

MINUTES OF THE
COMMISSIONERS' COURT
REGULAR MEETING - JUNE 8, 2015

On the 8th day of June, 2015, 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 Gayle Otto and Christy Gibson, Chief Deputy County Clerks.

Other County Officers present were Bill Mills, Sheriff; Alma Cartwright, County Treasurer; Timilu Latham, Chief Deputy County Treasurer; Suzy Wallace, First Assistant Auditor; David Reid, Drainage Engineer; Kristen Barnebey, County Attorney; John Strothman, Pathways Project Manager; Collin Jackson, IT Director; David Vyoral, Road Administrator; Michael Geer, Airport Manager; Michelle Bennett, Elections Administrator; Joy Dias, Assistant Elections Administrator; and Iris Sanchez, Librarian.

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.

PRESENTATIONS

De McLallen, Aransas Pathways Steering Committee Chairman and Pam Stranahan, President of Friends of the History Center for Aransas County, presented the Connie Hagar Cottage Sanctuary Restoration Project.

(Insert)

CONSENT ITEMS

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

1. Minutes from the Regular Commissioners' Court Meeting of May 26, 2015.
2. Public Official Bond Riders on Christella Hernandez and Melissa Alayna Lloyd, Deputy County Clerks.
3. Public Official Bond Continuation Certification on Pattie V. Rousseau, Human Resources Director.
4. Public Official Bond Rider on Michele M. Bennett, Elections Administrator.
5. TX DOT installing rumble strips on 1781 at the bridge due to recent accident.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Inserts)

BIDS, CONTRACTS & AGREEMENTS

6. Motion was made by Commissioner Stiles and seconded by Commissioner Smith to accept the recommendations of the advisory board to purchase a new 2005 Jet Fuel Freight Liner Truck in the amount of \$78,500.00 for the County Airport.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Inserts)

7. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to accept the bid presented by A. J. Salvage, for the Demolition of the Tractor Barn at the airport, contingent on proof of insurance.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Inserts)

8. Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Smith to table this item.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

9. Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to authorize Iris Sanchez, Librarian, to accept \$6,000.00 from the Texas State Library to redesign the children's area in the Aransas County Library thus creating a recommended Family Place Library.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Inserts)

10. Motion was made by Commissioner Stiles and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve the County Treasurer's Report for May, 2015.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Report Inserted)

11. Motion was made by Commissioner Stiles and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the Indigent Health Care Report for May, 2015.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Report Inserted)

12. Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve the Budget Line Item Transfers.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

(Insert)

13. Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to approve Accounts Payable.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

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

There were none.

The court entered into closed session at 09:33 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 10:14 a.m. with all members present, and further proceedings were had and done to wit:

DRAINAGE EASEMENTS & STORMWATER ITEMS

14. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to authorize all county personnel to go forward with taking care of all things necessary in order to effect the transfer of property known as Janacek Road, being the description of a Private 60 foot wide roadway out of tracts 34 & 35 of the Coleman-Fulton Pasture Company Subdivision including agreements with all property owners and stating once again that this is for the sole purpose of improving drainage and the county at this point in time is not accepting responsibility for road maintenance. Question. Motion carried unanimously. It is so ordered.

(Insert)

15. No action taken on this item.

16. Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to table this item. Question. Motion carried unanimously. It is so ordered.

PRESS QUESTIONS

Norma Martinez, Managing Editor for the Rockport Pilot Newspaper, asked the court to clarify the amount to demolish the Tractor Barn at the County Airport. Commissioner Smith stated it was the \$5,000.00 bid submitted by A. J. Salvage that was approved, not the \$12,900.00 submitted by Victoria Steel.

No further business presenting, the Court adjourned at 10:19 a.m. on a motion made by Commissioner Smith duly seconded by Commissioner Chaney.

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

GAYLE T. OTTO, DEPUTY COUNTY
CLERK FOR VALERIE K. AMASON,
EX-OFFICIO CLERK OF THE
COMMISSIONERS' COURT