

MINUTES OF THE
COMMISSIONERS' COURT
REGULAR MEETING – FEBRUARY 9, 2015

On the 9th day of February, 2015, there was a Regular Meeting of the Commissioners' Court in the Courthouse, Rockport, Aransas County, Texas, with the following members present: C. H. "Burt Mills, Jr., County Judge; Jack Chaney, Commissioner, Precinct 1; Leslie "Bubba" Casterline, Commissioner, Precinct 2; Charles Smith, Commissioner, Precinct 3; Betty Stiles, Commissioner, Precinct 4; and Valerie K. Amason, County Clerk.

Other County Officers present were Kristen Blanford, County Attorney; Lezlie Kirk, County Auditor; Alma Cartwright, County Treasurer; David Reid, Drainage Engineer; Pat Rousseau, Human Resources Director; Jerry Brundrett, County Surveyor; Collin Jackson, IT Director; David Vyoral, Road Administrator; Gene Johnson and Michael Geer, Airport Managers; John Strothman, Project Manager; James Jackson, Environmental Health Director; and Iris Sanchez, County Librarian.

Also present were Pat Rios and Barbara Gurtner, City Counsel Members;

The Meeting was convened at 9:00 a.m. at which time a quorum was declared by County Judge Mills, WHEREUPON, the following proceedings were had and done to wit:

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

There were none.

PRESENTATIONS

There were none.

ITEMS FOR DELIBERATION AND OR ACTION

MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve the minutes for the Regular Commissioners' Court Meeting of January 26, 2015.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

ARANSAS COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Motion was made by Commissioner Stiles and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve confirmation of reappointment of Aransas County Historical Commission members to conform with revision of bylaws and state statute.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Insert)

ADVISORY COUNCIL OF AGING

Motion was made by Commissioner Stiles and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve the recommendation for the appointment of Becky Mays to the Advisory Council of Aging (ACOA) of the Coastal Bend Council of Governments (COGS) to fill the current vacancy from Aransas County.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

PROCLAMATION #P-01-2015

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve Proclamation #P-01-2015 proclaiming March 2, 2015 as "Read Across Aransas County Day".

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Proclamation inserted)

FISCAL YEAR 2014 AUDIT SERVICES

Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve fiscal year 2014 audit services with Michael A. Arnold, PLLC, CPA.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

FINAL PLAT OF COASTAL PARADISE SUBDIVISION

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve the final plat of Coastal Paradise Subdivision.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Plat inserted)

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH – EXCESS MULCH

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to approve authorizing Environmental Health Director, James Jackson, to give away to the public excessive mulch subject to review by County attorney as to the legality of giving away county property.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Brief Inserted)

2015 MATERIAL BIDS FOR ROAD AND BRIDGE

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to approve the 2015 material bids for the Road and Bridge Department.

Approved awarding Type PB, Grade 4 Cover Stone bid to Vulcan Construction

Materials, LP. Purchase of Dry Portland Cement will remain with Martin Marietta Materials until an alternate source can be found.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Bids inserted)

ARANSAS COUNTY AIRPORT - ROOF BIDS

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve authorization to advertise for bids on replacing and repairing existing roof on T Hangar built in 1983 at the Aransas County Airport.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Specifications and Requirements inserted)

INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner Stiles and seconded by Commissioner Smith to table the motion authorizing the County Judge to sign an Intergovernmental Cooperation agreement with the City of Rockport for Animal Control Services.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Agreement inserted)

TYLER TECHNOLOGIES INVOICE

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Judge Mills to approve authorizing to get current with invoices due to Tyler Technologies.

Question. Commissioner Casterline voted for. Commissioner's Chaney and Stiles voted nay. Three for and two against, motion carried.

It is so ordered.

(Invoice inserted)

PUBLIC OFFICIAL BOND – DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve the public official bond on Jo Ann Juarez, Deputy County Clerk. Question. Motion carried unanimously. It is so ordered.

(Bond inserted)

SALARY GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE

Judge Mills drew public members and alternates for Salary Grievance Committee in accordance with Section 152.015 of the Local Government Code as follows (1. Brittany Mitchell, 2. Judie McRea, 3. John Shepherd); alternates (1. Mitch Miller and Elva Pegram,

CERTIFICATES OF COMPLETION

Judge Mills reported receipt of Certificate of Course Completion for training on the Texas Open Meetings Act that satisfies the legal requirements of Government Code, Section 551,005 and Certificate of Course Completion for training on the Texas Public Information Act that satisfies the legal requirements of Government Code, Section 552.012 for Pam Heard, District Clerk and Valerie K. Amason, County Clerk for recording in the Commissioners' Court Minutes.

(Certificates inserted)

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION

Judge Mills reported receipt of Certificate of Completion for 2014 Continued Education Requirements that satisfies the legal requirements of Government Code, Section 51.605 for Pam Heard, District Clerk from the County & District Clerk's Association of Texas for recording in the Commissioners' Court Minutes.

(Certificate inserted)

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION

Judge Mills reported receipt of Certificate of Completion for 2015 Continued Education Requirements from V.G. Young Institute of County Government/Tax Assessor-Collectors Association of Texas for Jeri Cox, Tax Assessor-Collector. Question. Motion carried unanimously. It is so ordered.

(Certificate inserted)

INDIGENT HEALTH CARE REPORT

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to approve Indigent Health Care Report for January "2015". Question. Motion carried unanimously. It is so ordered.

(Report inserted)

BUDGET LINE ITEM TRANSFERS

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve Budget Line Item Transfers. Question. Motion carried unanimously. It is so ordered.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to approve Accounts Payable with the addition of Bond Payment and Tyler Invoice approved in this meeting. Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

REPORTS ABOUT ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

Commissioner Stiles wanted to remind everyone and invite everyone to the Lamar Annual La Mardi Gras celebration to raise money for their Volunteer Fire Department this weekend. Also announced Jeanie Morrison will be there.

PRESS QUESTIONS

Norma Martinez for the Rockport Pilot wanted to clarify discussion on Tyler Technologies concerning invoice nearing the net 60 day period and inquired whether that was on a "2014" invoice. Court confirmed this is correct.

The court did not hold closed session.

No further business presenting, the Court adjourned at 9:30 a. m. on a motion made by Commissioner Smith duly seconded by Commissioner Casterline.

C. H. "BURT" MILLS, JR. COUNTY JUDGE

VALERIE K. AMASON, COUNTY CLERK &
EX-OFFICIO CLERK OF THE
COMMISSIONERS' COURT