

FROM HOCKLEY COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE  
QUESTIONS: 806-894-3185

DATE: September 4<sup>th</sup> 2019

SUBJECT: Commissioners Court

DIRECTIONS:

Post to our website under  
Commissioners Court  
Meeting Minutes

**NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF  
HOCKLEY COUNTY, TEXAS**

Notice is hereby given that a Regular Meeting of the above named Commissioners' Court will be held on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Courtroom, Hockley County Courthouse, Levelland, Texas, at which time the following subjects will be discussed to-wit:

- ✓ 1. Read for approval the minutes of the Regular Meetings of the Commissioners' Court held at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, August 21, 2019 and at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, August 21, 2019.
- ✓ 2. Read for approval all monthly bills and claims submitted to the court and dated through September 3, 2019.
- ✓ 3. Hear the monthly Public Assistance Report.
- ✓ 4. Consider and take necessary action to approve the Official Bond and Oath of Larry Cardona.
- ✓ 5. Consider and take necessary action to approve the Resolution concerning the Automated Weather Observing System to be installed at the Levelland Municipal Airport.
- ✓ 6. Consider and take necessary action to approve the Resolution setting policy for the approval of medical care through indigent healthcare for adults in the custody of or incarcerated in Hockley County.
- ✓ 7. Consider and take necessary action to approve the Plat for Bent Tree Estates Subdivision.
- ✓ 8. Consider and take necessary action to approve the Plat for Ropes Ranch Estates Subdivision.

**COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF HOCKLEY COUNTY, TEXAS.**

BY:                     *Sharla Baldrige*                      
Sharla Baldrige, Hockley County Judge

I, the undersigned County Clerk, do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the above named Commissioners' Court, is a true and correct copy of said Notice on the bulletin board at the Courthouse, and at the east door of the Courthouse of Hockley County, Texas, as place readily accessible to the general public at all times on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2019, and said Notice remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

Dated this 30<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2019.

                    *Jennifer Palermo*                      
Jennifer Palermo, County Clerk, and Ex-Officio  
Clerk of Commissioners' Court, Hockley County, Texas

FILED FOR RECORD  
AT \_\_\_\_\_ O'CLOCK \_\_\_\_\_ M.



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*Jennifer Palermo*

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF HOCKLEY

IN THE COMMISSIONER'S COURT  
OF HOCKLEY COUNTY, TEXAS

REGULAR MEETING  
September 4<sup>TH</sup>, 2019

Be it remembered that on this the 4<sup>TH</sup> day of September, A.D., 2019, there came on to be held a Regular Meeting of the Commissioners' Court, and the Court having convened in Special session at the usual meeting place thereof at the Courthouse in Levelland, Texas, with the following members present to-wit:

Sharla Baldridge	Absent	County Judge
Curtis D. Thrash		Commissioner Precinct No. 1
Larry Carter		Commissioner Precinct No. 2
J. L. "Whitey" Barnett		Commissioner Precinct No. 3
Thomas R. "Tommy" Clevenger		Commissioner Precinct No. 4

Jennifer Palermo, County Clerk, and Ex-Officio Clerk of Commissioner' Court when the following proceedings were had, to-wit:

Motion by Commissioner Barnett, seconded by Commissioner Thrash, 4 Votes Yes, 0 Votes No, that the Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Commissioners' Court, held at 9:00 a.m. on August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019, and at 10:00 a.m. August 21, 2019 A.D. be approved and stand as read.

Motion by Commissioner Thrash, seconded by Commissioner Clevenger, 4 Votes Yes, 0 Votes No, that Commissioner's Court approved all monthly claims and bills submitted to the court and dated through September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019. Be approved and stand as read.

Rebecca Currington reported her monthly approval and denials for Public Assistance Report. As per report recorded below.

Upon recommendation by Rebecca Currington, Public Assistance Administrator, the following list of applicants' requests for public assistance, have been approved or denied for the month of August 2019.

APPROVED APPLICANTS

<u>APPLICANT</u>	<u>PHYSICAL ADDRESS</u>	<u>TOWN</u>	<u>REQUEST</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Michele Keyser	120 Hicks Place	Levelland	Electric	\$ 75.00
Linda Cruz	1502 - 12 <sup>th</sup> St	Levelland	Electric	\$ 75.00

DENIED APPLICANTS

The below listed applicants have been denied their public assistance request for one/more of the following reasons:

- Income of applicant(s) exceeds that of an indigent person, according to the guidelines of the Commissioners' Court of Hockley County, Texas.
- Applicant is in an all adult household in which no one is receiving Social Security due to age or disability.
- Not all money received by household, either income, available funds or contribution, was reported by household.
- Conflict of information regarding either household members or income received.
- No emergency situation exists as loss of job income was not due to illness or layoff.
- Other reason -

<u>APPLICANT</u>	<u>PHYSICAL ADDRESS</u>	<u>TOWN</u>
Mía Molina	205 Bobby St	Levelland

PAUPER CREMATION APPROVALS

<u>APPLICANT / DECEASED</u>	<u>PHYSICAL ADDRESS</u>	<u>CITY</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Travis Brooks	Levelland Nursing Home	Levelland	\$1,095.00

**Motion by Commissioner Carter, seconded by Commissioner Clevenger, 4 Votes Yes,  
0 Votes No, that Commissioners' Court approved the Official Bond and Oath of Larry Cardona.  
As per Oath and Bond recorded below.**

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# Western Surety Company

## OFFICIAL BOND AND OATH

THE STATE OF TEXAS }  
County of Hockley } ss

BOND No. 64757294

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS:

That we, Larry Cardona, as Principal, and WESTERN SURETY COMPANY, a corporation duly licensed to do business in the State of Texas, as Surety, are held and bound unto County Sheriff, his successors in office, in the sum of Two Thousand and 00/100 DOLLARS (\$2,000.00), for the payment of which we hereby bind ourselves and our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, by these presents.

Dated this 13th day of August, 2019.

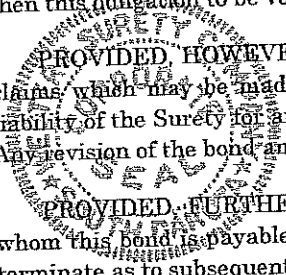
THE CONDITION OF THE ABOVE OBLIGATION IS SUCH, That whereas, the above bounden Principal was on the 2nd day of August, 2018, duly Appointed (Elected—Appointed) to the office of Reserve Deputy Sheriff in and for Hockley County, State of Texas, for a term of Indefinite year commencing on the 13th day of August, 2019.

NOW THEREFORE, if the said Principal shall well and faithfully perform and discharge all the duties required of him by law as the aforesaid officer, and shall <sup>4</sup> To faithfully perform the duties of office

then this obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that regardless of the number of years this bond may remain in force and the number of claims which may be made against this bond, the liability of the Surety shall not be cumulative and the aggregate liability of the Surety for any and all claims, suits, or actions under this bond shall not exceed the amount stated above. Any revision of the bond amount shall not be cumulative.

PROVIDED, FURTHER, that this bond may be cancelled by the Surety by sending written notice to the party to whom this bond is payable stating that, not less than thirty (30) days thereafter, the Surety's liability hereunder shall terminate as to subsequent acts of the Principal.



Larry Cardona Principal  
WESTERN SURETY COMPANY  
By Paul T. Bruffat  
Paul T. Bruffat, Vice President

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PRINCIPAL

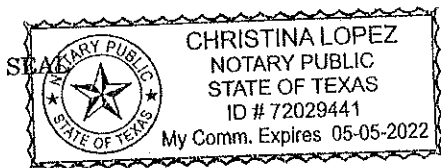
THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Haskell } ss

Before me, Christina Lopez on this day, personally appeared Larry Joe Cardona, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Sevelland, Texas, this 26th day of August, 2019.

Christina Lopez  
Haskell County, Texas



OATH OF OFFICE  
(COUNTY COMMISSIONERS and COUNTY JUDGE)

I, \_\_\_\_\_, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will faithfully execute the duties of the office of \_\_\_\_\_, of the State of Texas, and will to the best of my ability preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution and laws of the United States and of this State; and I furthermore solemnly swear (or affirm) that I have not directly nor indirectly paid, offered, or promised to pay, contributed, nor promised to contribute any money, or valuable thing, or promised any public office or employment, as a reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected; and I furthermore solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will not be, directly or indirectly, interested in any contract with or claim against the County, except such contracts or claims as are expressly authorized by law and except such warrants as may issue to me as fees of office. So help me God.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Sworn to and subscribed before me at \_\_\_\_\_, Texas, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

SEAL

\_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas

OATH OF OFFICE  
(General)

I, \_\_\_\_\_, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will faithfully execute the duties of the office of \_\_\_\_\_, of the State of Texas, and will to the best of my ability preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution and laws of the United States and of this State; and I furthermore solemnly swear (or affirm) that I have not directly nor indirectly paid, offered, or promised to pay, contributed, nor promised to contribute any money, or valuable thing, or promised any public office or employment, as a reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected. So help me God.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Sworn to and subscribed before me at \_\_\_\_\_, Texas, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

SEAL

\_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas

THE STATE OF TEXAS } ss  
County of \_\_\_\_\_

The foregoing bond of \_\_\_\_\_ as  
in and for \_\_\_\_\_ County and State of Texas, this day  
approved in open Commissioner's Court.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ County Judge,  
\_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas  
\_\_\_\_\_ Clerk  
County Court \_\_\_\_\_ County

THE STATE OF TEXAS } ss  
County of Hockley

I, Jennifer Palermo, County Clerk, in and for said County, do hereby certify  
that the foregoing Bond dated the 4th day of September, 2019, with its certificates of  
authentication, was filed for record in my office the 4th day of September, 2019, at  
10:30 o'clock A M., and duly recorded the 4th day of September, 2019, at  
10:30 o'clock A M., in the Records of Official Bonds of said County in Volume 69, on page  
048.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the County Court of said County, at office in Loveland  
Texas, the day and year last above written.

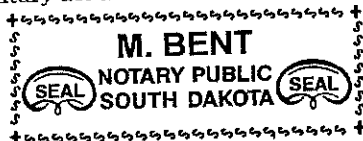
By Janie Salazar Deputy

Jennifer Palermo Clerk  
County Court Hockley County

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF SURETY  
(Corporate Officer)

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA } ss  
County of Minnehaha

Before me, a Notary Public, in and for said County and State on this 13th day of August,  
2019, personally appeared Paul T. Bruflat to me known to be the identical  
person who subscribed the name of WESTERN SURETY COMPANY, Surety, to the foregoing instrument as the  
aforesaid officer and acknowledged to me that he executed the same as his free and voluntary act and deed, and as the  
free and voluntary act and deed of such corporation for the uses and purposes therein set forth.



My Commission Expires March 2, 2020

M. Bent  
Notary Public



# Western Surety Company

## POWER OF ATTORNEY

### KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That WESTERN SURETY COMPANY, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of South Dakota, and authorized and licensed to do business in the States of Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming, and the United States of America, does hereby make, constitute and appoint

Paul T. Bruflat of Sioux Falls,  
State of South Dakota, its regularly elected Vice President,  
as Attorney-in-Fact, with full power and authority hereby conferred upon him to sign, execute, acknowledge and deliver for and on its behalf as Surety and as its act and deed, the following bond:

One Reserve Deputy Sheriff County of Hockley

bond with bond number 64757294

for Larry Cardona

as Principal in the penalty amount not to exceed: \$ 2,000.00

Western Surety Company further certifies that the following is a true and exact copy of Section 7 of the by-laws of Western Surety Company duly adopted and now in force, to-wit:

