

COMMISSIONERS COURT
Aransas County, Texas
Ray A. Garza, County Judge

Jack Chaney
Commissioner, Pct 1-1A

Leslie Casterline
Commissioner, Pct 2



Pat Rousseau
Commissioner, Pct 3

Robert Dupnik
Commissioner, Pct 4-4A

NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING AND AGENDA

Notice is hereby given that a **Regular Meeting** of the above named Commissioners Court will be held on the **11th DAY of MARCH, 2024 at 9:00 A.M. IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM IN THE ARANSAS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 2840 HWY. 35 N., ROCKPORT, TEXAS, 78382.** Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need assistance should contact the County Judge's office at (361) 790-0100 two working days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made. **To watch the meeting, visit:** here <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCTxprR-CFvaZfapOVcLeDWQ/live>. The following subjects will be discussed at this meeting:

- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- II. INVOCATION**
- III. PLEDGES**
- IV. ROLL CALL AND CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM**
- V. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD**

At this time, comments will be taken from the audience on any subject matter that is not on the Agenda. To address the Commissioners, please sign the Public Participation Form located at <https://actxgov.seamlessdocs.com/w/ccpublicparticipation> or sign the Public Participation Form located on the table outside of the County Courtroom and deliver to the County Clerk before the meeting begins. Citizens who wish to speak on a matter included in this Agenda will be invited to speak when that particular matter is being deliberated by the Commissioners Court. Each member of the public who appears before the Commissioners Court shall be limited to a maximum of five (5) minutes to make his/her remarks. Please note, in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Commissioners may not discuss or take action on any item that is not on the agenda.

VI. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

Presentations are scheduled in advance of the meeting and limited to fifteen (15) minutes unless other arrangements have been made with the Court.

- 1. Presentation for Wings Over Rockport – Katrina Brown
- 2. Presentation by McKinstry regarding strategic facilities planning – Gabriela Fierro

3. Proclamation P-03-2024, recognizing March 16-23, 2024 as Aransas Nature Fest Week – Debbie Griffith/Judge Garza

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

All Consent Agenda items listed are considered to be routine by the Commissioners Court and will be enacted by one motion and no separate discussion of these items will occur unless a Commissioner or the County Judge so requests, in which case the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the Agenda.

4. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Minutes from the February 29, 2024 Special Meeting – Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza
5. Acknowledge receipt of and record in the minutes of Commissioners Court the County Judges and Commissioners Association of Texas Commissioner’s Education Transcript for Commissioner Pat Rousseau certifying that she has successfully completed the continuing education provisions of Article 81.0025 of the Texas Local Government Code – Pat Rousseau
6. Discuss and approve the City of Rockport’s Heritage Certificate of Appropriateness Application for the installation of the “Summer Shower”, a sculptural work by George Lundeen, at Celebration Plaza in the Civic Core District – Judge Garza

Donations

7. Acknowledge and accept donations from the following:
 - a. Woodrow Wilson Owens in the amount of \$200
 - b. Anonymous donation of 3 bags of dog food, a dog crate, small carrier with an estimated value of \$275
 - c. Ernest Saladhe to 10 big bags of dog treats in the estimated amount of \$50Caitlan Frazier/Judge Garza

VIII. COUNTY REPORTS AND RESOLUTIONS

8. Discuss, approve, or disapprove Resolution #R-07-2024, a Resolution to Select BLS Construction, Inc. to provide Construction Services for the Transfer Station’s Mechanics Shop; Authorizing the County Judge to execute Necessary Documents; Providing for Severance; and Confirming Compliance with the Open Meetings Act – Elle Moralez /Judge Garza
9. Discuss, approve or disapprove Resolution #R-08-2024, a Resolution to submit an application for a FY2025 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program – Judge Garza
10. Discuss, approve or disapprove a request from ACTS Aviation to host a Fly-In at the airport main terminal ramp on November 15 - 17, 2024 – Mike Geer/Judge Garza

11. Discuss, approve or disapprove a request from the Rockport-Fulton Chamber of Commerce to use the Aransas County Airport's Eugene Johnson Memorial Hangar during the 2024 Hummerfest Celebration for 4 days in September to stage the Vendor Mall – Mike Geer/Judge Garza

IX. COUNTY ROADS AND FLOODPLAIN

12. Discuss, approve, or disapprove accepting a permanent Ten Foot (10') wide drainage easement from Mark Sidney Pruitt as depicted on the attached Exhibit and authorize the County Judge to execute necessary documents – David Reid/County Judge
13. Discuss, approve or disapprove bids for Road Materials received in response to the FY2024 Road Materials Invitation for Bids – David Reid/Judge Garza
14. Discuss, approve or disapprove request by AJ-AL Joint Venture to excavate new drainage channel through Moore Town Lots adjacent to Pearl Street and authorize County Judge to sign letter of support and commitment to excavate channel for this the project – David Reid/Judge Garza

