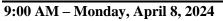
# **MINUTES** Aransas County Commissioners Court Special Meeting



The Aransas County Commissioners Court met on Thursday, April 8, 2024, 9:00 AM, in the Aransas County Courthouse, 2840 Hwy 35 N, Rockport, Texas. Aransas County Commissioner's Court meeting video recordings are available by following this link: <u>Commissioners Court Minutes and Agendas</u> (aransascountytx.gov), then scroll to the bottom of the page and select the date you wish to view.

- Present: Ray A. Garza, County Judge Jack Chaney, Commissioner Precinct 1-1A Leslie Casterline, Commissioner, Precinct 2 Pat Rousseau, Commissioner, Precinct 3 Robert Dupnik, Commissioner, Precinct 4-4A
- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. INVOCATION
- III. PLEDGES
- IV. ROLL CALL AND CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM
- V. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

#### VI. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

 Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>the April 1, 2023 Presentation for Pearl Point Rockport</u> Phase 1, LLC, as required by the Chapter 381 Economic Development Agreement and Authorize Payment of \$38,461.88 for the rebate on the 2023 taxes paid January 2024 – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza

**Motion to approve:** by Commissioner Casterline, motion was seconded by Commissioner Chaney

**Discussion followed:** John Davis is presenting. The motion was amended we were unable to hear John Davis. He will present at next commissioners court. **Vote:** Motion Tabled by Commissioner Casterline, motion was seconded by Commissioner Chaney 5-0: it was so ordered

 Discuss, approve or disapprove the April 1, 2023 Presentation for Pearl Point Phase 2, LLC, as required by the Chapter 381 Economic Development Agreement and Authorize Payment of \$11,213.91 for the rebate on the 2023 Taxes paid January 2024 – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza

Motion to approve: by Commissioner Casterline, motion was seconded by Commissioner Chaney Discussion followed: Motion table unable to hear John Davis Vote: Motion Tabled by Commissioner Casterline, motion was seconded by Commissioner Chaney 5-0: it was so ordered 3. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>Proclamation P-04-2024</u>, proclaiming April 6<sup>th</sup> through April 12<sup>th</sup> as the Children's Coalition of Aransas County – "Week of the Young Child" – Dianne Nielsen

**Motion to approve:** by Commissioner Rousseau, motion was seconded by Commissioner Dupnik

**Discussion followed**: Proclamation was read by Megan Glidden. **Vote:** Motion carried 5-0: it was so ordered

4. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>Proclamation P-07-2024</u>, recognizing April 9<sup>th</sup> as Pam Stranahan Day – Judge Garza

**Motion to approve:** by Commissioner Rousseau, motion was seconded by Commissioner Dupnik

**Discussion followed:** Proclamation was read by Tracy Smith. Pam-Strananhan- Thank you so much I appreciate this and all the effort that went into this. The nomination itself from the different historical groups here in town. Hopefully we're bringing Aransas County History to the whole state by doing this. **Vote:** Motion carried 5-0: it was so ordered

5. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>Proclamation P-08-2024</u>, recognizing the month of April as Child Abuse Prevention Month – Judge Garza

Motion to approve: by Commissioner Rousseau, motion was seconded by Commissioner Dupnik Discussion followed: Proclamation was read by Tracy Smith. Vote: Motion carried 5-0: it was so ordered

6. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>Proclamation P-09-2024</u>, recognizing the month of April as Beach Safety and Rip Current Awareness Month – Judge Garza

Motion to approve: by Commissioner Dupnik, motion was seconded by Commissioner Casterline Discussion followed: Proclamation was read by Tracy Smith.

