

MINUTES OF THE
COMMISSIONERS' COURT

REGULAR MEETING - JULY 27, 2020

On the 27th day of July, 2020, there was a Regular Meeting of the Commissioners' Court in the Commissioners' Courtroom, 2840 Hwy 35 N, Rockport, Aransas County, Texas, with the following members present in person, via ZOOM, or via YouTube: C. H. "Burt" Mills, Jr., County Judge; Jack Chaney, Commissioner, Precinct 1; Leslie "Bubba" Casterline, Commissioner, Precinct 2; Charles Smith, Commissioner, Precinct 3; Wendy Laubach, Commissioner, Precinct 4; and Valerie K. Amason, County Clerk.

Other County Officers present in person, via YouTube, or via Zoom, were Jerry Brundrett, County Surveyor; Alma Cartwright, Treasurer; Pam Heard, District Clerk; Bill Mills, Sheriff; Richard P. Bianchi, County Court At Law Judge; Tracy Orr, Administrative Assistant to the County Judge; Jacky Cockerham, Interim County Auditor; Tana Taylor; First Assistant County Auditor; Latisha Murphy, Assistant Auditor; David Reid, Road Administrator/Drainage Engineer/Stormwater Management Engineer; Michael Geer, Airport Manager; Valerie Gonzalez, Environmental Health Director; John Strothman, Pathways Project Manager; Rene Butler, Facilities Director; Collin Jackson, IT Director; Linda Doane, Human Resources Director; Carrie Arrington, Office & Contracts Manager, County District Attorney's Office; Michele Carew, Elections Administrator;

Long-Term Recovery Specialists: Kim Foutz;

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

District Court Judges: Janna K. Whatley, 343rd District Court Judge; Patrick L. Flanigan, 156th District Court Judge;

Del Mar College: Lenora Keas, Vice President of Workforce Development and Strategic Initiatives;

The Rockport Group at Morgan Stanley: John Jackson, CIMA, Senior Vice President;

Agrilife Extension: Virginia Easton Smith, County Extension Agent;

Chamber of Commerce: Diane Probst, President/CEO; Sandy Jumper, Vice President of Marketing and Promotion;

Rockport Maritime Museum: Justin Parkoff, Executive Director, Marine Archaeologist;

Aransas County Historical Commission: Betty Stiles, Chair;

Aransas County Citizens: Pat Rousseau, Commissioner, Pct. 3 Elect; Andrew Kane;

The Rockport Pilot Newspaper: Mike Probst, Editor and Publisher; Steve Smith, General Assignment Reporter for the Rockport Pilot Newspaper;

The Meeting was convened at 9:00 a.m. at which time a quorum was declared by Judge Mills, WHEREUPON, the following proceedings were had and done to wit:

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Andrew Kane addressed the court about the plans for the New County Courthouse. (See statement attached)

PUBLIC HEARING

1. At this time, comments will be taken from the audience regarding the proposed plan for the County Clerk's Records Archive Fund, Local Government Code, Section 118.025, Subchapter E, to fund the preservation and restoration of the County Clerk's records archive as set out in Item #6 below.

Valerie Amason: So this is just an Annual Plan for the Records Archive money that we collect on filing. This money is set aside for improving the County's records, we have records that need to be visually enhanced and indexed. 1991 to present are already computerized where people can search on the indexes, but the ones before that you still have to go the old book indexes. I received a quote from one of the vendors, KoFile, and for everything that I need to have done the quote was a little over \$700,000, right now we have a little over \$300,000. That is her quote for this year and so that price could go up in the future, if we ever have enough money to do it. Any questions?

Commissioner Laubach: Valerie, so you said that you got a quote for over \$700,000 but you have about \$300,000 now, does that mean that you don't have a plan yet and you're just sort of saving up until we can afford quotation, what is your plan for this year?

Valerie: The quote that I got from KoFile, it was right around the \$300,000 mark, maybe a little over, for my micro-film, so that's something that I could probably go ahead and have done.

