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Zapata County Commissioners Court

Joseph Rathmell
County Judge

Paco Mendoza
Commissioner, Pct. 1

Olga M. Elizondo
Commissioner, Pct. 2

Jose A. Solis
Commissioner, Pct. 3

Norberto Garza
Commissioner, Pct. 4

Public Notice
Regular Commissioners Court Meeting
March 28, 2022
9:00 A.M.

Zapata County Courthouse
200 E. 7th 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: Doctor 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: Delia Mendoza, Tax Assessor/Collector]

REPORTS AND PRESENTATION

10. TxDOT Presentation on Zapata County Projects.
[Requested by: Francisco J. Cantu, PE, PMP]
11. Update on the Zapata County surplus auction held by C.M. Company Auctions.
[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]

DELIBERATE AND CONSIDER ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

12. To consider amending the 2021-2022 budget for County Court staff salaries and potential new grant funded positions, contingent on the approval of funding from the Office of the Governor Operation Lone Star Grant Number 43726011.
[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]

13. To approve final payment on the purchase of the Los Ebanos Golf Course.
[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]
14. To consider proposal for the landscaping of courthouse grounds.
[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]
15. To consider compensating resident for damage to personal property at 259 FM 3074.
[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]
16. To propose sending an employee of the Zapata County WaterWorks to the SanYgnacio WaterPlant for the purpose of collecting payments.
[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]
17. To petition the Texas Department of Transportation to consider lowering the speed limit within the SanYgnacio town limits from 45 mph to 35 mph.
[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]
18. To approve the herbicide application on invasive weeds at Bravo Park and the Los Ebanos Golf Course.
[Requested by: Jose A. Solis, Commissioner, Pct. 3]
19. To approve payment to Med-Loz Lease Service, Inc. in the amount of \$9,107.50 for the Los Ebanos Golf Course maintenance. Amount to be paid from Certificate of Obligation Series 2021.
[Requested by: Jose A. Solis, Commissioner, Pct. 3]
20. To approve final payment on invoice to Vista Solutions in the amount of \$7,150.00.
[Requested by: Delia R. Mendoza, Tax-Assessor Collector]
21. To adopt a qualified benefit replacement arrangement with TCDRS to cover employees who face 415 limitations when they retire. For 2022, the annual benefit limit is \$245,000 for employees age 62 or older.
[Requested by: Romeo Salinas, County Treasurer]
22. To adopt using the IRS mileage rate and adjust as changes are made, the State of Texas mileage rate is 58.5 Cents per mile effective January 1, 2022.
[Requested by: Romeo Salinas, County Treasurer]
23. To consider bids to purchase the kitchen A/C Heater and Extractor.
[Requested by: Sheriff Raymundo Del Bosque, County Sheriff]
24. To reimburse the Zapata County Sheriff's Office commissary for the emergency purchase of an electric titling braising pan.
[Requested by: Triunfo Gonzalez, County Auditor]

25. To allow the HR Director and County Treasurer to seek RFP's for the Zapata County group medical insurance for FY2022-2023.
[Requested by: Nellie R. Treviño, HR Director]
26. To approve payment in the amount of \$2,083.81 to Genco Energy Services, Inc for rental at Los Ebanos Golf Course.
[Requested by: Nellie R. Treviño, HR Director]
27. To approve the purchase of a 2000 Gallon Water Tank for the County Shop from the Certificate of Obligation Series 2021 in the amount of \$9,500.00.
[Requested by: Nellie R. Treviño, HR Director]
28. To approve payment in the amount of \$50,000 to the Zapata County Boys & Girls Club for FY 2021-2022.
[Requested by: Nellie R. Treviño, HR Director]
29. To approve the 2022-2023 Texas Association of Counties Property Renewal and allow HR Director to submit the renewal schedule.
[Requested by: Nellie R. Treviño, HR Director]
30. To request additional funding for line item 038-36664-647(raw foods) for \$25,000.
[Requested by: Bertha G. Lopez, Nutrition Center Director]
31. To transfer Raul Ramirez from slot #10 to slot #3 as a Heavy Equipment Operator at \$15.07/hr Crew Leader.
[Requested by: Guillermo Saenz, Environmental Director]
32. To transfer Armando Gonzalez from slot #7 to slot #10 as a Compactor Operator at \$13.00/hr
[Requested by: Guillermo Saenz, Environmental Director]
33. To review the status of Zapata County Jail Project and approval of invoices
[Requested by: Manuel Gonzalez, Premier Engineering]
34. *To discuss issues related to account disputes.*
[Requested by: Ralph Trevino, Water Plant Director]

CONSENT ITEMS:

Honorable, Paco Mendoza Commissioner Pct. 1

- 35. To approve the following **streetlights**.
 - a. 380 Gonzalez St.

Line-item Transfers

- 36. To approve the following line item transfer to meet departmental needs.

	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>LINE ITEM</u>	<u>FUND</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
FROM	Water Plant	80-600-443	Electricity	\$1,286.66
TO	Non-Department	10-409-444	Electricity	\$1,286.66

[Requested by: Triunfo Gonzalez, County Auditor]

- 37. To approve the following line item transfer to meet departmental needs.

	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>LINE ITEM</u>	<u>FUND</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
FROM	County Clerk	10-403-437	Records Processing	\$815.00
TO	County Clerk	10-403-427	Workshops/Travel	\$815.00

[Requested by: Mary Jayne Villarreal-Bonoan, County Clerk]

- 38. To approve the following line item transfer to meet departmental needs.

	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>LINE ITEM</u>	<u>FUND</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
FROM	Tax Office	010-33449-499	Scanning & Preservation	\$3,000.00
TO	Tax Office	010-42749-499	Workshops/Travel Expense	\$3,000.00

[Requested by: Delia R. Mendoza, Tax Assessor]

- 39. To approve the following line item transfer to meet departmental needs.

	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>LINE ITEM</u>	<u>FUND</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
FROM	Justice of the Peace	10-455-328	JP Collection Costs	\$8,443.92
TO	Special Road & Bridge	15-621-470	JP Collection Costs	\$8,443.92

[Requested by: Triunfo Gonzalez, County Auditor]

RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:

40. Resolution approving Zapata County's American Recovery Plan Act Fund Allocation
[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]
41. To approve Resolution to add Optional Workers' Compensation Coverage.
[Requested by: Romeo Salinas, County Treasurer]
42. Resolution to Support and Participate in the South Texas Development Council and confirm the appointment of representatives from the County of Zapata Texas to serve on the Board of Directors of the South Texas Development Council for the period of October 1, 2021 to September 30, 2022.
[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]
43. To recognize and proclaim the month of April as Autism Awareness Month and approve the temporary closure of US Hwy 83 on April 2, 2022 for the Zapata County 6th Annual Autism Awareness 5K Run/Walk.
[Requested by: Nellie R. Treviño, HR Director]

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

44. *To discuss issues related to account disputes. **[Executive Session is requested pursuant to Texas Government Code Title 5, Sub Chapter D, Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney).***

[Requested by: Ralph Trevino, Water Plant Director]

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 25th DAY OF March, 2022

HONORABLE JOSEPH RATHMELL, COUNTY JUDGE, ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS

By: Monica Alanis
Monica Alanis
Agenda Clerk

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 the 25th day of March, 2022 and said notice remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

DATED THIS 25th DAY OF March, 2022.

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

By: Loree Secor