**Vote:** Motion carried 5-0: it was so ordered

7. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>Proclamation P-10-2024</u>, recognizing April 14<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> as National Animal Care and Control Appreciation Week -

Motion to approve: by Commissioner , motion was seconded by Commissioner Discussion followed: Proclamation was read by Caitlan Frazier. Vote: Motion carried 5-0: it was so ordered

## VII. CONSENT AGENDA

- 8. Discuss, approve or disapprove the <u>Minutes</u> from the January 31, 2024 Special Meeting Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza
- 9. Discuss, approve or disapprove the <u>Minutes</u> from the February 12, 2024 Regular Meeting Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza

- 10. Discuss, approve or disapprove the <u>Minutes</u> from the February 22, 2024 Special Meeting Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza
- 11. Discuss, approve or disapprove the <u>Minutes</u> from the March 11, 2024 Regular Meeting Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza

Motion to accept the consent agenda: by Commissioner Casterline, motion was seconded by Commissioner Rousseau Discussion followed: No discussion followed. Vote: Motion carried 5-0: it was so ordered

#### VIII. COUNTY REPORTS AND RESOLUTIONS

12. Discuss, approve, or disapprove <u>allowing Wings Over Rockport (WOR) a 501c(3)</u> <u>nonprofit organization, to host fundraiser events in 2024</u> at the Aransas County Airport in coordination with the airport manager – Mike Geer/Judge Garza

**Motion to approve:** by Commissioner Dupnik, motion was seconded by Commissioner Casterline

**Discussion followed:** Mike Geer- This was promised to come back to Commissioners Court. Previously you all had approved Wings Over Rockport to host a pancake breakfast. That went well - they raised money. Wings Over Rockport would like to use the airport going forward for fundraisers.

Commissioner Rousseau- Have they proposed a schedule of events?

Judge Garza- When is the next pancake breakfast?

Mike Geer- April 27, 2024.

Vote: Motion carried 5-0: it was so ordered

## IX. COUNTY ROADS AND FLOODPLAIN

13. Discuss, approve, or disapprove <u>a request by AJ-PL Joint Venture to authorize the County</u> Judge to sign a letter of support for the development of More Town Lots on Pearl Street and assist the developer in providing drainage infrastructure for the development in exchange of a permanent drainage easement [*Tabled 03/11/2024*] – David Reid/Judge Garza

**Motion to table:** by Commissioner Rousseau, motion was seconded by Judge Garza **Discussion followed:** Commissioner Rousseau- I want to table this item because at the Storm Water Flood Plane Management meeting, the committee did vote to support the county giving a letter of support for the development of the More Town Lots on Pearl Street. The city representative said we would leave off any other discussion about it if the county was going to provide the equipment and manpower to develop the channel or ditch. This does not adequately reflect what took place at that meeting. Judge Garza- Do I have motion?

Commissioner Casterline, motion was seconded by Judge Garza

David Reid- The draft letter for this agenda didn't have anything about the county supplying anything. It only mentioned helping the developer. I think it's consistent

with what was approved by the Storm Water Management.

Judge Garza- It was just in the motion.

Commissioner Rousseau- It was in the motion that they voted on to support. Commissioner Casterline- I think the whole thing could be done by the city since the project is in the city limits, and the plat will have to be done by the city. The city could come and ask for an interlocal to do the same thing.

David Reid- We're not asking to build anything at this time. All we are doing is saying we would support this project with the idea that we will get a drainage easement.

Commissioner Casterline- Should the drainage easement come to us or the city? David Reid- It would come to the city because it is in the city.

Commissioner Casterline- It would be a drainage easement in the plat correct? David Reid- Yes, and all we are doing is supporting the project.

Vote: Motion not to table carried 3-2: it was so ordered

Motion approved carried 5-0: it was so ordered

# X. CONTRACTS AND GRANTS

14. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>Resolution R-10-2024</u>, a <u>Resolution to select Thompson</u> <u>Consulting Services to provide Disaster Recovery and Restoration Services for Aransas</u> <u>County</u>; Authorizing the County Judge to execute necessary documents; providing for severance; and confirming compliance with the Open Meetings Act - Mike Geer/Judge <u>Garza</u>

**Motion to approve:** by Commissioner Casterline, motion was seconded by Commissioner Dupnik

**Discussion followed:** Commissioner Rousseau- No fee schedule was provided. We were provided plenty of information but in the packet exhibit A & B were referred to but not attached. Can we get what the fee schedule is and answer the question if this is replacing a provider that we've used in the past or is this a new provider for services that we have not had coverage for in the past?

