

On this the 8th day of October, A. D., 2024, the Commissioners' Court of Chambers County, with the following members present, to-wit:

Commissioner, Pct. 1 Jimmy Gore
Commissioner, Pct. 4 Ryan Dagley
Commissioner, Pct. 3 Thomas Hammond
Commissioner, Pct. 2 Mark Tice
County Judge Jimmy Sylvia

With the following members absent, to-wit:
County Clerk Heather H. Hawthorne

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 9:35 a.m. into Open Session. Assistant County Attorney Dwayne Simpson offered prayer. Judge Sylvia led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas flag.

ADMINISTRATION

1.1 Citizen's comments

Travis Eiland gave a Citizen's Comment, calling for an outside investigation into the activities of Chambers County officials. He also told the Court that County Attorney Ashley Cain Land had blocked him on a social media page.

Jason Arnold also gave a Citizen's Comment, accusing the Court of not listening to citizens' concerns in the past. He said a massive plot against the citizens of the county was being carried out through all the departments in the county.

Rachel Hisler gave a Citizen's Comment in support of agenda item 1.3, discuss and consider adding the Chambers County Veterans Association as a charitable option for jury donations.

Emergency Services Coordinator Ryan Holzaepfel introduced Mark Zotti to the Court. Zotti is serving as the county liaison officer between the county and the Texas Department of Emergency Management.

ENGINEERING/PROJECT MANAGEMENT

4.5 Discuss and consider Resolution to memorialize FM 1405 as The Adrian Combs Memorial Highway and approve funding for signage

24-10-1090 Motion made by Commissioners' Court and seconded by Commissioners' Court to approve the Resolution to memorialize FM 1405 as The Adrian Combs Memorial Highway and approve funding for signage. Comments made by former

Chambers County Commissioner Billy Combs, the father of Adrian Combs, and Dagley.
Passed; Insert.

ENGINEERING/PROJECT MANAGEMENT

4.6 Discuss and consider approving Chambers County Subdivision Manual variance from M3 Ranger Builders, LLC on behalf of Catholic Charities of Southeast Texas for a project located off of 909 Highway 124, Winnie TX, 77665 regarding the 50-foot setback line from street right of way as well as the 20-foot setback line from buildings on adjacent properties

24-10-1096 Motion made by Commissioner, Pct. 1 Gore and seconded by Commissioner, Pct. 2 Tice to approve Chambers County Subdivision Manual variance from M3 Ranger Builders, LLC on behalf of Catholic Charities of Southeast Texas for a project located off of 909 Highway 124, Winnie TX, 77665 regarding the 50-foot setback line from street right of way as well as the 20-foot setback line from buildings on adjacent properties. Comments by Engineering Director Natalie Lopez, Judge Sylvia, Jimmy Duplissey of M3 Range Builders, LLC, Gore and Hammond. Carolyn Fernandez of Catholic Charities, Rev. Phillip H Tran, Deacon Fred Lemmd Jr. were present in support of the variance.

Passed; Insert.

ENGINEERING/PROJECT MANAGEMENT

4.7 Discuss and consider approving Chambers County Subdivision Manual variance request from M3 Ranger Builders, LLC on behalf of Catholic Charities of Southeast Texas for a project located off of 909 Highway 124, Winnie, TX, 77665 regarding the 20-foot maintenance berm as well as the 6-foot paved walking path around the detention pond

24-10-1098 Motion made by Commissioner, Pct. 4 Dagley and seconded by Commissioner, Pct. 1 Gore to approve the Chambers County Subdivision Manual variance request from M3 Ranger Builders, LLC on behalf of Catholic Charities of Southeast Texas for a project located off of 909 Highway 124, Winnie, TX, 77665 regarding the 20-foot maintenance berm as well as the 6-foot paved walking path around the detention pond. Comments by Engineering Director Natalie Lopez.

Passed; Insert.

MAINTENANCE & BUILDINGS

7.1 Discuss and consider approving funding for Bradley House renovations to provide a new office location for the Chambers County Historic Commission. Funding not to exceed \$415,000.00 from CO-23

24-10-1079 Motion made by Commissioner, Pct. 1 Gore and seconded by Commissioner, Pct. 2 Tice to approve funding not to exceed \$415,000.00 from CO-23 for Bradley House renovations to provide a new office location for the Chambers

County Historic Commission. Hammond voted nay. Comments by Project Manager Mike Gafford, Gore, Chambers County Historic Commission Chairman Sheryl Shaw, Hammond and Judge Sylvia.

Passed.

ADMINISTRATION

1.2 Discuss and consider the Proclamation declaring the week of November 4-11, 2024 to support Operation Green Light in Chambers County

24-9-1062 Motion made by Commissioner, Pct. 3 Hammond and seconded by Commissioner, Pct. 1 Gore to approve the Proclamation declaring the week of November 4-11, 2024, to support Operation Green Light in Chambers County. Comments by District Clerk Patti Henry.

Passed.

ADMINISTRATION

1.3 Discuss and consider adding the Chambers County Veterans Association as a charitable option for jury donations

24-9-1063 Motion made by Commissioner, Pct. 4 Dagley and seconded by Commissioner, Pct. 2 Tice to add the Chambers County Veterans Association as a charitable option for jury donations. Comments by District Clerk Patti Henry and Hammond.

Passed.

LAW ENFORCEMENT

17.1 Discuss and consider hiring 2025 budgeted Jailers and School Resource Officer positions during the 2024 Fiscal Year

24-10-1085 Motion made by Commissioner, Pct. 2 Tice and seconded by Commissioner, Pct. 4 Dagley to hire 2025 budgeted Jailers and School Resource Officer positions during the 2024 Fiscal Year. Comments by Sheriff Brian Hawthorne.

Passed.

LAW ENFORCEMENT

17.2 Discuss and consider approving Interlocal Agreement between Chambers County and Liberty County for the housing of female inmates

24-10-1086 Motion made by Commissioner, Pct. 1 Gore and seconded by Commissioner, Pct. 3 Hammond to approve Interlocal Agreement between Chambers County and Liberty County for the housing of female inmates. Comments by Sheriff Brian Hawthorne.

Passed; Insert.

GOLF COURSE**12.1 Discuss and consider awarding the contract to renovate the Chambers County Golf Course putting green with synthetic turf to Greenscapes Six in the amount of \$162,230.00, as well as approving the proposed payment schedule**

24-10-1097 Motion made by Commissioner, Pct. 2 Tice and seconded by Commissioner, Pct. 1 Gore to award the contract to renovate the Chambers County Golf Course putting green with synthetic turf to Greenscapes Six in the amount of \$162,230.00, as well as approving the proposed payment schedule. Comments by Golf Course Director James Williamson, County Purchasing Agent George Barrera, Gore, Tice and Samantha Hall with Greenscapes Six.

Passed; Insert.

HEALTH & WELFARE**14.1 Discuss and consider using up to \$100,000 of Health Service Tax Revenue funds to purchase a new Senior Citizen van**

24-10-1095 Motion made by Commissioner, Pct. 1 Gore and seconded by Commissioner, Pct. 3 Hammond to use up to \$100,000 of Health Service Tax Revenue funds to purchase a new Senior Citizen van. Comments by Gore, County Purchasing Agent George Barrera, Hammond and Tice.

Passed.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM**5.1 Discuss and consider approving 2024 TxDOT RAMP Grant contracts for both Anahuac and Winnie Airports for FY25**

24-9-1071 Motion made by Commissioner, Pct. 1 Gore and seconded by Commissioner, Pct. 2 Tice to approve 2024 TxDOT RAMP Grant contracts for both Anahuac and Winnie Airports for FY25. Comments by Director of Economic Development and Grant Management Samantha Humphrey, Gore and County Purchasing Agent George Barrera.

Passed; Insert.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM**5.2 Discuss and consider approving Application for Commercial Filming submitted by Carlos Arakelian on behalf of Kenneth Benitez, LLC for November 2024 shoot dates**

24-10-1084 Motion made by Commissioner, Pct. 1 Gore and seconded by Commissioner, Pct. 2 Tice to approve Application for Commercial Filming submitted by Carlos Arakelian on behalf of Kenneth Benitez, LLC for November 2024 shoot dates. Comments by Director of Economic Development and Grant Management Samantha

Humphrey.

