

NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT
ARANSAS COUNTY, TEXAS

AGENDA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A MEETING OF THE ABOVE NAMED COMMISSIONERS COURT V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.001(4), WILL BE HELD ON THE **7th** DAY OF **AUGUST, 2017** AT **9:00 A.M.** IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM IN THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 301 N. LIVE OAK, ROCKPORT, TEXAS, PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES WHO PLAN TO ATTEND THIS MEETING AND WHO MAY NEED ASSISTANCE SHOULD CONTACT THE COUNTY JUDGE'S OFFICE AT 361-790-0100 TWO WORKING DAYS PRIOR TO THE MEETING SO THAT APPROPRIATE ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE. THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS WILL BE DISCUSSED:

I. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGES

II. INVOCATION

III. DECLARE QUORUM

IV. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

At this time, comments will be taken from the audience on any subject matter that is not on the Agenda. To address the Commissioners, please sign the Public Participation Form located on the table in front of the pews and deliver to the County Clerk before the meeting begins. Citizens who wish to speak on a matter included in this Agenda will be invited to speak when that particular matter is being deliberated by the Commissioners Court. Each member of the public who appears before the Commissioners Court shall be limited to a maximum of five (5) minutes to make his/her remarks. Please note, in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Commissioners may not discuss or take action on any item which has not been posted on the Agenda.

V. PRESENTATIONS

Presentations are limited to fifteen (15) minutes unless other arrangements have been made with the Court.

1. Presentation by Patrick King of [AEP](#) regarding recent power outages and how they hope to alleviate the situation in the future.

VI. ITEMS FOR DELIBERATION AND/OR ACTION

• **CONSENT AGENDA**

All Consent Agenda items listed are considered to be routine by the Commissioners Court and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Commissioner or the County Judge so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the Agenda.

1. Discuss, approve or disapprove the [Minutes](#) from the Workshop Meeting of June 20, 2017 & the Regular Meeting of July 24, 2017 – Valerie Amason/Judge Mills
2. Acknowledge receipt of and record in Minutes of Commissioners Court [Continuing Education Credits](#) for Bubba Casterline, Commissioner Pct. 2 & Betty Stiles, Commissioner Pct. 4 – Commissioners Casterline/Stiles
3. Acknowledge receipt of and record in Minutes of Commissioners Court 16 credit hours of [Continuing Education](#) for Collin Jackson, IT Director – Collin Jackson/Judge Mills
4. Discuss, approve or disapprove Public Official [Bond Continuation & Rider](#) on Melissa Lloyd, Court Clerk JP 1 – Judge Mills

• **COUNTY REPORTS**

5. Discuss, approve or disapprove 2nd Quarter 2017 [HOT Funds](#) Report for the [Maritime Museum](#) – Kathy Roberts Douglas/Judge Mills

- **CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS & GRANTS**

6. Discuss, approve, or disapprove and authorize the County Judge to sign the [renewal of our Adoption Agreement and Certificate of Resolution \(#R-14-2017\)](#) for the Section 125 Premium Only Plan. This plan is offered to all eligible County employees as a benefit to reduce their tax liability on payment of health, dental, and qualifying life insurance premiums. Pat Rousseau/Judge Mills - Attachments provided.

- **PLANNING & BUDGET OFFICE**

7. Discuss, approve or disapprove accepting a [donation of \\$1,420.00 from the 100 Club](#) for bullet proof vests for two Deputies. – John Gutierrez/Judge Mills
8. Discuss, approve, or disapprove the proposed [revised job description for Assistant County Auditor](#). This position is an upgrade for the current position based on new required responsibilities. The new pay group for the Assistant County Auditor will be Pay Group 14, one group higher than the current Pay grade to reflect the increased level of competence and responsibilities. There is money available in the 2017 budgeted salary line for this upgrade. Suzy Wallace/Judge Mills – Copy of proposed job description is attached.
9. Discuss, approve, or disapprove the proposed [revised job description and reclassification of pay group for the Maintenance Director](#) (formerly Maintenance Supervisor) to be effective January 1, 2018. This position is an upgrade for the current position based on assigned responsibilities. The new pay group for the Maintenance Director will be Pay Group 19, one group higher than the current Pay grade 18 to reflect the increased level of competence and responsibilities and to provide consistency between this position and similar ones at the County. The dollar amount of the salary will not change from the current level, only the Pay Group will be adjusted. The position will no longer be Non-Exempt in line with the responsibilities required of the job. Rene Butler/Judge Mills – Copy of proposed job description is attached
10. Discuss, approve or disapprove July 2017 [Indigent Health Care Report](#) – Alma Cartwright/Judge Mills
11. Discuss, approve or disapprove [Resolution R-15-2017](#) Authorizing for Prosperity Bank Signature Authority and Electronic Banking Services – Alma Cartwright/Judge Mills
12. Discuss, approve or disapprove [Budget Line Item Transfers](#) – Suzy Wallace/Judge Mills
13. Discuss, approve or disapprove [Accounts Payable](#) – Suzy Wallace/Judge Mills
14. Discuss and take action on [Elected Officials Salaries](#) for 2018 Budget Year – Suzy Wallace/Judge Mills
15. Discussion and possible action of [Proposed 2018 Budget](#) – Suzy Wallace/Judge Mills
16. Discuss, approve, or disapprove date and time for [Public Hearing on 2018 Budget](#) – Suzy Wallace/Judge Mills
17. Discussion and take action to propose [2017 Tax Rate](#) – Jeri Cox/Judge Mills
18. If necessary, Discuss and take action by record vote [scheduling two Public Hearings on proposed 2017 Tax Rate and proposed tax increase](#)— Jeri Cox/Judge Mills
19. Discuss, approve, or disapprove [time and date to adopt the 2018 Budget and 2017 Tax Rate](#) – Suzy Wallace/Jeri Cox/Judge Mills

