

MINUTES OF THE
COMMISSIONERS' COURT

REGULAR MEETING - FEBRUARY 25, 2019

On the 25th day of February, 2019, there was a Regular Meeting of the Commissioners' Court in the Commissioners' Courtroom, 2840 Hwy 35 N, 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; **Brian Olsen**, Commissioner, Precinct 3; **Wendy Laubach**, Commissioner, Precinct 4; and **Valerie K. Amason**, County Clerk.

Other County Officers present were **Jerry Brundrett**, County Surveyor; **Kristen Barnebey**, County District Attorney; **Alma Cartwright**, Treasurer; **Pam Heard**, District Clerk; **Bill Mills**, Sheriff; **Suzy Wallace**, County Auditor; **Linda Garcia Haynes**, Executive Assistant to the County Judge; **David Reid**, Road Administrator/Drainage Engineer/Stormwater Management Engineer; **Collin Jackson**, IT Director; **Linda Doane**, Human Resources Director; **Michael Geer**, Airport Manager; **Valerie Gonzalez**, Environmental Health Director; **John Strothman**, Pathways Project Manager; **Carrie Arrington**, Office & Contracts Manager, County District Attorney's Office; **Jacky Cockerham**, First Assistant County Auditor; **John Gutierrez**, Chief Deputy Sheriff;

Long-Term Recovery: **Randall Freeze**, Long Term Recovery Specialists; **Jennifer Heard**, Hotline/Volunteer & Donations Coordinator;

Members of Local City Government, Community Groups and other Interested Parties present:

City of Rockport Council Members: Barbara Gurtner, Ward 4;

Aransas County Historical Commission: Betty Stiles, Chair; Mike Geer, Vice Chair; Collin Jackson, Secretary; Other members: Jerry Brundrett; Sherri Collins; Sandra Garrison; Barbara Gurtner; Collin Jackson; Brian Olsen, Court Appointed Liaison; Non-Voting Advisors: Pam Wheat Stranahan, (2018 Chair); Linda Garcia Haynes, (2018 Secretary); Non-Voting Parties: Monica Burdette, Texas State Historical Commissioner;

Aransas County Residents:

Jessie and Linda Ray; Carol Norton; Gerald and Rosemary Corey; Tanya Kulhanek; Gayle Wright; Kim Hesley;

Mott MacDonald, LLC: Steph Rogers;

Editor and Publisher of the Rockport Pilot Newspaper: Mike Probst;

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

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

There were none.

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion was made by Commissioner Olsen and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve:

1. Minutes from the Regular Meeting of February 11, 2019.
2. Acknowledge receipt of and record in the minutes of Commissioners Court, a Letter from the Texas Veterans Commission informing the County that Veteran County Service

Officer (VCSO), David M. "Mike" Kuertz, has completed the required twelve (12) hours of annual training during calendar year 2018 to maintain his certification or VA Accreditation with the Texas Veterans Commission.

3. Acknowledge receipt of and record in the minutes of Commissioners Court, a Certificate of Completion presented to Mike Kuertz from the Texas Veterans Commission for satisfactorily completing fourteen (14) hours of training provided by the Texas Veterans Commission during calendar year 2019, to attain or maintain status as an accredited representative of the Teas Veterans Commission to represent claimants before the U. S. Department of Veterans Affairs under the provisions of Title 40, Part 15, Chapter 451, Texas Administrative Code on February 08, 2019.
4. Acknowledge receipt of and record in the minutes of Commissioners Court, a Certificate of Attendance for Linda Garcia at the 2019 County Court Assistants Training Conference from the Texas Judicial Academy on February 15, 2019.
5. Acknowledge receipt of and record in the minutes of Commissioners Court, a Certificate of Compliance Continuing Education presented to Alma Cartwright, Aransas County Treasurer, for successfully completing the required hours of continuing education approved by the County Treasurers' Association of Texas satisfying the County Treasurer continuing education requirements established by section 83.003 of the Texas Local Government Code Continuing Education.

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6. Acknowledge receipt of and record in the minutes of Commissioners Court, a Certificate of Compliance Public Funds Investment Act presented to Alma Cartwright, Aransas County Treasurer, for successfully completing the required hours of investment training approved by the County Treasurers' Association of Texas for the two year period satisfying the education requirements for County Treasurers established by Chapter 2256 of the Texas local Government Code, the Public Funds Investment Act, Section 2256.008. Investment Training; Local Governments.
7. Official Public Bond Continuation Certificate for Deputy Sheriff Sharon Loflin.
8. Official Public Bond Continuation Certificate Address Change to Policy for Texas Justice of the Peace, Precinct 2, Court Clerk, Aransas County.
9. Accepting a donation of seven (07) shirts with the Aransas County Long Term Recovery (LTR) logo printed on them from Dawn Heald of 2 Classy Broads and furnishing a donation receipt for the seven (07) shirts.
Question. Motion carried unanimously.
It is so ordered.

COUNTY REPORTS

10. Motion was made by Commissioner Olsen and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve the Historical Commission Report for 2018.
Question. Motion carried unanimously.
It is so ordered.

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COUNTY ROADS - BALLOT RESULTS

11. Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Laubach to approve Declaration of the returned Conlin Lane/Joseph Road Ballots to determine whether or not Commissioners Court will order the improvement and assessment to bring Conlin Lane/Joseph Road up to current County roadway standards. Returned ballots consisted of twenty six (26) voting yes and four (4) opposed.
Question. Motion carried unanimously.
It is so ordered.

12. Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve the Final Re-Plat of Lots 1 & 2, Block 1, SWEO Subdivision.
Question. Motion carried unanimously.
It is so ordered.

CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS, & LEASES

13. Motion was made by Commissioner Olsen and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve and authorize the County Judge to sign co-terminus Description of Services Contract from Data Foundry, Inc. to install additional Internet Circuit to provide redundant backup Internet Access.
Question. Motion carried unanimously.
It is so ordered.

14. Motion was made by Commissioner Olsen and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve and authorize the County Judge to sign an agreement with Spectrum for redundant network transport to offsite Data Center, to replace a portion of the

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Cogent approved contract for redundant and fault tolerant internet services.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

15. Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Olsen to approve and authorize the County Engineer to sign Letter of Engagement from Kevin Cullen for professional services relating to acquisition of drainage easements in the Club Lake Watershed.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

16. Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Laubach to approve Resolution #R-07-2019 authorizing the submission of Texas Community Development Block Grant Program applications to the Texas Department of Agriculture for the 2019-2020 Community Development Fund and authorizing the County Judge to act as the Executive Officer and authorized representative in all matters pertaining to the County's participation in the 2019-2020 Texas Community Development Block Grant Program, including execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Rockport regarding the construction, transfer, maintenance, and operation of the facilities constructed through this program and the provision of service to households benefitting from this program. The application will be for up to \$300,000 of grant funds to carry out first-time sewer improvement projects benefitting residents of the Doughty & Mathis/Manning Colonia in the City of Rockport's service area. (Kossuth & Doughty

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Street areas)

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

17. Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Olsen to approve an Interlocal Agreement between Aransas County and the City of Rockport for the grant application to the Texas Department of Agriculture's 2019-2020 TxCDBG Community Development Fund contract to construct improvements to the city's public sewer system benefitting the Doughty and Mathis/Manning Colonia with the City's extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ).

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

18. Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Olsen to approve and authorize the County Judge to sign an Agreement between the Texas Department of Agriculture and Aransas County for the 2018 Colonia Fund: Construction, Contract No. 7218085.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

Commissioner Laubach: Please add to the record, the dollar amount is about \$780,000 total, that's not exactly 1/3 each for those three roads but it's pretty close to \$250,000 to \$300,000 apiece for each road project.

19. Motion was made by Commissioner Olsen and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve Resolution #R-08-2019 authorizing the award of a professional service provider contract for the Texas Department of Agriculture's 2019-2020

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Texas Community Development Block Grant (TXCDBG) Community Development Fund Project designating a professional engineering service provider to complete application and project related engineering services.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

20. Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve Resolution #R-09-2019 authorizing the award of a professional service provider contract for Hurricane Harvey related disaster recovery and mitigation projects administered through the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the Texas Department of Emergency Management (TDEM) to Mott MacDonald, LLC relating to Shoreline Resiliency Projects - Fulton Beach Road, Lamar Beach Road and Shell Ridge Beach Road.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

21. Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Olsen to approve authorizing the County Judge to sign an agreement for professional services between Aransas County and Mott MacDonald, LLC for the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, 4332, Hurricane Harvey, for roadway flood protection for the following three roadways: Fulton Beach Road (FEMA Project No. DR-4332-017), Shell Ridge Road (FEMA Project No. DR-4332-016) and Lamar Beach Road (FEMA Project No. DR-4332-015).

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

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22. Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve and authorize the County Judge to sign a Landlord's Waiver in favor of Bluehenge Capital Secured Debt SBIC, L.P. and Scope Leasing, Inc. for Rotorcraft Leasing Company, LLC.
- Question. Motion carried unanimously.
- It is so ordered.

PLANNING & BUDGET OFFICE

23. Motion was made by Commissioner Olsen and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve December 2018 Treasurer's Report.
- Question. Motion carried unanimously.
- It is so ordered.
24. Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Laubach to approve January 2019 Treasurer's Report.
- Question. Motion carried unanimously.
- It is so ordered.
25. Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Laubach to approve the Treasurer's 4th Quarter Investment Report.
- Question. Motion carried unanimously.
- It is so ordered.
26. Motion was made by Commissioner Olsen and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve revised job description for "Jailer" to update physical requirements. No new money.
- Question. Motion carried unanimously.
- It is so ordered.

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27. Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve new job descriptions "Probate Court Clerk", "Civil/Guardianship Court Clerk" and "Deputy Clerk-Executive/Administrative Support" for the County Clerk's office to more evenly distribute job duties. No new money for any of the positions.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

28. Motion was made by Commissioner Olsen and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve Budget Line Item Transfers of which there were none.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

29. Motion was made by Commissioner Olsen and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve Accounts Payable and Payroll/Payroll Liabilities.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

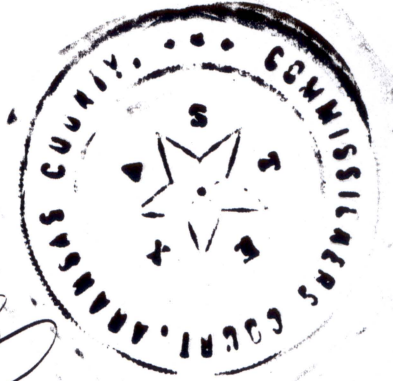
REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONERS, ELECTED OFFICIALS &

DEPARTMENT HEADS WHEREIN NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN

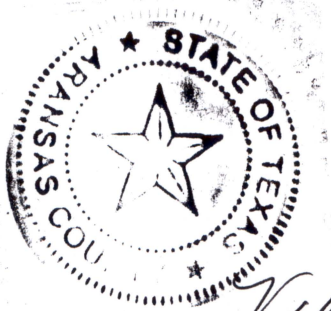
There were none.

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No further business presenting, the Court adjourned at 9:31 a.m. on a motion made by Commissioner Olsen and seconded by Commissioner Casterline.



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



VALERIE K. AMASON,

EX-OFFICIO CLERK OF THE

COMMISSIONERS' COURT