

MINUTES OF THE

COMMISSIONERS' COURT

WORKSHOP MEETING - APRIL 28, 2014

On the 28th day of April, 2014, there was a Workshop Meeting of the Commissioners' Court held in the Commissioners' Court, Rockport, Aransas County, Texas, with the following members present: C. H. "Burt" Mills, Jr., County Judge; Jack Chaney, Commissioner Precinct 1; Leslie "Bubba" Casterline, Precinct 2; Charles Smith, Commissioner, Precinct 3; Betty Stiles, Commissioner, Precinct 4; Peggy L. Friebele, County Clerk.

Other County Official present was Bill Mills, Sheriff; Lee Zapata, 911 Coordinator; Lezlie Kirk, County Auditor.

Rockport Mayor C. J. Wax, and Councilmen James Russell Day, Jr., J. D. Villa, and Adelaide Marlatt.

Fulton Mayor Jimmy Kendrick, and Councilman Larry Pahmiyer.

The Meeting was convened at 11:00 a.m. at which time a quorum was declared by Judge Mills, WHEREUPON, the following proceedings were had and done to wit:

Judge Mills stated the purpose of the workshop was to discuss the

financial status of the Aransas County Medical Services, Inc.

Mayor Wax suggested for the short-term next year or two we continue as we are and try to help with the funding shortfall. For the long-term, he suggested we need to consider an Emergency Services District that the County, City of Rockport and Town of Fulton and perhaps the Aransas County Navigation District would fund. Mayor Wax also suggested the EMS ambulances be taken down to two and the third be assigned to Coastal Care, a private for profit ambulance service. This would alleviate some of the EMS expense until a better solution is found.

Commissioner Smith stated the EMS has a \$900,000.00 shortfall. The County and City both advanced funds budgeted for this year to assist with current expenses.

Commissioner Chaney suggested the EMS hold fund raisers to assist with the shortage; however, Cathy Farmer with EMS stated they have no time for fund raisers.

After continued discussion on ways to reduce the EMS cost and fund the remainder of the shortage, Mayor Wax suggested the group meet back in a week or so.

(Statements inserted)

No further business presenting, the Court adjourned was adjourned by Commissioner Smith duly seconded by Commissioner Casterline.

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

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