## MINUTES OF THE ARANSAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

## PUBLIC HEARING - AUGUST 23, 2021

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 23rd day of August, 2021, there was a Public Hearing of the Commissioners Court of Aransas County, Texas, held in the Aransas County Courthouse, 2840 Hwy 35 N, Rockport, Texas, with the following members present in person, via Zoom, or via YouTube: C. H. "Burt" Mills, Jr., County Judge; Jack Chaney, Commissioner Precinct 1-1A; Leslie Casterline, Commissioner, Precinct 2; and Carrie Arrington, County Clerk.

Pat Rousseau, Commissioner Precinct 3, and Wendy Laubach, Commissioner Precinct 4, were absent.

Other County Officials/Department Heads/Staff Members present in person were: Tracy Orr, Administrative Assistant to County Judge; Anna Marshall, Tax Assessor-Collector; Amanda Oster, County Attorney; Jennifer O'Steen, Assistant County Attorney; Jacky Cockerham, County Auditor; Latisha Murphy, Assistant Auditor; Bill Mills, Sheriff; Collin Jackson, IT Director; David Reid, County Engineer; Mike Geer, Airport Manager; and John Strothman, Long-Term Recovery.

Members of Other Governmental Entities or Community Groups and Interested Parties, or Aransas County Citizens present in person: Mike Probst, Editor and Publisher, The Rockport Pilot.

Aransas County Citizens present in person: Carolyn Smith, Stanley Ward, Amy Biddle, Kevin Biddle, and Lawrence Mikolajczyk.

The Meeting was duly convened at 8:30 a.m., Roll call was taken and a quorum was declared by Judge Mills, WHEREUPON, the following proceedings were had and done, to wit:

## ITEMS FOR DELIBERATION AND/OR ACTION

1. Judge Mills called for public comments on the proposed 2021 Tax rate used to fund the 2022 Budget. There were none.

He read that the tax rate with no new revenue is 0.392917 per hundred dollars. He waited a couple of minutes then repeated his earlier statement that this is the time for public comments of the proposed 2021 tax rate used to fund the 2022 Budget and that the proposed tax rate with no new revenue is 0.392917. He called again for public comments, checking both with those present in person and on Zoom. There were none.

2. Judge Mills announced the date and time for the adoption of the 2021 Tax Rate: Monday, August 30, at 9:00 a.m.

After several minutes passed in silence, Judge Mills asked County Attorney Amanda Oster if it would be okay to adjourn the meeting and then come back for the next Public Hearing at 8:45 a.m. She said that that would be fine.

No further business presenting, the Court adjourned at 8:36 a.m. on a motion duly made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Casterline.

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

CARRIE ARRINGTON, EX-OFFICIO CLERK \* OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT