

COMMISSIONERS COURT
Aransas County, Texas

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

Jack Chaney
Commissioner, Pct 1-1A

Leslie Casterline
Commissioner, Pct 2



Charles Smith
Commissioner, Pct 3

Wendy Laubach
Commissioner, Pct 4

2ND AMENDED 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 **28th day of DECEMBER, 2020 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:

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

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, and approve or disapprove **Minutes** from the December 14, 2020 Regular Meeting – Carrie Arrington/Judge Mills
2. Acknowledge receipt of and record in the minutes of Commissioners Court, **2020-2021 Continuing Education Transcript of Completion and Compliance with Texas Property Code Section 6.231(d) for Jeri Cox, Tax Assessor-Collector** – Jeri Cox/Judge Mills

3. Discuss, and approve or disapprove the **2021 appointment of Rick McLester as Emergency Management Director** – Judge Mills
4. Discuss, and approve or disapprove **Official Bond, Oath and Power of Attorney from Western Surety for Amanda Oster, County District Attorney** – Amanda Oster/Judge Mills
5. Discuss, and approve or disapprove **accepting donation of an Aero-Tow “Get-Jet Model 1800” from Mike Burris to the County Airport.** This is a battery operated aircraft tug valued at approximately \$6,000 – Mike Geer/Judge Mills
6. **Set terms for Commissioners Court for 2021** [2nd and 4th Mondays (or Tuesday for Monday holidays)] of each month, except for August when court will be held every Monday – Judge Pro-Tem Casterline/Judge Mills
7. **Set terms for Statutory County Court for 2021** (two terms – January to June and July to December) – Judge Bianchi/Judge Pro-Tem Casterline/Judge Mills
8. **Set terms for JP (Justice of the Peace) Courts for 2021** (one month terms beginning the fourth Monday of each month) – Judge Pro-Tem Casterline/Judge Mills

• **CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS, GRANTS & LEASES**

9. Discuss, and approve or disapprove **TFP Properties III, LLC’s requests made to the County pursuant to the June 1, 2019 lease, including but not limited to issues such as additional rent for extra space for the County; raising of the rent for the future,; and an additional payment requested by TFP Properties III, LLC, for 2020** – Kristen Barnebey/Judge Mills

• **PLANNING & BUDGET OFFICE**

10. Discuss, and approve or disapprove **November 2020 Treasurer’s Report** – Alma Cartwright/Judge Mills
11. Discuss, and approve or disapprove **authorizing a carryover maximum of 160 hours vacation from the current year 2020 into 2021** for all county employees due to the March 13, 2020 Presidential declared emergency concerning COVID-19, per the Aransas County Employee Handbook 2B-13 – Linda Doane/Judge Mills
12. Discuss, and approve or disapprove **paying out five (5) vacation days to Gayle Otto.** County Clerk was told (after last Commissioners’ Court) that Gayle needs to take eleven (11) days of vacation before the end of the year or lose them. The County Clerk was able to schedule six (6) vacation days for her but it is a problem for the department to have her out more than that. It seems that paying her for those five (5) days is the better option, and there is money in the Clerk’s budget to cover it [Tabled 12-14-2020] – Carrie Arrington/Jacky Cockerham/Judge Mills
13. Acknowledge receipt of and record in the minutes of Commissioners Court, **the District Judge’s Salary Order for the County Auditor and Auditor Staff for Fiscal Year 2021** – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Mills
14. Discuss, and approve or disapprove **Budget Line Item Transfers and Amendments** – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Mills

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

VII. 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.**”*

VIII. REPORTS ABOUT ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST--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; RECEIVE ATTORNEY’S ADVICE ON LEGAL MATERS THAT ARE NOT RELATED TO 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.*
- f. COMMISSIONERS COURT WILL MEET IN CLOSED SESSION AS AUTHORIZED BY TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 552.139 AND OTHER PROVISIONS TO DISCUSS CYBER SECURITY REPORT, STATUS AND IMPROVEMENT.*

X. OPEN SESSION

Commissioners Court will reconvene into Open Session and consider action, if any, on items discussed in Closed Session.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

CERTIFICATION

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 Aransas County Courthouse, 2840 Hwy. 35 N., Rockport, Aransas County, Texas on the ____ day of _____, 2020, and said Notice remained so posted continuously for at least seventy-two (72) hours preceding the scheduled time of said Meeting.

CARRIE ARRINGTON, COUNTY CLERK, ARANSAS COUNTY, TEXAS

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AT 2:55 P.M.

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COUNTY CLERK, ARANSAS CO., TEXAS

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