Commissioner Laubach: So is your proposal to spend \$300,000 that you have in your Records Archive Fund this year on catching up on Microfilming?

Valerie: Not this year.

Commissioner Laubach: I'm just trying to figure out what you are proposing to spend this year, what's in your plan.

Valerie: I'm not proposing to spend anything this year, I'm just required to present this plan yearly.

Commissioner Laubach: So you're just giving us an update on what you are thinking about for the future, but you haven't got any immediate plans.

Valerie: Correct.

Commissioner Laubach: Gotcha, thank you.

Judge Mills: Anyone else?

Commissioner Chaney: You do a good job.

Valerie: Thank you.

Judge Mills: Ok, if there are no more questions I will close the public hearing. 9:13 a.m.

PRESENTATIONS

2. Presentation of the 4-H Recognition Video.

Virginia Easton Smith described the photos during the video. Virginia also commented that there are presently 42 4-H members this year. Three of those members are Seniors that will be graduating this year and between the three there is a combined total of 27 years in the 4-H Club. Judge Mills stated that the Court appreciates the presentation and congratulations to the 82 participants of the Bridge Club, they have done a fine job representing Aransas County.

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve:

3. Minutes from the Special Meeting of July 6, 2020.
4. Minutes from the Regular Meeting of July 13, 2020.
5. Minutes from the Public Hearing of July 14, 2020.
6. County Clerk's Annual Written Plan 2021 for funding the preservation and restoration of the County Clerk's Records Archive pursuant to Local Government Code, Section 118.025, Subchapter E.
7. Official Bond Rider adjusting bond coverage for Treasurer's Office.
8. Acknowledge receipt of and record in the minutes of Commissioners Court, District Court Judge's appointment of Jacky to County Auditor position effective June 24, 2020, at a salary and benefit levels approved in 2020 budget. Documents attached.
9. Official Bond and Oath for Jacky Cockerham, County Auditor.
10. Facilities Maintenance accepting a donation of 8 filing cabinets from Chris Rice with Juvenile Probation, San Patricio County.
11. Acknowledge receipt of and record in the minutes of Commissioners Court, a Certificate of Course Completion presented to Pam Heard for completing training on Reporting Mental Health Adjudications and Commitments to NICS by the State of Texas Judicial Branch.
12. PULLED FOR SEPARATE CONSIDERATION.

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13. PULLED FOR SEPARATE CONSIDERATION.

14. Accepting a donation from Kacee Jackson in the amount of \$11,500 to cover the cost of due diligence expenses (environmental assessment and property appraisal) for the property located at 2000 Highway 35 Business North.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

12. Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve Proclamation P-05-2020 to recognize "Another Chance RFT's" continued and dedicated work on behalf of Aransas County Animal Control and the Aransas County Community.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

13. Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve donating a surplus jail van, a 2015 Ford Van (VIN#1FBZX2ZM1FKA29965), to "Another Chance RFT", per Local Government Code 263.152(a)(4) which authorizes a county commissioners court to dispose of surplus or salvage property by donating it to a civic or charitable organization located in the county when they determine that the donation serves a public purpose.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

DISTRICT COURT

15. Discussion of new courthouse layout.

Judge Flanigan: Last Thursday, I guess it was, we had a

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meeting with John Strothman and several of the other department heads, we looked at the plans, we looked at my concerns as well as the concerns of a few other departments and came to some suggested revisions that he was going to forward on to the Architect. It looks like the proposal, as we outlined it last week, will give the District Court enough room in the audience to be able to select a Jury now, which was our primary concern. These changes will also allow for the District Clerk's Office to be on the same floor as the District Court, which is going to be convenient for the Clerk's office. As long as we are doing anything with paper that has to go back and forth it will be convenient for the Clerk's office and convenient for the folks that have to come to court if they need to retrieve documents or have a direct connection with the District Clerk's Office. So as far as I'm concerned and I think the other Judges are concerned as well, our issues have been addressed and taken care of, a few other departments are moving around within that same floor, the second floor of the courthouse, as proposed most recently and a couple are going from the first floor to the second floor and then the other way around. I appreciate the opportunity to have some input in that and to coordinate with the other department heads, John was very helpful and had some good ideas himself. We went from three Jury Deliberation rooms down to two, we are trying to be ready for growth space-wise but there are some places where we really cannot cut the space. We would like to maintain the communication so that if there are any more modifications we could all be on the same page and get to where we need to be.

