On this the 8th day of March, 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:

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

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 started with several agenda items under Administration.

Agenda item 1.1- Citizens Comments- Larry Barron spoke about the upcoming TXDOT meeting, encouraging everyone to attend to hear about the plans for changes in our county, especially business owners regarding any proposed changes.

16-03-125 Motion made by Huddleston and seconded by George to adopt the Resolution recognizing March 24, 2016, as Vance McDonald day in Chambers County.

Insert.

Passed.

Agenda item 1.1- Citizens Comments- Isaac Garcia with Texas Association of Counties, discussed the new risk control reimbursement program for 2016, which is a competitive grant program.

16-03-126 Motion made by Huddleston and seconded by George to adopt the Resolution recognizing the 2015-2016 East Chambers ISD Buccaneers Men's Basketball Team.

Insert.

Passed.

At this time, court recessed for a short break at 9:43 a.m. Court reconvened into Open Session at 9:47 a.m.

Judge Sylvia then skipped to agenda item 4.4 under Economic Development & Tourism.

16-03-127 Motion made by Senac and seconded by Huddleston approve the final change order for Smith Point Water System Improvements, Project #P00847.

Public comment made by Toby Davis, with LJA Engineering.

Insert.

Passed.

Judge Sylvia then went back to agenda items under Administration.

Agenda item 1.9- Discuss and consider contract between Pritchard & Abbott, Inc. and the Chamber County Tax Office for Web hosting and making the 1st quarter payment in the amount of $8,100.00.- **tabled.**

Tabled, Scott Peal and Denise Hutter will work on contract to bring back to court.

Public comment made by Denise Hutter, Tax Assessor/Collector, and Tony Sims, County Auditor.

Tabled.

16-03-128 Motion made by Nelson and seconded by Huddleston to set a Public Hearing for March 22, 2016, at 10:00 a.m., for designation of Reinvestment Zone for AmeriPort Building 6, and to approve the Project Red Bull letter of intent submitted to Commissioners Court.

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

Insert.

Passed.

Agenda item 1.3- Receive into record update on Chambers County's economic forecast by Baytown-West Chambers County Economic Development Foundation.

Insert.

Let the record reflect, Commissioner Huddleston left court at 10:12 a.m. and returned to court at 10:17 a.m.

Agenda item 3.6- Discuss and consider property acquisitions for FM 1409 rights-of-way- **Executive Session.**

Agenda item 3.7- Discuss and consider property acquisitions for Kilgore Drainage Segment 1- **Executive Session.**

Court recessed at 10:25 a.m. out of Open Session and into Executive Session to consult with attorney, under Section 551.071 Government Code, V.T.C.S. Court reconvened at 11:02 a.m. into Open Session

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Agenda item 3.6- Discuss and consider property acquisitions for FM 1409 rights-of-way- **no action.**

No action.

Agenda item 3.7- Discuss and consider property acquisitions for Kilgore Drainage Segment 1- **no action.**

No action.

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

16-03-129 Motion made by Huddleston and seconded by George to appoint Lenard T. Bettis, Jr. as County Fire Marshal, and to approve the Official Bond and Oath of Lenard T. Bettis, Jr.

Public comment made by Kim Turner, Emergency Management.

Insert.

Passed.

Judge Sylvia then covered agenda items under Economic Development & Tourism.

Agenda item 4.1- Discuss and consider approving the Hotel Occupancy Tax (HOT) Fund application from Chambers Wild for 2016 funding.- **pulled.**

16-03-130 Motion made by Senac and seconded by Nelson to approve a Memorandum of Agreement between Galveston Bay Foundation and Chambers County for CIAP project Shoreline Stabilization on the levee road at Fort Anahuac Park.

Insert.

Passed.

16-03-131 Motion made by Senac and seconded by Nelson to approve funding and award bid to BRH-Garver Construction, LP for the Old River Ditch Stabilization Project.

Insert.

Passed.

16-03-132 Motion made by Senac and seconded by George to approve hiring HO+K in the amount of $200,000.00, and GMJ in the amount of $60,000.00 to move forward with schematics and architectural design of the proposed judicial complex, and come back to court with an engagement letter.

