

**NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF
HOCKLEY COUNTY, TEXAS**

Notice is hereby given that a Regular Meeting of the above named Commissioners' Court will be held on the 6th day of October, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Courtroom, Hockley County Courthouse, Levelland, Texas, at which time the following subjects will be discussed to wit:

1. Read for approval the minutes for the Regular Meeting held at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, September 29, 2025.
2. Read for approval all monthly bills and claims submitted to the Court dated through October 6, 2025.
3. Hear the monthly Public Assistance report.
4. Consider and take action to approve the Notice of Election for the Constitutional Amendment Election on November 4, 2025.
5. Consider and take action to approve the agreement between Hockley County Elections and Ropes ISD for a Special Bond Issue election to be held November 4, 2025.
6. Consider and take action on quote for Ballot Redaction Software for the Hockley County Elections Office from Enhanced Voting.
7. Consider and take necessary action concerning Group Retiree Health Care Program Renewal for 2026.
8. Consider and take necessary action to approve the Continuation Certificate for Stephanie Tienda, Clerk, Hockley County Justice of the Peace Precinct 5.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF HOCKLEY COUNTY, TEXAS.

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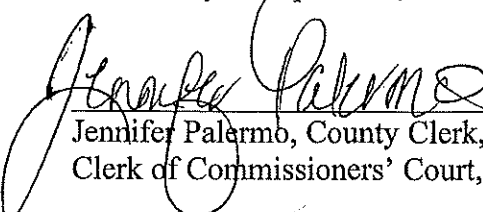
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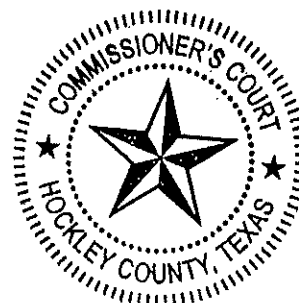

Sharla Baldridge, Hockley County Judge


County Clerk, Hockley County, Texas

I, the undersigned County Clerk, do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the above named Commissioners' Court, is a true and correct copy of said Notice on the bulletin board at the Courthouse, and at the east door of the Courthouse of Hockley County, Texas, as place readily accessible to the general public at all times on the 30th day of September, 2025, and said Notice remained posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

Dated this 30th day of September, 2025.


Jennifer Palermo, County Clerk, and Ex-Officio
Clerk of Commissioners' Court, Hockley County, Texas



THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HOCKLEY

IN THE COMMISSIONER'S COURT
OF HOCKEY COUNTY, TEXAS

REGULAR MEETING

October 6, 2025

Be it remembered that on the 6th day of October A.D. 2025, there came to be held a Regular Meeting of the Commissioners Court, and the court convened in Regular session at the usual meeting place thereof at the Courthouse in Levelland, Texas, with the following members present to-wit:

Sharla Baldridge	County Judge
Alan D. Wisdom	Commissioner Precinct No. 1
Larry Carter	Commissioner Precinct No. 2
Seth Graf	Commissioner Precinct No. 3
Thomas R "Tommy" Clevenger	Commissioner Precinct No. 4

Jennifer Palermo, County Clerk, and Ex-Officio Clerk of Commissioners Court when the following proceedings were had to-wit:

Motion by Commissioner Carter, second by Commissioner Graf, 4 Votes Yes, 0 Votes No, that Commissioners Court approved the Minutes of a Regular Meeting held on Monday, September 29, 2025 at 9:00 a.m..

Motion by Commissioner Wisdom, second by Commissioner Clevenger, 4 votes yes, 0 votes no, that Commissioners Court approved all monthly claims and bills dated through October 6, 2025. Be approved and stand as read.

Hear monthly public Assistance Report for September 2025.



HOCKLEY COUNTY PUBLIC ASSISTANCE



Corrected September 2025 Dispositions and Request for Payment

Hockley County Public Assistance Administrator, Cara Phelan presents the following requests for financial assistance to the Hockley County Commissioner's Court.

