

**REGULAR MEETING - FEBRUARY 26, 2020**

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this the 26th day of February, A.D., 2020, there was begun and held a REGULAR MEETING of the Honorable Commissioners Court of Nueces County, Texas, wherein the following members thereof were present, to-wit:

BARBARA CANALES	COUNTY JUDGE
CAROLYN VAUGHN	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1
JOE A. GONZALEZ	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 2
JOHN MAREZ	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3
BRENT CHESNEY	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4

and KARA SANDS, COUNTY CLERK of Nueces County, Texas, wherein the following proceedings were had, to-wit:

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

- A.** County Judge Canales called Minister Henry Williams for the Invocation.
- B.** Commissioner Gonzalez led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America and Texas Flags.
- C.** County Judge Canales called the Regular Meeting to order at 9:08 a.m. and certified that a quorum was present. The meeting was held in the Commissioners Courtroom located at 901 Leopard Street, on the 3rd floor of the Nueces County Courthouse.
- D.** SAFETY BRIEFING
- E.** Approve the following Minutes:
  - 1.** Approve Commissioners Court Minutes of February 12, 2020.  
Motion by: Commissioner Vaughn, Second by: Commissioner Marez  
**Vote: 5 - 0 Approved**
- F.** Adopt the following Resolution(s), Proclamation(s), and/or Order(s):
  - 1.** The Court recognized March 2, 2020 as Texas Independence Day.  
Motion by: Commissioner Chesney, Second by: Commissioner Gonzalez  
**Vote: 5 - 0 Approved**
  - 2.** The Court recognized Captain David Cook, CCPD  
Motion by: Commissioner Chesney, Second by: Commissioner Marez  
**Vote: 5 - 0 Approved**

3. The Court recognized Benny Lee Craft.

Motion by: Commissioner Chesney, Second by: Commissioner Vaughn

**Vote:** 5 - 0 Approved

**G. BOARD APPOINTMENTS:**

1. The Court appointed Amy Enriques, Betty Jean Longoria, Jessica McComb, Josephine Herro, Lynn Camacho and Robin Soto to the Nueces County Library Advisory Board.

Motion by: Commissioner Marez, Second by: Commissioner Gonzalez

**Vote:** 5 - 0 Approved

2. The Court appointed Matt Stevens and Selina Boggs to the Animal Control Advisory Board.

Motion by: Commissioner Marez, Second by: Commissioner Vaughn

**Vote:** 5 - 0 Approved

3. The Court appointed LJ Francis to the Beach Management Advisory Committee.

Motion by: Commissioner Chesney, Second by: Commissioner Vaughn

**Vote:** 5 - 0 Approved

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Was given by Dr. Gloria Scott, Sylvia Tryon, Reverend Claude Axle and Barbara Canales. Javier Carrizales was named Nueces County Employee of the Month for March 2020.

3. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

Motion by: Commissioner Vaughn, Second by: Commissioner Gonzalez

Motion: Approve all Consent Agenda Items except for Items E, H, P & U.

**Vote:** 5 - 0 Approved

Motion by: Commissioner Marez, Second by: Commissioner Vaughn

Motion: Motion to Table item 3.L.

**Vote:** 5 - 0 Approved

- A. Authorize payment of bills - regular bill summaries dated February 07, 2020, and February 14, 2020.
- B. Authorize payment of bills - manual check registers dated February 04, 2020 to February 17, 2020.
- C. Authorize payment of bills - special motions list dated February 26, 2020.
- D. Authorize payment of bills - group health insurance claims and fees:
  1. Boon Chapman - February 4th and February 11th, 2020.

- E.** Authorize DIR Contract No. DIR-TSO-3631 purchase from Granicus for Boards and Commissions Software-as-a Service (SaaS) solution.

Motion by: Commissioner Marez, Second by: Commissioner Gonzalez

**Vote:** 5 - 0 Approved

- F.** Accept the following "Outside Agency" Report for FY 2018-2019:

1. Corpus Christi Fraternal Order of Police-Lodge #27

- G.** Approve the following "Outside Agency" contracts for FY 2019-2020:

1. Corpus Christi Fraternal Order of Police-Lodge #27 - Total - \$1,700

Commissioner Pct. 2 - \$1,200; Commissioner Pct. 3 - \$500

2. Westside Business Association - Total - \$2,000

County Judge - \$1,000; Commissioner Pct. 1 - \$1,000

- H.** Approve the following Tax Deeds and highest minimum bids to date:

1. Tract 'D', Lot 23, Block 'H', Flour Bluff Estates, in the amount of \$8,000.00

2. Lot 16, Block 18, Central Park Addition, Unit 3, in the amount of \$9,000.00

3. Lot 39, Block 1, Flour Bluff Point, in the amount of \$5,100.00

4. Lot 3, Block 1, Wilburn Addition, in the amount of \$1,545.00

5. Lot 22, Block 1, Juarez Addition, in the amount of \$2,000.00

6. Lot 5, Block 'A', George's Place Subdivision, in the amount of \$5,000.00

7. The North One-half of Lot 10 and all of Lot 11, Block 3, Portairs Addition, in the amount of \$15,000.00

8. Lot 5, Block 1, Gabriel Terrace Subdivision, Unit 4, in the amount of \$8,000.00

9. Lot 15, Block 3, Nanjean Park Addition, in the amount of \$37,000.00

10. Lot 22, Block 8, The Lakes Northwest Subdivision, Unit 1, in the amount of \$44,000.00

11. Lot 30, Block 3, San Juan Addition No. 2, in the amount of \$18,881.00

Motion by: Commissioner Marez, Second by: Commissioner Vaughn

**Vote:** 5 - 0 Approved

- I.** Ratify updated Casitas Los Ebanos support resolution adopted February 12, 2020.

- J.** Approve a finding for the method of procurement (request for competitive bids) for McKenzie Annex Evidence Storage; and authorize the Purchasing Agent to publish a notice.

- K.** Approve a finding for the method of procurement (request for competitive bids) for Nueces County 5th Floor Multi-Purpose Room; and authorize the Purchasing Agent to publish a notice.

- L.** Approve execution of Professional Services Agreement with Tyler Technologies for conversion hours to import mainframe documents into Odyssey.

- M.** Authorize purchase agreement with Tyler Technologies for (9) Verifone MX915 credit card machines for Justice of the Peace offices.

- N.** Approve Texas DIR-TSO-4092 purchase with SHI, Inc. for 800 Microsoft Office licenses, 800 CoreCal Bridges licenses, and 800 Advanced Threat Protection.

- O.** Approve BuyBoard Contract No. 533-17 purchase with Sunbelt Pools, Inc. for piping work to replace 8 skimmers at Parker Pool.

- P.** Adopt a resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application to the Office of the Governor, Texas Military Preparedness Commission under the Defense Economic Adjustment Assistance Grant (DEAAG) Program for the purposes of acquiring land to prevent encroachment near Navy Outlying Landing Field Cabaniss.

Motion by: Commissioner Vaughn, Second by: Commissioner Gonzalez

**Vote:** 5 - 0 Approved

- Q.** Adopt a resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application to the Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office, Criminal Justice Division for the Monitoring Offenders Against Women Project under the Violence Against Women Justice and Training Program, FY2021.

- R.** Adopt a resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application to the Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office, Criminal Justice Division for the Nueces County Felony Domestic Violence Court Program under the General Victim Assistance Grant Program, FY2021.

- S.** Adopt a resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application to the Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office, Homeland Security Grants Division for the Nueces County Cybersecurity Enhancements Project under the 2020 State Homeland Security Program – Regular Projects.

- T.** Adopt a resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application to the Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office, Homeland Security Grants Division under the 2020 State Homeland Security Program – Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Activities.

- U.** Approve the application procedure for appointment to the Port of Corpus Christi Authority of Nueces County.

Motion by: Commissioner Vaughn, Second by: Commissioner Gonzalez

**Vote:** 5 - 0 Approved

**4. REGULAR AGENDA:**

**A. AGENDA ITEMS**

1. The Court received an update on the construction of the new Harbor Bridge replacement project.
2. The Court received a presentation by Jane Haas, Community Relations for Halo-Flight, Inc., a non-profit helicopter, air-ambulance emergency medical service, on their Business Guardian Plan which enables employers to reduce additional out-of-pocket expenses not covered by insurance if their employees are flown by HALO-Flight during an emergency, accident or illness.

Motion by: Commissioner Vaughn, Second by: Commissioner Gonzalez

Motion: To table Item until March 18, 2020.

3. The Court received a presentation from county-hired consultant, George Andrew Coats with Coats & Evans, concerning their services related to the Nueces County Airport.
4. The Court Adopted an Order With Respect To Republic Services, Inc. Project And Authorizing The County Judge To Execute Certificates Approving The Order And Public Hearing. Commissioner Gonzalez was not present for vote.

Motion by: Commissioner Marez, Second by: Commissioner Vaughn

**Vote:** 4 - 0 Approved

5. Discuss and consider the development of a Request for Proposals (RFQ) to prepare for grant opportunities related to environmental engineering services/permitting on North Beach, Corpus Christi, Texas.

Motion by: Commissioner Vaughn, Second by: Commissioner Gonzalez

**Vote:** 5 - 0 Approved

6. The Court approved a personal services contract with John Breier for purposes of providing services to the Nueces County Industrial Commission AKA Nueces County Development Commission related to their Economic Development Mission in Nueces County.

