

MINUTES OF THE

COMMISSIONERS' COURT

REGULAR MEETING - DECEMBER 31, 2018

On the 31st day of December, 2018, there was a Regular Meeting of the Commissioners' Court in the Commissioners' Courtroom, 2840 Hwy 35 N, Rockport, Aransas County, Texas, with the following members present: **C. H. "Burt" Mills, Jr.**, County Judge; **Jack Chaney**, Commissioner, Precinct 1; **Leslie "Bubba" Casterline**, Commissioner, Precinct 2; **Brian Olsen**, Commissioner, Precinct 3; **Betty Stiles**, Commissioner, Precinct 4; and **Valerie K. Amason**, County Clerk.

Other County Officers present were **Jerry Brundrett**, County Surveyor; **Kristen Barnebey**, County District Attorney; **Alma Cartwright**, Treasurer; **Pam Heard**, District Clerk; **Bill Mills**, Sheriff; **Suzy Wallace**, County Auditor; **Latisha Murphy**, Administrative Assistant to the County Judge; **David Reid**, Road Administrator/Drainage Engineer/Stormwater Management Engineer; **Collin Jackson**, IT Director; **Linda Doane**, Human Resources Director; **John Strothman**, Pathways Project Manager; **Lois White**, Chief Deputy Treasurer; **Ronell Burke**, Animal Control Supervisor; **John Gutierrez**, Chief Deputy Sheriff;

Long-Term Recovery: **Randall Freeze**, Long Term Recovery Specialist;

Members of Local City Government, Community Groups and other Interested Parties present:

City of Rockport Council Members: **Pat Rios**, Mayor; **Rusty Day**, Ward 1; **J. D. Villa**, Ward 2; **Warren Hassinger**, Ward 3 and Mayor Pro Tem; **Barbara Gurtner**, Ward 4;

Steve Smith, General Assignment Reporter for the Rockport Pilot Newspaper;

Charles Belaire, Belaire Environmental, Inc.;

The Meeting was convened at **9:00 a.m.** at which time a quorum was declared by Judge Mills, WHEREUPON, the following proceedings were had and done to wit:

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

There were none.

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Olsen to approve:

1. Minutes from the Regular Meeting of December 10, 2018 and the Special Joint Meeting of December 12, 2018.
2. Set Terms for Commissioners Court for 2019 [2nd and 4th Mondays] (or Tuesday for Monday holiday).
3. Set terms for Statutory County Court for 2019 [two terms - January to June and July to December].
4. Set terms for Justice Courts for 2019 [one month terms beginning the fourth Monday of each month].
5. Public Official Bonds on **C. H. "Burt" Mills, Jr.**, County Judge; **Leslie "Bubba" Casterline**, County Commissioner, Precinct 2; **Wendy Laubach**, County Commissioner-Elect, Precinct 4; **Richard Bianchi**, County Court at Law Judge; **Pam Heard**, District Clerk; **Valerie K. Amason**, County Clerk; **Alma Tamburin Cartwright**, County Treasurer; **Diane Dupnik**, Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1; **Diana Rinche-McGinnis**, Justice of the Peace, Precinct 2; and **Jerry Brundrett**, County Surveyor.

(Inserts)

6. 2019-2022 Appointment of Leslie "Bubba" Casterline as County Judge Pro-Tem to serve as presiding officer of the court in all matters which require the action of the County judge in the event of the County Judge's absence or recusal effective as of January 1, 2019.
7. Blanket Surety Bonds for the Deputy Treasurers.
8. Accepting a donation from "Keep Aransas County Beautiful" in the amount of \$2,246.90, to be used for the purchase and installation of two (2) benches at the Ivy Lane Birding and Nature Venue.
9. Pulled for explanation.
10. Amended Resolution #R-21-2018, a resolution of Aransas County, Texas authorizing the award of a professional service provider contracts for Hurricane Harvey related Disaster Recovery and Mitigation Programs administered through the following agencies; Federal Emergency Management Agency, Texas Department of Emergency Management, Texas General Land Office, Texas Water Development Board, U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Department of Energy, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and Economic Development Administration.
11. Sheriff's Office awarding bid on Stonegarden Vehicles purchased under grant program.
12. Acknowledge receipt of and record in the minutes of the Commissioners Court, a Certificate of Attendance presented to Alma Cartwright, County Treasurer, for completion of ten (10) hours of educational instruction during the 70th Annual County Treasurers' Association of Texas Conference, September 17-20, 2018, in Odessa, Texas.