SUMMARY of CLIENTS ELIGIBLE FOR ASSISTANCE					
APPLICANT		PHYSICAL ADDRESS	ASSISTANCE REQUEST		ASSISTANCE
			RENT	UTILITY	
Butler	Bruce	619 Cheery Street, Levelland		X	\$82.87
Coronado	Miranda	1007 11 th Street, Levelland		X	\$100.00
Diaz	Jeremy	305 E. McCallon Street, Sundown		X	\$100.00
Forman	Jennifer	206 E. 9 th Street # 5, Levelland		X	\$100.00
Galbraith	Logan	701 MLK Street #317, Levelland	X		\$200.00
Golightly	Kay	521 W. Jefferson Street, Levelland		X	\$100.00
Mares	Yolanda	1622 Lee Street, Levelland		X	\$100.00
Mendez	Amber	1110 5 th Street, Levelland		X	\$99.95
Pena	Domingo	408 Houston Street, Levelland		X	\$100.00
Platt	Deborah	224 Willowood Lane, Levelland		X	\$100.00
Standmire	Ruthie	1101 11 th Street, Levelland		X	\$100.00
Tijerina	Brandi	701 MLK Street #106, Levelland		X	\$100.00
Woods	Zlae	115 Pine Street #B, Levelland	X		\$200.00
SUMMARY OF SEPTEMBER APPROVALS			2	11	\$1482.82
			\$400.00	\$1082.82	
SUMMARY OF CLIENTS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR ASSISTANCE					
APPLICANT		REQUEST	REASON FOR DENIAL		
VALDERAS	JENNIFER	UTILITY ASSISTANCE	Incomplete and false infor.		
VALDERAS	ADRIANNA	UTILITY ASSISTANCE	Failed to provide documentation		
PAUPER BURIAL ASSISTANCE REQUESTS					
APPLICANT	DECEASED	DISPOSITION		COMMENT	
		APPROVED	DENIED		
NONE					

