

ORIGINAL

MINUTES OF THE  
COMMISSIONERS' COURT  
REGULAR MEETING - JANUARY 12, 2015

On the 12th day of January, 2015, there was a Regular Meeting of the Commissioner' Court in the Courthouse, 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; Charles Smith, Commissioner, Precinct 3; Betty Stiles, Commissioner, Precinct 4; and Valerie K. Amason, County Clerk.

Other County Officers present were Kristen Blanford, County Attorney; Lezlie Kirk, County Auditor; Alma Cartwright, County Treasurer; Pam Heard, District Clerk; David Reid, Drainage Engineer; Pat Rousseau, Human Resources Director; Jerry Brundrett, County Surveyor; Bill Mills, Sheriff; Collin Jackson, IT Director; David Vyoral, Road Administrator; Michael Geer, Airport Manager; John Strothman, Project Manager; Gene Johnson, Airport Manager and James Jackson, Environmental Health Director.

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

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

There were none.

PRESENTATIONS

Aransas County Historical Commission Chairperson, Collin Jackson, gave an Annual Report for 2014.

(Presentation inserted)

ITEMS FOR DELIBERATION AND/OR ACTION

MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner

Casterline to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 22, 2014.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

**SET TERMS FOR JP COURTS FOR 2015**

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to set terms for Justice of the Peace Courts for the calendar year 2015 at one month terms beginning the fourth Monday of each month.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

**ARANSAS COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION**

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve recommended appointments to the 2015 Aransas County Historical Commission.

Question. Motion carried with Commissioner Stiles abstaining.

It is so ordered.

**INSTALLING STOP SIGNS**

Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to approve installing stop signs at the intersections of First and South Verne Streets.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

**VARIANCE - OSSF (SEPTIC) SYSTEM**

Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney to approve granting a variance for installation of as OSSF (Septic) System at 441 Adolfo Road, Aransas Pass, Texas.

Question. Motion tabled. Commissioner Chaney abstained.

**LEADERSHIP CLASS 19**

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to approve the Leadership Class 19 holding a fund raiser for renovations to Tiger Field.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

**"2014 FIVE STAR AWARD"**

Judge Mills reported receipt of "2014 Five Star Award" Local Registrars Certificate for Excellence, presented to the County Clerk's Office by the Texas Department of State Health Services at the 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Texas Vital Statistics Conference held December 10-12, 2014 in Austin, Texas for recording in the Commissioners' Court Minutes.

(Award inserted)

**CERTIFICATE OF COURSE COMPLETION**

Judge Mills reported receipt of Certificates of Completion for Vital Statistics Paternity Opportunity Program earned by Valerie K. Amason, County Clerk and Gayle T. Otto, Chief Deputy/Vital Statistics Specialist for recording in the Commissioners' Court Minutes.

(Certificates inserted)

**PUBLIC OFFICIAL BONDS**

Motion was made by Commissioner Stiles and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve the Official Bonds on Anna M. Marshall, Deputy Tax Assessor-Collector and Ruby Price, County Court-At-Law Court Manager; and Bond Rider on Kristen Blanford, County Attorney.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Bonds inserted)

**HEALTH INSURANCE CONTRACT AMENDMENT**

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve the following amendment to the Aransas County Health Insurance Terms of Contract with TAC HEBP: "Effective as of January 2015, Elected and Appointed Officials are immediately eligible for coverage and will have a waiting period of zero (0) days until they may enroll in health coverage".

Question. Motion disapproved.

**PERSONNEL POLICY AMENDMENT**

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve the following Amendment to the Aransas County Personnel Policy Section 7.00 Benefits, Subsection 7.01 Medical and Life Insurance: "Effective as of January 2015, Elected and Appointed Officials are immediately eligible for coverage and will have a waiting period of zero (0) days until they may enroll in health coverage.

Question. Motion disapproved.

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The court did not hold closed session.  
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No further business presenting, the Court adjourned at 9:30 a.m. on a motion made by Commissioner Smith duly seconded by Commissioner Casterline.

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C. H. "Burt" Mills, Jr. COUNTY JUDGE

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VALERIE K. AMASON, COUNTY CLERK &  
EX-OFFICIO CLERK OF THE  
COMMISSIONERS' COURT