

On this the 27 day of September, 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 9:32 a.m. into Open Session. Chambers County 4-H member Dustin Poole offered prayer. Chambers County 4-H member Bradley Poole led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas flag.

22-09-360 Motion made by Commissioners' Court and seconded by Commissioners' Court to approve the Proclamation designating October 2-8, 2022, as National 4-H Week in Texas. The proclamation was read by Chambers County 4-H member Kenede Wagner.

Passed; Insert.

22-09-361 Motion made by Combs and seconded by Hammond to accept the Marsh Fest 2022 HOT Fund Audit Report. Comments by Assistant County Auditor Lyndsey Davis, Debbie Breaux of Marsh Fest, Combs and Director of Economic Development and Grant Administrator Samantha Humphrey.

Passed; Insert.

Following the vote, the Court took up several items under Road & Bridge, beginning with Agenda Item 3.2, discuss and consider setting a public hearing at 10:00 a.m. on October 11, 2022, for the purpose of closing Needlepoint Road due to safety concerns in regards to a music festival being held October 29-31, 2022, from 2:00 p.m.-2:00 a.m. from Kilgore Parkway South to FM 565.

22-09-362 Motion made by Combs and seconded by Hammond to set a

public hearing at 10:00 a.m. on October 11, 2022, for the purpose of closing Needlepoint Road due to safety concerns in regards to a music festival being held October 29-31, 2022, from 2:00 p.m.-2:00 a.m. from Kilgore Parkway South to FM 565.

Passed.

22-09-363 Motion made by Combs and seconded by Tice to pass a temporary "no parking" ordinance on FM 565 between FM 3180 and FM 1405 as well as FM 2354 from FM 565 to FM 3180 (October 29-31, 2022).

Passed.

Agenda Item 3.4, discuss and consider removing Cedar Hill Drive as dedicated in recorded plat of Cedar Hill Estates recorded in Volume A, page 96 of the Map Records of Chambers County, Texas, from the County Road Maintenance System and relinquish any title Chambers County, Texas, may have in said right-of-way, was pulled.

22-09-364 Motion made by Combs and seconded by Tice to approve funding up to \$2,000,000 to widen Kilgore Parkway to four lanes from Hwy. 99 to FM 3180, contingent upon developers agreeing to match the \$2,000,000. Comments by Combs, B.J. Simon, Economic Development Foundation, and County Auditor Aaron Thomas.

Passed; Insert.

The Court then turned to Agenda Item 5.5, discuss and consider Chambers County Logistics Terminal, LP Chapter 381 Economic Development proposal.

22-09-365 Motion made by Combs and seconded by Tice to accept the Chambers County Logistics Terminal, LP Chapter 381 Economic Development proposal and move forward with the 60-day negotiation period. Comments by B.J. Simon, Economic Development Foundation, Combs and Hammond.

Passed; Insert.

At 9:57 a.m., the Court recessed out of Regular Session and turned to the Special Called Meeting, which was posted as a Supplement to the September 27, 2022, Regular Meeting of the Chambers County Commissioners' Court.

22-09-366 Motion made by Combs and seconded by Tice to accept the TGSCP 6363, LLC Tax Abatement amendment. Comments by B.J. Simon, Economic Development Foundation.

At 10:01 a.m., the Court adjourned from the Special Called Meeting and entered in to a public hearing on the proposed 2022 Tax Rate and the 2023 Chambers County Annual Budget (Agenda Item 2.2). There were no public comments and Court returned to Regular Session at 10:10 a.m.

22-09-367 Motion made by Hammond and seconded by Gore to adopt the 2023 Chambers County Annual Budget.

Passed; Insert.

22-09-368 Motion made by Tice and seconded by Hammond to set the 2022 Tax Rate at 0.491551/\$100. Comments by County Auditor Aaron Thomas and Gore.

Passed; Insert.