Respectfully Submitted to:
Hockley County Commissioners Court

Monday, October 6, 2025

Hockley County Public Assistance Administrator

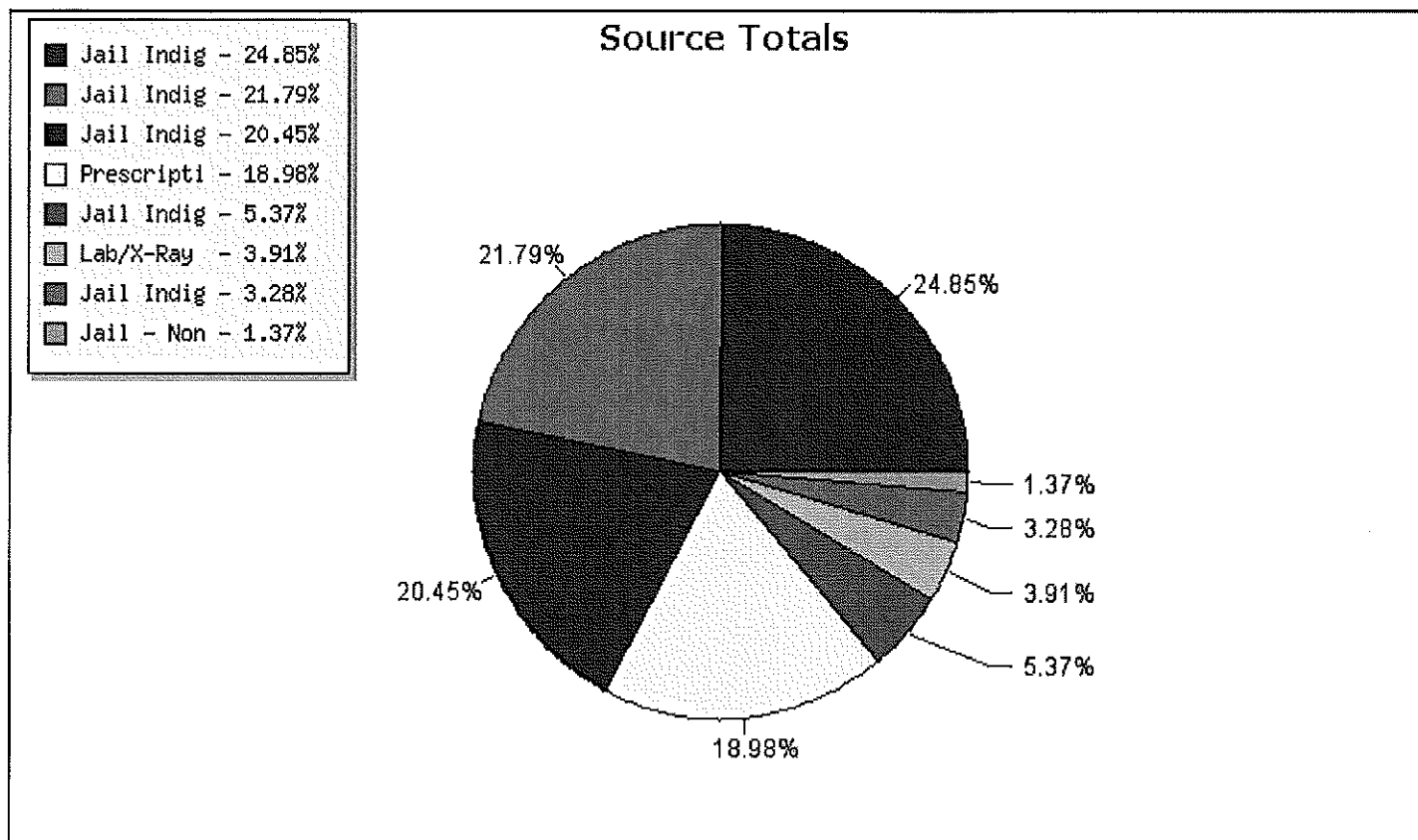
Cara Phelan

Source Totals for Batch Dates 09/01/2025 through 09/30/2025

Jail Indigent - Prescription D	24.85%	\$1,437.16
Jail Indigent - Physician Ser	21.79%	\$1,260.09
Jail Indigent - Lab/X-Ray	20.45%	\$1,182.89
Prescription Drugs	18.98%	\$1,097.68
Jail Indigent - Optional Servi	5.37%	\$310.45
Lab/X-Ray	3.91%	\$225.86
Jail Indigent - Rural Health C	3.28%	\$189.70
Jail - Non-Indigent Prescripti	1.37%	\$79.08

Total Expenditures

\$5,782.91



Entry Statistics for Entry Dates 09/01/2025 through 09/30/2025

Clients Entered	33
Rapid Reg. Entered	9
Vendors Entered	1
Worksheets Entered	3
Invoices Entered	128

Motion by Commissioner Carter, second by Commissioner Graf, 4 votes yes, 0 votes no, that Commissioners Court approved the Notice of Election for the Constitutional Amendment Election on November 4, 2025. As per Notice of Election recorded below.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION (COUNTY)
AVISO DE ELECCIÓN ESPECIAL (CONDADO)

To the registered voters of the County of Hockley, Levelland, Texas:

(A los votantes registrados del Condado de Hockley, Levelland, Texas)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.,
11 / 04 / 2025 for voting in a special election to elect:

to adopt or reject the proposed Constitutional Amendments as submitted by the 89th Legislature, Regular Session-State of Texas
Voters in Ropes ISD boundaries will also vote on bond issue proposal.

(Notifíquese por la presente, que los sitios de votación citados abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m.
hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 11 / 04 / 2025 para votar en la elección especial para elegir:

"adoptar o rechazar las enmiendas a la Constitución propuestas tal como fueron presentadas por la 89ª Legislatura, Sesión Regular, del Estado de Texas."
Los votantes en los límites de Ropes ISD también votarán sobre la propuesta de emisión de bonos.

**On Election Day, voters must vote in the precinct where registered to vote, unless the
countywide polling place program is being used in the election.**

**(El Día de Elección, los votantes deberán votar en el precinto donde están inscritos para
votar, a menos que el programa de sitios de votación del condado se está utilizando en la
elección.)**

