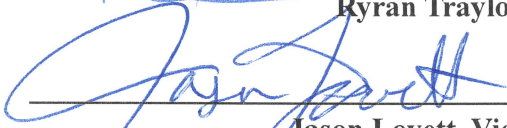
5. Adjournment

- a. Chairman Traylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:34 P.M. Commissioner Gilles seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.
- b. The meeting was adjourned at 4:34 P.M.

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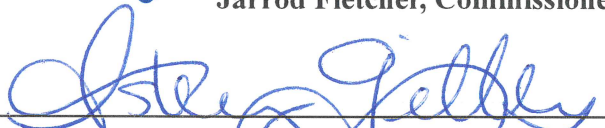
Ryran Traylor, Chairman



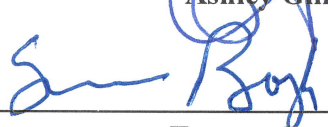
Jason Lovett, Vice-Chairman



Jarrod Fletcher, Commissioner



Ashley Gilles, Commissioner



Truman Boyle, Commissioner

Attest:



Anita Buice, County Clerk