

COMMISSIONERS COURT
Aransas County, Texas

C.H. "Burt" Mills Jr, County Judge

Jack Chaney
Commissioner, Pct 1-1A

Bubba Casterline
Commissioner, Pct 2



Charles Smith
Commissioner, Pct 3

Wendy Laubach
Commissioner, Pct 4

AGENDA

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the above named Commissioners Court V.T.C.A Government Code, Section 551.001(4), will be held on the **13th day of APRIL, 2020 at 9:00 A.M. IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURTOOM IN THE ARANSAS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 2840 HWY. 35 N., ROCKPORT, TEXAS.** Persons with disabilities 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. The Commissioners Court will follow the Governor's guidelines on COVID-19, therefore, the meeting will be closed to the public. **To watch the meeting, visit:** <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCTxprR-CFvaZfapOVcLeDWQ/live>. The following subjects will be discussed:

- I. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGES**
- II. INVOCATION**
- III. DECLARE QUORUM**
- IV. 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 on the website at <https://actxgov.seamlessdocs.com/f/ccpublicparticipation> and submit to the County Clerk before 8:30am. 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 which has not been posted on the Agenda.

V. PRESENTATIONS

Presentations are limited to fifteen (15) minutes unless other arrangements have been made with the Court.

1. Presentation by DataBank for the Conversion and Preservation of County Voter Registration Files – Charles Bass, Senior Account Manager, DataBank/Michele Carew

VI. ITEMS FOR DELIBERATION AND/OR ACTION

• **CONSENT AGENDA**

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

2. Discuss, approve or disapprove the **Minutes** from the March 23, 2020 Regular Meeting – Valerie Amason/Judge Mills
3. Discuss, approve or disapprove **Official Public Bond and Oath** for Tracy A. Orr, Administrative Assistant to County Judge – Judge Mills

4. Discuss, approve or disapprove **Official Public Bond Renewal Certificate** for Aransas County Facilities Director & Maintenance Supervisor Rene Butler and Maintenance Custodian David Cruz – Rene Butler/Judge Mills
5. Discuss, approve or disapprove **reimbursement from the forfeiture funds in the amount of \$301.46 to Kristen Barnebey** for expenses incurred for Texas District and County Attorneys Association (TDCAA) continuing education class “DWI Updates on Legislation, Cases and Countering Defenses” – Kristen Barnebey/Judge Mills

- **COUNTY REPORTS**

6. Discuss, approve or disapprove the **1st Quarterly 2019 Report** for the Rockport Center for the Arts – Luis Purón/Judge Mills

- **COUNTY LIBRARY**

7. Discuss, approve or disapprove allowing the Aransas County Library Director to **seek and apply for a \$500 HEB grant(s)** to be used for summer reading programs – Iris Sanchez/Judge Mills
8. Discuss, approve or disapprove allowing the Aransas County Library Director to **seek and apply for a \$1,000 Wal-Mart grant(s)** to be used for summer reading programs – Iris Sanchez/Judge Mills

- **COUNTY ROADS**

9. Discuss, approve or disapprove **Order #O-04-2020**, an Order to close, abandon, and vacate the 20-foot Alleyway in Block 319, Manning Addition, Aransas County, Texas – Jerry Brundrett, Jr./David Reid/Commissioner Casterline/Judge Mills
10. Discuss, approve, or disapprove **variance** on floodplain regulations to allow use of fill for structural support for new construction at 121 Dockside Drive in the Sunset Bay Subdivision – David Reid/Judge Mills

