

MINUTES OF THE

COMMISSIONERS' COURT

PUBLIC HEARING - MARCH 13, 2017

On the 13th day of March, 2017, there was a Public Hearing 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; **Brian Olsen**, Commissioner, Precinct 3; **Betty Stiles**, Commissioner, Precinct 4; and **Valerie K. Amason**, County Clerk.

Other County Officers present were **David Reid**, Road Administrator/Drainage Engineer/Stormwater Management Engineer; **Collin Jackson**, IT Director; **Diana Espinoza**, Drainage Engineer;

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

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

The Meeting was convened at **8:30 a.m.** at which time a quorum was declared by Judge Mills, WHEREUPON, the following proceedings were had and done to wit:

ITEM FOR DELIBERATION AND/OR ACTION

Public Comments on the proposed improvement and assessment of cost for bringing S. Lake Drive, Lakeside Drive and St. Charles Bay Drive up to current County roadway standards.

David Reid stated that neighbors in these areas have requested help with their roads. They have had several meetings and would

be willing to pay their share, assuming two-thirds of the costs in the amount of about \$142,000 and the county would pick up one-third in the amount of \$71,000. One neighbor asked if the work would include curbing and guttering and David replied, yes.

Another neighbor asked if the curb and guttering would take up less room versus ditches and David responded, yes, the width of the asphalt would be nineteen feet with curb outside of that.

Commissioner Chaney asked, pursuant to a question posed to him yesterday, "When will payment be expected from property owners"?

David commented that they generally do not ask for any money until the job is completed, so if we want to proceed, we need to get the ballots out to the property owners and let them decide if we are going to go forward with the project. One other thing that had come up, we can start charging interest on the assessment after two years but we have been giving them three years to pay it off and someone suggested it would make more sense to start collecting interest in the same time that we are giving them to pay it off, just something for the court to consider.

No further business presenting, the Court adjourned at 9:36 a.m. on a motion made by Commissioner Stiles and seconded by Commissioner Olsen.

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