

**Minutes of Regular Meeting**  
**March 6, 2017**

The Navigation and Canal Commission of the Aransas County Navigation District met in a Regular Meeting with Chairman Malcolm Dieckow presiding. Commissioners present were Tommy Moore, Tony Dominguez, Judith Vlasek and Mickey Casterline. Among those present were Harbor Master Keith Barrett and Secretary Nelda Covarrubias.

The guest register has been made a part of these minutes.

Chairman Malcolm Dieckow convened the meeting and led the Pledge of Allegiance along with the honoring of the Texas flag.

There were no *Citizens To Be Heard*.

**Agenda Item No. IV.1:**

*The Board considered possible action to approve minutes of Regular Meeting, February 21, 2017/N. Covarrubias*

Commissioner Moore presented the minutes of Regular Meeting, February 21, 2017.

**Action:**

Commissioner Moore moved to approve the minutes of Regular Meeting, February 21, 2017, as presented. Commissioner Dominguez seconded the motion. The motion passed with all present voting, Aye.

**Agenda Item No. IV.2:**

*The Board considered possible action to approve the Accounts Payable List/Barrett*

Harbor Master Keith Barrett presented the Accounts Payable List.

**Action:**

Commissioner Moore moved to approve the Accounts Payable List as presented. Commissioner Dominguez seconded the motion. The motion passed with all present voting, Aye.

**Agenda Item No. IV.3:**

*The Board considered possible action to approve sub-lease agreement by and between BROWN WATER MARINE SERVICE, INC. AND MORGAN KING/PLOT 12/COVE HARBOR LOTS 96-116/Barrett*

Harbor Master Keith Barrett presented the request of Brown Water Marine to sub-lease a portion of Plot 12 to MORGAN KING.

Action:

Commissioner Casterline moved to approve request of Brown Water Marine to sub-lease a portion of Plot 12 Cove Harbor Lots 96-116 to MORGAN KING. Commissioner Vlasek seconded the motion. The motion passed with all present voting, Aye.

**Agenda Item No. IV.4:**

*The Board considered possible action regarding engineering services for bulkhead and boardwalk on south end of Rockport Harbor/Barrett*

Harbor Master Keith Barrett reported they are in the design phase of the marina. The marina will be designed with floating docks and will tie in to the bulkhead and boardwalk. They are currently talking to Atkins Engineering with respect to the marina phase; however, is asking for the board's direction.

Action:

Commissioner Vlasek moved to TABLE the item for now in order to obtain comparable engineering cost estimates from engineering firms. Commissioner Moore seconded the motion. The motion passed with all present voting, Aye.

**Agenda Item No. IV.5:**

*The Board considered possible action to approve professional service agreement with The Grant Connection to request additional funding on behalf of the ACND and the Texas Natural Resource Trustees. The request relates to a 2014 Natural Resource Damage Assessment Agreement between the Trustees and the ACND titled – "Implementation of an Oyster Reef and Marsh Restoration Project" at Little Bay in Rockport, Texas/Barrett*

Chairman Dieckow and Grant Writer, Greg Harlan, discussed with the Board proposed grant application for cord grass planting in Little Bay.

Action:

After a thorough discussion with regard to cord grass planting, Commissioner Moore moved to approve a grant application through the Texas Natural Resource Trustees for \$200,000 to re-plant cord grass in Little Bay. Commissioner Dominguez seconded the motion. The motion passed with all present voting, Aye.

**V. STAFF/COMMISSIONER REPORTS:**

Harbor Master Keith Barrett reported his staff is still working to get ready for spring break and summer season. Maintenance staff staff have rebuild the bait stand at Fulton Harbor and Mom's Bait Stand at Rockport Harbor.

He commented he is looking forward to the spring/summer season.

Chairman Malcolm Dieckow reported he and Harbor Master Keith Barrett have talked to an artist who will repaint the crab for a cost below the donated amount.

## **VI. PRESS QUESTIONS:**

Mr. Mike Probst, Rockport Pilot, asked who was the artist doing the work at the Crab?

Response: Gentlemen by name of Edward Berry.

## **VII. CLOSED SESSION:**

At this time Chairman Dieckow **RECESSED** the Open Meeting (9:38 a.m.), to conduct a Closed Session in accordance with the cited section of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code for the following purpose:

- (i) To conduct a private consultation with its attorney under Section 551.071, (a) about pending or contemplated litigation, and (b) on matters in which the duty of the attorney clearly conflicts with this chapter; and
- (ii) To deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property under Section 551.072.

Following the closed meeting the Commission reconvened into open meeting (10:45 a.m.).

## **VIII. CONTINUATION OF OPEN MEETING:**

### **Agenda Item No. IV.6:**

*The Board considered possible action to approve Invitation to Bid for a snow cone vendor at Rockport Beach/Barrett*

#### Action:

Commissioner Vlasek moved to Advertise for Bid the *snow cone vendor* at Rockport Beach with the term to be for a two (2) year concessionaire contract with a minimum bid of \$1,600.00 per year with an additional \$100/month to operate at a designated area at the festival site during off-season of October through February. Chairman Dieckow seconded the motion. The motion passed with all present voting, Aye.

#### Action:

Commissioner Vlasek moved that the current vendor, Richard Ehrlich, be granted *Preferred Status*. Commissioner Casterline seconded the motion. The motion passed with all present voting, Aye.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.