



2ND QUARTER - 2025

TDCAA offers an annual Civil Law Conference for Attorneys that represent County governments, this quarter the focus was on the public's rights to transparency in governments and the ability of government to restrict certain business ventures within its area. I gained additional knowledge at the conference for our County.

As your County Attorney, I assisted the County in 2 property sales, several contract and policy revisions, and advising Commissioner Court. Court settings this quarter have increased due to a rise in citizens needs for Protective Orders.

JUVENILE JUSTICE UPDATE:

In an effort to reach our juvenile offenders through learning opportunities, there has been an increase in utilizing the Deferred Prosecution by Prosecutor method this quarter. With this method there has been minimal to no reoffending by the juveniles involved.

Juvenile justice is for children age 10-16. Many of our submissions from law enforcement are for THC vapes on school property. The goal is to get the children testing negative for THC then attending classes to learn of the health risks of vapes, drug awareness, as well as decisions & consequences.

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Grimes County Community Coalition

The Grimes County Community Coalition is grant funded through BVCASA, one of their goals is to help connect volunteers and resources to the many non-profit groups we have serving Grimes County!

Additionally, they assist Grimes County juveniles by providing a free sobering facts class to bring drug awareness and stress coping methods.

Contact Sarah Chappell at schappell@bvccasa.org if you would like to get involved!



CONTRACTS & POLICIES
25

COMMISSIONER COURT
12

NEW JUVENILE CASES
2

NEW CPS CASES
2

PROTECTIVE ORDERS
6

Numbers provided are approximate & cumulative from April 1st - June 30th

COUNTY UPDATE:

The County has kicked off their budget season this quarter with Department Heads and Elected Officials submitting proposed budgets to the Court. Next quarter the budget hearings will begin.

The County sold the Old County Clerk building in Downtown Anderson to the Town of Anderson. The Grimes County Historical Commission placed the Historic Becker House for sale and obtained a contract for the sale through the sealed bid process.

Commissioners Court approved a Grimes County Fleet Manual which will work to limit fleet costs, promote viability and visibility for county assets, and limit liability to the County.

CHILD WELFARE UPDATE:

There has been two new child welfare cases filed this quarter. Thank you to Navasota PD for their quick action in ensuring children are safe in Navasota through immediate removal or reports being made to the proper departments.

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