MINUTES OF THE

COMMISSIONERS' COURT

SPECIAL MEETING - JANUARY 3, 2014

On the 3rd day of January, 2014, there was a Regular Meeting of the Commissioner' Court in the Courthouse, Rockport, Aransas County, Texas, with the following members present: C. H. "Burt" Mills, Jr., County Judge; Jack Chaney, Commissioner, Precinct 1; Leslie "Bubba" Casterline, Commissioner, Precinct 2; Charles Smith, Commissioner, Precinct 3; Betty Stiles, Commissioner, Precinct 4 and Joy M Dias, Deputy County Clerk.

Other County Officers present were Lezlie Kirk, County Auditor; Alma Cartwright, County Treasurer; Pat Rousseau, Human Resources Director; and Pam Heard, District Clerk.

The Meeting was convened at 9:00 a.m. at which time a quorum was declared by County Judge Mills, WHEREUPON, the following proceedings were had and done to wit:

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

No citizens asked to be heard.

ITEMS FOR DELIBERATION AND/OR ACTION

MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 23, 2013.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

SALARY - PROJECT MANAGER

Motion was made by Judge Mills and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve salary of \$50,000.00 (\$1,000.00 more than is budgeted) for new Aransas County Project Manager, John Strothman, and clarify Court's authorization to hire.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

JOINT RESOLUTION - PRIMARY

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to approve Joint Resolution #R-01-2014 for Joint Primary between Aransas County and the Republican and Democratic Parties. Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Resolution inserted)

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING - VETERANS AFFAIRS

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to approve and authorize County Judge to sign a memorandum of understanding between the United States Department of Veterans Affairs Houston VA Regional Office Houston Regional Loan Center (RLC) and Aransas County for RLC staff (Darrell Dishongh) parking of one (1) personally-owned vehicle and government-owned vehicle during typical and non-typical business hours on County property. Question. Motion carried unanimously.

(Memorandum inserted)

CEDAR BAYOU/VINSON SLOUGH - CONSTRUCTION BID

Motion was made by Judge Mills and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to table award of construction bid to RLB Contracting, Inc. for the Cedar Bayou/Vinson Slough Restoration Project.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

It is so ordered.

CEDAR BAYOU/VINSON SLOUGH - MITIGATION ACTIVITIES

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve advertising Cedar Bayou request for proposals for mitigation activities specified in USACE (U.S. Army Corps of Engineers) permit and mitigation plan for the Cedar Bayou/Vinson Slough Restoration Project (Appendix A).

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

There were no bills presented by County Auditor.

PRESS QUESTIONS

There were no questions from the press.

Human Resources Director Rousseau reported a \$6,300.00 savings on 2014 workers' compensation.

No further business presenting, the Court adjourned on a motion made by Commissioner Smith duly seconded by Commissioner Chaney.

C. H. "Burt" Mills, Jr. COUNTY JUDGE

PEGGY L. FRIEBELE, COUNTY CLERK & EX-OFFICIO CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT