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**Zapata County Commissioners Court** 

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Joseph Rathmell County Judge

Paco Mendoza Commissioner, Pct. 1

Olga M. Elizondo Commissioner, Pct. 2 Eddie Martinez Commissioner, Pct. 3

Norberto Garza Commissioner, Pct. 4

# Public Notice Regular Commissioners Court Meeting October 13, 2020 9:00 A.M.

Zapata County Courthouse 200 E. 7<sup>th</sup> Ave, Suite 108 Zapata, Texas 78076

# CALL TO ORDER BY HONORABLE JOE RATHMELL, ZAPATA COUNTY JUDGE

- 1. Roll Call By: Honorable Mary Jayne Villarreal-Bonoan
- 2. Invocation: Dr. Roger Miller, Commissioners Court Chaplain
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance
- 4. Communications
- 5. Public Comment This section provides the public the opportunity to address the Commissioners Court on any items on the Agenda. Members of the public wishing to participate must complete a public participation form specifying which agenda item they wish to comment on.
- 6. Approval of Invoices.

[Requested by: Triunfo Gonzalez, County Auditor]

7. Approval of Treasurer's Report.

[Requested by: Romeo Salinas, County Treasurer]

8. Approval of Checks Issued.

[Requested by: Romeo Salinas, County Treasurer]

9. Tax Assessor/Collector's Departmental Report

[Requested by: Adriana Figueroa, Tax Assessor-Collector]

# **REPORTS AND PRESENTATION**

10. Update on the Children's Advocacy Center's satellite office in Zapata County.

[Requested by: Dr. Severita Sanchez, Executive Director-Children's Advocacy Center]

## **DELIBERATE AND CONSIDER ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:**

11. To approve measures to address surge in local COVID-19 cases.

[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]

12. To reappoint or appoint a new member for the Zapata County Appraisal District Board [Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]

13. To approve the temporary closure of Kennedy St. and allow for oneway traffic on North 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue on October 31, 2020 from 2:30 to 6:00 p.m. for the Boys & Girls Club Halloween Candy Drive-thru Event.

[Requested by: Honorable Paco Mendoza, Commissioner Pct. 1]

14. To approve the use of the softball fields for the traveling team scrimmages.

[Requested by:Honorable Olga M. Elizondo, Commissioner Pct. 2]

- 15. To approve the use of the Show Barn or the San Ygnacio Civic Center for a youth hunting program.

  [Requested by:Honorable Olga M. Elizondo, Commissioner Pct. 2]
- 16. To approve payment of an invoice totaling \$2,093.83 from Technology Fund for equipment improving Internet accessibility to the Justice of the Peace, Pct. 1 office.

[Requested by: Judge Anna Guerra, Justice of the Peace Pct.1]

- 17. To approve payment of an invoice totaling \$2,093.83 from Technology Fund for equipment improving Internet accessibility to the Justice of the Peace and Commissioner Pct. 4 office.

  [Requested by: Judge Ramon Benavides, Justice of the Peace Pct.4]
- 18. To approve the purchase of a walk-in cooler for the Food Pantry using COVID funds from KaTom Restaurant Supply, Inc. GSA pricing provided for County government. To facilitate the distribution of 500 gallons of milk monthly.

[Requested by: Romeo Salinas, County Treasurer]

19. To hire Gloria Thatcher as Administrative Asst. @ \$9.00/hr in 15-621- Slot #10 effective 10/12/2020

[Requested by: Jose Mendoza, County Shop Supervisior]

20. To allow the Democratic Party to host a 'Ridin with Biden' parade through Zapata County on October 17, 2020.

[Requested by: Jorge Montes, Zapata County Democratic Chair]

21. To approve the use of the front steps of the Zapata County Courthouse on October 24, 2020 and April 24, 2021 from 10 am to 2 pm for the National Pill Take Back Event.

[Requested by: Sonia Sanchez Montes, SCAN]

22. To approve the annual agreement between Zapata County and SCAN for the use of office space and utilities.

[Requested by: Sonia Sanchez Montes, SCAN]

23. To approve ratifying a resolution to approve the Zapata County Park Master Plan 2020 and its submission to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD).

[Requested by: Carlos Colina Vargas, Consultant]

24. To approve the use of the Zapata County Arena for the Nick Gutierrez Jr. Memorial Roping (pending date)

[Requested by: Elsa Gutierrez,resident]

25. To discuss issues related to Wastewater Department

[Requested by: Ralph Treviño, Water Plant Supervisor]

# **CONSENT ITEMS**

Honorable Olga M. Elizondo, Commissioner Pct. 2

- 26. To approve the installment of a street light at the following address:
  - a. 2501 Glenn St.
  - b. 1901 Miraflores St

## **RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:**

27. Authorizing the resale of properties on the attached and incorporated Exhibit A, which were all foreclosed on upon more than six (6) months ago for failure to pay ad valorem taxes due to the County of Zapata, in accordance with Sec. 34.05 (C) of the Texas Property Tax Code.

[Requested by: Jaime E. Gonzalez, Linebarger, Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP]

28. To approve resolution authorizing submission of Texas Department of Agriculture Texans Feeding Texans Home-Delivered Meals Grant Program.

[Requested by: Carl Esser, Esser & Company Consulting, LLC]

29. Proclamation for Down Syndrome Awareness month.

[Requested by: Anette Arambula, Border Region Behavioral Health Center]

30. Proclamation for Mental Illness Awareness Week.

[Requested by: Anette Arambula, Border Region Behavioral Health Center]

Note 1 Gov't Code Ann 551.071, Consultation with Attorney

Note 2 Gov't Code Ann 551.072, Real Property

Note 3 Gov't Code Ann 551.074, Personnel Matters

Note 4 Gov't Code Ann 551.076, Security

The Commissioners Court will consider the following items in Executive Session. The Commissioners Court may also consider any other matter posted on the agenda if there are issues that require consideration in Executive Session and the Commissioners Court announces that the item will be considered during Executive Session.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

31. To discuss issues related to Wastewater Department [Closed Session/Executive Session is requested pursuant to Texas Government Code Title 5, Subchapter D, Section 551.074 (B) (Personnel Matters)

[Requested by: Ralph Treviño, Water Plant Supervisior]

## **ADJOURN**

Pursuant to the authority granted under Government Code, Chapter 551, the Commissioners Court may convene a closed session to discuss any of the above agenda items. Immediately before any closed session, the specific section or sections of Government Code, Chap. 551 that provide statutory authority will be announced.

DATED THIS 9th DAY OF October, 2020

HONORABLE JOSEPH RATHMELL, COUNTY JUDGE, ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS

Monica Alanis

**Agenda Coordinator** 

## **CERTIFICATION OF NOTICE AND POSTING**

I, the undersigned, County Clerk, do hereby certify that the above notice of meeting of the Zapata County Commissioners Court, is a true and correct copy of said notice, and that I posted a true and correct copy of said notice on the bulletin board at the Courthouse of Zapata County, Texas, at a place readily accessible to the general public at all times on <a href="9th">9th</a> day of <a href="October">October</a>, <a href="2020">2020</a> and said notice remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

DATED THIS 9th DAY OF October, 2020.

MARY JAYNE VILLARREAL-BONOAN, COUNTY CLERK, ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS

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