

MINUTES OF THE
COMMISSIONERS' COURT

REGULAR MEETING - MAY 14, 2012

On the 14th day of May, 2012, 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; Russel Cole, Commissioner, Precinct 4; and Peggy L. Friebele, County Clerk.

Other County Officers present were Richard Bianchi, County Attorney; Lezlie Kirk, County Auditor; David Reid, Drainage Engineer; Jerry Brundrett, County Surveyor; Alma Cartwright, County Treasurer; Pam Heard, District Clerk; David Vyoral, Road Administrator; Bill Mills, Sheriff; James Jackson, Director of Environmental Health; and Richard Thompson, Project Manager.

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

A PowerPoint presentation by Aransas Pathways Steering Committee on the First Quarter 2012 progress was given by Tom Callen.

(Presentation inserted)

ITEMS FOR DELIBERATION AND/OR ACTION

MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Cole to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 23, 2012.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

LIBRARY - WALMART GRANT

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve request of Library Director Sanchez to apply for a Walmart grant.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

FISCAL YEAR 2011 AUDIT SERVICES

Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve fiscal year 2011 audit services with Michael A. Arnold, PLLC, CPA.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

PROCLAMATION - NATIONAL SAFE BOATING WEEK

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve Proclamation #P-02-2012 proclaiming the week of May 19-25, 2012, as "National Safe Boating Week."

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Proclamation inserted)

PROCLAMATION - ELDER ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve Proclamation #P-03-2012 proclaiming the month of May, 2012, as "Elder Abuse Prevention Month."

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Proclamation inserted)

PROCLAMATION - NATIONAL EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Cole to approve Proclamation #P-04-2012 proclaiming the week of May 20-26, 2012, as "National Emergency Medical Services Week."

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Proclamation inserted)

PROCLAMATION - NATIONAL PRESERVATION MONTH

Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve Proclamation #P-05-2012 proclaiming the month of May, 2012, as "National Preservation Month."

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Proclamation inserted)

RESOLUTION - BAY AND BASIN AREA STAKEHOLDER COMMITTEE

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve Resolution #R-05-2012 in support of Bay and Basin Area Stakeholder Committees (BBASC) recommendation of E-flows to maintain legislative intent of Senate Bill 3 (S.B. 3) in providing environmentally healthy rivers and bays.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Resolution inserted)

BIDS - HOUSE MOVE

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Cole to award bid for Bruhl/Paul/Johnson house move (Aransas Pathways Project 010) to Ram House Movers (\$30,542.00).

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Bid inserted)

CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT - HOUSE MOVE

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Cole to approve and authorize County Judge to sign small project construction agreement with winning bidder for the moving and relocation of the Bruhl/Paul/Johnson house, an Aransas Pathways Project (AP 010).

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Agreement inserted)

STOP SIGN - GARNETT ROAD

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve installation of stop sign on Garnett Road at intersection of Bishop Road.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

FENCE - AGRILIFE EXTENSION BUILDING

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve installation of a fence between the AgriLife Extension Building and the adjoining project owner at a cost of \$3,757.00.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

REPRESENTATIVE - COASTAL BEND HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to appoint Judge Mills as the Court's representative from Aransas County to the Coastal Bend Housing Finance Corporation (CBHFC).

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

CEDAR BAYOU - H.O.T. FUNDS

Motion was made by Judge Mills and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve allocating up to \$100,000.00 annually from H.O.T. (Hotel occupancy tax) funds to Cedar Bayou bay quality and maintenance fund.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

ANGLER'S @ ESTES MASTER DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve Angler's @ Estes master development plan (a two-acre commercial development at the SW corner of Business SH-35 and SH-188) (Drainage Engineer Reid approved plan).

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING - DATE CHANGE

Motion was made by Commissioner Cole and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve moving the regular May 28, 2012, Commissioners' Court meeting (due to it being a holiday) to Friday, May 25, 2012.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

EARLY VOTING CLERKS - MAY 29, 2012 PRIMARY

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve appointment of Olivia Zambrano, Pinky Gonzales, Miriam McNeil, Johnnie Callam, Pat Barker, Ann Woods, Margaret Vidal as Early Voting Clerks for the May 29, 2012, Republican and Democratic Primary Elections.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

PRO FORMA ORDER - ADDITIONAL EARLY VOTING

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve pro forma order for additional early voting on Saturday, May 19, 2012 and Sunday, May 20, 2012 for the Republican and Democratic Primary Elections.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Order inserted)

OFFICIAL BOND

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Cole to approve public official bond continuation certificate for Rick McLester, County Fire Marshall.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Bond inserted)

COUNTY TREASURER'S REPORT - APRIL, 2012

Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve County Treasurer's report for April, 2012.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Report inserted)

COUNTY TREASURER'S QUARTERLY INVESTMENT REPORT

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve County Treasurer's Quarterly Investment report for the 1st Quarter of 2012.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Report inserted)

INDIGENT HEALTH CARE REPORT - APRIL, 2012

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve indigent health care report for April, 2012.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Report inserted)

BUDGET LINE ITEM TRANSFERS

Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve budget line item transfer presented by County Auditor Kirk.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Transfer inserted)

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Cole to approve the accounts payable presented by County Auditor plus additional travel advance requests.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONERS, ELECTED OFFICIALS &
DEPARTMENT HEADS WHEREIN NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN

Commissioners Chaney and Cole thanked Road Administrator Vyoral for his promptness in moving debris from roadways after the recent storm. Commissioner Cole stated Holiday Beach had a lot of damage that was quickly cleaned up.

County Treasurer Cartwright reported that fifteen (15) County employees have lost a total of 279 pounds in the last ten (10) weeks.

County Auditor Kirk read the fee reports received from Justices of the Peace, Precinct 1 and 2, District Clerk, County Clerk, and Sheriff for the month of April 2012.

(Report inserted)

REPORTS ABOUT ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

Linda Garcia reported there are nine (9) graduating seniors belonging to County employees.

PRESS QUESTIONS

There were none.

The Court recessed at 9:55 a.m. and returned to Open Session at 10:07 a.m. and further proceedings were had and done to wit:

PILOT PUBLIC AWARENESS PROJECT

Martin Ornelas, TCN Director and Anna Simo, Bee Community Action Agency, discussed a pilot public awareness project in Aransas County coordinated with the Transportation Coordination Network and Bee Community Action Agency. They plan to have transportation available during the Music Festival in June. Transportation is not just for doctor's visits; it is available for other needs. They must be called 24-hours in advance to schedule a ride. The transportation for the Music Festival will have a fare. Consensus of Court was this is a good idea.

(Information inserted)

The Court did not hold closed session.

No further business presenting, the Court adjourned on a motion made by Commissioner Smith duly seconded by Commissioner Cole.

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

PEGGY L. FRIEBELE, COUNTY CLERK &
EX-OFFICIO CLERK OF THE
COMMISSIONERS' COURT