Commissioner Casterline: You don't see any security issues with the Clerk's office being on the same floor as the Courtroom, meaning the public going up to the Clerk's office that don't need to be there for court?

Judge Flanigan: A lot of what happens at the District Clerk's office is remote, we don't have attorney's showing up to file documents anymore, occasionally you'll have folks that come up there because they don't have lawyers and they want to do their own research. I think with the configuration that they've got the security doors and the secure corridors, there are going to be public access points and a lot of non-public points for the District Courtroom, just like the District Clerk's office, and a lot of the other offices in the Courthouse, all of these are going to have public access points but they will also maintain security, both from the common corridor and within the suite of offices, their lobby areas, their entry points. Beyond that I think that the security system that's been built into the Courthouse from all of the offices that I've looked at, and I've not looked at all of them, but the ones that I have looked at seem to have security as a very high priority.

Pam Heard: The people who come to my office are the same ones that have been in court, not only District Court, but County Court at Law, so when somebody is getting divorced, they come to my office to get their certified copies. Besides that, having passports, if and when we decide to start doing them again, same thing, they are not a security issue. So I'm not worried about security for the people who have to be there,

and there is not reason that they should not be able to just walk across the hall from the Courtroom.

Commissioner Smith: John, the additional space, referring to the speaker from the public this morning, how much of the additional square feet went to satisfy the court system here?

John Strothman: We have the same amount of Courtrooms but what we are doing is, the spaces in the offices, like the Clerk's offices, have been put back to a larger space to meet their needs.

Commissioner Smith: I guess the question, just generally of the top of your head, how much went to the Judicial System?

John: I'd say 50 - 60% is for the Judicial System.

Commissioner Smith: But the increase from 45,000 to 55,000?

John: It would be proportionately the same.

Commissioner Smith: Alright, fair enough. I think it would be appropriate now to talk about some of the costs that were mentioned earlier, don't fall into the trap, that extra 10,000 feet is not costing \$10,000,000. It's proportionate, it's about between an extra \$400,000 and \$500,000, a lot of that misconception comes from the inclusion that some numbers of the soft costs and then others not, so if we can do a better job of maybe communicating that, we probably need to talk with Mr. Kane to assure him that that's not the case.

John: Alright, you have to remember that we are building these numbers right now based on a very preliminary plan, so there's not a lot of real construction detail yet.

Commissioner Smith: Not only that, the latest numbers that I've seen on this, you know our tax rate will probably be less than a penny, when all is said and done, because the numbers, we are still working on that. So I would also take what we do here is required by law.

Judge Whatley: Well, you're surely not going to hear from any of us Judges, that what ya'll do in Commissioners' Court is not that important.

Judge Mills: And if we were to keep the courtroom it could be used by you also, if you needed a smaller courtroom.

Judge Flanigan: Sure, certainly, of course. You know, we are talking also in San Patricio County about a new Courts Building. Here in Aransas County you're talking about a District Courtroom and a County Courtroom, that will be a bit smaller, a Commissioners' Courtroom that is used for all sorts of different activities, not just twice a month. Commissioners Court, I know from being around here for 35 years or so that, a lot of stuff happens in the Commissioners Court, other than just the two regularly scheduled meetings per month. You have extra meetings, you have a lot of other activities, I know this temporary situation that we have here right now, again it's scheduling with Judge Bianchi or the District Court, being able to use all of this space to the best of the ability. But you, the Court, are entrusted with the budgetary and administrative operation of the County, terribly important, monumentally important.

Commissioner Smith: I'd say this this process is very complex because we have 17 elected officials, if you every

built a house between you and your spouse, just think of doing it with 17 spouses. It's an arduous test.

Judge Flanigan: Well, you know, we've got a District Courtroom, a County Court at Law Courtroom, the JP's need a Court space, and Commissioner's Court needs a Courtroom because this is a fairly typical turnout for a Commissioners' Courtroom. In San Patricio County we are talking about two District Courtrooms, because we are planning ahead, we may have two County Court at Law Courtrooms. We don't have any JP's in the Courthouse, but we do also have a Commissioners Court and we may have a smaller 30-40 audience District Courtroom for when we have three Judges over there at the same time. Now that's a county that is three times the size of Aransas County but there are certain activities that County Government just has to do for themselves and their obligations to the State, and all the way down to the precinct areas. This is not a revenue generating business, this is a service to the community, this is something that the County has to do, that a reasonable, responsible, Commissioners Court and a reasonable, responsible County has to provide for their community. If they don't do that they are not doing their job and they shouldn't be in office, in my view. This is a necessary activity that the County has to provide for their citizens, if they are doing the job they are supposed to be doing. So yes, sometimes it costs more than we would like, but you know, gas today costs more than I like.

Commissioner Smith: To put it in perspective, the rent on this building right here, where we currently are, will just

about equate to what the additional penny is going to cost in the Interest & Sinking Fund.

Judge Flanigan: The other thing that I see happening, that is a real feather in the cap of Aransas County, is the Court is taking advantage of disadvantages, we've gone through Harvey, we've experienced all of that, but it doesn't appear that grant money or other revenue sources is going to help defray some of these necessary expenses for the County. They are not being left on the table, they're being utilized to their fullest, and your Long Term Recovery Program, that is a big part of you utilizing resources that are available to the County to, again, take some of that burden off of the tax paying citizens of the County. So, you all are doing a very good job in that respect as well. It would be very difficult if all of this was having to come out of the annual ad valorem tax on the citizens, but that is not the case, and utilizing these other resources helps greatly in defraying those expenses, that are necessary regardless of where the funding comes from.

Commissioner Chaney: In designing a Courthouse, one of the things that I've thought about a lot on it is, the three or four tenants of the founding fathers, whenever America was established, provided for the health and safety of the citizens as they came in, on law enforcement, but also through courts, and then the founding administration of those duties. We have come a long way, but still the County's responsibility is Law Enforcement, Legal Administration, and Administration of the Finances and the Facilities of the thing. Whenever I was looking at the design of this Courthouse, I was trying to think, I moved

here 25 years ago and we still had a trailer park where WalMart sits, and where HEB sits, the roads were still fairly narrow, but for somebody to sit and say that this County is not going to get any bigger, they are just not paying attention, because Texas, the last time I saw before COVID, was getting like 10,000 workers coming in and out a day. So, to stay where we are in a cramped area and to pay someone else the amount of money necessary to keep us going vs. what the debt would be if we go ahead and do it where it's equally distributed on all of the tax payers, it seems to me like it's a very simple issue. We have good Judges, we have good Administration, I hope, we have an excellent law enforcement service, we have good roads, and we are working on good health care, we have good Fire Departments that are beyond appreciation and they are just awesome. I had six major fires in my precinct since the last Commissioners Court meeting. I think that the County is taking advantage of leveraging our money to be the best thing for the dollar and to be quite honest with you, I have very little patience for people that will talk in the Community about how foolish and silly we are. If they would just come up and listen, we've always been open to suggestions. I think if John recalls original ideas on the Courthouse, this is nothing like what it is now and we were 20 years back in space originally and it was still going to cost us about the same penny. So with that, I appreciate yawl coming and I appreciate the fact that you all do a good job, I appreciate the Sheriff, and I appreciate this court.

Judge Whatley: Just a couple of different things, I want to thank Judge Flanigan and John again, for getting with us. I'm

going to talk about some concerns I have, I've met with the Architects twice and we got this last plan and I was like, where did that come from? So it's been a concern that they haven't put our input in. I've gone through 4 Courthouse remodels in my tenure, I calculated the other day that I've sat in 22 different District Courtrooms, from Harris County, to Bexar County, down and I'm not even a visiting Judge. So, I have a little bit of experience of what works and I know what doesn't work. One of the things gentlemen, I don't know what your hope size it, but we have 22 square feet per juror and the latest proposal, I don't know if anybody wears a 24 inch coat in this room? So, think about you sitting next to your neighbor, that's a huge concern of mine, now I'm only talking about concerns because I think everything else has been totally understood. The District Courtroom, the size that we had before at the old courthouse, it was very doable, very usable, we filled it up, we would have jurors standing in the back, so we could go back to those square footages to look at what worked. This Courtroom next door, that size is a great size, we could probably work a little bit on the bar, but there's some ways we could work things around, but we need to make sure it's usable. I've also gone to some Courthouses before where the Audio/Visual is bad, in the Live Oak County Jail Courtroom is totally unusable by the Courts, you can't get it to work, no one knows how, the people that installed it are long gone, so that's a very expensive component and as long as we have good IT in this County, and I will tell you Aransas County has the best IT Department in five counties, so I just want to remind you of that, I always try to give Collin a plug when I can. Judges are lawyers and lawyers do not take IT classes, ok, so we are

totally unavailable, so that's very important to be able to use it. So those are the latest things that I just want to point out, as we all know, we've had some situations, especially in this County, where we were anticipating having court but it didn't work, legal-wise, so we just need a little bit of input periodically. Again, we are all aware, we are all taxpayers and we don't want to pay anymore or ask our citizens to be misinformed or having to pay more. So, that's where we are.

Judge Mills: Thank you.

Commissioner Smith: John, correct me if I'm wrong on this, the cost of this Courthouse the participation by grant represents probably less than 15 or 20% of the total, is that a fair statement?

John: Of the total, the grants themselves?

Commissioner Smith: No, the grant money that we are receiving to rebuild the Courthouse.

John: We are receiving 9.9 million on the Courthouse.

Commissioner Smith: Well that's, but some of that is insurance money?

John: That's insurance money and grants, we only got 2.9 million from FEMA.

Commissioner Smith: There you go, 2.9 million out of 20 million dollars, so to get it down, we are taking advantage of great interest rates at this point in time. I mean to get it down to where it is, we have a great financial advisor so these things are coming together to produce, like I said, maybe a \$300,000

increase in our Interest & Sinking Fund. For the most part it will be offset in the General Fund, not having to pay rent. But to think that we've, we are getting a lot of money from the grant, but the Federal people, no we are not.

COUNTY REPORTS

16. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve 3rd Quarter 2020 Hot Funds Report for the Rockport-Fulton Chamber of Commerce.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

17. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve 2nd Quarter 2020 Report for the Maritime Museum.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

18. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve 2nd Quarter 2020 Report for the Aransas County Historical Commission.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS, GRANTS & LEASES

19. Motion was made by Commissioner Laubach and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to amend Resolution #R-28-2020, with the removal of the words "to award contract upon successful negotiation" and change the wording to say "to

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negotiate" an engineering services contract with Hanson Professional Services, Inc., for the Rockport Center for the Arts Public Parking & Facilities improvements for General Land Office CDBG-DR Contract 20-065-098-C270.

Question. Motion carried with three votes for the motion and Commissioner Smith and Judge Mills voting against the motion.

It is so ordered.

20. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve Resolution #R-29-2020 authorizing County Judge to sign the renewal of the County's adoption agreement and Certificate of Resolution for the Section 125 Premium Only Plan. This plan is offered to all eligible County Employees as a benefit to reduce the tax liability on payment of health, dental, vision, and qualifying critical illness and life insurance premiums.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

21. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve Resolution #R-30-2020, awarding appraisal services for the Rockport Center for the Arts Public Parking and Facilities improvements to Tasador, Inc., for General Land Office (GLO) Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Contract 20-065-098-C270.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

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22. Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve authorizing the County Judge to sign a Memorandum of Understanding agreement for release of driver records for governmental entities with the Texas Department of Public Safety (TxDPS).

