

On this the 26th day of May, A. D., 2015, 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:

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

County Engineer 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.

Judge Sylvia went to several agenda items under Administration.

Agenda item 1.1- Citizen's Comments- No comments were made.

At this time, Court recessed at 9:32 a.m. out of Open Session into a Public Hearing to discuss agenda item 1.13 under Administration. With there being no public comments court adjourned at 9:32 a.m. out of the Public Hearing back into Open Session.

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Public comment made by B.J. Simon.

Insert.

Passed.

15-05-289 Motion made by Senac and seconded by Nelson to approve the AmeriPort Building 4, LP Tax Abatement Agreement.

Public comment made by B.J. Simon.

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Passed.

At this time, Judge Sylvia skipped to Agenda item 9.1 under Safety/Emergency Management.

Agenda item 9.1- Safety/Emergency Management- Discuss and consider emergency funding for the Winnie-Stowell Emergency Medical Service for the purchase of 1 ambulance body refurbish and remount on a new chassis-**Tabled.**

Tabled while the County Attorney researches information regarding the purchase.

Public comment made by Kim Turner, and Nolan George.

Tabled.

At this time, Judge Sylvia went to agenda item 1.7 under Administration.

15-05-290 Motion made by Senac and seconded by Huddleston to adopt the Proclamation recognizing the month of May as Older Americans Month.

Public comment made by Tom Kimbark.

Insert.

Passed.

Judge Sylvia then skipped to agenda item 3.1 under Road and Bridge.

15-05-291 Motion made by Senac and seconded by Nelson to authorize a \$5,000.00 expenditure for permit for crossing Union Pacific Right-of-Way in the Jacob Armstrong Survey, Abstract No. 2, Chambers County, Texas, for the Kilgore Regional Drainage Plan, Plan B alternate out fall channel, and approve an \$1,800.00 expenditure for insurance premium to Marsh USA for required insurance.

Public comment made by Paul Lippke.

Insert.

Passed.

At this time, Judge Sylvia returned to agenda item 9.1 under
Safety/Emergency Management.

15-05-292 Motion made by Huddleston and seconded by Senac to approve
the purchase of a 2015 ambulance remount and a new 2015 Chevy Chassis
from Osage Industries, Inc. in the amount of \$111,370.00 to be taken from
the Health Services Account.

Public comment made by Scott Peal, Kim Turner, and Nolan George.

Insert.

Passed.

Judge Sylvia then went to agenda item 13.1 under Health and
Welfare.

15-05-293 Motion made by Nelson and seconded by Senac to approve
supplemental funds not to exceed \$14,900.00 for the purchase of a portable
LED Sign that will be mounted on a trailer for the Public Health
Emergencies Program (PHEP).

Public comment made by Cami Smith.

Insert.

Passed.

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15-05-294 Motion made by Senac and seconded by Nelson to accept into record the Land Acquisition Budget for the Kilgore Master Drainage Plan.

Public comment made by Paul Lippke.

Insert.

Passed.

15-05-295 Motion made by Senac and seconded by Nelson to approve a Letter of Engagement for Allen, Boone, Humphries Robinson Law Firm to prepare the necessary documents for the Kilgore Master Drainage Plan pending the receipt of attorney hourly rate chart and final review and approval by County Attorney Scott Peal, Judge Sylvia and Nathan Brandimarte.

Public comment made by Paul Lippke, and Nathan Brandimarte.

Insert.

Passed.

Agenda item 3.4- Road and Bridge- Discuss and consider Letter of Engagement for Property Acquisition Services, LLC for preparing the necessary documents for the Kilgore Drainage Project- **No Action.**

Public comment made by Paul Lippke.

No Action.

15-05-296 Motion made by Nelson and seconded by George to approve supplemental agreement for Lippke, Cartwright and Roberts for Kilgore Master Drainage Plan in the amount of \$63,000.00.

Public comment made by Paul Lippke.

Insert.

Passed.

Agenda item 3.6- Road and Bridge- Discuss and consider accepting for recording the Zuniga Subdivision Minor Plat- **Pulled.**

Agenda item pulled per County Engineer Bobby Hall.

Pulled.

Agenda item 3.7- Road and Bridge- Discuss and consider issue with crushed concrete use on County roads and reimbursement request for Doornbos Road.

Commissioner Huddleston requested that this agenda item be taken to Executive Session.

At this time, Judge Sylvia went to agenda items under Economic Development & Tourism.

15-05-297 Motion made by George and seconded by Huddleston to authorize payment for Parcel- 84a (William Scott Striebeck) for the Lake Anahuac East Levee project for the appraised value of \$451.85.

Public comment made by Sarah Cerrone.

Insert.

Passed.