Passed; Insert.

ENGINEERING/PROJECT MANAGEMENT

4.1 Discuss and consider awarding Needlepoint Road North Segments A&B and Chambers Parkway Canal Crossing to Carter Construction, LLC, in the amount of \$4,245,683.85

24-10-1083 Motion made by Commissioner, Pct. 4 Dagley and seconded by Commissioner, Pct. 3 Hammond to award Needlepoint Road North Segments A&B and Chambers Parkway Canal Crossing to Carter Construction, LLC, in the amount of \$4,245,683.85. Comments by Engineering Director Natalie Lopez, Engineer in Training Zachary Vogler, County Purchasing Agent George Barrera, and Dagley.

Passed; Insert.

ENGINEERING/PROJECT MANAGEMENT

4.2 Discuss and consider authorizing Cobb, Fendley & Associates, Inc. to perform a Feasibility Study to determine whether the Community Building located off of Gordon Speer - Chambers Parkway can be served by Chambers County Municipal Utility District No. 1 in the amount of \$5,000.00

24-10-1085 Motion made by Commissioner, Pct. 4 Dagley and seconded by Commissioner, Pct. 2 Tice to authorize Cobb, Fendley & Associates, Inc. to perform a Feasibility Study to determine whether the Community Building located off of Gordon Speer - Chambers Parkway can be served by Chambers County Municipal Utility District No. 1 in the amount of \$5,000.00. Comments by Engineering Director Natalie Lopez and Dagley.

Passed; Insert.

ENGINEERING/PROJECT MANAGEMENT

4.3 Discuss and consider authorizing Teague Nall and Perkins, Inc. to provide architectural and engineering design services for a New Community Center facility in West Chambers County located off of Gordon Speer - Chambers Parkway in the amount of \$360,000.00

24-10-1088 Motion made by Commissioner, Pct. 2 Tice and seconded by Commissioner, Pct. 4 Dagley to authorize Teague Nall and Perkins, Inc. to provide architectural and engineering design services for a New Community Center facility in West Chambers County located off of Gordon Speer - Chambers Parkway in the amount of \$360,000.00. Comments by Engineering Director Natalie Lopez, Gore and Dagley.

Passed; Insert.

ENGINEERING/PROJECT MANAGEMENT

4.4 Discuss and consider approving Order of the Commissioners Court Pursuant to Texas Transportation Code Section 254.008 for the Removal of Blockage from Private Ditches

24-10-1089 Motion made by Commissioner, Pct. 3 Hammond and seconded by Commissioner, Pct. 1 Gore to approve Order of the Commissioners Court Pursuant to Texas Transportation Code Section 254.008 for the Removal of Blockage from Private Ditches. Comments by Engineering Director Natalie Lopez, Hammond, Tice and Dagley.
Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.1 Monthly reports

None submitted.

CONSENT

19.2 Claim Docket/Check Register

24-9-1039 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Dagley to approve the Claim Docket/Check Register.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.2.a Payroll Check Register

24-10-1096 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Dagley to approve the Payroll Check Register.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.3 Travel reimbursements and misc. expenditures

24-9-1040 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Dagley to approve the Travel reimbursements and misc. expenditures.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.4 Budget amendments/transfers

24-9-1041 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Dagley to approve the Budget amendments/transfers.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.5 Approve job descriptions

24-9-1042 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Dagley to approve job descriptions.

Pass; Insert.

CONSENT

19.6 Approve payroll changes

24-9-1043 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Dagley to approve payroll changes.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.7 Approve Commissioners Court minutes

CONSENT

19.7.a Sept. 10, 2024 - Regular Meeting

24-9-1064 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Dagley to approve the Sept. 10, 2024, Commissioners' Court Regular Meeting minutes.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.8 Approve payment for Tyler Technologies Incode Public Safety Annual Maintenance in the amount of \$46,309.84-Technology

24-9-1059 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Dagley to approve payment for Tyler Technologies Incode Public Safety Annual Maintenance in the amount of \$46,309.84-**Technology**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.9 Accept proposal for Mortician Services from Proctor's Mortuary-Emergency Mgmt.