- **CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS, GRANTS & LEASES**

11. Discuss, approve or disapprove authorizing County Judge to **sign an amended medical services Agreement** with Lone Star Ambulance 1, dba as Allegiance Ambulance, for a one year period with a cost of \$196,674.00 [Tabled from 3/9/2020, Tabled from 3/23/2020] – Kristen Barnebey/Judge Mills
12. Discuss, approve or disapprove authorizing County Judge to sign **Intergovernmental Agreement between Aransas County and Aransas County Navigation District** for Phase 1 Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) Project 4332-069 Little Bay Grant. The Grant is for circulation study, final engineering and the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) permit – John Strothman/Judge Mills
13. Discuss, approve or disapprove authorizing County Judge to sign **Engineering Services Agreement between County of Aransas and Sample Engineering Inc. dba as John D. Mercer & Associates** for the Texas Community Block Grant (TxCDBG), program administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA), Contract Number 7219025 – Commissioner Casterline/David Reid/Judge Mills
14. Discuss, approve or disapprove County Judge authorizing the issuance of **Requests for Proposals (RFPs) and Requests for Qualifications (RFQs) as required, for professional services such as environmental, engineering, architectural, feasibility studies, appraisals, etc., related to the Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) grant funded and administered by the Texas General Land Office (TxGLO) for Hurricane Harvey Recovery** – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Mills

15. Discuss, approve or disapprove to issue **Requests for Proposals (RFPs) for Administrative services and Requests for Qualifications (RFQs) for Engineering services related to the 2020 County Transportation Infrastructure (CTIF)** administered by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) – David Reid/Judge Mills
 16. Discuss, approve or disapprove authorizing County Judge to sign **Contract for Professional Services between County of Aransas and LNV, LLC** for engineering services for the Texas Community Block Grant (TxCDBG) program administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA), Contract Number 7219490 –David Reid/Judge Mills
 17. Discuss, approve or disapprove authorizing County Judge to e-sign **Substance Abuse Testing Services Agreement with Quest Diagnostics** for pre-hire and post-accident drug screening – Linda Doane/Judge Mills
 18. Discuss, approve or disapprove authorizing County Judge to sign **Contract with DataBank for the conversion of voter registration files** to digital format for the preservation of county documents – Michele Carew/Judge Mills
 19. Discuss, approve or disapprove authorizing County Judge to sign **Contract with Vista Solutions for professional services**-including license subscription and support to Data Bank-needed to complete the conversion of voter registration files to digital format – Michele Carew/Judge Mills
 20. Discuss, approve or disapprove authorizing County Judge to sign an **Interlocal Agreement with City of Rockport regarding Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) grant funds** budgeted from RESTORE ACT BUCKET 1 grant program for final engineering and shoreline restoration along Bay Shore Drive – John Strothman/Judge Mills
 21. Discuss the **status of the health authority** in Aransas County – Judge Mills
 22. Discuss, approve or disapprove to **establish Task Force charged with bringing back viable options and/or plans for establishing an emergency health care services/solutions** to meet the needs of the County. If established, the Task Force should report back at the earliest possible date and identify sustainable solutions and options for addressing our emergency care needs (short to mid-term) the next 6 months to 1 year – Judge Mills
- **PLANNING & BUDGET OFFICE**
23. Discuss, approve or disapprove **March 2020 Indigent Health Care Report** – Alma Cartwright/Judge Mills
 24. Discuss, approve or disapprove Interim Auditor, Jacky Cockerham's **request for the creation of an additional Assistant Auditor position** to the County Auditor's Department. Salary and benefits will be funded by Grant Administrative Fees and FEMA reimbursements. The new position is necessary in order to assist with the influx of workload to the County Auditor's Department due to ongoing Accounts Payable/Grant/FEMA/COVID-19 applications and processing. A job description is attached – Jackie Cockerham/Linda Doane/Judge Mills
 25. Discuss, approve or disapprove **combining JP 1 and JP 2 part-time positions into a full-time position** that works in both departments at a group/step 11-3–no new monies– Judge McGinnis/Judge Dupnik/Linda Doane/Judge Mills
 26. Discuss, approve or disapprove **Budget Line Item Transfers and Amendments** – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Mills
 27. Discuss, approve or disapprove **Accounts Payable and Payroll/Payroll Liabilities** – Jacky Cockerham/Alma Cartwright/Judge Mills

