

On this the 11th day of May, A. D., 2021, the Commissioners' Court of Chambers County, with the following members present, to-wit:

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| 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 MEETING, at which time the following items were discussed, considered, passed or adopted, to-wit:

Judge Sylvia, according to law, opened Court at 9:34 a.m. into Open Session. County Engineer Cory Taylor offered prayer and 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.

County Clerk Heather Hawthorne, gave an update to the Court regarding the Chambers County Youth Livestock Show, stating that all monies collected from the auction had been deposited. She also stated that written policies and procedures would be submitted to the County Auditor's Office for review.

Larry Barron addressed the Court on Agenda Item 7.2, discuss and consider approving PBK Architects to provide architectural and engineering services for a new County Baseball/Softball Complex in Winnie to replace the existing fields at Cook Park. Barron said he thought replacing the current fields would be good for economic growth. He asked the Commissioners to support the move.

Darlene McPherson also spoke on agenda item 7.2. After thanking the Court for addressing the ballfield issues in Anahuac and Winnie, she questioned why PBK Architects should be hired. She said PBK's rendering of the reconfiguration was "unworkable," as it had parking areas in historic sections of the park. She produced renderings from volunteers that she said would be more functional.

Christy Ridgaway with the Winnie-Stowell Positive Action Committee addressed the Court on agenda item 6.1, discuss and consider the Winnie-

Stowell Positive Action Committee request to paint an art mural in Gregory Memorial Park, located in Stowell.

Paula West, also of the Winnie-Stowell Positive Action Committee, addressed the Court virtually. West also encouraged the Court to approve the mural.

Lauren VanDeventer, assistant to the County Judge, read a citizen's comment from Mark VanCleave. VanCleave objected to projects being excluded from the West Side Complex and infrastructure projects in order to replace ballfields in Anahuac and Winnie. He suggested that another certificate of obligation could be issued for the fields in Anahuac and Winnie.

At this time, the Court turned to Agenda Item 1.2, discuss and consider legislative update. Judge Sylvia read an email from Dawn Pilcher of LJA Engineering. The email gave an update regarding legislation on the Gulf Coast Protective Agreement.

No action.

21-05-101 Motion made by Tice and seconded by Combs to approve Resolution recognizing May 9-15, 2021, as Hospital Week ("Inspiring Hope through Healing") in Chambers County.

Passed; Insert.

21-05-102 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Tice to approve the Proclamation declaring May as International Internal Audit Awareness Month. Comments by County Auditor Tony Sims.

Passed; Insert.

21-05-103 Motion made by Combs and seconded by Tice to accept the concept drawings from CCID #1 (Chambers County Improvement District #1) for a Cedar Port Greenbelt along FM 2354. Comments by County Engineer Cory Taylor and John Klein of Trans-Global Solutions.

Passed; Insert.

21-05-104 Motion made by Combs and seconded by Hammond to set a public hearing on the Tosaf, Inc. Reinvestment Zone application for May 25,
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2021, at 10 a.m. Comments by B.J. Simon, Economic Development Foundation.

Passed; Insert.

At this point, the Court turned to Agenda Item 6.1, discuss and consider the Winnie-Stowell Positive Action Committee request to paint an art mural in Gregory Memorial Park, located in Stowell, Texas.

Despite a motion from Gore and a second from Judge Sylvia to approve the mural, the agenda item was tabled. Comments by citizen Christy Ridgaway and County Attorney Ashley Cain Land. The Court requested a rendering of the proposed mural and expressed concern for a lack of policy regarding murals on County buildings. County Attorney Ashley Cain Land was tasked with looking at policy guidelines used by other counties and municipalities.

Tabled.

21-05-105 Motion made by Tice and seconded by Gore to approve the Diesels & Dames Truck Show at Fort Anahuac Park on June 5, 2021, pending a Park Use Agreement. Comments by Thomas and Angela Watkins.

Passed; Insert.

At this point, the Court took up Agenda Item 7.1, discuss and consider 2021 Certificates of Obligation projects. Comments by Aaron Thomas, assistant budget officer, County Auditor Tony Sims, County Clerk Heather Hawthorne and Commissioners Combs and Gore.

Following this discussion, the Court addressed Agenda Item 7.2, discuss and consider approving PBK Architects to provide architectural and engineering services for a new County Baseball/Softball Complex in Winnie, Texas, to replace the existing fields at Cook Park and Agenda Item 7.3, discuss and consider approving Chambers Surveying to provide surveying services for the land at the existing Cook Park to construct a new County baseball and softball complex.

Tabled.

21-05-106 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Hammond to not add interest or any additional charges related to the cost of the nuisance abatement located at 421 West Cypress Avenue in Winnie. Comments by County Attorney Ashley Cain Land.

Passed; Insert.

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21-05-107 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Hammond to adopt an amended Food Order regarding mobile food units. Comments by Environmental Health and Permitting Director Darla Branch.

Passed; Insert.

21-05-108 Motion made by Hammond and seconded by Gore to approve the Resolution to pay tribute to fallen officers and law enforcement officers in Chambers County, the State of Texas and the United States.

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.

21-05-109 Motion made by Tice and seconded by Combs to approve the consent agenda with the exception of Agenda Items 19.5 and 19.6.

Passed; Insert.

At 10:47 a.m., the Court recessed out of Regular Session and 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 1:26 p.m.

21-05-110 Motion made by Combs and seconded by Gore to approve item 19.5, approve job descriptions, and Agenda Item 19.6, approve payroll changes, from the consent agenda.

Passed; Insert.

21-05-111 Motion made by Tice and seconded by Gore to terminate employment of Human Resources Director Toccara Greene.

Passed.

21-05-112 Motion made by Hammond and seconded by Gore to place Beau Greene on unpaid leave.

Passed.

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21-05-113 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Tice to approve PBK Architects to provide architectural and engineering services for a new County Baseball/Softball Complex in Winnie to replace the existing fields at Cook Park for up to \$200,000.00.

Passed; Insert.

21-05-114 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Tice to approve Chambers Surveying to provide surveying services for the land at the existing Cook Park to construct a new baseball and softball complex.

Passed; Insert.

There being no further business, Court adjourned at 1:31 p.m.

ATTEST:



Heather H. Hawthorne
Heather H. Hawthorne, County Clerk

APPROVED:

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



COMMISSIONERS' COURT MINUTES
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The Court heard citizen comments from County Clerk Heather Hawthorne. She gave an update to the Court regarding the Chambers County Youth Livestock Show, stating that all monies collected from the auction had been deposited.

Larry Barron addressed the Court on Agenda Item 7.2, voicing his support for replacing the current baseball fields at Cook Park in Winnie. He asked the Commissioners to support the move.

Darlene McPherson also spoke on agenda item 7.2. She questioned why PBK Architects should be hired. She said PBK's rendering of the reconfiguration was "unworkable."

Christy Ridgaway with the Winnie-Stowell Positive Action Committee voiced support for agenda item 6.1.

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