24-9-1060 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Dagley to accept proposal for Mortician Services from Proctor's Mortuary-**Emergency Mgmt.**

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.10 Approve application for utility construction from Comcast to install fiber optic cable within the right-of-way of Needlepoint Road-R&B

24-9-1061 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Dagley to approve application for utility construction from Comcast to install fiber optic cable within the right-of-way of Needlepoint Road-**R&B**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.11 Approve 2025-2026 Department Liaisons-Human Resources

24-9-1065 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Dagley to approve the 2025-2026 Department Liaisons-**Human Resources**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.12 Approve 2025 Chambers County Holidays-Human Resources

24-9-1066 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Dagley to approve the 2025 Chambers County Holidays-**Human Resources**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.13 Approve 2025 Commissioners Court dates-Human Resources

24-9-1067 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Dagley to approve 2025 Commissioners Court dates-**Human Resource**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.14 Discuss and consider authorizing the transfer of 2016 Ford F-150 with VIN #1FTMF1CF9GKE18772 from Mosquito to Chambers County Surplus-Mosquito Control

24-9-1068 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Dagley to authorize the transfer of 2016 Ford F-150 with VIN #1FTMF1CF9GKE18772 from Mosquito to Chambers County Surplus-**Mosquito Control**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.15 Approve payment to Houston Products Processing (HPP) in the amount of \$10,621.52 for crushed concrete used to build roads at the landfill-Solid Waste

24-10-1072 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Dagley to approve payment to Houston Products Processing (HPP) in the amount of \$10,621.52 for crushed concrete used to build roads at the landfill-**Solid Waste**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.16 Approve Treasurer's Report - August 31, 2024

24-10-1073 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Dagley to approve Treasurer's Report - August 31, 2024.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.17 Approve the purchase of a security system from Xtreme Audio, LLC in the amount of \$7,179.00 for EMS Station No. 2-EMS

24-10-1075 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Dagley to approve the purchase of a security system from Xtreme Audio, LLC in the amount of \$7,179.00 for EMS Station No. 2-**EMS**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.18 Approve updating the graphics on the Chambers County EMS Ambulances by Siddons-Martin Emergency Group in the amount of \$24,157.68-EMS

24-10-1076 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Dagley to approve updating the graphics on the Chambers County EMS Ambulances by Siddons-Martin Emergency Group in the amount of \$24,157.68-**EMS**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.19 Adopt the 2025 Chambers County Resolution for the Indigent Defense Grant Program-Co. Judge

24-10-1077 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Dagley to adopt the 2025 Chambers County Resolution for the Indigent Defense Grant Program-**Co. Judge**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.20 Treasurer's Report on the status of the Quality Incentive Payment Program (QIPP) with respect to Chambers County DBA Arboretum Nursing and Rehabilitation Center of Winnie. (September 2023 - August 2024) (September 2024 - August 2025)-Treasurer

24-10-1078 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Dagley to approve the Treasurer's Report on the status of the Quality Incentive Payment Program (QIPP) with respect to

Chambers County DBA Arboretum Nursing and Rehabilitation Center of Winnie.
(September 2023 - August 2024) (September 2024 - August 2025)-**Treasurer**.
Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.21 Discuss and consider hiring trade specialist Liqua-Tech to provide waterproofing, concrete & masonry repairs, siloxane masonry sealer and caulking for the exterior building shell of the Mark Huddleston Building in the amount of \$9,600.00-Building Maintenance

24-10-1080 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Dagley to hire a trade specialist Liqua-Tech to provide waterproofing, concrete & masonry repairs, siloxane masonry sealer and caulking for the exterior building shell of the Mark Huddleston Building in the amount of \$9,600.00-**Building Maintenance**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.22 Accept into record the FY2025 WIC Local Agency Notice of Award, LA Contract #HHS000801500001-WIC

