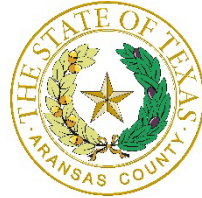


COMMISSIONERS COURT  
Aransas County, Texas

C.H. "Burt" Mills Jr, County Judge

Jack Chaney  
Commissioner, Pct 1-1A

Leslie Casterline  
Commissioner, Pct 2



Pat Rousseau  
Commissioner, Pct 3

Wendy Laubach  
Commissioner, Pct 4

**AMENDED AGENDA**

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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 **29th day of AUGUST, 2022 at 9:00 A.M. IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM IN THE ARANSAS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 2840 HWY. 35 N., 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. **To watch the meeting, visit:** here <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCTxprR-CFvaZfapOVcLeDWQ/live> The following subjects will be discussed:

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- 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 at <https://actxgov.seamlessdocs.com/w/ccpublicparticipation> or sign the Public Participation Form located on the table outside of the County Courtroom 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 scheduled in advance of the meeting and limited to fifteen (15) minutes unless other arrangements have been made with the Court.*

1. Presentation by Jace Tunnell, Director of the Mission-Aransas National Estuarine Research Reserve on the revised and expanded investigation to evaluate potential containment of Port Bay. Initial proposal was presented to Commissioners on April 11, 2022 – Commissioner Rousseau

## **VI. 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.*

2. Discuss, approve, or disapprove the Minutes from the August 22, 2022 Regular Meeting – Carrie Arrington/Judge Mills
3. Discuss and accept a donation of \$200.00 from Paul and Helen Thomas to Aransas County Animal Control – Lori Cesar/Judge Mills

## **VII. COUNTY REPORTS**

4. Discuss, approve or disapprove Order No. O-23-2022, an Order of the County of Aransas, Texas, Prohibiting Outdoor Burning for a Period of Up to an Additional 30 Days Due to the Existence of Conditions that have Created a Public Safety Hazard that would be Exacerbated by Outdoor Burning – Judge Mills

## **VIII. COUNTY ROADS AND FLOODPLAIN**

5. Discuss, approve or disapprove Order #O-22-2022, an order petitioned by Mary Thornhill to close, abandon and vacate a portion of the platted 60-foot Right-of-Way of Main Street lying between Block 91 and Block 103, Lamar Townsite, Aransas County, Texas – Elizabeth Brundrett/David Reid
6. Discuss, approve, or disapprove request for variance on County subdivision regulations on minimum lot size requirements to replat 1020 Hickory Avenue from two lots into one lot – Katherine Comeaux/Judge Mills
7. Discuss, approve, or disapprove request for variance on Aransas County Floodplain Management Order O-23-2019, Article 4, Section F, Subsection 1(a) for Lot 18 & Lot 22 of the Cape Velero, Unit 1 Subdivision to allow fill and slab-on-grade construction – Katherine Comeaux/Judge Mills
8. Discuss, approve or disapprove a request for variance on County subdivision regulations on minimum lot size requirements to replat 118, 120 and 122 Canvas Back Lane from three lots into two lots – Katherine Comeaux/Judge Mills
9. Discuss, approve, or disapprove declaring the Aransas County 2009 Ford Explorer as surplus – Blake Brown/Judge Mills
10. Discuss, approve, or disapprove the purchase of a 2022 Ford Explorer for the amount of \$43,733.75, approve of using the surplus 2009 Ford Explorer as a trade in, and authorize County Judge and/or County staff to execute necessary documents – Blake Brown/Judge Mills

## **IX. COUNTY ELECTIONS**

11. Discuss, approve, or disapprove Resolution R-22-2022, a Resolution Authorizing the Adoption of the Hart InterCivic Verity Version 2.5 Voting System; Authorizing the County Judge and/or the Aransas County Elections Administrator to Execute Necessary Documents; Providing for Severability and Certifying Compliance with the Open Meetings Act – Kevin Stroud/Judge Mills

## **X. CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS, GRANTS, AND LEASES**

12. Discuss, approve, or disapprove entering into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Aransas County and the Children’s Coalition of Aransas County, to express mutual agreement for the County to promote affordable, high quality child care services to County’s employees and for the Children’s Coalition of Aransas County to provide such services at its new Child Development Center in Rockport, Texas – Judge Mills

