On this the 27th day of April, A. D., 2021, the Commissioners' Court of Chambers County, with the following members present, to-wit:

Jimmy Sylvia	County Judge
Jimmy Gore	Commissioner, Precinct No. 1
Mark Tice	Commissioner, Precinct No. 2
Tommy Hammond	Commissioner, Precinct No. 3
Billy Combs	Commissioner, Precinct No. 4
Heather H. Hawthorne	County Clerk

With the following members absent, to-wit:

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

Judge Sylvia, according to law, opened Court at 9:38 a.m. into Open Session. Commissioner Tice offered prayer. Judge Sylvia led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag and to the Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas flag.

At this time, the Court turned to citizens' comments. Judge Sylvia read a comment by Matthew Faulkner. Mr. Faulkner recommended opening County-run trash collection sites up to trailers over 10 feet long two days a week.

The court proceeded with Agenda Item 1.1, discuss and consider Public Health Department and Emergency Management. Mary Beth Bess, Chambers County Health Services Director, informed the Court that there are 87 active COVID-19 cases in the County. She said 21 percent of county residents are fully vaccinated. Bess and Public Health Emergency Preparedness Coordinator Kevin Crump touched on the $4,925,250.00 COVID-19 Vaccination Capacity Grant between the Department of State Health Services and Chambers County Health Department.

Accepting the grant was on the Consent Agenda as Item 19.18. This item was pulled from the Consent Agenda to be considered immediately.

21-04-84 Motion made by Combs and seconded by Gore to accept as presented the COVID-19 Vaccination Capacity Grant in the amount of $4,925,250.00 between the Department of State Health Services and Chambers County Health Department to increase vaccine capacity.

Passed; Insert.

The Court then turned to Agenda Item 1.2, legislative update. Comments by Dawn Pilcher of LJA Engineering. Pilcher gave an update on legislation regarding the Gulf Coast Protective Agreement to protect coastal Texas counties from storm surges.

No action.

At 10:12 a.m., the Court recessed out of regular session into a public hearing for the renaming of Old Needlepoint Road to Chambers parkway from Hwy 146 east to the end. There were no public comments. At 10:12a.m., the Court adjourned out of public hearing and into Regular Session.

21-04-85 Motion made by Combs and seconded by Tice to approve the renaming of Old Needlepoint Road to Chambers Parkway from Hwy. 146 east to the end. Comments by Commissioner Combs.

Passed.

At 10:14 a.m., the Court recessed out of regular session into a public hearing regarding the Blackline 2021 Reinvestment Zone. Comments by B.J. Simon, Economic Development Foundation. As there were no public comments, the Court adjourned out of public hearing and back into Regular Session at 10:15 a.m.

21-04-86 Motion made by Combs and seconded by Tice to approve the Order establishing the Blackline 2021 Reinvestment Zone. Comments by B.J. Simon, Economic Development Foundation.

Passed; Insert.

21-04-87 Motion made by Combs and seconded by Tice to give notice of a public hearing on June 8, 2021, regarding the Blackline Tax Abatement Agreement. Comments by B.J. Simon, Economic Development Foundation.

Passed.

21-04-88 Motion made by Combs and seconded by Tice to approve the Tosaf, Inc. Tax Abatement application and incentive recommendation.

Comments by B.J. Simon, Economic Development Foundation and Commissioners Combs.

Passed; Insert

21-04-89 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Tice to reject all bids associated with Chambers County Contract No. 20-065-07-C010 associated with the Hankamer Wastewater Treatment Plant Project. Comments by Project Manager Jared Defrancis, with LJA Engineering.

Passed; Insert.

21-04-90 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Hammond to authorize re-bidding for the Hankamer Wastewater Treatment Plant Project associated with Chambers County Contract No. 20-065-07-C010. Comments by Project Manager Jared Defrancis, with LJA Engineering.

Passed.

21-04-91 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Hammond to approve Resolutions naming the 2021 Chambers County Youth Project Show Honorees: Ranch Rodeo, Mike Winzer; Auction Dedication, Sarah Cerrone; Livestock Show, Patti Laird; Steer Show, Yale Devillier and Honoree Award, Jerrod Smith.

Passed; Insert.

