

MINUTES OF THE  
COMMISSIONERS' COURT

REGULAR MEETING - JUNE 13, 2011

On the 13th day of June, 2011, 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 P. Bianchi, County Attorney; Lezlie Kirk, County Auditor; James Jackson, Environmental Health; Dee Oliver, County Treasurer; Jerry Brundrett, County Surveyor; David Vyoral, Road Administrator; David Reid, Drainage Engineer; Iris Sanchez, County Librarian; and Bill Mills, Sheriff.

The Meeting was convened at 2:00 p.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

Betty Stiles presented House of Representatives Resolution H.R. No. 136 signed by the Speaker of the House Joe Straus to the Court. This Resolution recognized February 17, 2011 as Aransas County Day at the State Capitol.

(Resolution inserted)

MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held May 25, 2011.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

RESOLUTION - MULTIPLE USE AGREEMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve Resolution #R17-2011 authorizing Aransas County to enter into a multiple use agreement with the State of Texas.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Resolution inserted)

MULTIPLE USE AGREEMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve multiple use agreement with the

State of Texas for Egery Flats education signs on FM 136.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Agreement inserted)

WALMART GRANT FUNDS - LIBRARY'S SUMMER PROGRAM

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve request of Library Director to use the \$1,000.00 Walmart grant funds for the Library's summer program.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

PRESENTATION - ACMSI (EMS)

Aransas County Medical Services, Inc. representative Kathy Farmer provided an update from 2008 to present on operations and expectations for upcoming 2012 year. She asked the Court to consider a 10% increase in the County subsidy for 2012. Both Commissioner Chaney and Commissioner Smith felt this would not be enough to maintain their budget suggesting the County may need to look into an Emergency Services District. Commissioner Smith stated it would require approval from the voters and would, if passed, possibly be a one to one and one-half cent tax increase.

(Presentation inserted)

REPORT - TEXAS MARITIME MUSEUM ASSOCIATION, INC.

This item was placed on the agenda in error; it was passed on.

CONTRACT/SERVICE AGREEMENT - ENGINEERING

Commissioner Smith questioned Naismith representative Craig Thompson regarding the difference between the original CIP of \$160,000.00 and this agreement asking if this was going to be indicative of the CIP plans. Mr. Thompson stated the additional cost was directly related to the Corps of Engineers permitting fee. Commissioner Chaney also asked what had changed since the original cost was given to the Court and Mr. Thompson stated they had made a mistake in their figures.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve contract/service agreement with Naismith Engineering, Inc. in the amount of \$187,500.00 for the engineering, design and preparation of construction documents for the Mesquite Bypass Drainage Improvement Project.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Agreement inserted)

CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve issuance of approximately \$5.5 million of certificates of obligation to fund the initial phase of the Capital Improvement Projects Plan with the M&O tax levy being lowered by the amount of I&S funded by the certificates of obligation.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

CONTRACT/SERVICE AGREEMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve contract/service agreement with KRM Consulting, not to exceed \$5,000.00, for the preparation and dissemination of documents that describe the cooperative effort of the Aransas County public entities in the protection of the County's bays, estuaries and other natural resources from degradation by stormwater runoff.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Agreement inserted)

SITE PLAN - FOOR & SWICKHEIMER SUBDIVISION

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve a site plan for 6.663 acres embracing the westerly two-thirds of Lot 33, Land block 252, Foor & Swickheimer Subdivision.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

RENTAL SUPPORT - SOUTH TEXAS FAMILY PLANNING AND HEALTH

CORPORATION

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve extension of rental support in the amount of \$687.50 per month for the South Texas Family Planning and Health Corporation for another twelve (12) months through the end of June 2012.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

SURPLUS PROPERTY

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve request of Sheriff to declare as surplus for auction two (2) kayaks awarded to the Sheriff's Office as well as one (1) Briggs and Stratton Riding Mower.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

DETENTION CENTER VACANCIES

Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve request of Sheriff to fill two (2) vacated budgeted positions in the Detention Center as part of the ratio for Jail Standards.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

ROAD AND BRIDGE VACANCIES

Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve request of Road and Bridge Administrator to replace two (2) budgeted vacant positions for the Road and Bridge Department.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

CONTRACT - UNIFIRST CORPORATION

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to table approval of contract for uniforms with Unifirst Corporation because the amended contract has not been received.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

CONTRACT - LAW LIBRARY

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve Thomson Reuters/West contract with Aransas County Law Library.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Contract inserted)

COUNTY CLERK VACANCY

Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve request of County Clerk to fill a budgeted vacated Deputy Clerk position in the County Clerk's Office.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

PROMOTION - COUNTY CLERK'S CHIEF DEPUTY

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve request of County Clerk for promotion and budgeted pay Group/Pay Step adjustment effective July 1, 2011 for Joy Dias to Chief Deputy County Clerk.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

SWIMMING POOL COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve appointment of Commissioner Jack Chaney as County's representative on the Swimming Pool Committee.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

OFFICIAL BOND

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve public official bond continuation certificate on Mandy Rae Dopp, Deputy County Clerk.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Bond inserted)

COUNTY TREASURER'S REPORT - MAY 2011

Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve County Treasurer's Report for the month of May 2011.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Report inserted)

INDIGENT HEALTH CARE COSTS - MAY 2011

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve indigent health care report for May 2011.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Report inserted)

BUDGET LINE ITEM TRANSFERS

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

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Transfer inserted)

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

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

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

FEE REPORT

County Auditor Kirk read fee reports received from Justice of the Peace, Precincts 1 and 2, District Clerk, County Clerk and Sheriff for the month of May 2011.

(Report inserted)

PRESS QUESTIONS

Norma Martinez with The Rockport Pilot had no questions.

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The Court did not hold closed session.

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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