

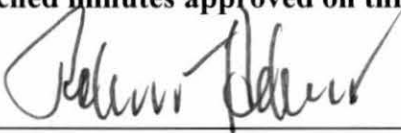
APPROVAL OF MINUTES
COMMISSIONERS COURT
FORT BEND COUNTY

I, Laura Richard, duly elected County Clerk and Clerk of Court, Fort Bend County, Texas do hereby submit the Official Minutes of Commissioners Court held on the 21st day of September, 2015. (Public Hearing)



LAURA RICHARD, COUNTY CLERK

Now, therefore, be it resolved upon the motion of Commissioner Mejers seconded by Commissioner Morrison, duly put and carried, it is ordered to accept as presented for record the attached minutes approved on this the 6th day of October, 2015.



ROBERT E. HEBERT, COUNTY JUDGE

September 21, 2015

MINUTES

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 21ST DAY of SEPTEMBER, 2015, Commissioners Court of Fort Bend County, Texas, met at a public hearing with the following present:

ROBERT E. HEBERT	COUNTY JUDGE
RICHARD MORRISON	COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 1
GRADY PRESTAGE	COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 2
LINDA WILLIS FOR LAURA RICHARD	COUNTY CLERK

Commissioner Meyers and Commissioner Patterson were absent.

When the following were heard and the following orders were passed:

1. **Call to Order.**

Call to Order by Judge Hebert at 5:30 p.m.

2. **Conduct Public Hearing on the Proposed FY 2016 Budget for Fort Bend County, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section 111.067.**

Mr. Chuck Sweeney, 4th Precinct, Fort Bend County, spoke on behalf of Fort Bend Pets Alive. He thanked Animal Services Director, Rene Vasquez who has had an open door to their group. Mr. Sweeney spoke to the court about the 20% increase in the Animal Services budget. Although Mr. Sweeney and members of Pets Alive support the budget, he expressed concern on the amount allocated to Vortech Pharmacy, which provides the euthanasia drug. Mr. Sweeney, along with Fort Bend County residents, were in court to show their support for this County, the animals and shelter, and urged the court to look at Fort Bend Pets Alive as a partner in an effort to make Fort Bend the tenth "no-kill" community in Texas.

Commissioner Morrison thanked Mr. Sweeney for the compliment to Rene Vasquez who has done a fabulous job and stated Mr. Vasquez is committed to their goal.

Commissioner Prestage stated he has a rescue dog which he's had for over a year. He appreciated the presentation and looks forward to learning more about the organization.

September 21, 2015

Item 2 continued - Public Hearing Proposed FY 2016 Budget:

Judge Hebert stated Fort Bend Pets Alive can be assured that Mr. Vasquez will use the drug as little as possible. The state requires that the Vortech drug be used for wild animals such as bats, squirrels, skunks, etc. Judge Hebert has two cats and a dog and feels by having them as pets is an education in itself to see how they care for each other. He mentioned his appreciation for the efforts of Fort Bend Pets Alive and they will help make the County a success in achieving the 90% save rate. The County needs more volunteers and will be looking towards next fiscal year at an expansion for the animal service center. As our population grows, there's an increase in the amount of animals dropped off, turned in or found and it is just a function of the growing population. Judge Hebert also mentioned there was a concern about having no funds in the budget for shipping animals to Wisconsin. He feels confident there are adequate County funds for as many shipments needed in order to find the animals a home.

3. **Adjournment.**

Public Hearing Meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m. on Monday, September 21, 2015.

MINUTES

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 21ST DAY of SEPTEMBER, 2015, The Drainage District Board of Directors of Fort Bend County, Texas met at a special meeting/public hearing with the following present:

ROBERT E. HEBERT	COUNTY JUDGE
RICHARD MORRISON	COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 1
GRADY PRESTAGE	COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 2
LINDA WILLIS FOR LAURA RICHARD	COUNTY CLERK

Commissioner Meyers and Commissioner Patterson were absent.

When the following were heard and the following orders were passed:

1. **Call to Order.**

Call to Order by Judge Hebert at 5:40 p.m.

2. **Conduct Public Hearing on the Proposed FY 2016 Budget for Fort Bend County Drainage District, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section 111.067.**

Public hearing held. No public comments.

3. **Adjournment.**

The Public Hearing for Drainage District Board adjourned at 5:41 p.m. on Monday, September 21, 2015.