

MINUTES OF THE  
COMMISSIONERS' COURT  
REGULAR MEETING - JUNE 10, 2013

On the 10th day of June, 2013, 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; and Peggy L. Friebele, County Clerk.

Other County Officers present were Richard Bianchi, County Attorney; Lezlie Kirk, County Auditor; David Reid, Drainage Engineer; Jerry Brundrett, County Surveyor; Susan Woodley, Chief Deputy, County Treasurer; David Vyoral, Road Administrator; Gene Johnson, Airport Manager; Bill Mills, Sheriff; and Richard Thompson, Project Manager.

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

There were none.

ITEMS FOR DELIBERATION AND/OR ACTION

MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 28, 2013.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

PROCLAMATION - CHARLIE MARSHALL DAY IN ARANSAS COUNTY

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioners Chaney, Casterline and Stiles to approve Proclamation #P-05-2013 designating July 7, 2013, as "Charlie Marshall Day in Aransas County."

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Proclamation inserted)

Representative Todd Hunter presented a flag flown over the Capitol to Mr. Marshall.

PRESENTATIONS

De McLallen gave a report/update on Aransas Pathways.

(Report inserted)

Tom Callan presented vision and cost estimates for Tule Creek West.

(Report inserted)

LEASE AGREEMENT - PATHWAYS/TULE CREEK WEST

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to approve and authorize County Judge to sign a lease agreement with the City of Rockport for Pathways Kiosk and Bridge at Tule Creek West.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Agreement inserted)

HISTORY CENTER - RENOVATIONS

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to reject one bid received for History Center renovations.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Bid inserted)

SUMMER HELP - AIRPORT

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve request of Airport Manager to hire summer part-time help at the Airport for 17-18 hours per week during June, July and August to be funded out of the Airport's current budget (no new funds).

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

DRAINAGE EASEMENT - MORTGAGE RECOVERY FUND - ROCKPORT, LTD.

Motion was made by Commissioner Stiles and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve entering into and authorizing County Judge to sign a drainage easement with Mortgage Recovery Fund - Rockport, Ltd. For property out of the William Lewis Survey, A-96.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Easement inserted)

GRANT APPLICATION - CEDAR BAYOU AND VINSON SLOUGH

Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve submission of a grant application to the Texas General Land Office requesting funding through the Coastal Erosion Planning and Response Act (CEPRA) Grant Program for partial funding of the Cedar Bayou and Vinson Slough Restoration Project and to authorize County Judge to act on behalf of Aransas County in all matters related to the application and grant contract if the project is among those selected for funding.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

PROJECT CONSULTANT CONTRACT - CEPRA

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve and authorize County Judge to sign Project Consultant Contract with The Grant Connection to assist County staff with preparation of an application to the Coastal Erosion Planning and Response Act (CEPRA) Grant Program requesting funds for Cedar Bayou and Vinson Slough Restoration Project and to administer the grant if it is selected for funding.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

GRANT APPLICATION - FULTON BEACH ROAD SHORELINE

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Smith to disapprove submission of a grant application to the Texas General Land Office requesting funding through the Coastal Erosion Planning and Response Act (CEPRA) Grant Program for funding of improvements to the Fulton Beach Road Shoreline and authorize County Judge to act on behalf of Aransas County in all matters related to the application and grant contract if the project is among those selected for funding.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

PROJECT CONSULTANT CONTRACT - CEPRA

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to disapprove and authorize County Judge to sign the Project Consultant Contract with The Grant Connection to assist County staff with preparation of an application to the Coastal Erosion Planning and Response Act (CEPRA) Grant Program requesting funds for improvements to the shoreline along Fulton Beach Road and to administer the grant if it is selected for funding.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

JOB POSITION - COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to approve creation of Elections/Voting Assistant position in County's Clerk's Office and setting of Group 12 pay level.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Description inserted)

ROCKPORT URGENT CARE CENTER - PERSONNEL SERVICES

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner

Casterline to approve and authorize County Judge to sign a one-year renewal of the Employer Personnel Services Agreement Amendment with the Rockport Urgent Care Center.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Agreement inserted)

RENTAL SUPPORT - SOUTH TEXAS FAMILY PLANNING

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve extension of rental support in the amount of \$687.50 per month from health care sales tax for the South Texas Family Planning and Health Corporation for another twelve (12) months through the end of June 2014.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

LETTER OF CREDIT - AMERICAN BANK

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve and authorize County Judge and County Treasurer to sign governmental certificate and promissory note to secure a letter of credit from American Bank to Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) in the amount of \$10,200.00 for financial assurance of the Aransas County Transfer Station.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Certificate inserted)

EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION RATE - RETIREMENT SYSTEM

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve and authorize County Judge to sign 2014 required employer contribution rate of 8.75% for the Texas County and District Retirement System (TCDRS) Retirement Plan.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Rate inserted)

PUBLIC OFFICIAL BOND

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve public official bond continuation certificates on James S. Jackson, Environmental Health Director; Bobbie McLester, Deputy Tax Assessor-Collector; Pattie V. Rousseau, Deputy County Treasurer/Human Resources; and Valerie K. Amason, Deputy Clerk/Collections.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Bonds inserted)

COUNTY TREASURER'S REPORT - MAY, 2013

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve County Treasurer's report for May, 2013.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Report inserted)

INDIGENT HEALTH CARE REPORT - MAY, 2013

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve indigent health care report for May 2013.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Report inserted)

BUDGET LINE ITEM TRANSFERS

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve budget line item transfer presented by County Auditor Kirk.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Transfer inserted)

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve the accounts payable presented by County Auditor.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONERS, ELECTED OFFICIALS &  
DEPARTMENT HEADS WHEREIN NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN

County Auditor Kirk read the fee reports for May 2013 received from the District Clerk, County Clerk, Sheriff, and Justices of the Peace, Precincts 1 and 2.

(Report inserted)

REPORTS ABOUT ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

There were none.

PRESS QUESTIONS

Norma Martinez with The Rockport Pilot questioned Tule Creek West funding and commented on process used to establish new Elections/Voting Assistant.

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The Court entered into closed session at 10:10 a. m. as authorized by Texas Government Code Section 551.071 to discuss real estate negotiations, including Pathways Projects, specifically authorizing County Judge to negotiate and set parameters for a construction contract with Richard Dias Construction Company for History Center improvements; and 551.072 to discuss and review current litigation issues; and resumed Open Meeting at 10:51 a.m. with all members present, and further proceedings were had and done to wit:

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Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to authorize further discussion with responding contractor to clarify the bid and scope of work on renovations to the History Center.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

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

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

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