Public comment made by George Barrera, Purchasing Agent, Darlene McPherson, MDP Engineering Consulting, Curt Pardee, HO+K, Jeff Bradley, HO+K, and John Johnson, Griffith Mosely Johnson.

Passed.

Court recessed at 12:06 p.m. and reconvened at 12:24 p.m.

At this time, Judge Sylvia covered several agenda items under Parks & Recreation.

16-03-133 Motion made by George and seconded by Nelson to approve the purchase of 2 new 61" Scag Turf Tiger Mowers for the Parks Department from H&H Tractor.

Insert.

Passed.

16-03-134 Motion made by George and seconded by Huddleston to approve the purchase of a new 72" Scag Turf Tiger Mower, being purchased out of Hotel Occupancy Tax funds.

Insert.

Passed.

16-03-135 Motion made by George and seconded by Huddleston to approve the purchase of cameras from Texas Fire Communications Inc., in the amount of $10,695.00 for White's Park Arena, to be funded out of Hotel Occupancy Tax funds.

Insert.

Passed.

16-03-136 Motion made by Senac and seconded by George to approve hiring Third Coast Custom Homes to pour new sidewalks at White's Park building and arena, not to exceed $26,316.00, funded out of Hotel Occupancy Tax funds.

Insert.

Passed.

Agenda item 5.5- Discuss and consider Park Use Agreement between Chambers County and Anahuac ISD.- **Tabled.**

Tabled.

Agenda item 5.6- Discuss and consider Park Use Agreement between Chambers County and Anahuac Youth Sports Organization (AYSO).- **Tabled.**

Tabled.

Judge Sylvia then went over agenda items under Personnel.

16-03-137 Motion made by Senac and seconded by Nelson to approve the following payroll changes: Jose Muniz, Road & Bridge, Pay group 16-13; Kirk Sherman, Parks Department, Pay group 16-10; Garland Davis, Sheriff's

Office, Unclassified $47,738.87; John Miller, Sheriff's Office, Unclassified $69,385.50.

Insert.

Passed.

16-03-138 Motion made by Nelson and seconded by Huddleston to approve the vacation carryover of 30 hours for Olivia Hoffeld.

Insert.

Passed.

16-03-139 Motion made by Senac and seconded by George to approve payment of budgeted prisoner housing to Jefferson County (LaSalle Corrections) in the amount of $10,530.00

Insert.

Passed.

16-03-140 Motion made by Huddleston and seconded by Nelson to approve Houston-Galveston Area Council (HGAC) Waste Implementation Program contract, in the amount of $79,794.00.

Insert.

Passed.

Agenda item 6.1- Discuss and consider update of the (2) two 50 ton chillers at the Courthouse, Anahuac, TX.- **no action.**

No action.

At this time, Judge Sylvia covered several agenda items under Road & Bridge.

16-03-141 Motion made by Huddleston and seconded by George to approve the utility application from Texas Windstream, Inc., for utility construction along Willcox Street and Bolivar Avenue, in the City of Anahuac.

Insert.

Passed.

16-03-142 Motion made by Senac and seconded by Nelson to allow J. Cleo Thompson and James Cleo Thompson, Jr., L.P. request to survey Chambers County School Land in Crockett County, and Bobby Hall, Nathan Brandimarte and Tony Sims to negotiate terms & bring Right-of-Way agreement back to court for a portion of Chambers County School Land, League No. 4, Abstract No. 1689, in Crockett County, TX.

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Passed.

16-03-143 Motion made by Nelson and seconded by George to accept two drainage easements situated in the Hackberry Creek subdivision in the A.B.J. Winfree Survey, Abstract No. 306.

Insert.

Passed.

16-03-144 Motion made by Senac and seconded by George for no action regarding joining the Alliance for I-69 Texas.- **no action.**

Insert.

No action.

16-03-145 Motion made by Senac and seconded by George to approve the purchase of (3) Ford Crew Cab pickup trucks, in the amount of $89,721.40 for Road & Bridge Department.

Insert.

Passed.

Judge Sylvia then went to agenda items under Financial.