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

23. Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve authorizing the County Judge to sign Voluntary Collection Agreement with Homeaway.com, Inc., to facilitate Homeaway.com's reporting, collections and remittance of Aransas County hotel occupancy and venue taxes.

Question. Pat Rousseau: I had a question but Alma answered it in her remarks.

Motion

carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

24. Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve Memorandum of Understanding with Del Mar College to demonstrate Del Mar College's support for the establishment of a workforce development and entrepreneur center in Aransas County and to further confirm its commitment to operate and provide educational and workforce programming at the Center.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

25. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve Resolution #R-33-2020,

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authorizing the award of a professional environmental services contract for a federally funded project located at 2000 State Highway 35 Business North, Rockport, TX to Wild Associated in the amount of \$7,250 for a Phase I and II environmental assessment.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

26. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve Resolution #R-32-2020, authorizing the award of an appraisal services contract for a federally funded project located at 2000 State Highway Business North, Rockport, TX to Tasador, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$4,250.

Question. Pat Rousseau: My question has been answered, but the way that it was worded, a Federally Funded Project that's located at 2000 State Highway Business North, I just wanted to be sure that we announced what that Federally Fund Project was going to be and you have done that, that's the Workforce Development Center, which will be partly funded by one of the grants, correct. Judge Mills: Yes. Pat Rousseau: Thank you. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

COUNTY ROADS & FLOODPLAIN

27. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve Resolution #R-31-2020 to authorize execution of the County Transportation Infrastructure Fund Grant Agreement with Texas Department of Transportation

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(TxDOT).

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

28. Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve authorizing the County Judge to electronically sign the County Transportation Infrastructure Fund Grant Agreement with Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) - a total

eligible grant award of \$152,394 from the State of Texas with a minimum Aransas County match of \$38,099 - for County-identified Transportation Infrastructure Projects.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

PLANNING & BUDGET OFFICE

29. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve June 2020 Treasurer's Report.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

30. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve Treasurer's 2nd Quarter Investment Report.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

31. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve adoption of the Aransas

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County Financial Procedures. The purpose of financial management policies is to provide sound guidelines in planning the County's financial future. Aransas County considers the expenditure of funds to be an important responsibility and requires all persons involved with the purchase of goods or services to exercise good judgement in spending taxpayers money.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

32. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve the County Judge increasing the petty cash amount from \$100 to \$600.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

33. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve Budget Line Item Transfers of which there were none.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

34. Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve Accounts Payable and Payroll/Payroll Liabilities.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

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

Judge Mills: With this ZOOM meeting there is some delay on anything that is said back to the Court, therefore I am just suggesting that when we do the Pledge of Allegiance if you would please mute your mike because there is an echo behind everything we say then you say again. So, I'd appreciate that in the future. Also, if there are any reports, Jacky, do you have a fee report?

Jacky Cockerham: Yes, as it has been for the last few times we have seen a very large decrease, our Collections were \$147,900 plus, less than the same time period last year.

Michele Carew: I just wanted to let you guys know that we have posted an interactive map for voters on the Aransas County website. This will help them determine which precinct they are in and this was all put together by Damaris Tull at the Road & Bridge Department. She did all of the work and gets all of the credit, it's a wonderful tool for anyone that has any questions about the Precinct that they live in. I just wanted to give KUDOS to Damaris, we really appreciate her. The map is on our website and the County website, as well.

Mike Geer: I just want to give an update on when we can expect the eight hangars being re-built at the airport. We got news this morning from Don Jackson Construction that all of the foundation engineering has been returned so they can start forming and pouring slabs. When the buildings are expected to be delivered, that will be as early as August 22 and that will go all the way until the end of the year, one building roughly

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every two or three weeks until we get down to December 7th, that's when they are expecting the last building to be delivered.

No further business presenting, the Court adjourned at 10:45 a.m. on a motion made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Chaney.



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



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