Location of Election Day Polling Places Include Name of Building and Address (Sitios de votación el Día de Elección) (Incluir Nombre del Edificio y Dirección)	Precinct Number(s) (Número de precinto)
Christ United Methodist Church, 1704 College Ave., Levelland, TX 79336	11 & 16
Ropesville City Hall, 107 Hockley Main, Ropesville, TX 79358	14
Gary Cain Insurance Office (former South Smyer Gln Office), 3392 S. State Rd. 168, Smyer, TX 79367	15
Sundown High School, 511 E.7th., Sundown, TX 79372	24
Hockley County Tax Office, 624 Ave. H, Levelland, TX 79336	21, 32, 33, 35, 36 & 45
Whitharrai Lions Club Building, 201 Badger St., Whitharrai, TX 79380	43
Anton City Hall, 400 Spade Circle, Anton, TX 79313	44
Smyer Elementary Library, 401 Lincoln St., Smyer, TX 79367	46

During early voting, a voter may vote at any of the locations listed below:

**(Durante Votación Adelantada, los votantes podrán votar en cualquiera de los sitios de
votación nombradas abajo.)**

Location of Main Early Voting Polling Place Include Name of Building and Address (Sitio principal de votación adelantada) (Incluir Nombre del Edificio y Dirección)	Days and Hours of Operation Días y Horas Hábiles
Hockley Co. Election Office, 911 Austin, Levelland, TX	8:30 AM - 5:30 PM Oct. 21-Oct. 29 Monday-Friday 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM Oct. 30-Oct. 31

Locations for Early Voting Polling Places Include Name of Building and Address (Sitios de votación adelantada) (Incluir Nombre del Edificio y Dirección)	Days and Hours of Operation Días y Horas Hábiles
Anton City Hall, 400 Spade Circle, Anton, TX	8:00 am to 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm M-F
Sundown City Hall, 809 S. Slaughter, Sundown, TX	8:00 am to 5:00 pm M-F
Ropesville City Hall, 107 Hockley Main, Ropesville, TX	8:00 am to 5:00 pm M-F

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:
(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán adelantada por correo deberán enviarse a:)

Jody Rose

Name of Early Voting Clerk
(Nombre del Secretario/a de la Votación Adelantada)

624 Ave. H Suite 103

Address (Dirección)

Levelland 79336

City (Ciudad) Zip Code (Código Postal)

806-894-1105

Telephone Number (Número de teléfono)

jrose@hockleycounty.org

Email Address (Dirección de Correo Electrónico)

<https://www.co.hockley.tx.us/page/hockley.ElectionsHome>

Early Voting Clerk's Website (Sitio web del Secretario/a de Votación Adelantada)

Applications for Ballots by Mail (ABBM)s must be received no later than the close of business on:
(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán adelantada por correo deberán recibirse no más tardar de las horas de negocio el:)

10 / 24 / 2025
(date)(fecha)

10/24/2025

Federal Post Card Applications (FPCAs) must be received no later than the close of business on:
(La Tarjeta Federal Postal de Solicitud deberán recibirse no más tardar de las horas de negocio el:)

Issued this 6th day of October, 20 25.
(day) (month) (year)

(Emitada este día _____ de _____, 20 _____.)
(día) (mes) (año)

Sharla Baldrige
Signature of County Judge (Firma del Juez del Condado)

Motion by Commissioner Wisdom, second by Commissioner Clevenger, 4 votes yes, 0 votes no, that Commissioners Court approved the agreement between Hockley County Elections and Ropes ISD for a Special Bond Issue election to be held November 4, 2025. As per Joint Election Agreement recorded below.

Hockley County and Ropes ISD
Joint Elections Agreement

WHEREAS, Hockley County (County) and Ropes ISD (RISD) are each political subdivisions in the State of Texas.

WHEREAS, Governor Abbott has ordered the Special Election on November 4, 2025.

WHEREAS, the Ropes Independent School District's Board of Trustees have ordered a Special Bond Election on November 4, 2025.

WHEREAS, Texas Election Code 271.002(a) authorizes the governing bodies of political subdivisions to enter into an agreement to hold joint elections in election precincts that can be served as a common polling place.

WHEREAS, in the case of a political subdivision that is a school district, a joint election is to be conducted with one or more municipalities and/or with Hockley County in compliance with the requirements for school districts as set forth in Texas Education Code 11.0581.

NOW THEREFORE, Hockley County and Ropes ISD enter into a Joint Elections Agreement for November 4, 2025, set forth below, acting by and through the Hockley County Commissioners Court and the Ropes ISD Board of Trustees.

