

ORIGINAL

MINUTES OF THE
COMMISSIONERS' COURT
REGULAR MEETING - APRIL 27, 2015

On the 27th day of April, 2015, there was a Regular Meeting of the Commissioners' 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 Barnebey, County Attorney; Bill Mills, Sheriff; Alma Cartwright, County Treasurer; Lezlie Kirk, County Auditor; Jerry Brundrett, County Surveyor; Jeri Cox, Tax Assessor-Collector; David Vyoral, Road Administrator; Linda Garcia, Executive Assistant, County Judge's Office; David Reid, Drainage Engineer; Pat Rousseau, Human Resources Director; Collin Jackson, IT Director; Gene Johnson and Michael Geer, Airport Managers; John Strothman, Pathways Project Manager; Timilu Latham, Chief Deputy County Treasurer; Iris Sanchez, County Librarian; Barbara Gurtner, City of Rockport Council Member.

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

There were none.

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to approve following consent items:

1. Approve Minutes from the Regular Commissioners' Court Meeting of April 13, 2015.
2. Authorize County Judge to sign the FY 2016 System Membership Application in the Texas State Library System.
3. Declare County Auditor's List of Additional Property as Surplus to be sold at Public Auction.
5. Approve Public Official Bond on Ermelinda Rosa Alvarado, Deputy Tax Assessor-Collector; and Bond Continuation Certificate on July Kay Gifford, Deputy County Treasurer.
6. Acknowledge Receipt of and Record in the Minutes of Commissioners' Court Certification of Completions from the V.G. Young Institute of County Government for Burt Mills, County Judge and Betty Stiles, County Commissioner, Precinct 4.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Inserts)

4. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to authorize Judge Mills to sign a one year agreement with the Aransas Pass Police Department for the use of Aransas County Airport Facilities to conduct Emergency Vehicle Operations Course training as well as Precision Intervention Techniques.

(Agreement inserted)

ITEMS FOR DELIBERATION AND/OR ACTION

7. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to approve The Texas Maritime Museum First Quarter 2015 Report of Hotel Occupancy Tax Funds Expended.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Report inserted)

8. Motion was made by Commissioner Stiles and seconded by Commissioner's Chaney, Casterline and Smith to approve Proclamation #P-04-2015 Designating the month of May 2015 as "Elder Abuse Prevention Month".

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Proclamation inserted)

9. Judge Mills drew public members and alternates for Salary Grievance Committee in accordance with Section 152.015 of the Local Government Code as follows:

1. JAMES SHERWOOD 2. BRENDA ADAME 3. ROBERT COFFEN, JR.

Alternates: 1. JEROME HEYEN 2. DAVID RABROKER 3. ANDY BLALOCK

10. Motion made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to approve authorizing the Elections Administrator to seek approval from the Secretary of State to apply for Voting Centers according to Section 152.015 of The Local Government Code.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

11. Motion made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve removing the Stop Sign on Bishop Road at the intersection of Bishop and Garnet.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

12. Motion made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve request for clarification and understanding of RV Parks and their requirements to comply with county standards for ingress/egress and the roadways within RV Park Areas.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

13. Motion made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve proposed Amendment to Insert Required Definitions of Measurement, Administrative and Stability Periods as required by the Affordable Care Act.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

14. Motion made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to approve the Texas Association of Counties' (TAC'S) Affordable Care Act Reporting and Tracking Service (ARTS) Program Agreement and Fee Schedule.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Program Agreement inserted)

15. Motion made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to approve the Distribution of \$121,386.00 in U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Refuge Revenue Sharing Annual Payments to Local

Governments for Lands under their Administration for Fiscal Year 2014 received in 2015 subject to the County Treasurer allocating the check at the same percentage based on the 2013 Tax Levy if the amount received is for a figure other than the above stated.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Report inserted)

16. Budget Line Item Transfers

There were none.

17. Motion made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve Accounts Payable with the addition of an installment payment of \$11,000.00 to Canterbury Design and Construction, LLC for previously approved work on the "T" Hangar at the Aransas County Airport and payment in the amount of \$1,265.80 to the State Comptroller for the 1st Quarter 2015 Invoice for Texas Dyed Diesel Bonded User Fuels Tax Receipt.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Inserts)

18. Motion made by Commissioner Stiles and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve Request to Clarify the Commissioners' Court Approval of April 13, 2015 County Attorney's Reclassification and/or Upgrade on two of her departments job positions and pay grades as follows:

A. Reclassify Legal Assistant Pay Group 17 to Office and Contracts Manager at a Pay Group 19 and Promote Current Employee to Position at a 19-8 Effective 4/13/15;

B. Increase the Pay of Paralegal to a 17-14 following Meritorious Performance Evaluation, effective 4/13/15.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

19. Motion made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve the Request of Tax Assessor/Collector to Reclassify and/or Upgrade her Department's Job Positions and Pay Grades as follows:

A. Administrative Assistant, Pay Group 13 to Accounting Specialist, Pay Group 13 - No change in Pay Group.

B. Deputy Clerks, Pay Group 10 to Customer Service Specialists, Pay Group 12;

C. Bookkeeper, Pay Group 11 to Lead Customer Service Specialist, Pay Group 13.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Job Descriptions inserted)

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

Lezlie Kirk, County Auditor, read the Fee Report.

Judge Mills reminded everyone of the retirement party on Friday, May 1, 2015 in the District Courtroom, honoring Gene Johnson, Airport Manager, Gene stated he has worked for the county thirty years.

(Fee Report inserted)

REPORTS ABOUT ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

There were none.

PRESS QUESTIONS

Managing Editor for the Rockport Pilot, Norma Martinez: Norma asked the court that she be provided with a list of the current salaries for employees in Agenda Items Eighteen and Nineteen and what they are being changed to.

Dan Pugh with the Coastal Bend Herald newspaper: Mr. Pugh requested clarification on Agenda Item number Twelve. Are changes going to be made to the RV Park Driveways? Commissioner Smith responded the problem areas will be examined and a decision made about what can be done and a report of findings submitted to the court with suggestions.

CLOSED SESSION

The court did not enter into closed session.

No further business presenting, the Court adjourned at 10:00 a.m. on a motion made by Commissioner Smith and duly seconded by Commissioner Casterline.

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

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