15-05-298 Motion made by George and seconded by Huddleston to authorize payment for Parcel- 68 (Thomas A. & Andrea S. Case) for the lake Anahuac East Levee Project for the appraised value of \$332.00.

Public comment made by Sarah Cerrone.

Insert.

Passed.

At this time, Judge Sylvia went to several agenda items under Parks and Recreation.

15-05-299 Motion made by Huddleston and seconded by George to approve the request from Anahuac National Bank to sponsor a fireworks show at Fort Anahuac Park on Saturday Night of July 4, 2015. Anahuac National Bank also requested to use the County's portable stage, but it was already promised to Double Bayou Bash.

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Passed.

15-05-300 Motion made by Huddleston and seconded by George to approve the Park Use Agreement between Chambers County and the Different Rhythm Foundation.

Insert.

Passed.

15-05-301 Motion made by Huddleston and seconded by George to approve setting the amount for both the Winnie-Stowell arena and White's Park arena to \$125.00 per year for in County residents, and \$225.00 per year for out of County residents per family.

Public comment made by Commissioner Huddleston.

Insert.

Passed.

At this time, Judge Sylvia went to agenda items under Law Enforcement.

15-05-302 Motion made by Senac and seconded by Huddleston approve overtime pay for 54 hours of overtime worked during a double homicide case for Officer Mike Wheat in the amount of \$2,485.08. Hector Gonzales should be removed from the list because he was not eligible for overtime.

Public comment made by Sheriff Hawthorne.

Insert.

Passed.

15-05-303 Motion made by Huddleston and seconded by Nelson to accept the Texas Traffic Safety Program Grant from Texas Department of Transportation (TxDot) in the amount of \$5,000.00 to be used to pay overtime to officers for the Click it or Ticket program.

Public comment made by Sheriff Hawthorne.

Insert.

Passed.

15-05-304 Motion made by Huddleston and seconded by George to approve adding Deputy Jimmy Mount's certified narcotics detection dog as a second K-9 to the Chambers County Sheriff's Department.

Insert.

Passed.

At this time, Judge Sylvia went to agenda items under Personnel.

Agenda item 17.1- Discuss and Consider payroll changes and job descriptions- **Tabled while court takes a short break.**

Court Recessed at 10:39 a.m. for a short break, and reconvened at 10:53 a.m.

Commissioner Senac returned to court at 10:55 a.m.

Judge Sylvia returned to agenda item 17.1

15-05-305 Motion made by Huddleston and seconded by George to approve the following payroll changes: Kathy E. Esquivel (Dist. Attorney's Office), Eric C. Carcerano (Dist. Attorney's Office), Dane Listi (Dist. Attorney's Office), Jessica Johnson (CCSO), Jazmin N. Thomas (Comm. Pct. 2), Jalen Thomas (Comm. Pct. 2), Jonathan M. O'Banion (Comm. Pct. 2), Robert B. Edwards (Comm. Pct. 2), Joshua D. Cooper (Comm. Pct. 2), Sylvia Husband (Comm. Pct. 2), John Standley (CCSO), Michael Key (CCSO), Tommy King (Parks Dept.), Michael L. Lessley (Road & Bridge), New Position (Maintenance Dept.), Courtlyn P. Hale (CCSO), Brooks Rundzieher (CCSO), Troy E. Clark (Road & Bridge), Eduardo Alberto (Golf Course), Callyn N. Hale (CCSO), as presented.

Payroll change for Jessica Hoffpauir was pulled per County Treasurer Nikki Whittington.

Insert.
Passed.

17.2- Vacation Carryover- None

17.3- Extended Medical Leave- None

At this time, Judge Sylvia skipped to agenda item 8.1 under Environmental Protection.

15-05-306 Motion made by Senac and seconded by Huddleston to approve the amended On Site Sewage Facility Interlocal Agreement with Beach City, TX.

Public comment made by Rex Tunze.

Insert.

Passed.

At this time, Judge Sylvia returned to agenda items under Administration.

Receive into record The V.G. Young Institute of County Government Certificate of Participation awarded to Larry G. George for completing 14.0 hours of training at the School for County Commissioners Courts; Letter of acknowledgment to Sheriff Brian Hawthorne stating the Chambers County Jail is in compliance with the Texas Minimum Jail Standards; The Rising Star of Texas, Texas State University Continuing Education Certificate awarded to Tony Sims for completion of .6 credit units; Texas Association of Counties Certificate of Attendance presented to the Honorable Nicole Whittington for the completion of 20 hours at the 43rd Annual County Treasurers' Continuing Education Seminar; Texas Association of Counties Certificate of Attendance presented to the Honorable Nicole Whittington for the completion of 5 hours at the 43rd Annual County Treasurers' Continuing Education Seminar; University of Texas at Austin Lyndon B. Johnson

School of Public Affairs Certificate of Completion awarded to Aaron Thomas for the 57th County Auditor's Institute, as presented.

