

On this the 24th day of May, A. D., 2022, 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

With the following members absent, to-wit:

Heather H. Hawthorne	County Clerk
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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 9:36 a.m. into Open Session. Bobby Hall offered prayer. Judge Sylvia led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas flag.

22-05-157 Motion made by Commissioners' Court and seconded by Commissioners' Court to pass the Resolution honoring Linnie Evelyn Stephenson Standley on her 100th birthday for her contribution to not only the Smith Point Community, but also to the history of Chambers County and education and wellbeing of the many people whose lives she has touched. Commissioner Gore read the Resolution and Mrs. Standley was wished a happy birthday by members of the Court.

Passed; Insert.

22-05-158 Motion made by Commissioners' Court and seconded by Commissioners' Court to pass the Resolution recognizing and honoring the life and service of Galveston County Commissioner and Houston-Galveston Area Council Board Member Ken Clark. Commissioner Hammond read the resolution into the record and Commissioner Combs told of his past experience working with Mr. Clark.

Passed; Insert.

At this point, the Court took up Agenda Item 7.1, discuss and consider Resolution honoring retired Commissioner Mark Huddleston by naming the former Winnie Library in his honor and christening the building as the "Commissioner Mark Huddleston Community Building." Judge Sylvia read the resolution and shared fond memories of Commissioner Huddleston.

22-05-159 Motion made by Commissioners' Court and seconded by Commissioners' Court to approve the Resolution honoring retired Commissioner Mark Huddleston by naming the former Winnie Library in his honor and christening the building as the "Commissioner Mark Huddleston Community Building." Commissioner Huddleston told the Court he was very humbled by the honor.

Passed; Insert.

Following the vote, the Court turned to Agenda Item 8.1, discuss and consider adopting revised Solid Waste Ordinance. Several citizens from Smith Point spoke out against the proposal to reduce the hours at the Smith Point dump from six days a week to three.

Larry Willis of Smith Point spoke out against it, telling the Court that Smith Point had few amenities as it is and pointed out it was 25 miles to Anahuac, the closest dump. Linda Willis of Smith Point agreed, pointing out that there had been a lot of economic upheaval in Smith Point recently and reducing the hours would put an undue burden on the citizens. Mark O'Grady of Smith Point also spoke out against the proposed reduction in hours, saying that if the services was taken away, the citizens would be unlikely to ever get it back.

County Compliance & Enforcement Coordinator Victoria Figueroa also made a comment, telling the Court that Smith Point has the least amount of nuisance complaints in the County. She said there are not many in Oak Island or Double Bayou either.

Debbie Waldo with Solid Waste addressed the Court and citizens in the audience. She said the proposal was an effort to cut cost and improve the department.

Judge Sylvia said the cost of operating the dump sites was around \$3 million a year. Hammond and Combs agreed that a solution was needed to better manage the dump sites, as the West Side sites sees more loads per day than the other sites. Commissioner Gore pointed out that no office in the county generates a profit. He stated that he did not agree with reducing hours in the smaller communities.

Judge Sylvia said another reason changes were being considered is because the dump sites were being abused by citizens of other counties and contractors. License plate reading cameras were discussed as a possible solution to cut down on abuse.

22-05-160 Motion made by Hammond and seconded by Tice to table Agenda Item 8.1, discuss and consider adopting revised Solid Waste Ordinance.

Following the discussion and vote, the Court moved to Agenda Item 3.8, discuss and consider Southwinds Section 4&5 variance request for the following requirements: minimum width, side lot setback, and minimum back-of-curb to back-of-curb paved roadway width.

22-05-161 Motion made by Combs and seconded by Tice to approve Southwinds Section 4&5 variance request for the following requirements: minimum width, side lot setback, and minimum back-of-curb to back-of-curb paved roadway width. Comments by County Engineer Cory Taylor, who had no objection to the request, and Commissioners Combs and Hammond.

Passed; Insert.

The Court then turned to Agenda Item 3.1, discuss and consider approving Change Order No. 13 for the Ride Quality Payment Adjustment (Item 341) in the amount of \$25, 982.00 to Sterling Delaware Holding Co., Inc. DBA: Texas Sterling Construction.

22-05-162 Motion made by Hammond and seconded by Combs to approve Change Order No. 13 for the Ride Quality Payment Adjustment (Item 341) in the amount of \$25, 982.00 to Sterling Delaware Holding Co., Inc. DBA: Texas Sterling Construction. Comments by County Engineer Cory Taylor, Commissioner Gore and Larry Marr of Dannenbaum Engineering.

Passed; Insert.

The Court then moved to Environmental Protection.

22-05-163 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Hammond to approve the nuisance abatement for 416 Bertrand Street, Winnie, Texas 77665. Comments by property owner Ella Krammer, County Compliance & Enforcement Coordinator Victoria Figueroa, County Purchasing Agent George Barrera and Commissioner Gore.

Passed; Insert.

