

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

**AGENDA**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A MEETING OF THE ABOVE NAMED COMMISSIONERS COURT U.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.001(4), WILL BE HELD ON THE **9<sup>th</sup>** DAY OF **OCTOBER, 2017** AT **9:00 A.M. AT THE AQUARIUM AT ROCKPORT HARBOR EDUCATION CENTER, 702 NAVIGATION CIRCLE, 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. **Update on District Court** from Judge Whatley

**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 Regular Meeting of September 11, 2017; Emergency Meeting of September 12, 2017; and Regular Meeting of September 25, 2017 – Valerie Amason/Judge Mills
2. Discuss, approve or disapprove **accepting all donations made to the Sheriff's Office** related to Hurricane Harvey (1) \$1,000.00 from Deputy Reserves Constables Association of PCT 2 in Garland Texas and (2) a Kawasaki Mule from C.C. Power Equipment Company, a Kawasaki Dealership in Corpus Christi and (3) all other monetary donations received – Sheriff Mills/Suzy Wallace/Judge Mills
3. Discuss, approve or disapprove **accepting a donation** of a Carry-On Utility Trailer **to Animal Control** from David Lee Pauli – John Strothman/Judge Mills
4. Discuss, approve or disapprove the **appointment of early voting clerks** for the November 7, 2017, constitutional amendment election – Michele Bennett/Judge Mills
5. Discuss, approve or disapprove **Resolution #R-24-2017** – Joint Resolution for Joint Primary Election Attached Hereto – Michele Bennett/Judge Mills

6. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Front Steps to the Aquarium at Rockport Harbor Education Center, 702 Navigation Circle, Rockport, TX be designated as the area where [sales of real property](#) under a power of sale conferred by a Deed of Trust or other contract lien are to take place under *VTCA Property Code Sec. 51.002* as amended by H.B. No 1504, 70<sup>th</sup> Legislature – Regular Session to be effective January 1, 1988 – Valerie Amason/Judge Mills
  7. Discuss, approve or disapprove accepting [letter of resignation](#) from Pat Rousseau, Human Resources Director effective November 3, 2017 – Judge Mills
- **CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS, GRANTS, & LEASES**
    8. Discuss, approve or disapprove the library to apply for a [grant for \\$5,000, “Rebuilding Texas Libraries” Disaster Relief Grants Program](#), from the Texas State Library and Archives Commission – Iris Sanchez/Judge Mills
    9. Discuss, approve or disapprove [Resolution #R-23-2017](#) Authorizing County Grant of \$35,000 for Home Delivered Meals Program (Aransas County Council on Aging – “Meals on Wheels”) – Judge Mills
    10. Discuss, approve or disapprove the [Texas Association of Counties’ Workers Compensation Renewal Agreement](#) and Questionnaire for plan year 2018. (Document attached) – Pat Rousseau/Judge Mills
    11. Discuss, approve or disapprove the [required eleven year extension of Danny Adams’ existing lease on John Wendell Road](#) to coincide with the term of his SBA loan to repair the houses there which were damaged by Hurricane Harvey. – Mike Geer/Judge Mills
    12. Discuss, approve or disapprove the [release of Mr. Mike Burriss from his land lease](#) relating to his former hangar, the “Hotel” hangar, which was lost in Hurricane Harvey. – Mike Geer/Judge Mills
    13. Discuss, approve or disapprove [leasing airport property to Southwest Medical Associates](#) for the construction of a private hangar (30 year land lease with a 10 year option, which is standard for hangar construction per Aransas County Airport Development Policy, approved by Commissioners Court on 04/14/08). – Mike Geer/Judge Mills
    14. Discuss, approve or disapprove [Patriot Land Development Service leasing two acres of airport land](#), at the southeast corner of Highway 35 N. and John Wendell Road, on a month-to-month basis from Aransas County, for the storage of equipment, vehicles and trailers, and self-contained living quarters. - Mike Geer/Judge Mills
    15. Discuss, approve or disapprove allowing [Christian Fellowship Church](#) to use county facility located at 319 N Magnolia, November 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017 for the purpose of community blessing and serving of food at no cost to them in exchange for a receipt of their in-kind donations and services – Judge Mills
  - **COUNTY ROADS**
    16. Discuss, approve or disapprove [Preliminary Alley Closing](#) Block 49 Bellevue Addition – Commissioner Casterline
  - **PLANNING & BUDGET OFFICE**
    17. Discuss, approve or disapprove the ability for the [Airport Board to augment and/or modify the Aransas County Airport Rules and Regulations](#) whenever they deem change is necessary. The two-step process for any such reflective change will start as a recommendation from the Airport Board to the Commissioners Court, then Commissioners Court will determine whether or not such change/s shall be approved and adopted. – Mike Geer/Judge Mills

18. Discuss, approve or disapprove [grade and step increase of an Administrative Assistant in the County District Attorney Office](#) from 10-1 to 11-2, based on new responsibilities, customer service, and job performance. This employee began as a temporary data entry clerk handling only CJIS work but now, in addition to that work, she also performs all of the regular duties of a CDAO Administrative Assistant, serves as the backup VAC, and is typically the first person the public deals with in the CDAO. This job description is attached and there is money available in the department salary line for this upgrade. – Kristen Barnebey/Judge Mills
19. Discuss, approve or disapprove authorizing County Sheriff to [seek bids for Replacement County Patrol Cars](#) destroyed during Hurricane Harvey – Sheriff Mills/Judge Mills
20. Discuss, approve or disapprove authorizing County IT Director to [seek bids for Fiber Optic construction](#) to establish a local government owned underground fiber optic network in the wake of Hurricane Harvey to provide for an immediate need of service at the Long-term Temporary Courthouse, as well as provide for future expansion to support other county facilities and to strengthen our communications capabilities for future disaster situations – Collin Jackson/Judge Mills
21. Discuss, approve or disapprove [Order # O-16-2017](#) for a [Discretionary Exemption](#) Under *Chapter 262.024 of the Local Government Code* – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Mills
22. Discuss, approve or disapprove [closing the Library Saturday, October 14, 2017](#) for staff to participate in the Sea Fair Parade – Iris Sanchez/Judge Mills
23. Discuss, approve or disapprove the September 2017 [Indigent Health Care Report](#) – Alma Cartwright/Judge Mills
24. Discuss, approve or disapprove [Budget Line Item Transfers](#) – Suzy Wallace/Judge Mills
25. Discuss, approve or disapprove [Accounts Payable and Payroll/Payroll Liabilities](#) – Suzy Wallace/Alma Cartwright/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**

**FILED**

AT 8:15 P. M.

OCT 06 2017

*posted @ 8:20 AM*

**VALERIE K. AMASON**  
COUNTY CLERK, ARANSAS CO., TEXAS

**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 window and/or bulletin board in the lobby of the Coastal Plains Children's Center, 317 N. Pearl Street, Rockport, Aransas County, Texas, on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of October, 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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