1. Legal Documents-

- a. Hockley County Elections Administrator (EA), Jody Rose, will post and publish all Orders and Notices relevant to Hockley County Voters for the General Election and RISD Election.

2. Early Voting

- a. Early Voting for RISD Hockley County Voters will be conducted at Ropesville City Hall, 107 Hockley Main in Ropesville from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm during Early Voting. Early Voting will also be available at Hockley County Election Office 911 Austin St. in Levelland TX, from 8:30 am to 5:30 pm M-F, Oct. 21-29 and 7:00 am to 7:00 pm on Oct. 30 and 31.
- b. RISD has appointed Jody Rose as Early Voting Clerk for its Hockley County Voters.
- c. Ballot by Mail applications for RISD's Hockley County Voters for the General Election shall be processed by the Hockley County Elections Office.
- d. Any ballot by mail request received by RISD Hockley County Voters must be forwarded immediately to the Hockley County Elections Office.
- e. RISD will share deputy early voting clerks with Hockley County.
- f. RISD will be required to reimburse Hockley County for half of all early voting clerks at their standard hourly rate.

3. Election Day

- a. RISD District boundaries in Hockley County are located in Hockley County

Precincts, 14, 15, 16 & 21. RISD will share the Election Day polling place in Hockley County at Ropesville City Hall.

- b. Election Day precincts will be open for voting from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. on November 4, 2025.
- c. RISD will use the same Judges, Alternate Judges, and Clerks as Hockley County.
- d. RISD will be required to reimburse Hockley County for half of all Election Day Staff at the standard hourly rate, plus a \$25.00 Judge and Alternate Judge election night delivery expense

4. Election Night

- a. Hockley County Elections Office will be responsible for tabulating RISD Hockley County totals.
- b. RISD will be responsible for providing Hockley County with an email and/or fax number to send Election Night Results by Friday, October 31, 2025.

5. Ballots

- a. RISD voters in Hockley County will receive a joint ballot with the RISD and Hockley County ballot combined.
- b. Hockley County Joint Elections Administrator will order Hockley County and RISD ballots and balloting materials.
- c. RISD will be responsible for reviewing the proofs for the RISD Special Bond Election.
- d. Hockley County will send ballot proofs to RISD Bond Attorney, for approval.
- e. Hockley County will be responsible for having ADA equipment programmed for both RISD Hockley County Voters and Hockley County.
- f. RISD will be responsible for paying for the programming and ordering of its balloting materials.
- g. Ballot boxes will be prepared and shared with Hockley County.

6. After the Election

- a. RISD will be required to conduct the canvass for the RISD Special Bond Election.
- b. Any manual counts requested by the State of Texas will be completed by Hockley County.
- c. Any recounts that will need to be performed for RISD (Hockley County Voters) will be completed by Hockley County.
- d. Retention records for RISD will be kept by Hockley County.

7. Other Provisions

- a. Hockley County will bill RISD for the cost of election workers, programming, printing, election equipment and any other cost associated with RISD's election within 30 days after the election, this will be in addition to the \$500 Annual Election Fee which is paid by RISD annually.
- b. If RISD cancels its election, RISD will be required to pay any cost that were incurred during the period up to the cancellation.

- c. If an attorney is needed by either Political Subdivision, it will be the responsibility of that party to pay such attorney.
- d. RISD is also located in Terry County. Hockley County will not be responsible for any activities for any RISD voters located in those counties.
- e. Any amendment of this Agreement shall not be placed in effect unless it is in writing and signed by both Political Subdivisions.

Executed and approved on the date as indicated.

HOCKLEY COUNTY

BY: Sharla Baldridge Date: 10-6-2025
Sharla Baldridge, County Judge

ATTEST:

BY: Joey Rose
Joey Rose, County Elections Administrator

Ropes ISD

BY: Dade Cosby
Dade Cosby, Superintendent

Date: 09/15/2025

Motion by Commissioner Wisdom, second by Commissioner Graf, 4 votes yes, 0 votes No, that Commissioners Court approved the quote for Ballot Redaction Software for the Hockley County Elections Office from Enhanced Voting. As per quote recorded below.



