

MINUTES OF THE
COMMISSIONERS' COURT
REGULAR MEETING - APRIL 28, 2014

On the 28th day of April, 2014, 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 Peggy L. Friebele, County Clerk.

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

Linda Frank, President, Master Gardeners, gave a presentation on the activities and outreach initiatives of the Aransas/San Patricio Master Gardeners, a program of Agrilife Extension.

(Presentation inserted)

ITEMS FOR DELIBERATION AND/OR ACTION

MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 14, 2014.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

TEXAS MARITIME MUSEUM - FIRST QUARTER 2014 REPORT

Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the Texas Maritime Museum First Quarter 2014 hotel occupancy tax funds expended.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Report inserted)

ROCKPORT CENTER FOR THE ARTS - FIRST QUARTER 2014 REPORT

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve the Rockport Center for the Arts First Quarter 2014 hotel occupancy tax funds expended.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Report inserted)

THE AQUARIUM AT ROCKPORT HARBOR - FIRST QUARTER 2014 REPORT

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve the Aquarium at Rockport Harbor First Quarter 2014 hotel occupancy tax funds expended.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Report inserted)

45-MPH SPEED LIMIT - COPANO RETREAT ROAD

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve establishing a 45-mph speed limit on Copano Retreat Road and Refugio-Taft Highway.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

DRAINAGE EASEMENT - SWEETWATER TRUST

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve a drainage easement between Sweetwater Trust and County of Aransas and authorize County Judge to sign the same and execute all related documents in connection therewith.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Easement inserted)

PROCLAMATION #P02-2014 - NATIONAL PRESERVATION MONTH

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve Proclamation #P02-2014 recognizing the month of May 2014 as National Preservation Month.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Proclamation inserted)

PROCLAMATION #P03-2014 - ELDER ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve Proclamation #P03-2014 recognizing the month of May 2014 as Elder Abuse Prevention Month.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Proclamation inserted)

RESOLUTION #R-03-2014 - STATE FUNDING FOR TRANSPORTATION

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve Resolution #R-03-2014 in support of a constitutional amendment for increased state funding for transportation.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Resolution inserted)

RESOLUTION #R-04-2014 - BLOCK GRANT CONTRACT

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve Resolution #R-04-2014 designating administration and engineering service providers for the 2013 Texas Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Contract No. 713055 Colonia Construction Fund Project.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Resolution inserted)

RESOLUTION #R-05-2014 - INVESTMENT POLICY

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve Resolution #R-05-2014 adopting Investment Policy as Amended.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Resolution inserted)

RESOLUTION #R-06-2014 - INVESTMENT OFFICERS

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Stiles approve of Resolution #R-06-2014 appointing Investment Officers.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Resolution inserted)

RESOLUTION #R-07-2014 - INVESTMENT BROKER/DEALER LIST

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Smith to table approval of Resolution #R-07-2014 appointing Investment Broker/Dealer List.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

RESOLUTION #R-08-2014 - AUTHORIZED SIGNATORS BLOCK GRANT

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve Resolution #R-08-2014 designating authorized signators for the 2013 Texas Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Resolution inserted)

PUBLIC OFFICIAL BONDS

Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve public official bond on Johnny James, Maintenance Custodian.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Bond inserted)

COUNTY TREASURER'S FIRST QUARTER 2014 INVESTMENT REPORT

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve County Treasurer's First Quarter 2014 Investment Report.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Report inserted)

BUDGET LINE ITEM TRANSFERS

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith_ and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to approve budget line item transfers presented by the County Auditor.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Transfers inserted)

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the accounts payable presented by County Auditor.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

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

Judge Mills reported April 15th was the start of dredging at Cedar

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Bayou. Commissioner Smith continued showing a picture he took at the site of the dredge boat being used.

HR Director Rousseau reported a payroll audit she completed that resulted in a \$1,500.00 refund on unemployment tax.

Commissioner Chaney complimented the Transfer Station for the new lights; they are working well.

Commissioner Chaney also reported that Bee County will no longer be participating in the Bee Community Action Agency as of June 30th. The remainder of the group decided to move to a new provider. Refugio County was not happy with this decision; There were three (3) choices-Golden Crescent in Victoria, Kleburg Transportation District in Kingsville, and Leal in Alice. No decision has been made on which one to go with.

Commissioner Stiles reported the Lamar Fire Department will be completely moved in to the new facility by June 1st.

REPORTS ABOUT ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

There were none.

PRESS QUESTIONS

Norma Martinez with The Rockport Pilot asked Commissioner Chaney if the Bee Community Action change will effect the local Head Start. Chaney replied he does not know; however, the administration will be moved to a new agency.

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

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

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