16-03-146 Motion made by George and seconded by Senac to approve the claim docket beginning with check #97929 and ending with check #98356.

Insert.

Passed.

16-03-147 Motion made by Senac and seconded by George to approve the travel reimbursements and miscellaneous expenditures in the amount of $6,974.88.

Insert.

Passed.

16-03-148 Motion made by Huddleston and seconded by Nelson to approve the budget amendments/transfers as presented.

Insert.

Passed.

Agenda item 2.4- Treasurer's report- none.

Agenda item 2.5- Auditor's report- none.

16-03-149 Motion made by Senac and seconded by Huddleston to approve sick leave pay for retiree, Harvey Williams.

Insert.

Passed.

Agenda item 1.5- Disucuss and consider update on Chambers County School Land, Crockett County.- **no action.**

Insert.

No action.

Let the record reflect, Commissioner Huddleston left court at 1:09 p.m.

16-03-150 Motion made by Senac and seconded by Nelson to approve overtime pay for Custodians for the Mont Belvieu Library.

Commissioner Huddleston not present for the vote.

Insert.

Passed.

16-03-151 Motion made by George and seconded by Nelson to approve continuation certificate for Jack Dennis Kelley, Sr.

Commissioner Huddleston not present for the vote.

Insert.

Passed.

Agenda item 1.2- Receive into record Monthly Reports- Chambers County Department Liaisons 2015-16; Certificate of Completion 8CPE, Bess Christine Woody; 2015 Certificate of Membership County Investment Academy, Lyndsey Davis.

Insert.

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
George Barrera	Purchasing Agent
Lauren Van Deventer	County Judge's Office
Aaron Thomas	County Judge's Office
Mike Lessley	Chambers Co. Project Manager
Lyndsey Davis	County Auditor's Office
Nikki Whittington	Chambers County Treasurer
Sarah Cerrone	Graphic Arts, Economic Development
Kim Turner	Emergency Management Coordinator
Brian Hawthorne	Chambers County Sheriff
Ignacio Ramirez	City of Baytown
Jimmie Gore	Wallisville
B. J. Simon	EDF
Nathan Brandimarte	Orgain Bell & Tucker
Grant Smith	Parks Director
Larry Barron	Winnie
Sam Kinslow	Red Bull
Darlene McPherson	MDP Consulting Engineers
John Johnson	Griffith Mosely Johnson

Doneane Beckcom	Griffith Mosely Johnson
Gloria Roemer	Seabreeze Beacon
Toby Davis	LJA
Isaac Garcia	Texas Association of Counties
Jeff Bradley	HO+K
Curt Parde	HO+K
Robbie King	Anahuac Area Chamber of Commerce
Janet Bergeron	Winnie Area Chamber of Commerce
Joy Turner	Winnie Area Chamber of Commerce
Darla Barrow	Winnie Area Chamber of Commerce
Tommie McNeely	
Lenard T. Bettes, Jr.	
Denise Hutter	CC Tax Assessor/Collector
Regina Castillo	CC Tax Office
Wade Thibodeaux	Neighborhood Net
Michael Pineda	Baytown Sun
Todd Sutherland	EC Bucs Basketball
Chad Guillory	EC Bucs Basketball
Toby Thrasher	EC Bucs Basketball

Aaron Sutherland	EC Bucs Basketball
Austin Sutherland	EC Bucs Basketball
Graham Devillier	EC Bucs Basketball
Dylan Silcox	EC Bucs Basketball
Stevie Johnson	EC Bucs Basketball
Darius Guillory	EC Bucs Basketball
Andre Anderson	EC Bucs Basketball
Antwann Anderson	EC Bucs Basketball
Ethan Kahla	EC Bucs Basketball
Trevor Thomas	EC Bucs Basketball
Kaevon Harmon	EC Bucs Basketball
Kordell David	EC Bucs Basketball
Nathan Singh	EC Bucs Basketball
Jayce Guillory	EC Bucs Basketball

There being no further business, Court adjourned at 1:18 p.m.

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ATTEST:

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Heather H. Hawthorne, County Clerk

APPROVED:

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