

**Aransas County Navigation District
Minutes of Regular Meeting
Tuesday, January 3, 2023**



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January 3, 2023

The Navigation and Canal Commission of the Aransas County Navigation District met in a Regular Meeting on January 3, 2023, with Chairman Malcolm Dieckow presiding. Other Commissioners present were Judith Vlasek, Tommy Moore, Martin De Leon and Long Nguyen. Among others present were Harbor Master Keith Barrett and Executive Administrator Janine Loney.

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

Chairman Malcolm Dieckow convened the meeting at 9:00 a.m., declared a quorum, and led the Pledge of Allegiance and the honoring of the Texas flag.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD:

Mr. Jeff Hutt commented on educational maritime and aeronautical programs within the district lacking funding for teachers. He is looking for support from local agencies as well as businesses in establishing a funding group.

No. IV.1 Agenda:

Elect new A.C.N.D. Commission Chairman, Vice Chairman and Secretary for 2023

Action:

Vice-Chairwoman Judith Vlasek moved to NOMINATE AND ELECT Malcolm Dieckow as Chairman for 2023. Commissioner Moore seconded the nomination to elect Malcolm Dieckow as Chairman for 2023. Nomination closed with no other nominations being received. Motion passed with all voting, Aye.

Secretary Tommy Moore moved to NOMINATE AND ELECT Judith Vlasek as Vice-Chairwoman for 2023. Commissioner Dieckow seconded the nomination to elect Judith Vlasek as Vice-Chairwoman for 2023. Nomination closed with no other nominations being received. Motion passed with all voting, Aye.

Commissioner De Leon moved to NOMINATE AND ELECT Tommy Moore as Secretary for 2023. Commissioner Vlasek seconded the nomination to elect Tommy Moore as Secretary for 2023. Nominations closed with one nomination being put forward for Commissioner De Leon which was refused. Motion passed with all voting, Aye.

No. IV.2 Agenda:

Appoint 2023 A.C.N.D. Commissioner Liaisons for Aransas County, City of Rockport and the Town of Fulton.

Action:

Chairman Dieckow appointed Commissioner De Leon as A.C.N.D. liaison to Aransas County. The appointment was seconded by Commissioner Moore. Motion passed with all voting, Aye.

Chairman Dieckow will continue to act as the liaison for the City of Rockport. The appointment was seconded by Commissioner De Leon. Motion passed with all voting, Aye.

Chairman Dieckow appointed Commissioner Nguyen as liaison to the Town of Fulton. The appointment was seconded by Commissioner De Leon. Motion passed with all voting, Aye.

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No. IV.3 Agenda:

Deliberate and possible action to select two commissioners to form a committee for the purpose of updating current A.C.N.D. Policies and Procedures including A.C.N.D. Rules of Procedure, Conduct and Decorum.

Action:

Commissioner Moore made the motion to nominate Commissioners Dieckow and Vlasek to form a committee for the purpose of updating current A.C.N.D. Policies and Procedures including A.C.N.D. Rules of Procedure, Conduct and Decorum. The motion was seconded by Commissioner De Leon. The motion was adopted.

No. IV.4 Agenda:

Approve the Minutes of Regular Meeting of November 21, 2022, and December 5, 2022.

Action:

Motion made by Commissioner Vlasek to approve as presented the Minutes of Regular Meeting of November 21, 2022 and December 5, 2022. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Moore. The motion was adopted.

No. IV.5 Agenda:

Approve the Accounts Payable List.

Action:

Commissioner Vlasek moved to approve as presented the Accounts Payable list. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Moore. The motion was adopted.

No. IV.6 Agenda:

Harbor Master Report – Updates on Projects and happenings on ACND properties, which may include but not be limited to construction, improvements, and conditions at Rockport Harbor, Cove Harbor, Fulton Harbor, the Festival Grounds, Rockport Beach, Little Bay, Public Restrooms, other ACND properties and Projects status of grants and issues with existing leases.

2022 was a long year reported Harbor Master Barrett with impacts still being felt regarding Covid and delays with project permitting. Harbor Master Barrett noted that there were several projects scheduled in 2023. The Fulton Harbor Breakwater Restoration Project (2857/2006) construction phase will be due to start April or May. The Leggett Light Entrance Channel Repair (2855/2751) will be due to start late January. A presentation relating to projects will be made by Harbor Master Barrett at a future meeting.

Action: No action taken

No. IV.7 Agenda:

Status of environmental conditions in Little Bay and other District properties and discussions with, or actions by, other entities on these subjects.

The Tule Creek Diversion Project status is still ongoing with the contract not being signed yet. Commissioner Vlasek reported that the A.C.N.D. website is currently being reviewed and updated. Commissioner Vlasek informed those present on the project scope and gave an estimate completion date of March 31, 2023.

Action: No action taken.

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VI. PRESS QUESTIONS:

None

VII. CLOSED SESSION:

The Chairman announced that the Commission will recess this open meeting and conduct a closed meeting pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act to conduct a private consultation with its attorney under Section 551.071 of the Act, to deliberate regarding real property under Section 551.072 of the Act, and to deliberate regarding personnel matters under section 551.074 of the Act.

The Open meeting was recessed at 09:22 a.m. The closed session was convened at 09:30 a.m. and was adjourned at 09:40 a.m.

The Commission reconvened into open meeting at 09:42 a.m.

VIII. CONTINUATION OF OPEN MEETING/DELIBERATION AND/OR ACTION:

IX. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, a motion was made, seconded, and adopted to adjourn the meeting .at approximately 09:42 a.m.

Certificate of Approval

I attest that the foregoing minutes of a meeting of the Navigation and Canal Commission of the Aransas County Navigation District held on January 3, 2023, were approved by the Commission at a meeting duly held on January 17, 2023.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Thomas Moore', written over a horizontal line.

Thomas Moore Commission Secretary