Mike Geer- I was not at the bid opening. I had a scheduling conflict. If anyone could answer that it would be great.

Commissioner Casterline- It is the same bidder that we had after Harvey. He did an excellent job. The fees are set by FEMA and then reimbursed from them.

Jacky Cockerham- This is a new contractor that will help with us in recovery. We have experience with this contractor. They are the ones that did the debris monitoring and actually still have our contract for debris monitoring with FEMA. This is

additional which would be someone who could come in and help us assess with all the damage. They would help us with all of our projects and our insurance claims. Commissioner Casterline- Did you say they would be equivalent of what North Star

contractor.

Jacky Cockerham- Yes they would be our representative. In all of the fees they were actually the lowest of the bidders in the fees that were included. All but one of them did not include fees but they were the lowest. I have a schedule I did which I did not bring it.

Commissioner Rousseau- This is similar to some of the other contracts that we have approved in the past for just another year's renewal. We won't incur any charges

unless we use their services.

Jacky Cockerham- Yes, but this an addition to those. This for the debris and the monitoring and recovery or the immediate recovery of what we need and for equipment. These people will come in afterwards and will help with all of our disaster recovery. They will access all of the damage and help us with some of the stuff that FEMA did. We relied on FEMA and Northstar to come in and do some of that **Vote:** Motion carried 5-0: it was so ordered

15. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>authorizing Misty Kimbrough, Aransas County Clerk, to</u> <u>sign the Project Change Request of the Tyler Eagle Contract</u>, which will reallocate time not used in other areas of the project and prevent additional charges and finish the upload of data from Kofile –Part 1 of the Kofile five (5) year project that began in March of 2022 – Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza

**Motion to approve:** by Commissioner Rousseau , motion was seconded by Commissioner Chaney

**Discussion followed:** Commissioner Rousseau- When you say you moved hours last year did you allocate a certain number of hours at a certain charge to be used for different tasks and they were not used up?

Misty Kimbrough- Yes correct when they started this project, which I was not a part of, there was an allocation of time estimated. That time that was left over from Tyler was not used. They're now moving this so that we don't have to pay an additional fee. **Vote:** Motion carried 5-0: it was so ordered

16. Discuss, approve, or disapprove <u>authorizing the County Judge to sign the amended contract</u> with Greenbelt Turf Management, LLC, who were recently awarded the contract for brush grinder services. The Contract has a compensation error – the old contract stated the County agrees to pay the Contractor the sum of \$1.74 per cubic yard of 105 ground mulch and \$3.48 per cubic yard of double grind mulch – Anthony Van Meter/Judge Garza

**Motion to approve:** by Commissioner Casterline, motion was seconded by Commissioner Dupnik

**Discussion followed:** Anthony Van Meter- On the original contract they made some kind of composition error. They wanted it to be \$3.48 for double ground. Even at that price that is way less than what the other bidder had.

Judge Garza- What did they originally have?

Anthony Van Meter- \$1.74 was the original price.

Commissioner Rousseau- That is still the lowest correct?

Anthony Van Meter- Yes that is correct.

Commissioner Casterline- The actual contract that we are going to use are these the numbers.

Eric Smith- The response that we received showed \$1.74 for single grind and \$1.74 for double grind. Their interpretation was it's a \$1.74 the first time they grinded for the second time it was \$1.74. I didn't interpret it that way. Once I wrote the contract and showed them the draft Green Belt came back and said no single grind is \$1.74 and \$3.48 if you're double. It was just misunderstanding on my part.

17. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>Change Order #17</u> from Teal Construction for the following change: CRP 82.2 – Install Spray Foam Insulation in Attic - furnish and install Carlisle spray foam insulation in the attic cavity above Courthouse second floor concrete deck; insulation will be applied to achieve R-38 insulation value; the concrete deck will be prepped by insulation contractor – ADD \$87,318.00 and Nine (9) Days [*Tabled 03-25-2024*] – Elle Moralez/Judge Garza

**Motion to approve:** by Commissioner Chaney, motion was seconded by Commissioner Rousseau

**Discussion followed:** Judge Garza- Do we need to table this once more? Mark Williams- We have not gotten a signature from Teal Construction on this. They're not willing to sign the change order with an extension of only nine days. They want to tie this to other work and extend the general conditions. We have a tentative meeting set up with them and Mike Monreal and I to negotiate what type of time and what other task that this change order is tied to that would validate an extension. Until we have that meeting and we understand what their request is we're not ready to present this to the court.

Judge Garza- Just to make the commissioners aware a change order requires three signatures. It requires my signature, the signature of the contractor and the architect. Right now we only have two signatures, well we only have one really, which is the architect, but if we vote on it we would be the second signature. We would not have the signature of the contractor. The contractor wanted to move the change order directives where is requires the architect signature and my signature then they can do the work and then we talk about the pay afterwards. I'm against that. We're not going to do that. There's a meeting scheduled soon.

Mark Williams- They have not told us what time they're willing to meet. I have offered to have an onsite call or an onsite meeting with them or even a zoom meeting. I have not had a response yet.

Commissioner Rousseau- When did you request that?

Mark Williams- Last week on Thursday or Friday.

Commissioner Rousseau- Initially Teal was proposing to do this work the amount was closer to \$300,000 correct?

Mark Williams- That is correct. They requested to do the work with an additional of 145 days of contract time and \$299,000. We intercepted that and asked that we get three bids for the work from subcontractors and we helped acquire those. We received a low bid of \$75,000 or \$79,000 with a required contract time of nine days. We had Teal select them as their low bidder and redraft a potential change order which they did and they added on their 10% which went up to \$87,000. With that addition they requested to change the contract time extension to nine days. We drafted the change order and we sent it to the county for placement on the docket. We could not get them to sign the document and send it to us.

Judge Garza- I'm surprised they are not here. At the last meeting they expressed that they wanted to get things moving and get everything signed.

18. Discuss, approve or disapprove Bay Shore Erosion Mitigation Project<u>RESTORE ACT</u> <u>Sub-recipient Reimbursement Contract No. 582-21-22184 with the Texas Commissioners</u> <u>on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) Change Order #1</u> from Orion Construction for the removal and disposal of additional concrete panels at Reach 5, Groin 1 for the maximum amount of \$22,560. No impact days – Elle Moralez/Judge Garza

**Motion to approve:** by Commissioner Casterline, motion was seconded by Commissioner Chaney

**Discussion followed:** Elle Moralez- Originally the groin was actually 100. Before it was 140' out into the water. The original contract had them do 70' to see what they found and then pull out so that way we could go back and put in the sheet pile and we won't hit anything. They have a little variance of 5' to go to the north or west of where it actually should be. We decided that they need to investigate the additional 70'and whatever they find out there they will pull out, and that's why the cost has a little variance. If they don't find a lot of stuff then it could only be a \$10,000 if they find a bunch then it will be closer to \$22,000. We are working with our grant to see if they will reimburse.

Jacky Cockerham- There is enough flexibility in the grant that this will be covered by the grant.

Commissioner Dupnik- When you read this letter that Mott McDonald has I read it to say that they recommend that the work should be performed at no cost to the owner. I am miss reading that?

Elle Moralez- Investigation going out with the boat - that part will not be a cost to the owner. It's what they take out that will be the cost to the owner.