Quote

QT-000080

13475 Atlantic Blvd Suite 8
Jacksonville, Florida 32225
888-839-5984
www.enhancedvoting.com

Bill To
Hockley Co, TX
911 Austin St, Levelland
Levelland, Texas 79336

Quote Date : August 01, 2025
Expiry Date : September 30, 2025

#	Item & Description	Qty	Rate	Discount	Amount
1	Ballot Image Redactor License Annual software license to redact unlimited ballot images locally.	1	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00
2	Implementation and Training One-Time fee for implementation of Enhanced Voting software solution and remote training.	1	500.00	100.00%	0.00
Total					\$2,500.00

Notes

Each software module listed in this quote is priced on an annual cost basis (SaaS model) unless otherwise specified. Enhanced Voting appreciates your interest in our software solutions and we look forward to the opportunity to work with you in the near future.

Authorized Signature

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sharla Baldrige".

Motion by Commissioner Carter, second by Commissioner Clevenger, 4 votes yes, 0 votes no that Commissioners Court approved Group Retiree Health care Program Renewal for 2026.



Transamerica Life Insurance Company & Retiree Rx Care 2026 Renewal Notice and Benefit Confirmation

Group: Hockley County
Return to TAC by: October 1, 2025

Below are the new renewal rates for TLIC medical and Retiree RxCare prescription drug coverages. Please initial and complete each section below. An authorized signature on last page is required to confirm and accept your group's renewal. Email renewals to CCS@county.org.

MEDICAL + PRESCRIPTION PLAN

Current Plan: Plan F, Rx Option 1

Current Med + Rx Rate
\$559.39

New Med + Rx Rate Effective 1/1/2026
\$592.84

- ☒ Renew and keep current plan. OR
☐ Change to a Package Option (select only one from the list below):

PACKAGE OPTIONS

☒ Package 1

- Med Only: \$298.51
- Med + Rx: \$592.84
- MedAdvantage:
\$427.50

☐ Package 2

- Med Only: \$165.61
- Med+ Rx: \$259.83
- MedAdvantage:
\$332.17

☐ Package 3

- Med Only: \$273.09
- Med+Rx: \$542.59
- MedAdvantage:
\$332.17

SB Initial to accept 2026 retiree Medical plan and Rx option or package options rates.

MANAGE MY HEALTH (OPTIONAL)

- ☐ Add Manage My Health for an additional \$10 per retiree per month.

_____ Initial to accept Manage My Health.



Transamerica Life Insurance Company & Retiree Rx Care 2025 Renewal Notice and Benefit Confirmation

Group: Hockley County
Return to TAC by: October 1, 2025

BILLING AND CONTRIBUTION SCHEDULE

Please select your preferred billing option (Current billing option is List):

- ☒ **Direct Bill:** Invoice for 100% of the cost to each retiree.
- ☐ **List Bill:** Invoice sent to the employer for 100% of the cost for each retiree. Employer will be responsible for collecting any premium due from retirees/spouses.
- ☐ **Split Bill:** Invoice will be sent to the group for employer subsidy and Amwins will send invoice to retiree for their remaining portion. (Please see next page.)

- **List/Split Billing:** Please indicate monthly contributions levels for Employer and Retirees.

	Medical Premium	Med + Rx Premium	MedAdvantage (if applicable)
Paid by Employer	\$ _____	\$ 442.84	\$ _____
Paid by Retiree	\$ _____	\$ 150.00	\$ _____

SB Initial to accept Billing Method.

CountyChoice Silver
Member Contact Designations
Hockley County

Contracting Authority: As specified in the Interlocal Participation Agreement, each Member hereby designates and appoints a Contracting Authority of department head rank or above and agrees that TAC HEBP shall not be required to contact or provide notices to any other person. Further, any notice to, or agreement by, a Member's Contracting Authority, with respect to service or claims hereunder, shall be binding on the Member. Each Member reserves the right to change its Contracting Authority from time to time by giving written notice to TAC HEBP. Please complete each category below:

Please list changes and/or corrections below

Name/Title: Sharla Baldrige County Judge
Address: 802 Houston St Ste 101
Levelland, Tx 79336
Phone: (806) 894-6856(806) 894-6856
Fax: (806) 894-6820
Email: sbaldrige@hockleycounty.org

Primary Contact: Main contact for daily matters pertaining to retiree benefits.

