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Zapata County Commissioners Court

Joseph Rathmell
County Judge

Paco Mendoza
Commissioner, Pct. 1

Pedro Morales
Commissioner, Pct. 2

Jose A. Solis
Commissioner, Pct. 3

Roberto Garza
Commissioner, Pct. 4

Public Notice

Regular Commissioners Court Meeting

January 23, 2023

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

REPORTS AND PRESENTATION

8. Report by Laredo Medical Center
[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]
9. Report on the Certificate of Course Completion for the Open Meetings Act for Commissioner Pedro Morales.
[Requested by: Pedro Morales, Commissioner Pct. 2]
10. Report on the Certificate of Course Completion for the Open Meetings Act for Commissioner Roberto Garza.
[Requested by: Roberto Garza, Commissioner Pct. 4]
11. Texas A&M AgriLife Extension 2022 Year-in-Review presentation and introduction of New Better Living for Texans Agent.
[Requested by: Jesus F. Rodriguez, Agrilife Extension Agent.]
12. Presentation to record in the Commissioners Court minutes the District Clerk's certification of the appointment of Triunfo Gonzalez, as County Auditor for Zapata County, Texas pursuant to Texas Local Government Code 84.003(b) and 152.031 (b)
[Requested by: Triunfo Gonzalez, County Auditor]

DELIBERATE AND CONSIDER ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

13. To approve payment to REP& P Inc for work done at the Zapata Community Center.
[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]
14. To approve the payment of payroll (including back pay) for Operation Lone Star employees up to the end of January 2023 at their OLS rate.
[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]
15. To approve the hiring of the two clerk positions Slot #2 and Slot #3 at the Olga V Figueroa Public Library at \$10.00/hr.
[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]
16. To approve the hiring for the Indigent Care & Pauper Expense Department Administrator at \$32,040.00/Salary.
[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]
17. To determine a project for submission to the Texas Department of Agriculture 2023-2024 TxCDBG Program
[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]
18. To award administration services to complete application and project implementation for the 2023-2024 TxCDBG Program from the Texas Department of Agriculture.
[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]
19. To award engineering/architectural/surveying services to complete application and project implementation for the 2023-2024 TxCDBG Program from the Texas Department Agriculture.
[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]
20. To establish guidelines for the use of the Zapata County 4-H Arena
[Requested by: Pedro Morales, Commissioner Pct. 2]
21. To approve the demolition and reconstruction of the open porch at the Zapata County Shop.
[Requested by: Roberto Garza, Commissioner Pct. 4]
22. To request proposals for the demolition and reconstruction of the open porch at the Zapata County Shop.
[Requested by: Roberto Garza, Commissioner Pct. 4]
23. To approve the construction of 1,300 linear of 8ft fence at the Zapata Co. Airport using grant funds.
[Requested by: Ramon Montes, Airport Manager]
24. To approve the construction of a new entrance gate at the Zapata County Airport using grant funds.
[Requested by: Ramon Montes, Airport Manager]

25. To approve the painting of the large hanger at the Zapata County Airport using Grant funds.
[Requested by: Ramon Montes, Airport Manager]
26. To approve provision of \$527,618 in IGT for Laredo Medical Center for the DY12 UC Advance IGT due February 1, 2023.
[Requested by: Triunfo Gonzalez, County Auditor]
27. To approve the promotion of Baldemar Cantu to Plant Supervisor-Zapata office at \$17.93/hour. Monies are within budget.
[Requested by: Ralph Treviño, Water Plant Director]
28. To approve the purchase of 36 Laptops for Patrol Units with ticket writers from Peacemaker Technologies for \$248,427.00 from Operation Lone Star grant.
[Requested by: Joe Peña, Sheriff's Office]
29. To approve a transfer of \$25,000 from Tobacco Fund Line Item 67-800-352 to Medical Supplies Line Item 10-543-460.
[Requested by: Chief Daniel Arriaga, Fire Chief]
30. To review and approve final plat Carla St.
[Requested by: Manuel Gonzalez, Premier Engineering]
31. To review Cardinal and Crane construction progress and approve invoices
[Requested by: Manuel Gonzalez, Premier Engineering]
32. To review EOC plans and approve invoices
[Requested by: Manuel Gonzalez, Premier Engineering]
33. To review CDBG Drainage plans and specs and approve invoices
[Requested by: Manuel Gonzalez, Premier Engineering]
34. To review Zapata County Boat Ramp plans and approve invoices
[Requested by: Manuel Gonzalez, Premier Engineering]
35. To approve the use of the Zapata Community Center for the Winter Texans Appreciation Day on February 23, 2023 at 9:00 A.M.
[Requested by: Karren Westerman, Zapata County News]
36. *Consultation with attorney regarding legal actions against Zapata County.*
[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]
37. *To accept donation of four properties from a Private Individual.*
[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]

CONSENT ITEMS:

Line-item Transfers

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	Nutrition Center Congregate C1	038-33664-647	RAW FOOD	\$974.81
TO	Nutrition Center Congregate C1	038-46764-647	NON-FOOD CONSUMABLE	\$974.81

[Requested by: Berta Lopez, Nutrition Director]

RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:

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 legal actions against Zapata County. [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. *To accept donation of four properties from a Private Individual. [Executive Session is requested pursuant to Texas Government Code Title 5, Sub Chapter D, Section 551.071 and 551.072 (Consultation with Attorney)(Real Property)]*


[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]

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 20th DAY OF January, 2023

HONORABLE JOSEPH RATHMELL, COUNTY JUDGE, ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS

By: 
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 the 20th day of January, 2023 and said notice remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

DATED THIS 20th DAY OF January, 2023.

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

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