Commissioner Dupnik- This is just for the exploration work correct?

Elle Moralez- Correct this is just for the exploration work. The exploration they do out there is not going to cost the county. When they pull out whatever they find for example concrete that happens to be down there, that will be at our cost or the grants cost. (see video for image of work)

Commissioner Casterline- The hike where you go past when you go out to the end the height of the rock along the road is that the final? Have you received any push back from the residents?

Elle Moralez- No we have not. The residents have been pretty excited about getting the project started.

Commissioner Rousseau- I have heard from a couple of people who live in that neighborhood they were concerned about the fact they don't have sandy beaches. Where the rocks are going in, did there used to be sandy beach?

Elle Moralez- There was an area where there were some steps which are still there. We did not take those out. For the project to work overall it could not have any of that sandy beach area. I know there's one homeowner in particular who was upset because it was right by her area. To have it work and protect it, there needs to be the boulder armor stone.

**Vote:** Motion carried 5-0: it was so ordered

 Discuss approve or disapprove request to solicit Requests for Proposals (RFP) to Digital Imaging and Preservation of Records for the District Clerk's Office using American Rescue Plan Funds – Jacky Cockerham **Motion to approve:** by Commissioner Casterline, motion was seconded by Commissioner Chaney

**Discussion followed:** Jacky Cockerham- This is in addition we had already that had gone out for bids for the District Clerk & the County Clerk for this digital imaging. The District Clerk picked another vendor and had done all the records she could. She has additional funds that were allocated to the ARPA funds. This request is for her to go out and do some more of the records to image & preserve.

Commissioner Rousseau- The amount that will be spent is just up to what her original allocation was correct?

Jacky Cockerham- Yes correct.

**Vote:** Motion carried 5-0: it was so ordered

20. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>Change Order No. 1 for construction contract for Holiday</u> <u>Beach</u> in the County's General Land Office Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Relief (CDBG-DR) Contract #20-065-098-C270, to LCR Total Transport, LLC; this change order increases the contract amount to \$4,364,933.85 and increases the time by one hundred (100) days – David Reid/Judge Garza

Motion to approve: by Commissioner Dupnik, motion was seconded by Commissioner Casterline

**Discussion followed:** David Reid- We are still trying to use up all our money for the grant to improve the project.

Commissioner Casterline- Are you mostly putting in covers and cleaning out ditches? David Reid- Yes this one we're changing the rock for the seal coat to pre-coat what we normally use.

Commissioner Chaney- Do you normally use Granite gravel out there.

David Reid- We were trying to make sure the bids came in at the right price. We did not call for pre-coat.

Commissioner Rousseau- You said additional drainage pipe in your memorandum. Are you giving more area improved access to drainage?

David Reid- Yes most of the pipes are driveways that either weren't counted or built before.

Judge Garza- If we increase by 100 days does that include general conditions? David Reid- Yes

**Vote:** Motion carried 5-0: it was so ordered

21. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>Change Order No. 4 for construction contract for</u> <u>Rattlesnake Point Road</u> in the County's General Land Office Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Relief (CDBG-DR) Contract #20-065-098-C270, to New Stout Excavating Group Texas, LLC to increase the contract amount to \$5,064,133.30 – David Reid/Judge Garza

**Motion to approve:** by Commissioner Casterline, motion was seconded by Commissioner Dupnik

**Discussion followed:** David Reid- This is the same thing making the project better while trying to use up the money that is available.

Commissioner Casterline- That includes the work on the detour route? David Reid- Yes

22. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>Change Order No. 5 for construction contract for</u> <u>Rattlesnake Point Road</u> in the County's General Land Office Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Relief (CDBG-DR) Contract #20-065-098-C270, to New Stout Excavating Group Texas, LLC to increase the contract cost to \$5,389,817.48 – David Reid/Judge Garza

Motion to approve: by Commissioner Rousseau, motion was seconded by Commissioner Chaney
Discussion followed: Commissioner Chaney- How much of an increase is it?
David Reid- It is an increase of \$325,000.
Commissioner Casterline- What do we add on the percentage we can go up to 25%?
David Reid- We are below 25%. We want to be at 25.99%. This is specifically detours and clean outs and some drainage channels.
Commisioner Rousseau- This is for Allen M Parks and Sage Brush correct?