Please list changes and/or corrections below

Name/Title: Shirley Penner Auditor
Address: 802 Houston St., Ste. 103
Levelland, Tx 79336
Phone: (806) 894-6070
Fax: (806) 894-6917
Email: spenner@hockleycounty.org

Billing Contact: Responsible for receiving all invoices relating to retiree benefits. (Not applicable if Direct Bill).

Please list changes and/or corrections below

Name/Title: Erica Mendez
Address: 802 Houston St. Ste. 103
Levelland, Tx 79336
Phone: (806) 894-6070
Fax: (806) 894-6917
Email: emendez@hockleycounty.org


Signature of County Judge or Contracting Authority

October 6, 2025
Date

Hon. Sharla Baldrige, County Judge
Please PRINT Name and Title

Motion by Commissioner Graf second by Commissioner Clevenger, 4 votes yes, 0 votes no, that Commissioners court approved the Continuation certificate for Stephanie Tienda, Clerk, Hockley County Justice of the Peace, Precinct 5. As per continuation certificate recorded below.



Western Surety Company

CONTINUATION CERTIFICATE

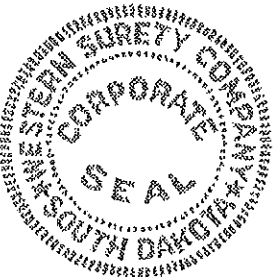
Western Surety Company hereby continues in force Bond No. 65650755 briefly described as CLERK - JUSTICE OF THE PEACE #5 COUNTY OF HOCKLEY
for STEPHANIE TIENDA, as Principal,
in the sum of \$ FIVE THOUSAND AND NO/100 Dollars, for the term beginning October 04, 2025, and ending October 04, 2027, subject to all the covenants and conditions of the original bond referred to above.

This continuation is issued upon the express condition that the liability of Western Surety Company under said Bond and this and all continuations thereof shall not be cumulative and shall in no event exceed the total sum above written.

Dated this 14th day of July, 2025.

WESTERN SURETY COMPANY

By Larry Kasten
Larry Kasten, Vice President



THIS "Continuation Certificate" MUST BE FILED WITH THE ABOVE BOND.

Western Surety Company

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That WESTERN SURETY COMPANY, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of South Dakota, and authorized and licensed to do business in the States of Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming, and the United States of America, does hereby make, constitute and appoint

Larry Kasten of Sioux Falls,
State of South Dakota, its regularly elected Vice President,
as Attorney-in-Fact, with full power and authority hereby conferred upon him to sign, execute, acknowledge and deliver for and on its behalf as Surety and as its act and deed, the following bond:

One CLERK - JUSTICE OF THE PEACE #5 COUNTY OF HOCKLEY

bond with bond number 65650755

for STEPHANIE TIENDA

as Principal in the penalty amount not to exceed: \$5,000.00

Western Surety Company further certifies that the following is a true and exact copy of Section 7 of the by-laws of Western Surety Company duly adopted and now in force, to-wit:

Section 7. All bonds, policies, undertakings, Powers of Attorney, or other obligations of the corporation shall be executed in the corporate name of the Company by the President, Secretary, any Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, or any Vice President, or by such other officers as the Board of Directors may authorize. The President, any Vice President, Secretary, any Assistant Secretary, or the Treasurer may appoint Attorneys-in-Fact or agents who shall have authority to issue bonds, policies, or undertakings in the name of the Company. The corporate seal is not necessary for the validity of any bonds, policies, undertakings, Powers of Attorney or other obligations of the corporation. The signature of any such officer and the corporate seal may be printed by facsimile.

This Power of Attorney may be signed by digital signature and sealed by a digital or otherwise electronic-formatted corporate seal under and by the authority of the following Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of the Company by unanimous written consent dated the 27th day of April, 2022:

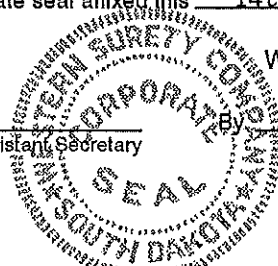
"RESOLVED: That it is in the best interest of the Company to periodically ratify and confirm any corporate documents signed by digital signatures and to ratify and confirm the use of a digital or otherwise electronic-formatted corporate seal, each to be considered the act and deed of the Company."