At 10:14 a.m., the Court recessed out of Regular Session and entered into a public hearing regarding the abandonment of a portion of second-class jury of view road, being a 0.1057-acre tract of land situated in the Henry Griffith A-12 Survey, located south of FM 1942 and approve the abandonment (Agenda Item 3.1). Comments by Victoria Lyons, Assistant County Engineer Cory Taylor, who recommended approval, and Floodplain Administrator/911 Coordinator Brad Wilber.

There were no comments from the public. Court returned to Open Session at 10:15 a.m.

22-09-369 Motion made by Hammond and seconded by Tice to approve the abandonment of a portion of second-class jury of view road, being a 0.1057-acre tract of land situated in the Henry Griffith A-12 Survey, located south of FM 1942.

Passed; Insert.

The Court then took up Agenda Item 5.2, discuss and consider Chambers County Senior Citizens Project.

22-09-370 Motion made by Combs and seconded by Tice to authorize the purchase and distribution of meals for the Meals on Wheels Program until the second Commissioners' Court meeting in October (Oct. 25, 2022).

Comments by Judge Sylvia, Gore, Combs, Tice, Hammond, County Purchasing Agent George Barrera and Director of Economic Development and Grant Administrator Samantha Humphrey.

The Court took a break at 10:35 a.m. and returned to Open Session at 10:49 a.m.

The Court returned to several items under Road & Bridge, starting with Agenda Item 3.7, discuss and consider approving FM 1409 Change Order No. 4, Revision 1 to Texas Material Group, Inc. DBA: Gulf Coast for additional traffic control in the amount of \$32,995.85.

22-09-371 Motion made by Tice and seconded by Gore to approve FM 1409 Change Order No. 4, Revision 1 to Texas Material Group, Inc. DBA: Gulf Coast for additional traffic control in the amount of \$32,995.85. Comments by Assistant County Engineer Cory Taylor.

Passed; Insert.

After some discussion, Agenda Item 3.8, discuss and consider approving Anahuac Transport variance request to go from 50 percent pumped detention to 100 percent, was tabled.

Agenda Item 3.6, discuss and consider additional funds to complete current Kilgore Parkway, was pulled.

Agenda Item 3.9, discuss and consider approving \$130,000 to convert the existing illumination to LED along Kilgore Parkway and to add additional illumination at SH 99 and Needlepoint intersection, was tabled.

For the record, at 11:00 a.m., Judge Sylvia stepped out of the courtroom to address another matter.

The Court then took up Agenda Item 5.1, discuss and consider authorizing updated scope of work for Airport Road Feasibility Study to add cost estimation for potential spring 2023 bond projects.

22-09-372 Motion made by Hammond and seconded by Tice to update the scope of work for Airport Road Feasibility Study through PBK to add cost estimation for potential spring 2023 bond projects. Comments by Director of Economic Development and Grant Administrator Samantha Humphrey,

County Purchasing Agent George Barrera, Project Manager Mike Lessley, Combs and Tice.

Passed; Insert.

22-09-373 Motion made by Hammond and seconded by Tice to approve the purchase of a new RAV4 for Commissioner Precinct 1 transportation services for senior citizens using Health Services Funds. Comments by Judge Pro Tem Gore, Director of Economic Development and Grant Administrator Samantha Humphrey, Hammond, Combs and County Purchasing Agent George Barrera.

Passed; Insert.

22-09-374 Motion made by Hammond and seconded by Combs to allocate \$46,196.56 from ARPA to assist with funding of proposed Chambers County Equipment Storage Building. Comments by Director of Economic Development and Grant Administrator Samantha Humphrey, Project Manager Mike Lessley, Combs and Tice.

Passed; Insert.

Before Mrs. Humphrey left the courtroom, she was asked about another item regarding the bus owned by the Senior Citizens Project. During this discussion, Commissioner Tice exited the courtroom. No action was taken regarding the discussion. Tice returned to the courtroom before discussion on the next agenda item began.

22-09-375 Motion made by Combs and seconded by Tice to approve Interlocal Agreement between Chambers County and The City of Anahuac regarding the Splash-pad water and landfill fees.