David Reid- Correct

Vote: Motion carried 5-0: it was so ordered

23. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>Resolution R-11-2024</u>, a resolution that dissolves the Stormwater and Flood Plain Management Advisory Committee (SWFMAC) and creates a Stormwater Technical Committee (SWTC) consisting of representatives from Aransas County, City of Rockport, City of Aransas Pass, Town of Fulton and the Aransas County Navigation District – David Reid/Judge Garza

**Motion to approve:** by Commissioner Casterline, motion was seconded by Commissioner Chaney

**Discussion followed:** Commissioner Casterline- If Aransas Pass has not been active in the storm water committee, should we set it up if they're not active in it that it would not mess with your ability to get quorum?

David Reid- That could change. This is a technical committee that we're proposing where the technical staff is working with each other and make sure that it benefits everybody. We can't and won't try to mandate a city that doesn't want to do something. This is still City Councils and Commissioners court that have to come in and ultimately approve what this technical committee thinks is a good idea.

Commissioner Dupnik- Does this technical committee need approval from any other political entities?

David Reid- Technical Committee will need approval from all the political entities. Commissioner Rousseau- Under the appointments under #2 it says the chairman shall be appointed annually. But in #1 they say the members will elect a chairman. I was curious about that change in wording because there is a difference between election and appointment.

David Reid- The intent is the committee elect or appoint or however we put it off that committee chair annually.

#### XI. PLANNING AND BUDGET

24. Discuss, approve, or disapprove the <u>Aransas County Indigent Health Care Report for</u> <u>March 2024</u> – Alma Cartwright/Judge Garza

**Motion to approve:** by Commissioner Rousseau, motion was seconded by Commissioner Casterline

**Discussion followed:** Alma Cartwright- The total expenditures for the month was \$61,808. We are writing 25% of the budgeted amount for total expenditures **Vote:** Motion carried 5-0: it was so ordered

25. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>appointing Mike Geer as Emergency Management</u> <u>Coordinator for one (1) year beginning April 8, 2024, at a stipend of \$20,000 – Mike Geer/Judge Garza</u>

**Motion to approve:** by Commissioner Rousseau, motion was seconded by Commissioner Dupnik

**Discussion followed:** Commissioner Rousseau- Mike do have any involvement in the LEPC (local emergency planning committee)?

Mike Geer- Ours is the Coastal Local Emergency Planning Committee. We have meetings quarterly the meetings are in Sinton. Yes, Aransas County has membership and I and Judge Garza represent Aransas County.

Commissioner Chaney- Is the amount stated here in line with where you are now? Mike Geer- Yes it is exactly the same.

**Vote:** Motion carried 5-0: it was so ordered

26. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>a new job description for a part-time Investigator Position</u> – Amanda Oster/Desiree Upton

**Motion to approve:** by Commissioner Chaney, motion was seconded by Commissioner Dupnik

**Discussion followed:** Amanda Oster- This is not a previously budgeted position. All the pay and benefits would be paid out of the grant money funding that my office has recently received. It will not impact the budget as it would be a part time position paid hourly.

Judge Garza- Will they be using a County vehicle?

Amanda Oster- No

Commissioner Rousseau- What is the time period for the grant?

Amanda Oster- It is annually so as of right now we will have it for this year. We have to approve it every year. It would not get approved unless there was funding available in my budget.

Judge Garza- Is it contingent next year if we don't get that grant does the position go away?

Amanda Oster- Unless I have funds in my budget elsewhere that would be something we would have to consider.