(Inserts)

13. Order authorizing the County to self-insure against losses covered by the required \$5,000 Bond under Texas Governmental Code Section 43.002(a) for Kristen Barnebey. This includes that the District Attorney will, in the manner prescribed by law, faithfully pay over all money that she collects or that comes into her hands for the state or a county and is done pursuant to the Texas Government Code Section 43.002(d).

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

9. Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Olsen to approve Resolution #R-20-2018, a resolution of Aransas County, Texas in support of the beneficial use of dredged material to restore dunes and the beach at San Jose Island.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

APPOINTMENTS

14. Motion was made by Commissioner Stiles and seconded by Commissioner Olsen to approve Applicant/Candidate, Megan Glidden, for the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension's Family and Community Health Extension Agent for Aransas County effective January 14, 2019.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

15. Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve the appointment of Sheri Hall as the City of Aransas Pass representative to the Stormwater & Floodplain Management Advisory Committee.

(Inserts)

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

COUNTY ROADS · BALLOT RESULTS

16. Motion was made by Commissioner Stiles and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve Declaration of the returned Deer Run Lane Ballots to determine whether or not Commissioners Court will order the improvement and assessment to bring Deer Run Lane up to current County roadway standards. Question. Motion carried unanimously. It is so ordered.

17. Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve acceptance of Silverleaf Right-of-Way into the County's road system. Question. Motion carried unanimously. It is so ordered.

PLANNING & BUDGET OFFICE

18. Motion was made by Commissioner Olsen and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve November 2018 Treasurer's Report. Question. Motion carried unanimously. It is so ordered.
19. Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Olsen to approve Resolution #R-24-2018, a Resolution amending authorized representative with the TEXPOOL Investment Service for Public Funds. Question. Motion carried unanimously. It is so ordered.

(Inserts)

20. Motion was made by Commissioner Olsen and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to approve Budget Line Item Transfers of which there were none.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

21. Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve Accounts Payable and Payroll/Payroll Liabilities.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONERS, ELECTED OFFICIALS &

DEPARTMENT HEADS WHEREIN NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN

Patrick Flanigan, 156th District Judge: Presented OCA report on District Court activity with chart break down on dispositions by County (Counties with population equal to Aransas County).

Betty Stiles: Thank you all for the wonderful words in the notes I received, I have enjoyed my six years as Commissioner and I will still be attending meetings after my retirement.

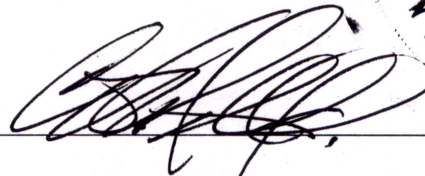
Sheriff Mills: The second weigh station was delivered last week so it should be up and running soon.

Judge Mills: It was a breath of fresh air when we found out that the Department of Public Safety will be working these stations.

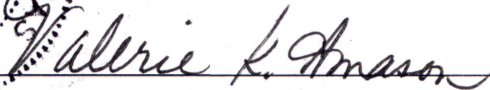
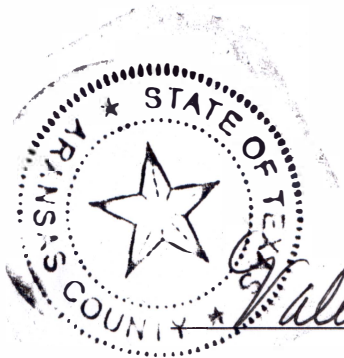
Suzy Wallace: Read the Fee Report.

(Inserts)

No further business presenting, the Court adjourned at 9:25 a.m. on a motion made by Commissioner Stiles and seconded by Commissioner Olsen.



C. H. "BURT" MILLS, JR., COUNTY JUDGE



VALERIE K. AMASON,

EX-OFFICIO CLERK OF THE

COMMISSIONERS' COURT