Section 7. All bonds, policies, undertakings, Powers of Attorney, or other obligations of the corporation shall be executed in the corporate name of the Company by the President, Secretary, any Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, or any Vice President, or by such other officers as the Board of Directors may authorize. The President, any Vice President, Secretary, any Assistant Secretary, or the Treasurer may appoint Attorneys-in-Fact or agents who shall have authority to issue bonds, policies, or undertakings in the name of the Company. The corporate seal is not necessary for the validity of any bonds, policies, undertakings, Powers of Attorney or other obligations of the corporation. The signature of any such officer and the corporate seal may be printed by facsimile.

In Witness Whereof, the said WESTERN SURETY COMPANY has caused these presents to be executed by its  
Vice President with the corporate seal affixed this 13th day of August,  
2019.

ATTEST

L. Nelson  
L. Nelson, Assistant Secretary

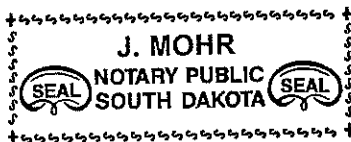
WESTERN SURETY COMPANY  
By Paul T. Bruflat  
Paul T. Bruflat, Vice President



STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA }  
COUNTY OF MINNEHAHA } ss

On this 13th day of August, 2019, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared  
Paul T. Bruflat and L. Nelson

who, being by me duly sworn, acknowledged that they signed the above Power of Attorney as Vice President  
and Assistant Secretary, respectively, of the said WESTERN SURETY COMPANY, and acknowledged said instrument to be the  
voluntary act and deed of said Corporation.



My Commission Expires June 23, 2021

J. Mohr  
Notary Public

To validate bond authenticity, go to [www.cnasurety.com](http://www.cnasurety.com) > Owner/Obligee Services > Validate Bond Coverage.



**Motion by Commissioner Barnett, seconded by Commissioner Clevenger, 4 Votes Yes, 0 Votes No, that Commissioners' Court approved the Resolution concerning the Automated Weather Observing System to be installed at the Levelland Municipal Airport. As per Resolution recorded below.**

**RESOLUTION**

A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSIONER'S COURT OF HOCKLEY COUNTY TEXAS, AUTHORIZING CITY OF LEVELLAND STAFF TO REQUEST FUNDING FROM THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR AN AUTOMATED WEATHER OBSERVING SYSTEM AT THE LEVELLAND MUNICIPAL AIRPORT AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT AND EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS RELATED TO THE GRANT.

WHEREAS, Hockley County desires to install an automated weather observing system at the Levelland Municipal Airport; and

WHEREAS, the total project cost is estimated to be \$200,000; and

WHEREAS, Hockley County hereby offers 25% of project costs to match 75% state funds, currently estimated to be \$50,000 in local funds; and

WHEREAS, local funds will be available to meet project expenditures; and

WHEREAS, Hockley County agrees to operate and maintain the installed automated weather observing system for the useful life of the asset; and

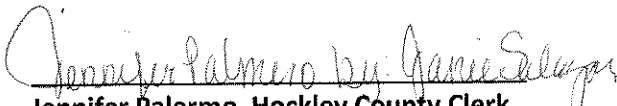
WHEREAS, the Hockley County intends to request financial assistance from the Texas Department of Transportation for installation of the automated weather observing system for these improvements; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSIONER'S COURT OF HOCKLEY COUNTY THAT:

1. That the Sponsor hereby directs the Mayor to execute on behalf of the Sponsor, at the appropriate time, and with the appropriate authorizations of this governing body, all contracts and agreements with the Texas Department of Transportation, and such other parties shall be necessary and appropriate for the implementation of the improvements to the Levelland Municipal Airport.