Motion by: Commissioner Gonzalez, Second by: Commissioner Chesney

**Vote:** 5 - 0 Approved

7. Discuss and consider execution of a lease agreement with Tower II - ERF II, Inc. for space located at 555 N. Carancahua St., Suite 930, Corpus Christi, Texas, for the use of the Nueces County Industrial Commission AKA Nueces County Development Commission.

Motion by: Commissioner Gonzalez, Second by: Commissioner Chesney

Motion: To authorize the County Attorney to continue negotiations in regard to the lease agreement.

**Vote:** 5 - 0 Approved

8. Discuss and consider Gulf Copper request to be granted Foreign Trade Zone status; and consider related agreements.

Motion by: Commissioner Chesney, Second by: Commissioner Vaughn

Motion: To table item.

9. The Court approved a license agreement with Oilbelt Little League Baseball for purposes of using County Fields located at 4025 Cliff Crenshaw, Corpus Christi, Texas.

Motion by: Commissioner Vaughn, Second by: Commissioner Chesney

**Vote:** 5 - 0 Approved

## **B. PUBLIC WORKS**

1. Discuss and consider approval of change orders for the I.B. Magee RV Park Recovery Project.

Motion by: Commissioner Chesney, Second by: Commissioner Vaughn

Motion: Motion to table until March 11, 2020.

## **C. PURCHASING**

1. Discuss and award IFB No. 3121-20 Sale of 430 N. Alister, Port Aransas, TX. No action taken.

**D. AUDITOR**

1. Approve Budget Change Order No. 08 for Fiscal Year 2019-2020.

Motion by: Commissioner Chesney, Second by: Commissioner Vaughn

**Vote:** 5 - 0 Approved

2. Approve Capital Project Budget Change Order No. 80.

Motion by: Commissioner Gonzalez, Second by: Commissioner Chesney

**Vote:** 5 - 0 Approved

3. Approve monthly financial report for the month of January 2020.

Motion by: Commissioner Gonzalez, Second by: Commissioner Vaughn

**Vote:** 5 - 0 Approved

4. The Court discussed a rebate in the amount of \$9,092 from The Local Government Purchasing Cooperative Board for purchases made by Nueces County through the BuyBoard in 2018-19.

5. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** The Court convened into Executive Session at 12:46 p.m. and reconvened into Regular Session at 2:07 p.m.

- A. Discuss security of Nueces County Courthouse and other county facilities, including recent security audit and related matters.

- B. 1. Consult with the County Attorney on Case No. 2:20-CV-00028; Armando Carrillo, Individually and as Representative of the Estate of Daniel Emilio Carrillo, deceased, and Alicia Carrillo vs. Oliver Buendia, Marcus Lopez, Thomas Lowke, Jesus Galvan; Eduardo Gonzalez; Jose Rodriguez; Veronica Garcia; and Nueces County, Texas; In the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas; ratify hiring of outside counsel to represent the jailers: Keith Sieczkowski to represent Thomas Lowke, Jesus Galvan, Eduardo Gonzalez, and Veronica Garcia; Myra Morris to represent Marcus Lopez; Doug Chaves to represent Oliver Buendia; and Paul Kratzig to represent Jose Rodriguez, and related matters.

Motion by: Commissioner Marez, Second by: Commissioner Vaughn

**Vote:** 5 - 0 Approved

- C. Consult with the County Attorney on Case No. 2:20-CV-00028; Armando Carrillo, Individually and as Representative of the Estate of Daniel Emilio Carrillo, deceased, and Alicia Carrillo vs. Oliver Buendia, Marcus Lopez, Thomas Lowke, Jesus Galvan; Eduardo Gonzalez; Jose Rodriguez; Veronica Garcia; and Nueces County, Texas; In the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas; regarding demand letter from Plaintiff's counsel, John Flood.

Motion by: Commissioner Gonzalez, Second by: Commissioner Vaughn

Motion: To Deny demand.

**Vote:** 5 - 0 Approved

- D. Consult with County Attorney regarding status of Cause no. 2020DCV-0139-F; Fernando Caballero v. Hon. Timothy J. McCoy, In the 214th Judicial District Court of Nueces County and related matters. No action taken.
- E. Consult with County Attorney on Security Badge Status of Guy Williams. No action taken.

The Court was adjourned at 2:09 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the Court, it is ordered that this meeting does now stand adjourned, this the 26th day of February, 2020.

I, Kara Sands, County Clerk of Nueces County and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court, do certify that the following Regular meeting Minutes from February 26, 2020 are a true and correct record of the proceedings.

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Kara Sands, County Clerk  
and Ex-Officio Clerk of the  
Commissioners Court of  
Nueces County, Texas