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

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 <u>23rd DAY of JANUARY, 2023</u> at <u>9:00 A.M. IN THE COMMISSIONERS</u> <u>COURTROOM IN THE ARANSAS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 2840 HWY. 35 N.,</u> <u>ROCKPORT, TEXAS, 78382.</u> 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 <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCTxprR-CFvaZfapOVcLeDWQ/live.</u> The following subjects will be discussed at this meeting:

- I. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGES
- II. INVOCATION

III. ROLL CALL AND CONFIRMATION OF 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.

1. Presentation to introduce Patrick Cruz, the Marine Agent for Aransas County, by the Texas <u>A&M AgriLife Extension Service</u> – Megan Glidden and Virginia Easton-Smith

VI. 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.

- 2. Acknowledge receipt of, and record in the minutes of the Commissioners Court, a certificate from the <u>County & District Clerk's Association of Texas certifying Pam Heard</u>, District Clerk, has <u>completed the required 20 hours of Continuing Education for 2022</u> as prescribed in Section 51.605 of the Texas Government Code Pam Heard/Judge Garza
- 3. Acknowledge receipt of, and record in the minutes of the Commissioners Court, a certificate from the <u>Office of the Attorney General's Open Government Training</u> certifying that <u>Robert Dupnik has completed a course of training on the Texas Open Meetings Act</u> that satisfies the legal requirements of Government Code, Section 551.005 Commissioner Dupnik/Judge Garza
- 4. Acknowledge receipt of, and record in the minutes of the Commissioners Court, a certificate from the <u>Office of the Attorney General's Open Government Training</u> certifying that <u>Robert Dupnik has completed a course of training on the Texas Public Information</u> <u>Act</u> that satisfies the legal requirements of Government Code, Section 552.012 Commissioner Dupnik/Judge Garza
- 5. Acknowledge and accept <u>a donation from Jane S. Rose in the amount of \$100.00 to the</u> <u>Aransas County Library</u> – Iris Sanchez/Judge Garza

VII. COUNTY REPORTS

- 6. Discuss, approve or disapprove the <u>4th Quarter 2022 Aransas County Historical</u> <u>Commission Report</u> – Dave Hattman/Judge Garza
- Discuss, approve, or disapprove <u>the 2023 Appointees to, and Officers of, the Aransas</u> <u>County Historical Commission with each appointee and officer serving a 2 year term</u> -Betty Stiles/Dave Hattman/Judge Garza
- 8. Discuss, approve, or disapprove the <u>4th Quarter 2022 Rockport Center for the Arts Report</u> – Luis Purón/Judge Garza
- 9. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>appointing Jerry Brown and Katherine Hayes for a four-</u><u>year term to the Airport Advisory Board</u>. They will be joining Travis McDavid as Chair, Betty Stiles as Vice Chair, and Jim Rester–Judge Garza

VIII. COUNTY ROADS AND FLOODPLAIN

10. Discuss the status of the <u>Rattlesnake Point Road Project</u> funded through a Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) that is administered through the Texas General Land Office (GLO) and included in the <u>GLO Contract No. 20-065-098-</u> <u>C270</u> – David Reid/Judge Garza

IX. CONTRACTS AND GRANTS

- 11. Discuss, approve, or disapprove <u>releasing and returning One Million Dollars</u> (\$1,000,000.00) of Federal Fishery Disaster Assistance Grant Funds back to Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) that were intended for the <u>Cedar Bayou Dredging</u> <u>Project as the funds are no longer needed for the Project</u>– John Strothman/Judge Garza
- 12. Discuss, approve, or disapprove <u>Change Order #1, Change Order #2, and/or Change Order</u> <u>#3 to the Construction Contract for the Aransas County Downtown Anchor Project -</u> <u>Courthouse Construction</u> between Aransas County and Teal Construction Company dated February 28, 2022, to \$232,557.25 which will result in an decrease in the total contract cost from Twenty Three Million Six Hundred and Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$23,615,000.00) to Twenty Three Million Three Hundred Eighty Two Thousand Four Hundred Forty Two Dollars and 75 cents (\$23,382,442.75) - John Strothman/Judge Garza
- 13. Discuss, approve or disapprove accepting a grant award from the Texas Department of Emergency Management (TDEM) for Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) Disaster Recovery DR-4332-0202 Sub-Grant Award in the amount of \$63,801.00 Dollars to engineer and install a generator for emergency backup power at Aransas County Road and Bridge located at 1931 FM 2165 in Rockport, Texas and authorizing the County Judge to sign awards letter - John Strothman/Judge Garza
- 14. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>Task Order ID: 4 for the GrantWorks Grant Administration</u> <u>Contract for Services related to the Post Hazard Mitigation Grant Program for the Little</u> <u>Bay Drainage Project</u>, which work is funded by a grant received from the <u>Federal</u> <u>Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) 404 Hazard Mitigation Grant Program that is</u> <u>administered by the Texas Department of Emergency Management (TDEM)</u> – John Strothman/Judge Garza
- 15. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>Task Order ID: 5 for the GrantWorks Grant Administration</u> <u>Contract for Services related to the Post Hazard Mitigation Grant Program for the Aransas</u> <u>County Airport Field Lighting Generator Project</u>, which work is funded by a grant received from the <u>Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) 404 Hazard Mitigation Grant</u> <u>Program that is administered by the Texas Department of Emergency Management</u> <u>(TDEM)</u> - John Strothman/Judge Garza