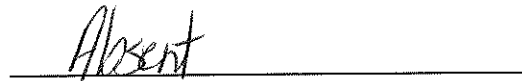
PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED BY THE COMMISSIONER'S COURT OF HOCKLEY COUNTY, TEXAS, THIS 11<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2019.


**ATTEST:**

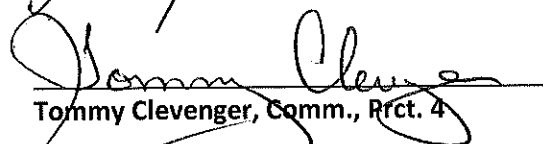
  
Jennifer Palermo, Hockley County Clerk

  
Curtis Thrash, Comm., Prct. 1

  
J.L. "Whitey" Barnett, Comm., Prct. 3

  
Sharla Baldrige, Hockley County Judge

  
Larry Carter, Comm., Prct. 2

  
Tommy Clevenger, Comm., Prct. 4

**Motion by Commissioner Clevenger, seconded by Commissioner Thrash, 4 Votes Yes, 0 Votes No, that Commissioners' Court approved the Resolution setting policy for the approval of medical care through indigent healthcare for adults in the custody of or incarcerated in Hockley County. As per Resolution Hockley County Commissioners Court recorded below.**

**RESOLUTION**  
**Hockley County Commissioners Court**

RESOLUTION SETTING POLICY FOR THE APPROVAL OF MEDICAL CARE THROUGH INDIGENT HEALTH CARE(IHC) FOR ADULTS IN THE CUSTODY OF OR INCARCERATED IN HOCKLEY COUNTY.

On this 4 day of September \_\_\_\_, 2019, the Hockley County Commissioners Court met in regular session to pass the following resolution:

**Be it resolved, pursuant to Commissioner Court action and applicable law, the Commissioners Court of Hockley County hereby resolves and authorizes that effective September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019, Hockley County will cover inmate medical expenses through the County Indigent Health Care program. Per Sec. 61.036(c) of the Health and Safety Code the County will opt out of following application procedures set forth for Indigent Health Care clients. The IHC office will be responsible for keeping a record of medical expenditures on inmates and reporting eligible expenditures to the State.**

Approved on this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2019.

Absent  
Sharla Baldridge, County Judge

Curtis Thrash  
Curtis Thrash, Comm. Pct. 1

Larry Carter  
Larry Carter, Comm. Pct. 2

J. L. Barnett  
Whitey Barnett, Comm. Pct. 3

Tommy Clevenger  
Tommy Clevenger, Comm. Pct. 4

ATTEST:

Jennifer Palermo by Kani Salazar  
Jennifer Palermo, Hockley County Clerk and  
Ex-Officio Clerk of Commissioners' Court,  
Hockley County, Texas



**Motion by Commissioner Thrash, seconded by Commissioner Barnett, 4 Votes Yes, 0 Votes No, that Commissioners' Court approved the Plat For Bent Tree Estates Subdivision. As per Plat Brent Tree Estates recorded below.**

**Motion by Commissioner Thrash, seconded by Commissioner Barnett, 4 Votes Yes, 0 Votes No, that Commissioners' Court approved the Plat for Ropes Ranch Estates Subdivision. As per Plat for Ropes Ranch Estates Subdivision recorded below.**

There being no further business to come before the Court,                      declared

Court adjourned, subject to call.

The foregoing Minutes of a Commissioner's Court meeting held on the 24<sup>th</sup>  
day of September, A. D. 2019, was examined by me and approved.

Curtis Thacker  
Commissioner, Precinct No. 1

J. L. Barnett  
Commissioner, Precinct No. 3

Larry Carter  
Commissioner, Precinct No. 2

Donna Clay  
Commissioner, Precinct No. 4

Absent  
County Judge

Jennifer Palermo by Janice Salazar  
JENNIFER PALERMO, County Clerk, and  
Ex-Officio Clerk of Commissioners' Court  
Hockley County, Texas

