

STATE OF TEXAS                    }  
COUNTY OF WILLACY            }

THE BOARD OF NAVIGATION AND CANAL COMMISSIONERS OF THE WILLACY COUNTY NAVIGATION DISTRICT met in Regular Session Wednesday, April 12, 2017 at 9:00 A.M., at 400 W Hidalgo, Ste 200, Raymondville, TX, with the following members present:

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:	THOMAS RAINS JR	CHAIRMAN
	KAY HICKS	SECRETARY
	ROBERT HULEN	MEMBER
	MARK BROWN	MEMBER
ALSO PRESENT:	RON MILLS	PORT DIRECTOR
	DAVID MAYES	PORT POLICE CHIEF
	FRANK VASQUEZ	PORT SUPERINTENDENT
	LETTY MARTINEZ	SECRETARY
ABSENT:	GLORIA NIETO	MEMBER

Chairman Rains called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m., Commissioner Nieto did not attend meeting. Upon conclusion of roll call, it was ascertained that a quorum was present.

Executive Session was moved to the end of the meeting.

Item No. 1: REVIEW & CONSIDERATION OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING MINUTES: Upon review of the March 08, 2017 Meeting Minutes, Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the previous board meeting minutes and the Certified Agenda on file. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hulen and upon a vote the motion unanimously carried.

Item No. 2: PUBLIC COMMENT:

-Bubba Garst – advised the board of hosting a community meeting to answer questions and concerns regarding the Port Mansfield Police Department and EMS. Mr Garst, has questions on the cost of the police department.

Item No. 3: DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON PROPERTY RATE CHANGES ON EAST PORT SUBDIVISION 2: Port Director Ron Mills and Chairman Rains worked on the marketing location and looked at variables. Only 3 waterfront lots have been sold in East Port Subdivision 2 with no improvements. There was a concern with the bulkhead, the original engineer is trying to get in writing that there will not be any problems or concerns with the bulkhead. After discussion on the property rate changes for East Port Subdivision 2, Secretary Hicks made the motion to table the item for May meeting for board approval. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hulen and unanimously carried.

Item No. 4: REVIEW AND DISCUSSION ON UTRGV LEASE AT FORMER SPACE X BUILDING: The UTRGV was leased 5 years ago to be used as a telephone radio telegraph, the lease is now expired and they would like to renew for another 5 years. Port Director Ron Mills, proposed to allow to renew the lease, with the provision to allow the Navigation District to be able to utilize the warehouse.

Item No. 5: PRELIMINARY EVALUATION OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES IN PORT MANSFIELD: After discussing the preliminary evaluation of emergency medical services in Port Mansfield, the board would like to set up a meeting for the following week to meet with Frank Torres and our committee. This committee meeting will not be an official meeting, only for evaluation purpose.

Item No. 6: PORT POLICE CHIEF MONTHLY SUMMARY: Police Chief David Mayes, reported that it has not been a busy month, there was disturbance calls and animal disturbance calls. Chief Mayes provided the Port Director with an annual report and a detail report. Also reported that 97% of calls are about deer. The main problem is private citizens going into private property to feed the deer. Also discussed generators for emergency management pier public safety. To authorize signs we need to write an ordinance.

Item No. 7: PORT DIRECTORS REPORT: Port Director Ron Mills, reported on the following items:

- HB 2610 – Residential Lease Bill (Support – Our Lease Bill)
- SB 28 – Port Access Funding (Opposed – No dredging Funds)
- HB 4088 – Sunset Review Requirement (Opposed – Enormous cost)

Item No. 8: REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2017: The board reviewed and discussed the building permits that were issued for the month of March, 2017.

Item No. 9: REVIEW & CONSIDERATION OF RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL LEASES, CANCELLATIONS, TRANSFERS AND BOAT STALLS: Upon review and discussion of each described and itemized lease, Commissioner Hulen made the motion to accept the items as presented. The motion was seconded by Secretary Hicks and unanimously carried.

Item No. 10: REVIEW & CONSIDERATION OF CHECKS AND VOUCHERS: After discussion of the checks and vouchers, the motion was made by Commissioner Brown to accept the checks issued Check No. 1585 through Check No. 1624 from the Port Facility (Operations) Account. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hulen and unanimously carried.

At 11:15 a.m., the Regular Meeting ended the Executive Session was open at 11:21 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – SUBCHAPTER D, GOVERNMENT CODE

- Section 551.071 – Consultation with Attorney (Ongoing Litigations)
- Section 551.074 – Personnel Matters

At 1:10 p.m., the Executive Session ended and a Certified Agenda will be on file.

Item No. 11: MEETING ADJOURNED: There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 1:13 p.m.