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Aransas County Commissioners Court

9:00 AM - Monday, November 10, 2025

The Aransas County Commissioners Court met on 10th DAY of October, 2025 at 9:00 A.M. AT THE ARANSAS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 2718 HWY. 35 NORTH, ROCKPORT, TEXAS, 78382. The meeting video recordings are available by following this link: Commissioners Court Minutes and Agendas (aransascountytx.gov), then scroll to the bottom of the page and select the date you wish to view.

Present: Jack Chaney, Commissioner Precinct 1-1A

Pat Rousseau, Commissioner, Precinct 3

Robert Dupnik, Commissioner, Precinct 4-4A

Absent: Ray A. Garza, County Judge

Leslie Casterline, Commissioner, Precinct 2

I. CALL TO ORDER

Video Time 4:49

II. INVOCATION

Video Time 5:21

III. PLEDGES

Video Time 6:28

IV. ROLL CALL AND CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Video Time 7:00

V. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Video Time 7:15

Sally Drew

Miracle Jimenez

VI. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS - NONE

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

- Discuss, approve or disapprove the <u>Minutes</u> from the October 23, 2025 Emergency Special Meeting – Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza
- 2. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Minutes from the October 27, 2025 Regular Meeting Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza
- 3. Approve correction of clerical error in Burn Ban Order #O-16-2025 adopted on October 27, 2025, clarifying that the Commissioners Court's action imposed the burn ban for sixty (60) days rather than thirty (30) days as mistakenly stated in the written order Judge Garza

Video Time 19:15

- Motion to accept the consent agenda: by Commissioner Dupnik, motion was seconded by Commissioner Chaney
- Commissioner Dupnik noted that the Burn Ban is actually for 60 days.
- O Vote: Motion carried 3-0: it was so ordered

VIII. COUNTY REPORTS AND RESOLUTIONS

4. Discuss, approve or disapprove the <u>Friends of Fulton Mansion Report for 3rd Quarter 2025</u>
– Jane Hill/Judge Garza

Video Time 20:28

- **♦ Motion to approve:** by Commissioner Chaney, motion was seconded by Commissioner Dupnik
- **Vote:** Motion carried 3-0: it was so ordered
- 5. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>Texas Maritime Museum Report for 3rd Quarter 2025</u> Ashley Pieprzyca/Judge Garza

Video Time 29:35

- **♦ Motion to approve:** by Commissioner Dupnik, motion was seconded by Commissioner Chaney
- O Vote: Motion carried 3-0: it was so ordered
- 6. Discuss, approve, or disapprove <u>authorizing the County Judge</u>, or <u>County Elections Administrator</u>, to advise Allison, Bass & McGee, L.L.P., of the Commissioner Court's <u>preference of option in redrawing the County's voting precincts pursuant to the Texas Election Code and the newly drawn Congressional Districts</u> Kevin Stroud/Judge Garza *Video Time 37:23*
 - **♦ Motion to approve:** by Commissioner Chaney, motion was seconded by Commissioner Dupnik

 - **♦ Vote:** Motion carried 3-0: it was so ordered
- 7. Discuss, approve or disapprove the County Judge, or the County Elections Administrator, to advise Allison, Bass & McGee, L.L.P., of the Commissioner Court's preference in how to number the County's voting precincts Kevin Stroud/Judge Garza Video Time 47:34
 - **♦ Motion to approve:** by Commissioner Dupnik, motion was seconded by Commissioner Chaney
 - Amended motion to use the three-digit numbering system, for the voting precinct number will be the first number followed by sequential, such as 401 & 402 as an example: by Commissioner Dupnik, amended motion was seconded by Commissioner Chaney.
 - O Vote: Motion carried 3-0: it was so ordered

IX. COUNTY ROADS AND FLOODPLAIN

8. Discuss, approve, or disapprove <u>petition from Brian Wilganowski to close</u>, <u>abandon</u>, <u>and vacate a portion of a 60-foot platted Roadway called First Street</u>, <u>Lamar Townsite</u>, <u>Aransas County</u>, <u>Texas</u> – Kat Comeaux/Judge Garza

Video Time 51:42

- **♦ Motion to approve:** by Commissioner Dupnik, motion was seconded by Commissioner Chaney
- **O** Vote: Motion carried 3-0: it was so ordered

X. CONTRACTS AND GRANTS

9. Discuss, approve, or disapprove <u>authorizing the County Procurement Specialist to request proposals from the airport engineering pool for the design and engineering of the airport bulk food farm project – Mike Geer/Judge Garza Video Time 55:15</u>

- Amended motion to approve this motion authorizing the County Procurement Specialist to request proposals from the airport engineering pool for the design and engineering of the airport bulk to read fuel farm instead of food farm project: by Commissioner Dupnik, motion was seconded by Commissioner Chaney
- **Vote:** Motion carried 3-0: it was so ordered
- 10. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>adoption of the Interlocal Agreement with the City of Rockport, Aransas County, and Aransas County Navigation District related to the City of Rockport's Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) #1 and authorize the County Judge to sign the agreement Commissioner Rousseau</u>