- 16. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>Task Order ID: 10 for the GrantWorks Grant Administration Contract</u> for Services related to <u>the Post Hazard Mitigation Grant Program for the Aransas County Road & Bridge Generator Project</u>, which work is funded by a grant received from the <u>Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) 404 Hazard Mitigation Grant Program that is administered by the Texas Department of Emergency Management (TDEM)</u>- John Strothman/Judge Garza
- 17. Discuss, approve or disapprove entering into a <u>Contract for Professional Engineering</u> <u>Services between Aransas County, Texas and G & W Engineers, Inc. for the Hazard</u> <u>Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) Standby Generator Projects located at the Aransas</u> <u>County Airport, Project No. DR-4332-0197 and at Aransas County Road and Bridge,</u> <u>Project No. DR-4332-0202, for \$54,800.00, which projects are funded by a grant received</u> <u>from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) 404 Hazard Mitigation Grant</u> <u>Program that is administered by the Texas Department of Emergency Management</u> <u>(TDEM)</u> – John Strothman/Judge Garza
- 18. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>Justice of the Peace 2 applying for grant funding under the Juvenile Justice & Truancy Prevention Grant Program for a Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC) for families to help identify and assist in self-improvement programs Judge McGinnis/Judge Garza</u>
- Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>Justice of the Peace 2 applying for grant funding under the</u> <u>Juvenile & Truancy Prevention Grant Program for a Licensed Chemical Dependency</u> <u>Counselor (LCDC) for Alcohol and Drug Abuse family counseling</u> – Judge McGinnis/Judge Garza
- 20. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>accepting and awarding bids for Mosquito Insecticide for</u> <u>2023</u> – Valerie Gonzalez/Judge Garza
- 21. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>authorizing the County Treasurer to apply for, receive, and</u> <u>accept the 2023 distribution of proceeds from the Tobacco Settlement Fund from the Texas</u> <u>Department of State Health Services</u>, based on the County's unreimbursed health care expenditures for calendar year 2023 – Alma Cartwright/Judge Garza
- 22. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>entering into a Contract Labor Agreement Second</u> <u>Addendum with Randy Bingham, PA-C</u>, for inmate health care services at the Aransas County Detention Center to establish that visits will occur at least two times per week and to increase the base pay from \$2,000 to \$3,000 – Sheriff Mills/Judge Garza

X. PLANNING AND BUDGET

- 23. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>Patrick Cruz for the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension's</u> <u>Marine Agent for Aransas County</u> – Donnie Montemayor/Judge Garza
- 24. Discuss, approve, or disapprove <u>creating a new job description and position for a</u> <u>Mechanic-Road Crew which will replace a current unfilled operator position</u> – David Reid/Judge Garza

- 25. Discuss, approve, or disapprove <u>the payment of stipend for the Interim Emergency</u> <u>Management Coordinator, Mike Geer, in the amount of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000)</u> <u>and a cellphone allowance in the amount of Thirty-Four Dollars and Sixty-Two Cents</u> <u>(\$34.62) per pay period, for the Ninety (90) days of his appointment, beginning on January</u> <u>3, 2023, and ending on April 3, 2023.</u> – Judge Garza
- 26. Discuss, approve, or disapprove <u>Budget Line Item Transfers</u> Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza
- 27. Discuss, approve, or disapprove <u>Accounts Payable and Payroll/Payroll Liabilities</u> Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza

XI. 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.

XII. 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.

XIII. CLOSED SESSION

28. Consider <u>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</u>

– Amanda Oster/Jennifer O'Steen/Commissioner Rousseau

XIV. OPEN SESSION

29. Reconvene into Open Session

- 30. Discuss, approve or disapprove renewing the Aransas County Property and Casualty Insurance Policy with the Regional Pool Alliance for the year beginning March 1, 2023 and ending on February 29, 2024, for the annual premium listed in the renewal documents – Amanda Oster/Jennifer O'Steen/Judge Garza
- 31. Discuss and take action on matters discussed in closed session Amanda Oster/Jennifer O'Steen/ Judge Garza
- XV. 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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Tracy Orr Smith, Executive Assistant Aransas County Judge's Office Tel: 361-790-0100

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