13. Discuss, approve, or disapprove entering into a Memorandum of Understanding between the Texas Division of Emergency Management, the Texas Emergency Management Assistance Teams Program, Valerie Gonzalez, and Aransas County to set forth the terms and conditions of Gonzalez serving on the Disaster Recovery Task Force, which includes the County permitting her participation for up to five (5) years, and authorize the County Judge to Execute the MOU - Valerie Gonzalez/Judge Mills

14. Discuss, approve, or disapprove Amendment #3 to Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery Grant Contract No. 20-065098-C270 administered by the Texas General Land Office to extend the term of the Contract through August 31, 2024; to revise language to reflect all Project Activities and to reallocate funds in the Project Budget; to revise the Federal Assurances and Certifications, Affirmations, and the List of Laws; and to replace certain language in the Contract with new required language; at no additional encumbrance of grant funds or local funds – John Strothman/Judge Mills

15. Discuss, approve, or disapprove authorizing County Judge to submit required electronic documents the Texas Department of Information Resources to certify Aransas County’s Compliance with Texas Government Code 2054.5191; which mandates personnel to complete an annual State Certified Cyber Security Training course - Collin Jackson/Judge Mills

16. Discuss, approve, or disapprove paying up to \$14,500.00 of the cost of an eighteen-month study to be conducted by Mission-Aransas National Estuarine Research Reserve for water quality sampling and evaluation for possible contaminants in Port Bay near Highway 188. The Aransas County Navigation District would pay a matching amount of \$14,500.00 and the Coastal Bend Bays and Estuaries Program (CBBEP) would pay the balance of the total estimated cost of \$58,000.00 (CBBEP’s share would be approximately \$29,000.00) – Commissioner Rousseau

17. Discuss, approve, or disapprove Resolution R-23-2022, a Resolution in support of the Coastal Bend Disaster Recovery Group; Recognizing the Coastal Bend Disaster Recovery Group as a Long Term Recovery Group; Declaring that Aransas County Intends to Work Cooperatively with other Political Subdivisions and Not for Profit Corporations in the Aftermath of Disasters to Provide Resources to Citizens; Providing for Severability and Certifying Compliance with the Open Meetings Act – Judge Mills

18. Discuss, approve or disapprove authorizing County Judge to sign Interlocal Cooperation Agreements for 2022-2023 Property Tax Assessment/Collection upon agreements by Local Taxing Entities. Local Taxing Entities are the Aransas County Navigation District, the City of Rockport, the Town of Fulton, the Aransas County Municipal Utility District No. 1, and the Aransas County Independent School District – Anna Marshall

## **XI. PLANNING & BUDGET OFFICE**

19. Discuss and receive information from the public concerning any budget issues, including the possibility of changing the current allocation of Hotel Occupancy Tax (HOT) funds for the year 2023 – Commissioner Laubach

20. Schedule Public Hearing for 2022 Tax Rate on Monday, September 12, 2022 at 8:45am - Anna Marshall/Judge Mills

21. Discuss, approve or disapprove setting the time and date to adopt the proposed Tax Rate for September 12, 2022 at 9:00am- Anna Marshall/Judge Mills

22. Discuss, approve, or disapprove Budget Line Item Transfers – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Mills

23. Discuss, approve, or disapprove Accounts Payable and Payroll/Payroll Liabilities –Jacky Cockerham/Judge Mills

## **XII. REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONERS, ELECTED OFFICIALS & DEPARTMENT HEADS—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; Coastal Resiliency Committee; Disaster Recovery Officials; 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.


**XIII. REPORTS ABOUT ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST–NO ACTION**

*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.*

**IV. ADJOURNMENT**

**CERTIFICATION**

It is hereby affirmed that this NOTICE OF MEETING was duly posted at the Aransas County Courthouse at least seventy-two (72) hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting on bulletin boards that are readily accessible to the general public during normal business hours and also on the Aransas County website, in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act and Texas Government Code 551.043.

  
Tracy Orr Smith, Administrative Assistant  
Aransas County Judge's Office  
Tel: 361-790-0100

**FILED**  
AT 1:15 P M.

**AUG 24 2022**

**CARRIE ARRINGTON**  
COUNTY CLERK, ARANSAS CO., TEXAS

*posted 1:15 pm*