Video Time 57:24

- Move to strike item 10 because we don't have the full court by: by Commissioner Dupnik, motion was seconded by Commissioner Chaney
- O Commissioner Rousseau moved to table, seconded by Commissioner Chaney
- **O** Vote: Motion carried 3-0: it was so ordered
- 11. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>ratifying the County Judge's signature on the execution of documents for Amendment No. 8 to the GLO Contract No. 24-065-098-C270</u> Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza

Video Time 58:22

- **♦ Motion to approve:** by Commissioner Chaney, motion was seconded by Commissioner Dupnik
- **Vote:** Motion carried 3-0: it was so ordered

XI. PLANNING AND BUDGET

12. Discuss, approve, or disapprove the Aransas County Indigent Health Care Report for October 2025 – Alma Cartwright/Judge Garza

Video Time 59:25

- **♦ Motion to approve:** by Commissioner Dupnik, motion was seconded by Commissioner Chaney
- **Vote:** Motion carried 3-0: it was so ordered
- 13. Discuss, approve or disapprove the October 2025 Auditor's Monthly Report Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza

Video Time 1:00:23

- **♦ Motion to approve:** by Commissioner Chaney, motion was seconded by Commissioner Dupnik
- **O** Vote: Motion carried 3-0: it was so ordered
- 14. Discuss, approve, or disapprove <u>Accounts Payable and Payroll/Payroll Liabilities</u> Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza

Video Time 1:01:42

- **♦ Motion to approve:** by Commissioner Dupnik, motion was seconded by Commissioner Chaney
- O Vote: Motion carried 3-0: it was so ordered

XII. REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONERS, ELECTED OFFICIALS, AND DEPARTMENT HEADS – NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN

Video Time 1:02:42

- Commissioner Dupnik
- Commissioner Rousseau

XIII. REPORTS ABOUT ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST – NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN

Video Time 1:03:41

Commissioner Dupnik

XIV. CLOSED SESSION

- 15. Convene into a Closed Session in accordance with Texas Government Code §551.071 to consult with counsel Marsha Perez, of Chaves, Obregon & Perales, L.L.P., and receive legal advice about pending or contemplated litigation, settle offers, or other attorney-client privileged matters, including, but not limited to, any items posted on this agenda and the items listed below:
 - i. Aransas County Texas v. Endurance American Specialty Insurance Company, et al, Aransas County District Court Cause No. 23-0021; and
 - ii. Northstar Recovery Service, Inc. v. Aransas County Independent School District and Aransas County; Aransas County District Court Cause No. 23-0066 consolidated with Northstar Recovery Services, Inc. v. HR&R, LLC, et al, Aransas County District Court Cause No. 20-0159; and
 - iii. Western Steel Company v. T2J Partners, LLC DIE/A FPS Recovery, LLC and Aransas County, Texas: Cause No. 24-0072 in the 36th District Court of Aransas County, Texas; and
 - iv. Oldcastle Building Envelope, Inc. D/B/A Graham Architectural Products v. Sharp Glass, LLC, et al, Aransas County District Court Cause No. 24-0099; and
 - v. The Downtown Anchor Project, including the County's permissible actions under its various contracts and reports on proposed mediations, insurance claims, and/or formal review; and
 - vi. Discuss personnel matters and update the Court on future plans involving this personnel matter, pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Open Meetings Act, PERSONNEL MATTERS; CLOSED MEETING
 - a) This chapter does not require a governmental body to conduct an open meeting:
 - 1) To deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment duties, discipline of dismissal of a public officer or employee, or
 - 2) To hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee
 - b) Subsection (a) does not apply if the office or employee who is the subject of the deliberation or hearing requests a public meeting Judge Garza

Video Time 1:04:10

- **♦ Motion to convene into closed session:** by Commissioner Chaney, motion was seconded by Commissioner Dupnik
- **♦** Amend motion to be Will Allensworth as council by: Commissioner Chaney, amended motion was seconded by Commissioner Dupnik
- Vote: Motion carried 3-0: it was so ordered
- Ten-minute break requested by Commissioner Rousseau *Video Time 1:09:39*

XV. OPEN SESSION

16. Reconvene into Open Session *Video Time 1:20:54*

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- **☼** Motion to reconvene into open session: by Commissioner Dupnik, motion was seconded by Commissioner Chaney
- O Vote: Motion carried 3-0: it was so ordered
- 17. Discuss and take action on matters discussed in closed session Marsha Perez/Judge Garza Video Time 1:21:00
 - Motion to approve authorizing our attorney to negotiate with TEAL on conditions of CCD 13: by Commissioner Dupnik, motion was seconded by Commissioner Chaney
 - O Vote: Motion carried 3-0: it was so ordered

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Video Time 1:21:30

- Motion to adjourn: by Commissioner Chaney, motion was seconded by Commissioner Dupnik
- O Vote: Motion carried 3-0
- Meeting adjourned at 10:50 AM

ARANSAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

STATE OF THE STATE

Ray A. Garza, County Judge

Date signed.

Misty Kimbrough,

Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court

11/24/25

Date signed and attestation.