Commissioner Chaney- Will this person be used across the board or anything that is being investigated by the County Attorney's?

Amanda Oster- The person would be working under Andrew our current investigator to assist him in any way.

27. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>updated job description for Pathways Administrative &</u> <u>Event Coordinator</u> - Rene Butler/Desiree Upton/Judge Garza

Motion to approve: by Commissioner Dupnik, motion was seconded by Commissioner Rousseau Discussion followed: Desiree Upton- This is just an update to the job duties to accurately reflect what the position actually does. Vote: Motion carried 5-0: it was so ordered

28. Discuss, approve or disapprove the <u>February 2024 Auditor's Monthly Report</u> – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza

**Motion to approve:** by Commissioner Chaney, motion was seconded by Commissioner Casterline

**Discussion followed:** Commissioner Rousseau- On the first page of your letter for both February and March, on the bottom you state that the tax collection report was not available for that month?

Jacky Cockerham- She had not gotten them to me.

Commissioner Rousseau- Today is April 8 and we still don't have February's report? Jacky Cockerham- I don't have them.

**Vote:** Motion carried 5-0: it was so ordered

29. Discuss, approve or disapprove the <u>March 2024</u> Auditor's Monthly Report – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza

Motion to accept the consent agenda: by Commissioner Chaney, motion was seconded by Commissioner Casterline Discussion followed: No discussion Vote: Motion carried 5-0: it was so ordered

30. Discuss, approve, or disapprove the <u>Budget Line Items</u> Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza

> Motion to accept the consent agenda: by Commissioner Casterline, motion was seconded by Commissioner Dupnik Discussion followed: No discussion Vote: Motion carried 5-0: it was so ordered

31. Discuss, approve, or disapprove <u>Accounts Payable and Payroll/Payroll Liabilities</u> – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza

Motion to accept the consent agenda: by Commissioner Casterline, motion was seconded by Commissioner Chaney

**Discussion followed:** Jacky Cockerham- I have some capital I would like to address. We had a check from Lloyd Gosling for \$68,817.50, Mott McDonald (Little Bay Feasibility Study) for \$4,676 another check from Mott McDonald (streets and drainage projects for GLO) for \$36,703.59, New Stout Construction (Rattlesnake Road) there were two invoices that total \$1,119,806.36, Grant Connection (Bay Shore Drive) \$3,720.83, ARPA Funds (Jury software) \$32,590. **Vote:** Motion carried 5-0: it was so ordered

#### XII. REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONERS, ELECTED OFFICIALS, AND DEPARTMENT HEADS – NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN

#### XIII. REPORTS ABOUT ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST – NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN

• Judge Garza- I do want to mention we recently awarded management of Tiger Field Legacy. They've have been having a lot of events. They are starting up adult softball. Be on the lookout for Facebook and like them if you want.

#### XIV. CLOSED SESSION

32. 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

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

Motion to move into closed session: by Commissioner Rousseau, motion was seconded by Commissioner Casterline Vote: Motion carried 5-0: it was so ordered Recess 10:12 AM Convened into closed session at <u>10:12 AM</u>

#### XV. OPEN SESSION

33. Reconvene into Open Session

Motion to reconvene into open session: by Commissioner Rosseau , motion was seconded by Commissioner Casterline Vote: Motion carried 5-0: it was so ordered Convened into open session at <u>10:35 AM</u>

34. Discuss and take action on matters discussed in closed session – Amanda Oster/Judge Garza

Motion to by Commissioner , motion was seconded by Commissioner Discussion followed: No discussion Vote: Motion carried 5-0: it was so ordered

#### XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn: by Commissioner Casterline, motion was seconded by Commissioner Chaney Vote: Motion carried 5-0: it was so ordered Meeting adjourned at  $\underline{10:36 \text{ AM}}$ 

#### ARANSAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Ray A. Garza, County Judge

Date Signed

Misty Kimbrough, Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court

Date Signed