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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

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# Public Notice

## Regular Commissioners Court Meeting

### September 26, 2022

### 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: 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 Checks Issued.  
[Requested by: Romeo Salinas, County Treasurer]

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

8. To review action taken by the Zapata County Commissioners Court on September 12, 2022 to address legal concerns regarding the voting on certain line-items.  
[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]
9. To adopt the Zapata County Budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023  
[Requested by: Triunfo Gonzalez, County Auditor]
10. To adopt the 2022-2023 tax rate for Zapata County in accordance with Local Government Code Sections 111.007-111.010 by executing an “Order Setting Tax Rate for 2022-2023”  
[Requested by: Triunfo Gonzalez, County Auditor]
11. To set the salaries and the number of positions by approving the General Order of Personnel for Fiscal Year 2022-2023.  
[Requested by: Triunfo Gonzalez, County Auditor]
12. To approve the “Operational General Order for Fiscal Year 2022-2023.”  
[Requested by: Triunfo Gonzalez, County Auditor]
13. To authorize the County Treasurer and the County Auditor to close all accounts and make all necessary line item transfers.  
[Requested by: Triunfo Gonzalez, County Auditor]

14. To allow private contractors to mow and bale grass at the Zapata County Airport at no cost to the county.  
[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]
15. To approve payment of \$15,000 to Carlos Colina Vargas for the preparation of the Park master Plan.  
[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]
16. To approve payment of \$1,145.00 and \$885.00 to REP & P Inc. for repairs done at the Zapata County Swimming Pool in Pct. 1.  
[Requested by: Paco Mendoza, Commissioner Pct. 1]
17. To approve the purchase of a trailer from Ron Hoover for Pct.1 in the amount of \$7,222.50 from the Certificate of Obligation.  
[Requested by: Paco Mendoza, Commissioner Pct. 1]
18. To approve the payment of \$181.85 and \$1,068.05 to Martinez Electrical Services for repairs at County Pool.  
[Requested by: Paco Mendoza, Commissioner Pct. 1]
19. To approve the payment of \$664.72 to Martinez Electrical Services for repairs at the San Ygnacio Plaza.  
[Requested by: Olga Elizondo, Commissioner Pct. 2]
20. To approve payment of \$7,780.00 to REP & P for work done at the Zapata Co. Golf Course  
[Requested by: Jose A. Solis, Commissioner Pct. 3]
21. To approve the purchase of 2 mowers for Road & Bridge Pct. 4, amount not to exceed \$30,000. Monies to be used from the Certificate of Obligation.  
[Requested by: Norberto Garza, Commissioner Pct. 4]
22. To continue the Letter of Credit to establish stand by trust fund for the financial assurance for the closure and post closure of San Ygnacio Landfill No. 783 in the amount of \$608,071.00 and closed Zapata Landfill No. 1528 in the amount of \$306,158.00 as requested by TCEQ, Deborah Wisenski, Financial Analyst.  
[Requested by: Triunfo Gonzalez, County Auditor]
23. To approve payment of \$11,890.62 to RDO Equipment Company for repairs.  
[Requested by: Triunfo Gonzalez, County Auditor]
24. To terminate occupancy of building agreement with Ram Nutritional Services. Premises to be vacated by Friday, November 25, 2022  
[Requested by: Berta Lopez, Nutrition Center Director]
25. To request additional \$25,000 for Raw Foods Line Item # 038-36664-647.  
[Requested by: Berta Lopez, Nutrition Center Director]

26. To approve the hire of an administrative assistant for the Human Resources Department.  
[Requested by: Nellie Treviño, HR Director]
27. To approve the implementation of the Clover Merchant Services to be used/offered to Zapata County.  
[Requested by: Nellie Treviño, HR Director]
28. Request to approve payments of \$26,000.00 and \$27,000.00 to Ramsa Electromechanic Inc. for repairs to two intake pumps which were caused by low water and high silt levels. Invoices to be paid from River Intake line item 080-47560-600 which will be submitted to USDA for reimbursement.  
[Requested by: Ralph Treviño, Water Plant Director]
29. To reapply for the Texas Veterans commission (TVC) General Assistance Grant.  
[Requested by: Adolfo Gonzalez Jr, Veterans Service Officer]
30. To apply for the Texas Veterans Commission (TVC) the Housing for Texas Heroes.  
[Requested by: Adolfo Gonzalez Jr, Veterans Service Officer]
31. To issue requests for proposals for administrative services (RFP) and requests for qualifications (RFQ) for engineering services for the 2023-2024 Texas Community Development Block Grant Program funds administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture.  
[Requested by: Oralia Cardenas, Grant Works]
32. To approve an archeological study Request for proposals for TDA Colonia Grant CFC21-0191. The archeological survey is required to environmentally clear the Medina Drainage section of the Colonia project. The RFP procurement will be manage by GrantWorks and awarded by Zapata County.  
[Requested by: Kendra Busse Rocha, Grant Works]
33. To request the use of the Zapata County pavilion on October 2, 2022 for the ZHS Stutters benefit bingo.  
[Requested by: Amber Perez, Parent]
34. To use the Zapata County Plaza for a Farmers Market benefit Bingo for the ZHS Strutters .  
[Requested by: Amber Perez, Parent]
35. *Consultation with attorney in reference to ACA filings for 2019, 2020 and 2021 and also 1099 filing 2018.*  
[Requested by: Triunfo Gonzalez, County Auditor]
36. *Consultation with attorney regarding the blocking of county utility easements.*  
[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]

**CONSENT ITEMS:**

Line-item Transfers

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 | Fire Department   | 10-543-205       | Uniforms    | \$100.00      |
| TO   | Fire Department   | 10-543-427       | Travel      | \$100.00      |

[Requested by: Chief Daniel Arriaga, Fire Chief]

**RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:**

38. To approve resolution in support of the annual HawkFest Homecoming Parade to be held by ZCISD and allow the temporary closure of US Hwy 83, along 7<sup>th</sup> avenue through 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Event will be held on October 12, 2022.

[Requested by: Nellie 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**

39. *Consultation with attorney regarding the blocking of county utility easements. [Executive Session is requested pursuant to Texas Government Code Title 5, Sub Chapter D, Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney).*

[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]

40. *Consultation with attorney in reference to ACA filings for 2019, 2020 and 2021 and also 1099 filing 2018. [Executive Session is requested pursuant to Texas Government Code Title 5, Sub Chapter D, Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney).*

[Requested by: Triunfo Gonzalez, County Auditor]

**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 23<sup>rd</sup> DAY OF September, 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 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September, 2022 and said notice remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

DATED THIS 23<sup>rd</sup> DAY OF September, 2022.

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

By: Mary Jayne Villarreal-Bonoan

