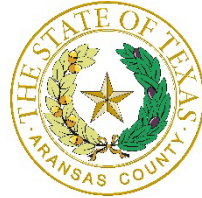


**COMMISSIONERS COURT
Aransas County, Texas**

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

Jack Chaney
Commissioner, Pct 1-1A

Leslie Casterline
Commissioner, Pct 2



Pat Rousseau
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 **12th day of SEPTEMBER, 2022 at 9:00 A.M. IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM IN THE ARANSAS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 2840 HWY. 35 N., ROCKPORT, TEXAS.** 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:

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 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, which has not been posted on the Agenda.

V. PRESENTATIONS

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

VI. 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.

1. Discuss, approve, or disapprove the Minutes from the August 29, 2022 Regular Meeting – Carrie Arrington/Judge Mills
2. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Minutes from the September 1, 2022 Special Meeting – Carrie Arrington/Judge Mills
3. Discuss and accept a \$100.00 donation from Lori Pavlish to Aransas County Animal Control – Lori Cesar/Judge Mills
4. Discuss, approve or disapprove authorizing Library Director to keep the Aransas County Library open to the Public until 7:30pm on October 28, 2022 for “Monstrous Family Night” at the Library – Iris Sanchez/Judge Mills

VII. COUNTY ROADS AND FLOODPLAIN

5. Discuss, approve, or disapprove Request for Variance on County Subdivision Regulations on Minimum Lot Size Requirements to replat 1708-1712 South Kossuth Street from two (2) lots into one (1) lot - Katherine Comeaux

VIII. CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS, GRANT, AND LEASES

6. Discuss, approve or disapprove proposed Change Order #3 for the Construction Contract with Marshall Company, Ltd. for the Rockport Center for the Arts Parking Lot, funded by a Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) grant administered by GLO contract number 20-065-098-C270, to increase the term of the contract by adding 23 days to the schedule to allow additional time to complete punch list items, orientation, and inspections – John Strothman/Judge Mills
7. Discuss, approve or disapprove proposed Change Order #5 for the Construction Contract with JM Davidson Ltd. for the Cedar Bayou/Vinson Slough Reopening Project, Project Number 85937, to increase the allowable cost for diesel fuel by \$3.50 per cubic yard to account for increased fuel costs - John Strothman/Judge Mills
8. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Certificate of Completion and Contractor’s Final Payment Affidavit from the Marshall Company, Ltd. for the Rockport Center for the Arts Parking Lot Project, which was funded by a Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) grant administered by GLO contract number 20-065-098-C270 - John Strothman/Judge Mills
9. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Certificate of Completion of Phase 1 for Hazard Mitigation Grant 4332-017 Fulton Beach Road Shoreline Restoration Project – John Strothman/Judge Mills
10. Discuss, approve or disapprove allowing the County Judge to sign a Routine Airport Maintenance Program (RAMP) Grant with Texas Department of Transportation wherein the Airport will receive 50% reimbursement for grant eligible maintenance expenses for a possible reimbursement of up to \$50,000.00– Mike Geer/Judge Mills

11. Discuss, approve or disapprove the proposed final design drawing and specifications for the New Aquarium at Rockport Harbor building– John Strothman/Judge Mills
12. Discuss, approve, or disapprove issuing a new Request for Bids for the Community Building, Plaza, and Parking Lot Project due to previous bids coming in over budget - John Strothman/Judge Mills
13. Discuss, approve, or disapprove entering into an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between Aransas County, Texas, The City of Rockport, Texas, and the Town of Fulton, Texas, for Emergency Dispatching Services for a term of up to Three (3) Years, with each party paying for use of services.