24-10-1081 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Dagley to accept into record the FY2025 WIC Local Agency Notice of Award, LA Contract #HHS000801500001-**WIC**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.23 Approve renewal of Patch Manager Plus Enterprise from Zoho Corporation in the amount of \$5,062.50-Technology

24-10-1082 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Dagley to approve renewal of Patch Manager Plus Enterprise from Zoho Corporation in the amount of \$5,062.50-**Technology**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.24 Discuss and consider upgrading duty pistols through the Glock Project-CCSO

24-10-1087 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Dagley to upgrade duty pistols through the Glock Project-**CCSO**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.25 Approve to replace the diesel exhaust fluid (DEF) system on Tire/Mechanic Truck by Baytown Ford in the amount of \$6,826.30-R&B

24-10-1087 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Dagley to replace the diesel exhaust fluid (DEF) system on Tire/Mechanic Truck by Baytown Ford in the amount of \$6,826.30-**R&B**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.26 Approve application for utility construction from Comcast to install fiber optic cable within the right-of-way of Lillard Lane, Goodyear Road, Woodoak Drive, Pine Tree Lane, Oak Forest Lane, Cedar Lane, County Line Road, and Hillside Drive-R&B

24-10-1088 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Dagley to approve application for utility construction from Comcast to install fiber optic cable within the right-of-way of Lillard Lane, Goodyear Road, Woodoak Drive, Pine Tree Lane, Oak Forest Lane, Cedar Lane, County Line Road, and Hillside Drive-**R&B**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.27 Approve the repair of Reclaimer by RB Everett in the amount of \$37,037.78-R&B

24-10-1088 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Dagley to approve the repair of Reclaimer by RB Everett in the amount of \$37,037.78-**R&B**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.28 Approve the two (2) month rental of Reclaimer from RB Everett in the amount of \$31,000.00-R&B

24-10-1089 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Dagley to approve the two (2) month rental of Reclaimer from RB Everett in the amount of \$31,000.00-**R&B**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.29 Approve the purchase of four (4) Solar Stop signs for McCollum Park Road in the amount of \$6,395.40 from Treetop Products-R&B

24-10-1091 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Dagley to approve the purchase of four (4) Solar Stop signs for McCollum Park Road in the amount of \$6,395.40 from Treetop Products-**R&B**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.30 Discuss and consider hiring BKP Architect for the design of the new

Road & Bridge maintenance building-Building Maintenance

24-10-1092 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Dagley to hire BKP Architect for the design of the new Road & Bridge maintenance building-**Building Maintenance**.
Passed.

CONSENT

19.31 Discuss and consider release of remaining Sheriff's Office Storage Building contingency (\$1,500.00) to provide exterior downspout splash blocks and new walk door hardware to accommodate County keying requirements-Building Maintenance

24-10-1093 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Dagley to approve the release of the remaining Sheriff's Office Storage Building contingency (\$1,500.00) to provide exterior downspout splash blocks and new walk door hardware to accommodate County keying requirements-**Building Maintenance**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.32 Discuss and consider approving payment to Finalcover, LLC, in the amount of \$3,386.00 for the CaseGuard Studio Redaction Software for Public Information Requests-County Attorney

24-10-1074 Motion made by Gore and seconded by Dagley to approve payment to Finalcover, LLC, in the amount of \$3,386.00 for the CaseGuard Studio Redaction Software for Public Information Requests-**County Attorney**.

Passed; Insert.

At 10:44 a.m. the Court recessed out of Regular Session and entered into Executive Session. At 12:14 p.m. the Court returned from Executive Session. No action was taken.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

20.1 Discuss and consider personnel issues-Executive Session

No action taken.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

20.2 Discuss and consider the sale/purchase of real property-Executive Session

No action taken.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

20.3 Discuss and consider FMLA extension request-Executive Session

No action taken.

There being no further business, Court was adjourned at 12:14 p.m.

ATTEST:



Heather H. Hawthorne
Heather H. Hawthorne, County Clerk

APPROVED:

Signed by:

Jimmy Sylvia

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County Judge, Jimmy Sylvia