VII. REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONERS, ELECTED OFFICIALS & DEPARTMENT HEADS WHEREIN NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN

“At this time, County Commissioners will report/update on all committee assignments which may include the following: Aransas Pathways Steering Committee; County Storm Water Advisory Committee; Coastal Bend Council of Governments; Coastal Bend Bays & Estuaries; Economic Development; Live Oak Tree Committee; Navigation District; Personnel Committee; Rural Rail District; and Rockport Community Park/Swimming Pool Committee. Elected Officials & Department Heads reports include but are not limited to the following: Airport Advisory Board Updates; County Auditor—Read Fee Reports of county & precinct offices.

VIII. REPORTS ABOUT ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST REGARDING WHICH NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN

“At this time, Commissioners Court will hear reports/updates from Commissioners or County Staff about items of community interest including (1) expressions of thanks, congratulations, or condolence; (2) information regarding holiday schedules; (3) an honorary or salutary recognition of a public official, public employee, or other citizen; (4) a reminder about an upcoming event organized or sponsored by the Court; (5) information regarding a social, ceremonial, or community event organized or sponsored by an entity other than the Commissioners Court that was attended or is scheduled to be attended by a Commissioner or an official or employee of the County; and (6) announcements involving an imminent threat to the public health and safety of people in the County that has arisen after the posting of the agenda.”

IX. CLOSED SESSION

“Pursuant to the authority granted under Government Code, Chapter 551, the Commissioners Court may convene a closed session. The specific section or sections of Government Code, Chapter 551 that provides statutory authority may be announced.”

- a. **COMMISSIONERS COURT WILL MEET IN CLOSED SESSION AS AUTHORIZED BY TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.071 TO DISCUSS POTENTIAL LITIGATION AND OTHER MATTERS PROTECTED BY THE ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGE.**
- b. **COMMISSIONERS COURT WILL MEET IN CLOSED SESSION AS AUTHORIZED BY TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.072 TO DISCUSS REAL ESTATE NEGOTIATIONS, INCLUDING PATHWAYS PROJECTS, STORM WATER MANAGEMENT, COUNTY LAND AND COUNTY LEASES.**
- c. **COMMISSIONERS COURT WILL MEET IN CLOSED SESSION AS AUTHORIZED BY TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.07A TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL MATTERS AND OTHER ISSUES.**
- d. **COMMISSIONERS COURT WILL MEET IN CLOSED SESSION AS AUTHORIZED BY TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.0725 TO DISCUSS A CONTRACT BEING NEGOTIATED AND THE TERMS THEREOF.**
- e. **COMMISSIONERS COURT WILL MEET IN CLOSED SESSION AS AUTHORIZED BY TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.087 TO DISCUSS AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MATTER.**

X. OPEN SESSION

COMMISSIONERS COURT WILL RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION AND CONSIDER ACTION, IF ANY, ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

CERTIFICATION

COMMISSIONERS COURT, ARANSAS COUNTY, TEXAS

I, the undersigned, County Clerk, do hereby certify that the Notice of the above named Commissioners Court, is a true and correct copy of said Notice, and that I posted a true and correct copy of said Notice on the bulletin board in the courthouse lobby of Aransas County, Texas on the ____ day of _____, 2017, and said Notice remained so posted continuously for at least seventy-two (72) hours preceding the scheduled time of said Meeting.

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