

**WILLACY COUNTY NAVIGATION DISTRICT  
RESOLUTION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF  
PORT POLICE DEPARTMENT**

AT A MEETING OF THE WILLACY COUNTY NAVIGATION DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS IN WILLACY COUNTY, TEXAS, HELD AT 9:00 a.m., ON SEPTEMBER 9, 2015,

RESOLUTION - ESTABLISHMENT OF WILLACY COUNTY NAVIGATION DISTRICT PORT POLICE DEPARTMENT IN PORT MANSFIELD, WILLACY COUNTY, TEXAS

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Willacy County Navigation District, Willacy County Texas, does hereby find as follows:

THAT, the citizens of Port Mansfield, Texas have the same rights as other citizens of Willacy County to protections of lives and property under the laws of the State of Texas and Willacy County.

THAT, the citizens of Port Mansfield, Texas have endured prolonged exposure to potential criminal activities due to a limited or non-existent proactive law enforcement presence within the community and have become dependent strictly on reactionary law enforcement measures for an extended period of time.

THAT, the Willacy County Navigation District solicited additional services from the Willacy County Commissioners Court and the Willacy County Sheriff's Department and were advised no additional assistance in manpower or resources were possible.


THAT, Texas Water Code Section 60.077: provides the Willacy County Navigation District the authority to employ duly constituted peace officers of the State of Texas

THAT, any duly constituted peace officer of the State of Texas or any peace officer employed or appointed by the commission may make arrests, serve criminal warrants, subpoenas, or writs, and perform any other service or duty which may be performed by any sheriff, constable, or other duly constituted peace officer of the State of Texas in enforcing other laws of this state.

THAT, a peace officer employed or appointed by the commission has the same powers and duties as a peace officer described by Article 2.12, Code of Criminal Procedure.

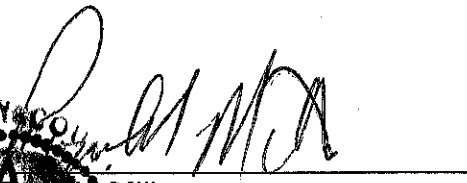
NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the Willacy County Navigation District Board of Commissioners of Willacy County Texas, that the Port Mansfield Port Police Department be established under the provisions and guidelines provided by the State of Texas.

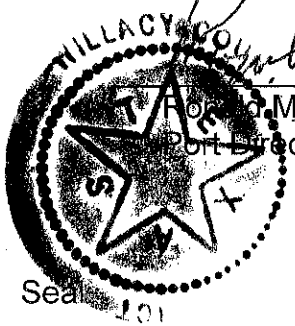
Dated: September 9, 2015 by Willacy County Navigation District Board of Commissioners, Willacy County, Texas

  
Thomas Rains Jr, Chairman

  
Kay Hicks, Secretary

Attest:

  
Port Director/Executive Director

The seal of Willacy County, Texas, is circular with a five-pointed star in the center. The words "WILLACY COUNTY TEXAS" are written around the perimeter of the seal. Below the seal, the word "Seal" is printed.