

MINUTES OF THE

COMMISSIONERS' COURT

REGULAR MEETING - AUGUST 20, 2018

On the 20th day of August, 2018, there was a Regular Meeting of the Commissioners' Court in the Commissioners' Courtroom in the County Courthouse, located at 2840 Highway 35 North, 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 Attorney; **Jeri Cox**, Tax Assessor-Collector; **Alma Cartwright**, Treasurer; **Pam Heard**, District Clerk; **Suzy Wallace**, County Auditor; **Bill Mills**, Sheriff; **Latisha Murphy**, Administrative Assistant to the County Judge; **Carrie Arrington**, Office and Contracts Manager for the County/District Attorney; **Sue Pash**, Chief Deputy Treasurer; **Jacky Cockerham**, Assistant County Auditor; **Tana Taylor**, Assistant Auditor; **Collin Jackson**, IT Director; **Linda Doane**, Human Resources Director; **Rene Butler**, Facilities Maintenance Director; **Michael Geer**, Airport Manager; **Valerie Gonzalez**, Environmental Health Director; **John Strothman**, Pathways Project Manager; **Diana Espinoza**, Drainage Engineer; **Michele Bennett**, Elections Administrator; **John Gutierrez**, Chief Deputy Sheriff; **Roman Cortez**, Deputy Chief/Jail Operations;

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

Betty Collier, Director of Client Relations, Rockport/Fulton Field Office, Grantworks, Inc.;

Wendy Laubach, Candidate Elect for Commissioner, Pct. 4;

Troy Bruner, Outside Sales Manager - Pro Tech Mechanical, Inc.;

Mike Probst, Editor and Publisher of the Rockport Pilot Newspaper;

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.

PRESENTATIONS

There were none.

CONSENT ITEMS

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

1. Minutes from the Regular Meeting of August 13, 2018.
2. Authorizing the County Judge to sign Order of General Election to be held on November 6, 2018.
3. Appointment of Larry Ward to the Aransas County Appraisal District Board.
4. Appointment of early voting clerks for the November 6, 2018 General Election.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Inserts)

COUNTY ROADS

5. Motion was made by Judge Mills and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to TABLE approval of modifications to the Aransas County Right-of-Way Policy regarding disposal of abandoned water craft, motorized vehicles, and recreational vehicles. Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

6. Motion was made by Commissioner Stiles and seconded by Commissioner Olsen to approve proposed traffic design changes for Griffith Street near the intersection of Griffith St. and Market St. by closing the crossovers to Sweet Bay St., the crossover at the entrance to the parking lot, and the crossover at the exit of the parking lot, leaving the crossover at the entrance to the front of the school, and leaving the crossover that goes into and out of the corner store.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS & GRANTS

7. Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Olsen to approve and authorize the County Judge to sign Controls System Maintenance Agreement with Pro Tech Mechanical, Inc.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

8. Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Olsen to approve and authorize the County Judge

(Inserts)

to sign Equipment Maintenance Agreement for Aransas County Detention Center with Pro Tech Mechanical, Inc.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

9. Motion was made by Commissioner Olsen and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to approve 2018-2019 Property Tax Assessment/Collection Interlocal Cooperation Agreements to be signed by the County Judge upon return of signed agreements by Local Taxing Entities.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

10. Motion was made by Judge Mills and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to **TABLE** approval of the Joint Election Contract between Aransas County Elections Administrator and Aransas County Navigation District for an election to be held November 6, 2018.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

PLANNING & BUDGET OFFICE

11. Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Olsen to approve Order #O-07-2018 approving and adopting the recommended revision of the Aransas County Personnel Policies and to adopt the new recommended name for the policies as The Aransas County Employee Handbook. The recommended revision is submitted by the Court appointed Committee and was reviewed by the County's TAC HR representative.

(Inserts)

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

12. 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.

13. Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Olsen to approve Accounts Payable and Payroll/Payroll Liabilities with erroneous adjustments to six Medical Deduction checks increasing the amount by \$13,853.13.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

14. **Discussion and possible action on the 2019 Proposed Budget.**

Judge Mills confirmed with Suzy Wallace that a public hearing concerning the budget will be held Monday, August 27, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. and the budget will be adopted on September 10, 2018.

REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONERS, ELECTED OFFICIALS &

DEPARTMENT HEADS WHEREIN NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN

Commissioner Stiles: The Lamar Fire Department is going to have an open house Hurricane Harvey party this coming Saturday from 3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., the Fire Department will be serving hotdogs and hamburgers, it's a come and go thing.

(Inserts)

No further business presenting, the Court adjourned at 9:15 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