

MINUTES OF THE
COMMISSIONERS' COURT

REGULAR MEETING - MAY 29, 2018

On the 29th day of May, 2018, there was a Regular Meeting of the Commissioners' Court in the Commissioners' Courtroom in the County Courthouse, located at 2840 Highway 35 North, Rockport, Aransas County, Texas, with the following members present: **C. H. "Burt" Mills, Jr.**, County Judge; **Leslie "Bubba" Casterline**, Commissioner, Precinct 2; **Brian Olsen**, 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; **Suzy Wallace**, County Auditor; **Bill Mills**, Sheriff; **Latisha Murphy**, Administrative Assistant to the County Judge; **David Reid**, Road Administrator/Drainage Engineer/Stormwater Management Engineer; **Jacky Cockerham**, Assistant County Auditor; **Collin Jackson**, IT Director; **Valerie Gonzalez**, Environmental Health Director; **John Strothman**, Pathways Project Manager; **Michele Bennett**, Elections Administrator; **Iris Sanchez**, Head Librarian; **Mike Koerner**, Long-Term Recovery Specialist;

Members of Local City Government, Community Groups and other Interested Parties present:

Wendy Laubach, Candidate Elect for Commissioner, Pct. 4 effective January 1, 2019;

Rocky Conard, Office Systems Representative;

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.

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion was made by Commissioner Olsen and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve:

1. Minutes from the Regular Meeting of May 14, 2018.
2. Authorizing the County Judge to sign Resolution #R-08-2018 for the Homeland Security Grant Program, Grant Number 3171803.
3. Acknowledge receipt of and record in the minutes of Commissioners Court, Supplemental Proclamation Order #PO-21-2018-A an Order of Aransas County, Teas, Supplementing Aransas County's Proclamation Disaster Declaration Renewal Order #PO-2-2018 and Prohibiting Outdoor Burning and the Sale and Possession of Any and All Fireworks in Aransas County. This Order does not prohibit a "licensed pyrotechnic operator or professional public display permit holder".
4. Blanket Surety Bond Rider for Deputy District Clerks' of the Aransas County District Clerk's Office.
5. Official Public Bond Continuation Certificate for Rick McLester, Aransas County Fire Marshall.
6. New Aransas County Code of Ethics Policy.
7. Accepting two donations for the Aransas County Library in the amounts of \$53.19 and \$264.00 received from La Revista Book Club of McAllen, TX.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

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CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS & GRANTS

8. Motion was made by Commissioner Olsen and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to approve authorizing the County Judge to sign a lease agreement with Office Systems 2000, Inc. for the Pitney Bowes Mailing System.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

9. Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Olsen to approve authorizing the County Judge to sign an Application for Consent to Assign Easement from Estes Cove Facilities, L.L.C. ("Estes Cove") to BMT O&G TX, L.P., LMBI O&G TX, L.P. and SRBI O&G TX, L.P. Location of Easement is adjacent to Highway 35 between Rockport and Aransas Pass.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

10. Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Olsen to approve authorizing the County Judge to sign an Agreement with Victoria County Juvenile Board for Secure Short-Term Detention of Juvenile Offenders.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

PLANNING & BUDGET OFFICE

11. Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to approve authorizing the County Treasurer to sign a Promissory Note, disbursement Request and Authorization, and Notice of Final Agreement between Aransas County and Prosperity Bank for the automatic extension of the

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expiration date for one year on the Irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit #1973 from Prosperity Bank to Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ), said extension going through June 1, 2019. The letter of Credit covers financial assurance of the Aransas County Transfer Station in the amount of \$10,200.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

12. Motion was made by Commissioner Olsen and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve the distribution of \$110,211.00 of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Refuge Revenue Sharing Act annual payments to Local Governments for lands under their administration for Fiscal Year 2017 received in 2018.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

13. Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to approve the April 2018 Treasurer's Report.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

14. Motion was made by Commissioner Olsen and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve Budget Line Item Transfers.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

15. Motion was made by Commissioner Olsen and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to approve Accounts Payable and Payroll/Payroll Liabilities.

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Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONERS, ELECTED OFFICIALS &

DEPARTMENT HEADS WHEREIN NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN

Michele Bennett: I just want to remind everybody that we just had a run-off election and will be having another one on June 30th with early voting from June 13th through the 26th. I would also like to remind candidates to please pick up your signs because we still have those out there from the City and the School election we had on May 5th, voters are already confused with all of these elections back to back.

Judge Mills: Commissioner Olsen just reminded me to announce that I had asked the governor for an extension on the fireworks ban, that request has been granted, and will be in force through July 5th and the ban includes all fireworks except for licensed pyrotechnic operators, we have enough kindling out there to start a good sized bonfire and we don't need that to happen.

No further business presenting, the Court adjourned at 9:07 a.m. on a motion made by Commissioner Stiles and seconded by Commissioner Casterline.

May 29, 2018



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. H. Mills, Jr.", is written over a horizontal line.

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



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Valerie K. Amason", is written over a horizontal line.

VALERIE K. AMASON,

EX-OFFICIO CLERK OF THE

COMMISSIONERS' COURT