Passed; Insert.

22-09-376 Motion made by Tice and seconded by Combs to renew the Technical Service Agreement for Building Automation Systems Maintenance Services with Climatec in the amount of \$13,877.00. Comments by Project Manager Mike Lessley.

Passed; Insert.

22-09-377 Motion made by Tice and seconded by Hammond to approve the Anahuac Airport office remodel from Tippet Construction, LLC in the amount of \$24,650.00 (paid for by grant). Comments by Project Manager Mike Lessley, Combs, County Purchasing Agent George Barrera and Hammond.

Passed; Insert.

22-09-378 Motion made by Tice and seconded by Hammond to approve the Cook Field Sports Complex Change Order No. 1 from N&T Construction for drainage permit changes, permit fees and bleacher changes in the amount of \$61,196.33. Comments by Project Manager Mike Lessley, Hammond and County Auditor Aaron Thomas.

Passed; Insert.

22-09-379 Motion made by Combs and seconded by Tice to approve HKR Ranches, LLC bid to build the Parks Department Storage Building in the amount of \$141,196.56. Comments by Project Manager Mike Lessley, County Purchasing Agent George Barrera and Hammond.

Passed; Insert.

22-09-380 Motion made by Tice and seconded by Hammond to approve changes to the Funding Agreement with the Chambers County Fire Departments for 2023 to include dispersal of funds once a year, independent annual audits due by August 31, all departments must abide by the Texas Open Meetings Act and that notices be returned to the County Judge's Office. Comments by EMS Director Ron Nichols, Judge Pro Tem Gore, Combs and Hammond.

Passed; Insert.

22-09-381 Motion made by Hammond and seconded by Combs to approve changes to the Funding Agreement with Winnie Stowell EMS for 2023 to include independent annual audits due by August 31, all departments must abide by the Texas Open Meetings Act and that notices be returned to the County Judge's Office. Comments by EMS Director Ron Nichols.

Passed; Insert.

22-09-382 Motion made by Combs and seconded by Tice to approve changes to the Emergency Services Guidelines to include emphasis placed on verbiage stating fire and EMS departments cannot self-dispatch, clarifying communication channels once on scene, clarifying which departments/services can and cannot disregard calls for service and adjusting independent audit dates to match funding agreements. Comments by EMS Director Ron Nichols.

Passed; Insert.

22-09-383 Motion made by Combs and seconded by Hammond to accept a revised agreement and monthly cost between Chambers County and RISE Broadband for expanded equipment usage of the Beach City radio tower site. Comments by Communications Director Quinten Adams, Combs, Hammond and County Purchasing Agent George Barrera.

Passed; Insert.

Motion made by Hammond and seconded by Combs to approve policy that prohibits driving County vehicles more than five miles outside of Chambers County effective immediately. Combs withdrew his second.

22-09-384 Motion previously made by Hammond and seconded by Combs to approve a policy that prohibits County employees from driving County vehicles more than five miles outside of Chambers County was reinstated with the understanding that the policy only applied to driving County vehicles home. County vehicles would still be allowed to leave the County when on County business. Comments by Hammond, Judge Pro Tem Gore, EMS Director Ron Nichols.

Passed; Insert.

The Court then turned to the Consent Agenda. Agenda Item 19.17, approve Raintree, Section 4 plat, was tabled.

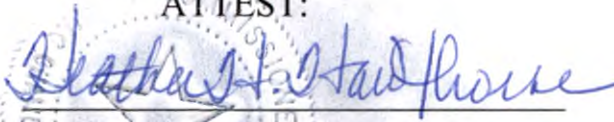
22-09-385 Motion made by Tice and seconded by Hammond to approve the Consent Agenda (with the exception of Agenda Item 19.17).

At 11:48 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 12:21 p.m. No action was taken.

There being no further business, Court adjourned at 12:21 p.m.

ATTEST:



Heather H. Hawthorne, County Clerk

APPROVED:



Jimmy Sylvia, County Judge

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