VII. REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONERS, ELECTED OFFICIALS & DEPARTMENT HEADS - NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN

*"At this time, County Commissioners will report/update on all committee assignments which may include the following: Aransas Pathways Steering Committee; County Storm Water Advisory Committee; Coastal Bend Council of Governments; Coastal Bend Bays & Estuaries; Coastal Resiliency Committee; Disaster Recovery Officials; Economic Development; Live Oak Tree Committee; Navigation District; Personnel Committee; Rural Rail District; and Rockport Community Park/Swimming Pool Committee. Elected Officials & Department Heads reports include but are not limited to the following: Airport Advisory Board Updates; County Auditor—**Read Fee Reports of County & Precinct Offices.**"*

VIII. REPORTS ABOUT ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST—NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN

"At this time, Commissioners Court will hear reports/updates from Commissioners or County Staff about items of community interest including (1) expressions of thanks, congratulations, or condolence; (2) information regarding holiday schedules; (3) an honorary or salutary recognition of a public official, public employee, or other citizen; (4) a reminder about an upcoming event organized or sponsored by the Court; (5) information regarding a social, ceremonial, or community event organized or sponsored by an entity other than the Commissioners Court that was attended or is scheduled to be attended by a Commissioner or an official or employee of the County; and (6) announcements involving an imminent threat to the public health and safety of people in the County that has arisen after the posting of the agenda."

IX. CLOSED SESSION

"Pursuant to the authority granted under Government Code, Chapter 551, the Commissioners Court may convene a closed session. The specific section or sections of Government Code, Chapter 551 that provides statutory authority may be announced."

- a. COMMISSIONERS COURT WILL MEET IN CLOSED SESSION AS AUTHORIZED BY TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.071 COMMISSIONERS COURT WILL MEET IN CLOSED SESSION AS AUTHORIZED BY TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.071 TO DISCUSS POTENTIAL LITIGATION; RECEIVE ATTORNEY'S ADVICE ON LEGAL MATERS THAT ARE NOT RELATED TO LITIGATION; AND OTHER MATTERS PROTECTED BY THE ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGE.*
- b. COMMISSIONERS COURT WILL MEET IN CLOSED SESSION AS AUTHORIZED BY TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.072 TO DISCUSS REAL ESTATE NEGOTIATIONS INCLUDING PATHWAYS PROJECTS, STORM WATER MANAGEMENT, COUNTY LAND AND COUNTY LEASES.*
- c. COMMISSIONERS COURT WILL MEET IN CLOSED SESSION AS AUTHORIZED BY TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.07A TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL MATTERS AND OTHER ISSUES.*
- d. COMMISSIONERS COURT WILL MEET IN CLOSED SESSION AS AUTHORIZED BY TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.0725 TO DISCUSS A CONTRACT BEING NEGOTIATED AND THE TERMS THEREOF.*
- e. COMMISSIONERS COURT WILL MEET IN CLOSED SESSION AS AUTHORIZED BY TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.087 TO DISCUSS AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MATTER.*

X. OPEN SESSION

Commissioners Court will reconvene into Open Session and consider action, if any, on items discussed in Closed Session.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

FILED
AT 2:30 P.M.
APR 09 2020 *Posted @ 2:33 P.M.*

VALERIE K. AMASON
COUNTY CLERK, ARANSAS CO., TEXAS

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, County Clerk, do hereby certify that the Notice of the above named Commissioners Court, is a true and correct copy of said Notice, and that I posted a true and correct copy of said Notice on the window and/or bulletin board in the Aransas County Courthouse, 2840 Hwy. 35 N., Rockport, Aransas County, Texas on the ___ day of _____, 2020, and said Notice remained so posted continuously for at least seventy-two (72) hours preceding the scheduled time of said Meeting.