Insert.

Passed.

15-05-307 Motion made by Senac and seconded by Huddleston to approve the minutes of the May 4, 2015, Special Called Commissioner's Court.

Passed.

Agenda item 1.4- Administration- Discuss and consider agreement between Workforce Solutions and Chambers County- **Tabled.**

Tabled while the following changes are made and agreed upon by Texas Workforce Solutions.

Permit the Employer (Chambers County) to terminate at will with appropriate cause, and provide the County more discretion over who is employed.

Public comment made by County Attorney Scott Peal and County Treasurer Nikki Whittington.

Tabled.

15-05-308 Motion made by George and approved by Nelson to approve Interlocal Participation Agreement between Texas Association of County Health and Employee Benefits Pool (TAC HEBP) and Chambers County.

Public comment made by County Treasurer Nikki Whittington.

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15-05-314 Motion made by Huddleston and seconded by George to appoint Patti Henry as Chairman, and Judge Carroll Wilborn, Cheryl Sanders, Steve Franzen, Dave Wilcox, Steve Gularte, and James Hopper as members of the Chambers County Infrastructure Committee as presented. Remaining open positions will be submitted to Commissioner's Court once nominated.

Insert.

Passed.

At this time, Judge Sylvia went to agenda items under Financial.

15-05-315 Motion made by Senac and seconded by Nelson to approve the claim docket beginning with check # 92138 and ending with check # 92480, as presented.

Insert.

Passed.

15-05-316 Motion made by Senac and seconded by Huddleston to approve travel reimbursements in the amount of \$5,347.77.

Insert.

Passed.

15-05-317 Motion made by George and seconded by Nelson to approve budget amendments as presented.

Insert.

Passed.

15-05-318 Motion made by Nelson and seconded by Huddleston to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month ending April 30, 2015, in the amount of \$75,454,735.23.

Insert.

Passed.

15-05-319 Motion made by Huddleston and seconded by George to approve the Auditor's Investment Report for the quarter ending March 31, 2015.

Insert.

Passed.

15-05-320 Motion made by Senac and seconded by Huddleston to approve sick leave pay for retiree Geri Weaver in the amount of \$242.27.

Insert.

Passed.

At this time, Judge Sylvia revisited agenda item 5.2 under Parks and Recreation.

15-05-321 Motion made by Huddleston and seconded by Nelson to approve adding an addendum to the Park Use Agreement that will be drafted by County Attorney Scott Peal, Commissioner Huddleston and Sheriff Hawthorne stating that the Different Rhythm Foundation will verify that financial funds not less than \$5,000.00 will be available to compensate hired security for the festival.

Passed.

At this time, Judge Sylvia went to agenda items under Road and Bridge.

15-05-322 Motion made by Huddleston and seconded by George to approve recording the Zuniga Subdivision Minor Plat.

Agenda item 3.6 was originally pulled, but the required information to record the plat was presented.

*Clerk's Note- See Plat Map Cabinet

Passed.

At this time, Court adjourned from Open Session at 11:34 a.m. into Executive Session under Section 551.071, Gov Code. V.T.C.S. to discuss agenda item 3.7

Court reconvened at 11:56 a.m. into open session to vote on agenda item 3.7.

15-05-323 Motion made by Huddleston and seconded by George to authorize County Attorney Scott Peal to draft a letter to include pictures and documentation to APAC requesting reimbursement for damages from crushed concrete material on Dornboss Road on or around April 2, 2014.

Insert.

Passed.

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

Bess Woody	County Clerk's Office
Nikki Whittington	County Treasurer's Office
Tony Sims	County Auditor
Bobby Hall	County Engineer
Scott Peal	County Attorney
Sarah Cerrone	CCED/GA/SP
James Gibson	East Chambers ISD Board Pres.
Rex Tunze	Chambers Co. Environ. Health

Bob Scherer	Citizen
Robbie King	Anahuac Area Chamber of Commerce
Ignacio Ramirez	City of Baytown
Vickie Dearman	Citizen
Paul Lippke	Lippke, Cartwright, & Roberts
Brian Hawthorne	Sheriff
Nathan Brandimarte	Orgain, Bell, Tucker
Kim Turner	Emergency Management
Nolan George	Winnie-Stowell EMS
B.J. Simon	Baytown/West Chambers Co. Eco Development Foundation
Cami Smith	Health Department/PHEP
Jimme E. Gore	Citizen
Aaron Thomas	Auditor's Office

There being no further business, Court adjourned at 11:59 a.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Heather H. Hawthorne, County Clerk

Jimmy Sylvia, County Judge

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