

COMMISSIONERS COURT
Aransas County, Texas

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

Jack Chaney
Commissioner, Pct 1-1A

Bubba Casterline
Commissioner, Pct 2



Brian Olsen
Commissioner, Pct 3

Betty Stiles
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 NOVEMBER, 2017 at 9:00 A.M. AT THE AQUARIUM AT ROCKPORT HARBOR EDUCATION CENTER, 706 NAVIGATION CIRCLE, ROCKPOART, 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. 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 table in front of the pews 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 limited to fifteen (15) minutes unless other arrangements have been made with the Court.

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.

1. Discuss, approve, or disapprove the Minutes from the emergency meeting of September 2, 2017, the regular meeting of October 23, 2017, and emergency meeting of October 30, 2017 – Valerie Amason/Judge Mills
2. Acknowledge receipt of and record in Minutes of Commissioners Court Continuing Education Credits for Alma Cartwright, County Treasurer, as follows: 2017 County Treasurer's Continuing Education Hours, 2017 County Investment Academy Continuing Education Hours and 14 hours County Investment Academy attendance at June Conference, and 2017-2018 Public Funds Investment Act Continuing Education Hours – Alma Cartwright/Judge Mills

3. Acknowledge receipt of and record in Minutes of Commissioners Court **Continuing Education Credits for Pam Heard, District Clerk**, Certificate of Completion to the Texas District Court Alliance 17th Annual Workshop held October 17-19, 2017 –Pam Heard/Judge Mills
4. Discuss, approve, or disapprove **Joint Proclamation #P-10-2017** recognizing November 25, 2017, as “Small Business Saturday” in the Rockport-Fulton Area – Diane Probst/Judge Mills
5. Discuss, approve, or disapprove **Proclamation Disaster Declaration and Order # PO-01-2017** authorizing and ratifying the County Judge to continue and renew the Declaration of Disaster for seven day periods as prescribed by *Texas Government Code §418.108(b)* and clarifying the jurisdiction and authority of the County Judge to be inclusive of the incorporated and unincorporated areas - Judge Mills
6. Discuss, approve or disapprove the **Front Steps to the Aquarium at Rockport Harbor Education Center**, 706 Navigation Circle, Rockport, TX be designated as the area **where sales of real property** are to take place under *§34.01 of the Property Tax Code* – Jeri Cox/Judge Mills
7. **Canvass ballots** from November 7, 2017, Constitutional Amendment Election- Michele Bennett/Judge Mills
8. Discuss, **accept and recognize a donation of \$50.00** from Robert W. Dietze on behalf of the late Ralph Pyle to Aransas County Animal Control to be used to purchase Simparica. – John Strothman/Judge Mills
9. Discuss, approve or disapprove and **accept donated gift cards** from Gulfport Miss., Radical Christian Ministries among others. Total value to be distributed to the Sheriff Office Staff will be \$1,910.00, also reporting \$2,500 in HEB gift cards to be distributed to citizens impacted by Hurricane Harvey at the discretion of the Sheriff Officers. – Sheriff Mills/Judge Mills

• **COUNTY COURTROOMS**

10. Discuss, approve and/or change the status of the **Aquarium at Rockport Harbor Education Center**, 706 Navigation Circle, Rockport, TX as an auxiliary courtroom for District Court and discuss the District Judges’ communications regarding Aransas County defendants and trial settings in Aransas County- Kristen Barnebey/Judge Mills

• **CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS & LEASES**

11. Discuss, approve, or disapprove and authorize County Judge to sign **TNT Mobile Home Service Lease Agreement** covering approximately 5,665.5 square feet of Airport land, on a month-to-month basis from Aransas County, to be used as a supply staging area for setting up FEMA trailers for the Coastal Bend – Mike Geer/Judge Mills
12. Discuss, approve, or disapprove and authorize County Judge to sign **Letter Agreement with JAX Engineering, Inc.**, to provide a construction manager, Patrick Greenwood, and construction management services to assist with debris removal in Aransas County – Judge Mills
13. Discuss, approve, or disapprove and authorize County Judge to sign **Letter Agreement with Sid W. Richardson Foundation** for a \$35,000 grant to provide funding to engage a construction site manager for six to eight weeks – Judge Mills

14. Discuss, Approve or disapprove and authorize County Judge to sign the Rebuilding Texas Libraries Grant Application for the Aransas County Public Library- Iris Sanchez/Judge Mills

• **PLANNING & BUDGET OFFICE**

15. Discuss, approve, or disapproved lowering the minimum fee for building permits – Commissioner Casterline
16. Discuss, approve or disapprove revised Job descriptions for District Clerks based on changes in responsibilities. There are no changes to Group, Step, or Salary amounts. Job Descriptions attached. – Pam Heard/Judge Mills
17. Discuss, approve or disapprove 2018 Fee Schedule for Transfer Station and Environmental Health- Valerie Gonzalez/Judge Mills
18. Discuss, approve, or disapprove the October 2017 Indigent Health Care Report- Alma Cartwright/Judge Mills
19. Discuss, approve, or disapprove Budget Line Item Transfers – Suzy Wallace/Judge Mills
20. Discuss, approve, or disapprove Accounts Payable and Payroll/Payroll Liabilities – Suzy Wallace/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 TO DISCUSS POTENTIAL 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 3:05 P. M.
NOV 09 2017 *posted @ 3:10 PM*

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 Coastal Plains Children's Center, 317 N. Pearl Street, Rockport, Aransas County, Texas on the ____ day of _____, 2017, and said Notice remained so posted continuously for at least seventy-two (72) hours preceding the scheduled time of said Meeting.

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