

On this the 9<sup>th</sup> day of February, A. D., 2016, the Commissioners' Court of Chambers County, with the following members present, to-wit:

Mark Huddleston	Commissioner, Precinct No. 1
Larry G. George	Commissioner, Precinct No. 2
Gary Nelson	Commissioner, Precinct No. 3
A. R. "Rusty" Senac	Commissioner, Precinct No. 4
Jimmy Sylvia	County Judge
Heather H. Hawthorne	County Clerk

and the following members absent, to-wit:

met in a REGULAR MEETING at which time the following items were discussed, considered, passed or adopted, to-wit:

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Judge Sylvia, according to law, opened Court at 9:30 a.m. into Open Session.

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Bobby Hall offered prayer and then Judge Sylvia led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag and to the Texas flag.

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Agenda item 1.1- Citizens Comments- Judge Randy McDonald, wanted to say thank you to everyone's help with the recent capital murder proceedings, and to thank all the separate entities coming together to make it a success. Jean Forrest presented Lori Knapp with Friends of the Library award.

16-02-70 Motion made by Huddleston and seconded by Senac to adopt the Proclamation proclaiming February 9, 2016, as Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month.

Public comment made by Stacey Brown, Bay Area Turning Point.

Insert.

Passed.

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16-02-71 Motion made by Senac and seconded by Nelson to approve the Air Products Tax Abatement Application.

Public comment made by B.J. Simon, Baytown-West Chambers County Economic Development Foundation.

Insert.

Passed.

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Agenda item 3.1- Discuss and consider the purchase of rights-of-way for the construction of Kilgore Regional Drainage Plan.

Public comment made by Eddie Gray, Gray Enterprises, encouraging the court to do everything they can to move the project forward.

**No action, will take to Executive Session later in court.**

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Agenda item 4.1-Discuss and consider approving the Hotel Occupancy Tax (HOT) Fund application for Chambers Recovery Team (CHART) for 2016 funding.-**tabled.**

Public comment made by Clay Jacobs, Chambers WILD; Sarah Cerrone, Economic Development; James Gibson, Board member for CHART.

**Tabled.**

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16-02-72 Motion made by Senac and seconded by George to approve the placement of fiber optic cabling from the Tax Office to the new Justice of the Peace Precinct #2 Court Building in Anahuac, TX, not to exceed \$23,600.00.

Public comment made by Derek Parish, Information Technology.

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Passed.

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16-02-73 Motion made by Huddleston and seconded by George to approve Trinity Bay Conservation District request to install a 6 inch water line on the north side of Poskey Road beginning 2700 feet east of FM 563 to the curve and then north along the west side of Poskey Rd. for 350 feet.

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Passed.

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16-02-74 Motion made by Huddleston and seconded by Senac to authorize payment of \$8,640.00 to Jefferson County (LaSalle) for prisoner housing.

Insert.

Passed.

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16-02-75 Motion made by Huddleston and seconded by George to adopt the Resolution in support of the Chambers County Sheriff's Office Body Worn Camera Grant from the Criminal Justice Division of the Governor's Office.

Insert.

Passed.

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At this time, Commissioner Senac introduced Janie Garza, Secretary for Commissioner Precinct 4, to the court.

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16-02-76 Motion made by Senac and seconded by Huddleston to approve funding the preservation and imaging of a portion of the District Court records by Kofile Technologies, in the amount of \$28,543.75.

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Passed.

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16-02-77 Motion made by Huddleston and seconded by Nelson to approve the following payroll changes: Jennifer Baker, Bus Driver/Non CDL (Commissioner Pct #3), \$14.03/hr; Andrew LeBlanc, Bus Driver/Non CDL (Commissioner Pct #3), \$14.03/hr; Kristen Crocker, Part-time Library, \$7.25/hr.

Insert.

Passed.