X. CONTRACTS AND GRANTS

15. Discuss and Reject Change Order #13 from Teal Construction for the following Changes: **Reject CPR 84** – Reduce Plaque Size – This was approved at the February 29, 2024 Special Meeting on Change Order #14 - Deduct to Change the 5' Diameter Plaque to 3' Diameter Plaque; Deduct \$4,345.00, add Zero Impact Days. **Reject CPR 86** – Add Data and Power in DC 210 and DC Lobby 208 – Add \$18,019.10, and Five (5) Impact Days – **REJECT Change Order #13** [*Tabled 2/29/2024*]- Elle Moralez/Judge Garza
16. Discuss, approve or disapprove Change Order #03 for the Aransas County Community Building and Plaza – Add 117 Days (16.7 weeks) and \$47,206.21 for additional General Conditions per Schedule of Value (SOV); The contractor has experienced a loss of 117 days due to deliberation required for steel projection and delays in manufacturing and supply chain deliveries – Elle Moralez/Judge Garza
17. Discuss, approve or disapprove a Contract between Aransas County and BLS Construction, Inc. to build the Transfer Station's Mechanic Shop at a fixed fee of One Hundred Sixty Seven Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty Dollars (\$167,930.00) with a Completion Date no later than One Hundred Eighty (180) calendar days after issuance of the Notice to Proceed – Elle Moralez/Judge Garza
18. Discuss, approve, or disapprove the Purchase of Service Agreement between Aransas County and Rural Economic Assistance League, Inc. ("REAL") in regards to the County's Indigent Health Care program utilizing the REAL transportation system for clients and further authorizing REAL to invoice Aransas County for approved client services, and authorizing the County Judge to Execute this Agreement – Alma Cartwright/Judge Garza
19. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Purchase of a 2024 Mower Max Boom Mower in the amount of \$246,913.40 and authorize the County Judge to execute necessary documents – Blake Brown/David Reid/Judge Garza

20. Discuss, approve or disapprove soliciting bids on Buy Board or another purchasing Co-Op for uniforms for Road and Bridge and Environmental Health – David Reid/Anthony Van Meter/Judge Garza
21. Discuss, approve or disapprove proposed project plan and budget for the Copano Cove Ranch Acquisition project, for funding Contract No. 24-099-001-E379 through the Coastal Management Program Cycle 29 Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act (GOMESA) – Katherine Comeaux/Judge Garza

XI. PLANNING AND BUDGET

22. Discuss, approve, or disapprove the Aransas County Indigent Health Care Report for February 2024 – Alma Cartwright/Judge Garza
23. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Budget Amendments for the 2023 Budget – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza
24. Discuss, approve, or disapprove Accounts Payable and Payroll/Payroll Liabilities – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza

XII. REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONERS, ELECTED OFFICIALS, AND DEPARTMENT HEADS – NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN

At this time, Commissioners will provide reports or updates on committee assignments and Elected Officials and Department Heads may provide reports or updates related to advisory boards, fee reports, and more.

XIII. REPORTS ABOUT ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST – NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN

At this time, Commissioners Court will receive reports and updates from Commissioners, County Judge, and County staff related to items of community interest such as: expressions of thanks, congratulations, or condolences; information regarding holiday schedules or closures; honorary or salutatory recognition of a public official, employee, or a citizen; reminders about upcoming events; reports on public events attended by Commissioners, County officials, and/or employees; and any announcement involving an emergency or imminent threat to public health and safety that arose after the posting of this Agenda.

XIV. CLOSED SESSION

25. Convene into a Closed Session to consult with counsel and receive legal advice about insurance matters related to Aransas County's projects and insurance claims from Hurricane Harvey, including the following pending litigation:
 - i. *Aransas County Texas v. Endurance American Specialty Insurance Company, et al*, Aransas County District Court Cause No. 23-0021; and

ii. *Northstar Recovery Service, Inc. v. Aransas County Independent School District and Aransas County*, Aransas County, District Court Cause No. 23-0066 consolidated with *Northstar Recovery Services, Inc. v. HR&R, LLC, et al*, Aransas County District Court Cause No. 20-0159; and

pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Open Meetings Act, which authorizes closed sessions for a governmental body to consult with its attorney(s) regarding advice on legal matters pertaining to “Pending or Contemplated Litigation; or a Settlement Offer; or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with” the Open Meetings Act –Amanda Oster/Judge Garza

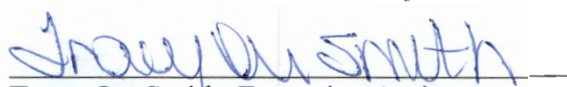
XV. OPEN SESSION

- 26. Reconvene into Open Session
- 27. Discuss and take action on matters discussed in closed session – Amanda Oster/Judge Garza

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

CERTIFICATION

It is hereby affirmed that this **NOTICE OF MEETING and AGENDA** was duly posted at the Aransas County Courthouse at least seventy-two (72) hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting on enclosed bulletin boards outside of the Courthouse that are readily accessible to the general public twenty-four (24) hours each day and also on the Aransas County website, in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act and Texas Government Code §551.043.


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