21-04-92 Motion made by Tice and seconded by Combs to allow the Parks Department to determine whether an online auction, in conjunction with the live auction, is technologically feasible for the Youth Project Show Auction, and if so, then the Parks Department will pay for the online auction portion and YPS will pay for the live auction portion.

Passed.

At this point, the Court returned to Agenda Item 1.4, discuss and consider action on Resolution Expressing Intent to Finance Expenditures to be incurred by Chambers County, Texas.

21-04-93 Motion made by Tice and seconded by Hammond to approve the Resolution Expressing Intent to Finance Expenditures to be incurred by Chambers County, Texas. Comments by Aaron Thomas, assistant budget officer.

Passed.

21-04-94 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Combs to allow trailers up to 18 feet with a 10-foot mark off to use County box sites on Thursdays. Hammond voted against the motion. Motion passed.

Passed.

At 11:04 a.m., the Court took a break. The Court reconvened at 11:10 a.m., and took up Agenda Item 1.3, discuss and consider review of county election precincts for 2021 and update on the 2021 census/redistricting in Chambers County. Comments by County Clerk Heather Hawthorne and attorney Robert Bass with Allison, Bass & Magee, LLP.

No action.

The Court then turned to Agenda Item 7.2, discuss and consider 2021 Certificates of Obligation projects.

21-04-95 Motion made by Combs and seconded by Tice to postpone the EW4 Frontage Road to CCID1 Project from the Certificates of Obligation Projects and add the Anahuac Baseball Field Project for $5.8 million. Comments by Jeff Chapman of PBK and Mike Lessley, director of building maintenance and construction.

Passed; Insert.

At this point, Judge Sylvia left Commissioners' Court to attend another meeting. Judge Pro Tem Gore took over.

21-04-96 Motion made by Hammond and seconded by Tice to approve the contract with Brookstone for Phase 1 including packages 2 (Road & Bridge), 3 (Box Site) and 4 (Entire Site Work and Site Utilities) for the Westside Complex, valued at $7.5 million.

Passed; Insert.

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21-04-98 Motion made by Hammond and seconded by Combs to increase the Winnie/Anahuac Airport fuel system project in the amount of $31,417.97 with Bassco Services to get the airports up to FAA compliance.

Passed; Insert.

At this time, the Court turned to the Consent Agenda. Combs requested that Agenda Item 19.5, approve job descriptions, and Agenda Item 19.6, approve payroll changes be taken into Executive Session. After some discussion, the Court elected to pull Agenda Item 19.20, approve ditch cleaning bids and award contract for $150,000 to Texas Drainage, primarily because the dollar amount had increased to $300,000.00.

21-04-99 Motion made by Hammond and seconded by Tice to approve ditch cleaning bids and award contract for $300,000.00 to Texas Drainage.

Passed; Insert.

Hammond also requested that Agenda Item 19.8, accept letter of intent from Ashley Pritchett to serve on the Chambers County Child Welfare Board, be taken into Executive Session.

At 12:47 p.m. the Court took a break. At 12:53 p.m., the Court reconvened into Executive Session, Consultation with Attorney, Section 551.071, Gov. Code, V.T.C.S.; Deliberation Regarding Real Property – Section 551.072, Gov. Code, V.T.C.S; Personnel Section 551.074, Gov. Code, V.T.C.S.; Deliberation regarding security devices or security audits. The Court returned to Open Session at 2:07 p.m. with Judge Sylvia presiding.

No action.

21-04-100 Motion made by Combs and seconded by Hammond to approve the Consent Agenda, with the modification of leaving off the pay range on the County Road Administrator job description.

Passed; Insert.

Following this motion, the Court returned to Agenda Item 1.2, discuss and consider legislative update. Comments by County Clerk Heather Hawthorne regarding The American Rescue Plan, which was expected to include roughly $8.5 million for Chambers County, House Bill 749 and Senate Bill 10.

There being no further business, Court adjourned at 2:12 p.m.

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ATTEST:

Heather H. Hawthorne

Heather H. Hawthorne, County Clerk

APPROVED:

~~Jimmy Sylvia~~, County Judge, pro-tem
Jimmy E. Gore,

COMMISSIONERS' COURT MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
April 27, 2021

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