

MINUTES OF THE
COMMISSIONERS' COURT
REGULAR MEETING - JUNE 27, 2016

On the 27th day of June, 2016, there was a Regular Meeting of the Commissioners' 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 **Valerie K. Amason**, County Clerk.

Other County Officers present were **Jerry Brundrett**, County Surveyor; **Kristen Barnebey**, County Attorney; **Alma Cartwright**, Treasurer; **Pam Heard**, District Clerk; **Lezlie Kirk**, County Auditor; **Timilu Latham**, Chief Deputy County Treasurer; **Collin Jackson**, IT Director; **Pat Rousseau**, Human Resources Director; **Carrie Arrington**, Office & Contracts Manager for the County Attorney's Office; **David Reid**, Drainage Engineer/Stormwater Management Engineer; **Michael Geer**, Airport Manager; **Valerie Gonzalez**, Interim Environment Health Director; **John Strothman**, Pathways Project Manager;

Members of Local City Government, Community Groups and other Interested Parties present were **C. J. Wax**, Mayor, City of Rockport; **Rusty Day**, Ward 1 City Council Member; **De McLallen**, Aransas County Appraisal District Chairman of the Board of Directors; **Brian Olsen**, Unopposed Candidate for Precinct 3 Commissioner in upcoming 2016 General Election; **Thea Edmundson**, Resident; and **Bruce Harper**, Editor for the Rockport Pilot Newspaper;

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

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

There were none.

PRESENTATIONS

Ernest Galindo, Assistant Director, Risk Control Services with Texas Association of Counties was present to introduce a new program "TAC RISK MANAGEMENT POOL RISK CONTROL REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM".

Ernest introduced Terry Pickering, former Sheriff of Bastrop County, recently hired by TAC and the person who will be servicing Aransas County as the Law Enforcement Control Consultant.

Ernest went on to explain the program and how it could benefit Aransas County, the application process and the eligible projects that could be funded through this process.

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to approve:

1. Minutes from the Commissioners' Court Regular Meeting of June 13, 2016.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Inserts)

CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS & LEASES

2. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve authorizing the County Judge to enter into and sign an agreement with Schlitterbahn Waterparks for county employees to receive promotional discounts on the purchase of electronic tickets to the park. (There is no cost to the county for this service.)
Question. Motion carried unanimously.
It is so ordered.

3. Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve authorizing the County Judge to sign a Subsidized Employment Worksite Agency Agreement between Workforce Solutions of the Coastal Bend and Aransas County.
Question. Motion carried unanimously.
It is so ordered.

4. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve authorizing the County Judge to sign a Real Estate Contract between Rocky C. Sanders, Jack F. Sanders, Sheri S. Ortiz and Aransas County for the purchase of a 1.436 acre tract of land commonly known as 1110 Prairie Road in Fulton, Texas 78358.
Question. Motion carried unanimously.
It is so ordered.

5. Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve authorizing the County Auditor

(Inserts)

to issue and the County Treasurer to disburse a \$2,500 Earnest Money Check made out to Stewart Title to accompany the real estate purchase contract for 1110 Prairie Road in Fulton, Texas.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

6. Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to approve authorizing the County Judge to sign an Intergovernmental Lease Agreement with Coastal Plains Community MHMR on county-owned vacant land per the two entities' December 18, 2015 Memorandum of Understanding.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

7. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve authorizing the County Judge to sign a Memorandum of Lease between Bahia Air, LLC and Aransas County for Veritas Title.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

8. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve authorizing the County Judge to sign a Ground Lease Estoppel Certificate and Agreement between Prosperity Bank, Bahia Air LLC and Aransas County to verify tenant's lease assignment and loan collateral consisting of tenant's assets in the leased premises.

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Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

9. This item went into closed session.

10. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve the 2015 Fiscal Year Comprehensive Financial Audit of Aransas County as presented by Beyer & Company.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

11. There were no Budget Line Item Transfers.

12. Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve Accounts Payable.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

COUNTY ROADS

13. Motion was made by Commissioner Stiles and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve (previously tabled on 02-22-16) Order #025-2016 closing, abandoning, and vacating a portion of Main Street (Petition of Lewis E. Murphy) adjacent to Lots 9-12 and 30' of closed Hackberry Street in Block 91, Lamar Townsite, Aransas County, Texas, subject to actual re-plat being filed in the Official Public Records of Real Property.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

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It is so ordered.

14. Motion was made by Commissioner Stiles and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve (previously tabled on 02-22-16) Order #024-2016 closing, abandoning and vacating a portion of alleyway (Petition of Lewis E. Murphy) adjacent to Lots 1-4 and 9-12, lying in Block 91, Lamar Townsite, Aransas County, Texas, subject to actual re-plat being filed in the Official Public Records of Real Property.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

15. Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve Order #0-26-2016 Closure of Alleyway in Block 347 in Manning Subdivision.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

16. Motion was made by Commissioner Stiles and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve preliminary approval of closure of Block 46 in the Bellevue Addition.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

17. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner to approve the proposed improvement and assessment of cost of Janecek Road to bring Janecek Road up to current County Roadway Standards and authorizing staff to send

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out ballots.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

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

Lezlie Kirk, County Auditor, read the fee report.

**REPORTS ABOUT ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST
REGARDING WHICH NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN**

There were none.

The Court entered into closed session at 9:59 a.m. to discuss and review potential litigation issues and other matters covered by the attorney-client privilege pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071(1)(a); and to discuss real estate negotiations, including Pathways Projects pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.072; and resumed Open Meeting at 10:40 a.m. with all members present, and further proceedings were had and done to wit:

(Inserts)

PLANNING & BUDGET OFFICE

9. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve authorization for the County IT Department to seek and qualify bids for a New County Phone System.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

No further business presenting, the Court adjourned at 10:41 a.m. on a motion made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stiles.

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

VALERIE K. AMASON,

EX-OFFICIO CLERK OF THE

COMMISSIONERS' COURT