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Agenda item 17.2- Discuss and consider payroll changes- Amy Hebert, DPS Office- **Executive Session.**

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Agenda item 1.8- Discuss and consider land purchase for the Chambers County Justice Center- **Executive Session.**

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Agenda item 3.1- Discuss and consider the purchase of rights-of-way for the construction of Kilgore Regional Drainage Plan- **Executive Session.**

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Court recessed at 10:42 a.m. out of Open Session and into Executive Session under Section 551.074 and Section 551.072, Government Code, V.T.C.S. Court reconvened at 12:15 p.m. into Open Session.

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Agenda item 3.1- Discuss and consider the purchase of rights of way for the construction of Kilgore Regional Drainage Plan- **no action.**

**No action.**

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16-02-78 Motion made by George and seconded by Huddleston to move forward with official condemnation of the following parcels: Parcel 1, Lewin Barber; Parcel 4A&B, Lewin Barber; Parcel 13, Merrill Glenn Elwood; Parcel 16, M. L. Gram; Parcel 19, Valma Icet; Parcel E1, Lewin Barber;

Parcel E13, Merrill Glenn Elwood; Parcel E24, Baytown Trust 24 for the FM 1409 project.

Insert.

Passed.

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16-02-79 Motion made by George and seconded by Senac to approve acquisition of Parcel E35, Barbers Hill ISD, in the appraised value of \$104,978.00 plus closing costs.

Insert.

Passed.

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16-02-80 Motion made by Senac and seconded by Nelson to adopt the Chambers County Resolution and Order Decreeing the Acquisition of Property to be a Public Necessity and Authorizing the Acquisition and Payment of Compensation for the Kilgore Parkway Drainage Project, Segment 1.

Public comment made by Nathan Brandimarte, Orgain Bell & Tucker.

Insert.

Passed.

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16-02-81 Motion made by George and seconded by Senac to approve a county employee at District 2A Trooper Station at a 2016 salary not to exceed \$32,000.00 annually, with the understanding that Chambers County Commissioners Court request the State to assume full responsibility of the

position as soon as possible during the State's next fiscal year. Motion amended to change annual salary to a pay group 15-3, \$32,078.12.

Insert.

Passed.

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16-02-82 Motion made by Senac and seconded by Nelson to approve the final payment to Kofile Technologies for the imaging of Deed Records in the amount of \$34,740.00.

Insert.

Passed.

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Court recessed out of Open Session and back into Executive Session at 12:25 p.m. under Section 551.072, Government Code, V.T.C.S. Court reconvened into Open Session at 1:45 p.m.

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Agenda item 1.8- Discuss and consider land purchase for the Chambers County Justice Center-**no action.**

**No action.**

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At this time, Court recessed at 1:45 p.m. for a lunch break, and reconvened at 2:35 p.m. Judge Sylvia not present at this time.

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Judge Pro Tem, Mark Huddleston, went over several agenda items under Administration.

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Agenda item 1.2- Receive Monthly Reports- Chambers County Transportation First Quarter Report 2016; Patti Henry, 46 District Clerk education hours for 2015; Lyndsey Davis, Forensic Analytics; Lyndsey Davis, The Nathan Mueller Fraud Case; Bess Christine Woody, Forensic Analytics; Bess Christine Woody, The Nathan Mueller Fraud Case; Haley Avriett, Payroll Law; Rusty Senac, Commissioners Education Certificate of Completion 2015; Senior Citizens Project of Chambers County, Inc. month of January 2016.

Insert.

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16-02-83 Motion made by Senac and seconded by Nelson to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2016, Regular Meeting.

Passed.

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16-02-84 Motion made by Senac and seconded by George to accept Declaration of the Justice of the Peace, Pct. 6 finding areas essential to operations of the court.

Insert.

Passed.

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16-02-85 Motion made by Senac and seconded by George to approve tax payment refund pursuant to section 31.11 of the Texas Property Tax Code, refunds of overpayment or erroneous payment.

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Passed.

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Judge Pro Tem, Mark Huddleston, then covered agenda items under Financial.

