

MINUTES OF THE

COMMISSIONERS' COURT

REGULAR MEETING - MAY 11, 2020

On the 27th day of May, 2020, 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, via ZOOM, or YouTube: **C. H. "Burt" Mills, Jr.**, County Judge; **Jack Chaney**, Commissioner, Precinct 1; **Leslie "Bubba" Casterline**, Commissioner, Precinct 2; **Charles Smith**, Commissioner, Precinct 3; **Wendy Laubach**, Commissioner, Precinct 4; and **Valerie K. Amason**, County Clerk.

Other County Officers present, via ZOOM, or YouTube were **Jerry Brundrett**, County Surveyor; **Kristen Barnebey**, County District Attorney; **Jeri Cox**, Tax Assessor-Collector; **Alma Cartwright**, Treasurer; **Pam Heard**, District Clerk; **David Klanica**, Executive Assistant to the County Judge; **Tracy Orr**, Administrative Assistant to the County Judge; **Jacky Cockerham**, Interim County Auditor; **Tana Taylor**, First Assistant County Auditor; **David Reid**, Road Administrator/Drainage Engineer/Stormwater Management Engineer; **Michael Geer**, Airport Manager; **Valerie Gonzalez**, Environmental Health Director; **Rene Butler**, Facilities Director; **John Strothman**, Pathways Project Manager; **Collin Jackson**, IT Director; **Judy Sutterfield**, IT Tech; **Anna Marshall**, Chief Deputy Tax Assessor-Collector; **Carrie Arrington**, Office & Contracts Manager, County District Attorney's Office; **Linda Doane**, Human Resources Director; **Christopher Randall**, Fleet Maintenance Supervisor; **Lori Cesar**, Animal Control Director; **John Gutierrez**, Chief Deputy Sheriff;

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

City of Rockport Council Members: Pat Rios, Mayor;

Town of Fulton: Jimmy Kendrick, Mayor; Rick McLester, Police Chief;

Beyer & Co., Certified Public Accountants: Wayne R. Beyer, Owner;

Aransas County Citizens: Pat Rousseau; S. E. Kendrick; Cody Stewart;

The Rockport Pilot Newspaper: Mike Probst, Editor and Publisher;

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:

Removed from Consent Items and taken out of order:

2. Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve presenting Proclamation #P-04-2020 to Fulton Mayor, Jimmy Kendrick, in recognition of outstanding public service.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Inserts)

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Pat Rousseau: Stated that she would wait until the items were addressed before she made comments or asked questions concerning agenda Items 4 & 5.

PRESENTATIONS

1. PowerPoint Presentation by **Chris Randall**, Fleet Maintenance Supervisor, on the Aransas County Fuel System.

CONSENT ITEMS

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

3. Minutes from the Regular Meeting of April 27, 2020.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

COUNTY ROADS

Pat Rousseau: I wondered if there was a copy of the Road Conditions Report that is available, and if so, how might I procure one? Also, I wonder if in that report there is how they managed to assess the road condition?

David Reid: The road condition was assessed by County Staff, there is a copy of it and we really just got this put together in time to get it on the agenda for this meeting and specifically for the grant money, but I would be glad to get you a copy of it.

(Inserts)

4. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve Acceptance of County Road Administrator's Aransas County 2020 Annual Road Conditions Report.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

5. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to consider approval of Prioritized List of Roads for the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) 2020 County Transportation Infrastructure Fund (CTIF) grant program application.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS, GRANTS & LEASES

6. Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve allowing the Aransas County Animal Control Director to seek and apply for Pet Smart Charities grant. This grant is aimed at increasing health opportunities for chronically under-resourced pets and their people by facilitating the delivery of accessible basic veterinary care.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

7. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve allowing the Aransas County Animal Control Director to seek and apply for "Seresto

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Circle of Love" grants 2020, sponsored by Adopt-A-Pet.com. They will be giving away \$100,000 in Seresto product grants. Seresto collars can help keep dogs and cats protected from fleas and ticks for 8 continuous months.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

Removed from Planning & Budget Office and taken out of order:

17. Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve 2019 Fiscal Year Comprehensive Financial Audit of Aransas County as presented by Beyer & Co.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

8. Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve and authorize the County Judge to sign a long-term ground lease with Stewart Legacy Group, LLC, on airport property, for the construction of a private nested 12 unit T-Hangar. **(Commissioner Smith suggested that Mike Geer talk to the County Attorney about possibly getting a written commitment.)**

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

9. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve and authorize the County Judge to sign an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Rockport regarding Texas Commission on Environmental

(Inserts)

Quality (TCEQ) grant funds budgeted from RESTORE ACT BUCKET 1 grant program for final engineering and shoreline restoration along Bay Shore Drive.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

10. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve and authorize the County Judge to sign an Assignment Agreement with the City of Rockport and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to assign full ownership and control of the Subgrant-funded improvements contemplated in the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with the City of Rockport for Bay Shore Drive Final Engineering and Shoreline Restoration upon their completion.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

11. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve awarding bid for new fuel pumps and fuel management software systems to D&H United Fueling Solutions.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

12. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve and authorize the IT Department to seek competitive sealed bids to replace end of life Virtual Infrastructure Systems housing critical servers; the expected project costs are budgeted in the current fiscal year budget.

(Inserts)

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

13. Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve and authorize the IT Department to seek competitive sealed bids to replace end of life Wireless Networking Infrastructure components in use in several county facilities; the expected project costs are budgeted in the current fiscal year budget.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

PLANNING & BUDGET OFFICE

14. Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve the April 2020 Indigent Health Care Report.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

15. Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve request for the creation of an additional full-time position - Customer Service Specialist, group/step 12-1, to the County Tax Assessor-Collector's Department. The new position is necessary in order to assist with an influx of workload when department re-opens to IN-PERSON transactions along with new state laws and Texas Department of Motor Vehicles (TX DMV) procedures currently being implemented regarding issuance of license plates for off-highway vehicles and golf carts, additional monitoring required to identify and combat fraud, waste, and abuse;

(Inserts)

and having webDEALER program in place by September 1st.

[Tabled from 4/27/2020]

Question. Motion carried with four votes for and Commissioner Laubach voting against.

It is so ordered.

16. Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve Resolution #R-10-2020, a Resolution amending authorized representatives with the TEXPOOL Investment Service for Public Funds.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

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

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

19. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve Accounts Payable and Payroll/Payroll Liabilities.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

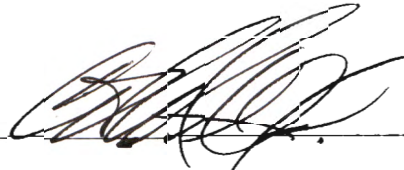
REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONERS, ELECTED OFFICIALS &

DEPARTMENT HEADS WHEREIN NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN

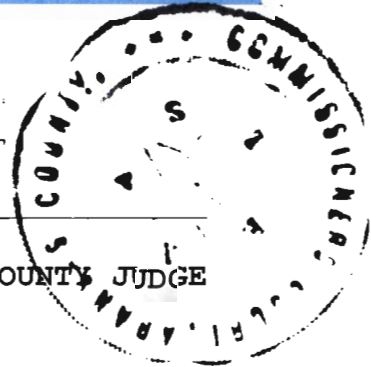
There were none.

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No further business presenting, the Court adjourned at 10:36 a.m. on a motion made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline.



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



VALERIE K. AMASON,

EX-OFFICIO CLERK OF THE

COMMISSIONERS' COURT