In Witness Whereof, the said WESTERN SURETY COMPANY has caused these presents to be executed by its Vice President Larry Kasten with the corporate seal affixed this 14th day of July, 2025.

ATTEST

L. Bauder

L. Bauder, Assistant Secretary



WESTERN SURETY COMPANY

Larry Kasten

Larry Kasten, Vice President

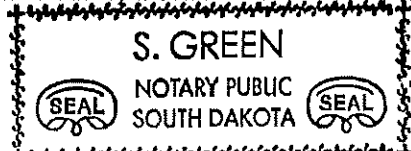
STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

COUNTY OF MINNEHAHA

} ss

On this 14th day of July, 2025, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared
Larry Kasten and L. Bauder

who, being by me duly sworn, acknowledged that they signed the above Power of Attorney as Vice President and Assistant Secretary, respectively, of the said WESTERN SURETY COMPANY, and acknowledged said instrument to be the voluntary act and deed of said Corporation.



S. Green

Notary Public

My Commission Expires February 12, 2027

To validate bond authenticity, go to www.cnasurety.com > Owner/Obligee Services > Validate Bond Coverage.



Figure: 28 TAC § 1.601(a)(2)(B)

Have a complaint or need help?

If you have a problem with a claim or your premium, call your insurance company or HMO first. If you can't work out the issue, the Texas Department of Insurance may be able to help.

Even if you file a complaint with the Texas Department of Insurance, you should also file a complaint or appeal through your insurance company or HMO. If you don't, you may lose your right to appeal.

Western Surety Company, Surety Bonding Company of America or Universal Surety of America

To get information or file a complaint with your insurance company or HMO:

Call: Customer Service at **1-605-336-0850**

Toll-free: **1-800-331-6053**

Email: uwservices@cnasurety.com

Mail: P.O. Box 5077, Sioux Falls, SD 57117-5077

The Texas Department of Insurance

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Call with a question: 1-800-252-3439

File a complaint: www.tdi.texas.gov

Email: ConsumerProtection@tdi.texas.gov

Mail: Consumer Protection, MC: CO-CP, Texas Department of Insurance, P.O. Box 12030, Austin, TX 78711-2030

Tiene una queja o necesita ayuda?

Si tiene un problema con una reclamación o con su prima de seguro, llame primero a su compañía de seguros o HMO. Si no puede resolver el problema, es posible que el Departamento de Seguros de Texas (Texas Department of Insurance, por su nombre en inglés) pueda ayudar.

Aun si usted presenta una queja ante el Departamento de Seguros de Texas, también debe presentar una queja a través del proceso de quejas o de apelaciones de su compañía de seguros o HMO. Si no lo hace, podría perder su derecho para apelar.

Western Surety Company, Surety Bonding Company of America or Universal Surety of America

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El Departamento de Seguros de Texas

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There being no further business to come before the Court, the Judge declared
Court adjourned, subject to call.

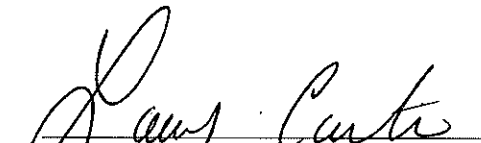
The foregoing Minutes of a Commissioner's Court meeting held on the 6th
day of October, A. D. 2025, was examined by me and approved.



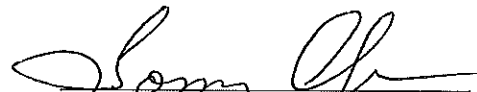
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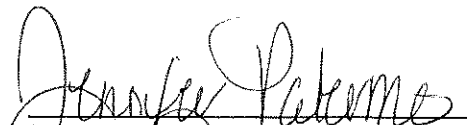
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County Judge



JENNIFER PALERMO, County Clerk, and
Ex-Officio Clerk of Commissioners' Court
Hockley County, Texas

