

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 **12th DAY of JULY, 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.

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.

1. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Minutes from the May 30, 2024, Workshop Meeting – Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza
2. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Minutes from the June 21, 2024 Regular Meeting – Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza
3. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Minutes from the June 24, 2024 Regular Meeting – Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza
4. Acknowledge receipt of and record in the minutes of Commissioners Court the Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service 2024 Coastal Bend Hurricane Conference for a total of 12.5 hours for Commissioner Casterline - Commissioner Casterline/Judge Garza

VIII. COUNTY REPORTS AND RESOLUTIONS

5. Acknowledge and accept a recognition award from Best Friends Animal Society, that Aransas County Animal Care Services Reached/Maintained No-Kill in 2023 – Caitlan Frazier/Judge Garza
6. Discuss, approve or disapprove Order #O-13-2024, an Order setting the 2025 Sheriff/Constable Fees with no change from the 2024 fees – Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza

IX. COUNTY ROADS AND FLOODPLAIN

7. Discuss, approve or disapprove Order #O-12-2024, an Order to close, abandon and vacate a portion of a 20-foot platted Alleyway in Block 90, along with portions of 60-foot platted Roadways called First Street and Orange Street, Lamar Townsite, Aransas County, Texas and being more particularly described by metes and bounds on Exhibit “A” and “B” attached to the petition filed in the Court which is made a part hereof by reference and incorporation – Katherine Comeaux/Judge Garza
8. Discuss, approve or disapprove appointing Mr. David J. Reid, P.E. and Mr. Darrell Seibert, P.E. as the primary and alternate representatives of Aransas County, respectively, to the Stormwater Management Technical Committee, established by a joint resolution adopted by the City of Rockport, Town of Fulton, Aransas County, the Aransas County Navigation District, and the City of Aransas Pass to foster unity and cooperation in developing and executing drainage projects for the benefit of Aransas County residents – David Reid/Judge Garza
9. Discuss, approve or disapprove a policy to use portions of county right-of-way to create wildlife habitat, as approved by the County Engineer – David Reid/Judge Garza

X. CONTRACTS AND GRANTS

10. Discuss, approve or disapprove Change Order No. 4 for construction contract for East Linden in the County's General Land Office Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Relief (CDBG-DR) Contract No. 250-065-098-C270, with Gerke Excavating Inc. This change order is for additional Metal Beam Guardrail work (\$10,681.00), additional Chain Link Fence (\$3,000.00), and an additional 35 days in contract time – David Reid/Judge Garza
11. Discuss, approve or disapprove authorizing the County Judge to sign a ground lease with Billy Burke for approximately 18,000 square feet of space at the airport for a term of one (1) year, with four (4) additional one (1) year options at a cost of \$.166666 per square foot per annum with an approximate 5.75% annual increase; Year 1: \$250 Monthly - \$3,000 Annually; Year 2: \$265 Monthly - \$3180 Annually; Year 3: \$280 Monthly - \$3360 Annually; Year 4: \$295 Monthly - \$3540 Annually; Year 5: \$310 Monthly - \$3720 Annually – Mike Geer/Judge Garza
12. Discuss, approve or disapprove accepting the proposal from Kofile for Preservation of Records for the Amount of \$409,411.95 – Pam Heard/Judge Garza
13. Discuss, approve or disapprove the contract between the Workforce Solutions of the Coastal Bend and Aransas County for placement of summer interns as Library Aids – Iris Sanchez/Judge Garza
14. Discuss, approve or disapprove authorizing the County Judge to sign leases for storage units to be used to store County assets during the transition period prior to moving into the new Courthouse – Judge Garza

XI. PLANNING AND BUDGET

15. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Aransas County Indigent Health Care Report for June 2024 – Alma Cartwright/Judge Garza
16. Discuss, approve or disapprove authorizing the County Judge to sign the County Indigent Health Care Program (CIHCO) Optional Health Care Services Notification for Aransas County Indigent Health Care, to provide information about the optional healthcare services that Aransas County chooses to provide for the fiscal year September 1, 2024 through August 31, 2025 – Alma Cartwright/Judge Garza
17. Discuss, approve or disapprove updated job description for Justice of the Peace (JP) Chief Court Clerk (Precinct 1) and new job description for Justice of the Peace (JP) Senior Chief Court Clerk (Precinct 1). No new monies – Judge Dupnik/Judge Garza
18. Discuss, approve or disapprove the June 2024 Auditor's Monthly Report – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza
19. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Budget Line Item – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza

20. 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

21. 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

- iii. *Western Steel Company v T2J Partners, LLC DIE/A FPS Recovery, LLC and Aransas County, Texas; Cause No. 24-0072, in the 36th District Court of Aransas County, Texas;*

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

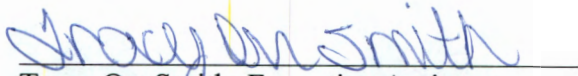
XV. OPEN SESSION

- 22. Reconvene into Open Session
- 23. 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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FILED FOR RECORD

AT 8:22 A. M.

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COUNTY CLERK, ARANSAS CO., TEXAS

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