Court broke at 10:30 a.m. to observe the Moment at the Memorial supporting Chambers County Fallen Officers (Agenda Item 3.1. The

Resolution was adopted May 10, 2022). The ceremony was held on the second floor of the Courthouse due to inclement weather. Court returned to Open Session at 11:16 a.m.

After the ceremony, the Court returned to the agenda items under Road & Bridge, starting with Agenda Item 3.2, discuss and consider approving Change Order No. 1 for seal coat of Job Beason Park in Oak Island in the amount of \$22,160.00 to Cowboy Asphalt Services, LLC.

22-05-164 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Tice to approve Change Order No. 1 for seal coat of Job Beason Park in Oak Island in the amount of \$22,160.00 to Cowboy Asphalt Services, LLC. Comments by County Engineer Cory Taylor and Commissioners Combs and Gore.

Passed; Insert.

22-05-165 Motion made by Hammond and seconded by Tice to authorize going out for Construction Inspection RFQs. Comments by Commissioner Hammond.

Passed; Insert.

The Court entered into a Public Hearing at 11:19 a.m. regarding changes to the Road & Bridge Drainage, Subdivision and Infrastructure Criteria Manuals (Agenda Item 3.4). There were no public comments. The Court entered back into Open Session at 11:19 a.m.

22-05-166 Motion made by Combs and seconded by Tice to table Agenda Item 3.5, discuss and consider adopting the changes to the Road & Bridge Drainage, Subdivision and Infrastructure Criteria Manuals, until June 28, 2022. A public hearing on the matter was also set for June 28, 2022.

Passed.

22-05-167 Motion made by Tice and seconded by Combs to approve variance request from TGS concerning drainage requirements for a 900,000 square foot building. Comments by County Engineer Cory Taylor, who had no objection, Commissioner Hammond and John Klein of Chambers County Improvement District No. 1.

Passed; Insert.

22-05-168 Motion made by Combs and seconded by Gore to approve and accept an Acknowledgement of Donation of Money and Real Property for

Drainage in Chambers County, Texas (Kilgore Parkway Expansion Project), with minor changes presented by outside counsel Nathan Brandimart. Comments by County Engineer Cory Taylor, Commissioner Combs and County Auditor Aaron Thomas.

Passed; Insert.

At 11:28 a.m. the Court entered into a Public Hearing regarding the proposed Chambers Parkway Transportation Reinvestment Zone (CPTRZ) (Agenda Item 5.1).

B.J. Simon with Economic Development Foundation told the Court a survey of the area would be needed and that many properties in the area were protesting recent tax appraisal values. As there were no public comments, the Court returned to Open Session at 11:31 a.m.

22-05-169 Motion made by Combs and seconded by Hammond to formally adopt 2022 as the base year for the Chambers County Parkway Transportation Reinvestment Zone (CPTRZ).

Passed.

22-05-170 Motion made by Combs and seconded by Hammond to survey the area to establish the boundaries for the Chambers County Parkway Transportation Reinvestment Zone (CPTRZ).

Passed.

22-05-171 Motion made by Tice and seconded by Combs to approve Houston Transloading Partners I, LLC (NFI) Tax Abatement and Reinvestment Zone application. Comments by B.J. Simon, Economic Development Foundation, Commissioner Hammond and John Klein of Chambers County Improvement District No. 1.

Passed; Insert.

22-05-172 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Hammond to approve SBR Cedar Port 2 Owner, LP-Tax Abatement application and incentives recommendation. Comments by B.J. Simon, Economic Development Foundation.

Passed; Insert.

A motion was made by Gore and seconded by Tice to place signage along Turtle Bayou I-10 Bridge to Lake Anahuac and I-10 Bridge north to county line "No Wake Zone" and "Trolling Motors Only." After the motion and second, Hammond said he was in favor of the "No Wake Zone" signage, but

was still concerned about enforcing a Trolling Motors Only rule. It was decided the motion and second would be tabled and more work would be done on the issue.

The Court then moved to Agenda Item 14.1, discuss and consider request from OmniPoint Health requesting a \$500,000 disbursement for a CT Machine at the Anahuac Hospital.

Hospital Board officials told the Court that the CT machine had reached the end of its life and did not always work. Commissioner Hammond and others on the Court expressed concern about recent financial uncertainties at OmniPort. Chairman of the Board Mike Emmons said there should be some financial clarity by the end of June. The item was tabled until the second court in June.

22-05-173 Motion made by Tice and seconded by Combs to approve the Consent Agenda, with the exception of Agenda Item 19.12, approve upgrade of Access Control for the Dispatch Center from Datavox, Inc. in the amount of \$11,582.71, which was tabled.

Passed; Insert.

At 11:58 a.m. the Court entered 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.

Court returned to Regular Session at 1:04 p.m.

No action was taken after Executive Session.

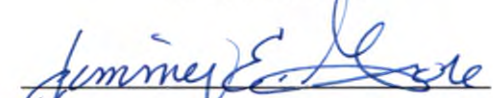
There being no further business, Court adjourned at 1:04 p.m.

ATTEST:



Heather H. Hawthorne, County Clerk

APPROVED:



Jimmy Sylvia, County Judge

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