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16-02-86 Motion made by Senac and seconded by Nelson to approve the claim docket beginning with check #97405 and ending with check #97791.

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Passed.

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16-02-87 Motion made by Nelson and seconded by George to approve the travel reimbursements and miscellaneous expenditures as presented.

Insert.

Passed.

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16-02-88 Motion made by Senac and seconded by George to approve the budget amendments/transfers as presented.

Insert.

Passed.

Agenda item 2.4- Treasurer's Report- none.

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Agenda item 2.5- Auditor's Report- none.

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16-02-89 Motion made by Senac and seconded by George to cancel outstanding checks from the Tax Office in the amount of \$1,765.23 for 2014, which will be held by Treasurer's Office until it is time to release to the State Comptroller's Office.

Insert.

Passed.

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At this time, Judge Pro Tem, Mark Huddleston, went over agenda items under Road & Bridge.

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16-02-90 Motion made by George and seconded by Senac to allow Road & Bridge to purchase of a Front End Loader from R.B. Everett, not to exceed \$150,000.00.

Passed.

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16-02-91 Motion made by George and seconded by Nelson to approve Prime Operating Company's Application for Utility Construction across the right-of-way of North Hamshire Road, Winnie, TX.

Insert.

Passed.

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16-02-92 Motion made by Senac and seconded by George to approve  
Release of Nuisance Abatement Lien on 1711 East Shawnee, Baytown, TX.

Insert.

Passed.

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16-02-93 Motion made by George and seconded by Nelson to approve  
purchase of a new truck from Silsbee Ford for Maintenance Department, not  
to exceed \$35,531.95

Insert.

Passed.

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16-02-94 Motion made by Senac and seconded by Nelson to accept the  
low bid by Lee Thompson Company to install a new Air Conditioner at the  
Anahuac Library, in the amount of \$20,768.00.

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Passed.

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16-02-95 Motion made by Senac and seconded by George to approve all the job descriptions except leave job title change for DPS position as Secretary II.

Insert.

Passed.

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16-02-96 Motion made by Senac and seconded by George to deny the request to change DPS position from Secretary II to Office Manager.

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**Denied.**

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16-02-97 Motion made by Nelson and seconded by Senac to approve the vacation carryover of 40 hours for Kate-Lynn Byal.

Insert.

Passed.

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The following visitors, department, agency, or business they represent were present in Court today:

Joanna Wilson

County Clerk's Office

Bobby Hall

County Engineer

Scott Peal

County Attorney

Eric Carcerano	District Attorney's Office
George Barrera	Purchasing Agent
Lauren Van Deventer	County Judge's Office
Aaron Thomas	County Judge's Office
Mike Lessley	Chambers Co. Project Manager
Patti Henry	District Clerk
Derek Parish	Information Technology
Quinten Adams	Communications
Lyndsey Davis	County Auditor's Office
Nikki Whittington	Chambers County Treasurer
Sarah Cerrone	Graphic Arts
Sherry Rundzieher	Sheriff's Office
Annie Vass	CC Library System
Valerie Jensen	CC Library System
Missy Parham	CC Library System
Lori Knapp	CC Library System
Janie Garza	Commissioner Pct 4 Office
Eddie Gray	Gray Enterprises
David Kadjar	Kilgore Park, LLC
Clay Jacobs	Chambers Wild
Ignacio Ramirez	City of Baytown
Stacey Brown	Bay Area Turning Point
Cheryl Sanders	Mayor – City of Anahuac
Jean Abshier Forrest	“Friends” of the Library

Lisa Ponce  
Jerry Shadden  
Laura Dunn  
James Gibson  
B. J. Simon  
Dana Cothren  
Nathan Brandimarte  
Chelsea Hanlondes

Seabreeze Beacon  
Trinity Bay Conservation Dist.  
Anahuac EMS  
Winnie  
EDF  
DPS  
Orgain Bell & Tucker  
Dayton

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There being no further business, Court adjourned at 3:24 p.m.

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ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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Heather H. Hawthorne, County Clerk

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