IX. PLANNING & BUDGET OFFICE

14. Discuss, approve, or disapprove the Aransas County Indigent Health Care Report for August 2022 – Alma Cartwright/Judge Mills
15. Discuss, approve, or disapprove the 2021-2022 End of Year Report for the Aransas County Indigent Health Care Program – Alma Cartwright/Judge Mills
16. Discuss, approve, or disapprove the adoption of Resolution #R-25-2022 Designating Richard P. Bianchi as the Program Director and contact person for the Indigent Defense Grant Program – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Mills
17. Discuss, approve, or disapprove a new job description for Chief Deputy-Sheriff at a pay group 25L– Sheriff Mills/Linda Doane/Judge Mills
18. Discuss, approve, or disapprove a new job description for Deputy Chief – Detention Center at a pay group 24L– Sheriff Mills/Linda Doane/Judge Mills
19. Discuss, approve, or disapprove the August 2022 Auditors Monthly Report – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Mills
20. Discuss, approve, or disapprove the Aransas County Navigation District (ACND) 2022 Tax Rate Levy of NO-NEW-REVENUE RATE of \$0.040434, consisting of a tax for the maintenance, operation, and upkeep of the District at the rate of \$0.030079, and a tax for the Interest and Sinking Fund on outstanding bond obligations at the rate of \$0.010355 – Keith Barrett/Judge Mills
21. Discuss, approve, or disapprove 2023 Salaries, expenses, and other allowances for elected officials – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Mills
22. Discuss, approve or disapprove adopting the 2023 Budget. THIS BUDGET WILL RAISE MORE TOTAL PROPERTY TAXES THAN LAST YEAR’S BUDGET BY \$666,363.00 OR 5.03% AND OF THAT AMOUNT, \$382,356.00 IS TAX REVENUE TO BE RAISED FROM NEW PROPERTY ADDED TO THE TAX ROLL THIS YEAR – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Mills

23. Discuss, approve, or disapprove adopting the proposed Tax Rate of \$0.358411 per \$100.00 value as the 2022 Tax Rate – Anna Marshall/Judge Mills

24. Discuss, approve, or disapprove adopting the 2022 Tax Roll and Levy – Anna Marshall/Judge Mills

25. Discuss, approve, or disapprove the adoption of Resolution #R-26-2022, a Resolution for the 2022 Tax Roll, Levy, and Rate. The total tax rate to be levied for the County of Aransas for the tax year 2022, be and is hereby set, at \$0.358411 per \$100.00 valuation with an assessment ratio of 100 percent, to be assessed and collected by the Tax Assessor-Collector for Aransas County as follows:

- a) \$ 0.258605 per \$100.00 valuation for the purpose of the County ad valorem maintenance and operations fund.
- b) \$ 0.041266 per \$100.00 valuation for the purpose of the County ad valorem interest and sinking fund.
- c) \$ 0.050425 per \$100.00 valuation for the purpose of the County Farm Market/Flood Control maintenance and operations with the resulting levy being split on a percentage basis: 89% designated for the County's Road & Bridge maintenance and operations fund and 11% designated for the Flood Control maintenance and operations fund.
- d) \$ 0.008115 per \$100.00 valuation for the purpose of the County Farm to Market/Flood Control FLOOD ONLY interest and sinking fund – Anna Marshall/Judge Mills

26. Discuss, approve, or disapprove Ratifying the Property Tax Increase reflected in the 2023 Budget – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Mills

27. Discuss, approve, or disapprove Budget Line Item Transfers – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Mills

28. Discuss, approve, or disapprove Accounts Payable and Payroll/Payroll Liabilities – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Mills

X. 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.

XI. REPORTS ABOUT ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST–NO ACTION

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.

XII. CLOSED SESSION

26. Consider convening into a Closed Session to consult with and receive advice from legal counsel about insurance matters related to Aransas County’s projects and insurance claims from Hurricane Harvey, 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 Mills

XIII. OPEN SESSION


27. Reconvene into Open Session.

28. Discuss and consider taking action on any matter discussed during closed session - Amanda Oster/Judge Mills

IX. ADJOURNMENT

CERTIFICATION

It is hereby affirmed that this NOTICE OF MEETING was duly posted at the Aransas County Courthouse at least seventy-two (72) hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting on bulletin boards that are readily accessible to the general public during normal business hours 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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Aransas County Judge’s Office
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FILED
AT 4:55 P.M.

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