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Commissioner, Pct. 3

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Commissioner, Pct. 2

Roberto Garza
Commissioner, Pct. 4

Public Notice

Regular Commissioners Court Meeting

September 09, 2024

9:30 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. Update on FY25 Operation Lone Star
[Requested by: Dr. Rodney Rodriguez, RPBS, LLC]

DELIBERATE AND CONSIDER ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

11. To adopt the Zapata County Budget for Fiscal Year 2024-2025
[Requested by: Triunfo Gonzalez, County Auditor]
12. To adopt the 2024-2025 tax rate for Zapata County in accordance with Local Government Code Sections 111.007-111.010 by executing an “Order Setting Tax Rate for 2023-2024”
[Requested by: Triunfo Gonzalez, County Auditor]
13. To set the salaries and the number of positions by approving the General Order of Personnel for Fiscal Year 2024-2025.
[Requested by: Triunfo Gonzalez, County Auditor]

14. To approve the "Operational General Order for Fiscal Year 2024-2025.
[Requested by: Triunfo Gonzalez, County Auditor]
15. 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]
16. To consider retaining fulltime Operation Lone Star grant employees until September 30, 2024 at the County's expense
[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]
17. To approve a local Commissioners Court order for the November 5, 2024 General Election
[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]
18. To consider payment to Johnson Controls for courthouse fire alarm maintenance.
[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]
19. To award administrative services for the USDA 4H Arena improvements.
[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]
20. To award engineering services for the USDA 4H Arena improvements.
[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]
21. To approve payment to Zapata QA., Inc for the installation of lights at the Zapata County Shop
[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]
22. To consider the hiring of Veronica Alanis as a full time clerk for the Justice of the Peace, Pct. 2- Zapata Office at \$10.48/hr.
[Requested by: Judge Olga M. Bruni, Justice of the Peace Pct. 2]
23. To approve TxDOT 24-25 Routine Airport Maintenance Program (RAMP) agreement
[Requested by: Ramon Montes, Airport Director]
24. To approve payment of the Sponsors Share for the TxDOT Landing Approach project.
[Requested by: Ramon Montes, Airport Director]
25. To approve the rates for the Air Evac rate change to be effective January 01, 2025.
[Requested by: Nellie Treviño, HR Director]
26. To approve the TAC Workers Compensation Renewal for 2025.
[Requested by: Nellie Treviño, HR Director]
27. To request a pay increase for Danielson Aguilar (General Order Budget Code 10-543, Slot #16) from \$15.19 to \$15.40 an increase of \$0.21 for completing his firefighter certification effective October 1st 2024.
[Requested by: Chief Daniel Arriaga, Fire Chief]

- 28. To request the use of the Zapata County Plaza on October 6, 2024 for the Zapata County Fair Royalty & Jr. Royalty Fall Festival Fundraiser and the Higher Education Center’s grassy hill.
[Requested by: Nina Gutierrez, County Fair Assosiation]
- 29. To review and take action on the status of the San Ygnacio Water plant improvements
[Requested by: Manuel Gonzalez, Premier Engineering]
- 30. To review and take action on the status of the Zapata Northwest Booster Station project
[Requested by: Manuel Gonzalez, Premier Engineering]
- 31. To review Replat of lots 6&7 Ramirez addition 2
[Requested by: Manuel Gonzalez, Premier Engineering]
- 32. To review and take action on the Jail Improvement project.
[Requested by: Manuel Gonzalez, Premier Engineering]
- 33. To consider and approve the Resolution Authorizing Publication of Notice of Intention to use Certificates of Obligation.
[Requested by: Daniel M. Martinez, Winstead]
- 34. To request the fee be waived for the use of the Zapata County Pavilion for a Bingo Fundraiser hosted by the Hope & Faith Crime Victims Center Volunteers on the following dates: September 25th, October 23rd and November 20th.
[Requested by: Joseph Peña, Sheriff’s Office]
- 35. To request approval for the use of the back office space in county building (the clinic building) located at 801 N US Highway 83 as the designated Crime Victims Center.
[Requested by: Joseph Peña, Sheriff’s Office]
- 36. To request the use of the Zapata County Plaza for a Voter Registration Drive on September 15, 2024 from 8AM to 5PM
[Requested by: Dr. Diana Brandon, Democratic Party Chair]

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	Commissioner Pct.3	010-423-43580	Travel & Training	\$1,186.83
TO	Commissioner Pct.3	010-423-42610	General Supplies	\$1,186.83

[Requested by: Jose A. Solis, Commissioner Pct.3]

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	County Judge	010-400-43580	Travel & Training Pct.1	\$600.00
TO	County Judge	010-400-43430	Repairs & Maintenance	\$600.00

[Requested by: Roxana Elizondo, County Judge’s Office]

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	Zapata Co. Indigent	010-640-43580	Travel & Training	\$819.69
TO	Zapata Co. Indigent	010-640-43211	Indigent Care	\$819.69

[Requested by: Patricia A. Gonzalez, Indigent Director]

40. 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	Olga V. Figueroa Zapata Co. Public Library	010-650-42610	General Supplies	\$298.96
TO	Olga V. Figueroa Zapata Co. Public Library	010-650-43430	Repairs & Maintenance	\$298.96
FROM	Olga V. Figueroa Zapata Co. Public Library	010-650-43612	Books & Periodicals	\$157.48
TO	Olga V. Figueroa Zapata Co. Public Library	010-650-43430	Repairs & Maintenance	\$157.48

[Requested by: Rebecca Y. Gutierrez, County Librarian]

RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:

41. Resolution in Support of Rural Law Enforcement Grant.

[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]

42. Resolution in Support of SB22 Rural Prosecutor’s Grant

[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]

43. Proclamation declaring September 2024 Hunger Action Month

[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]

44. Proclamation to declare the month of September as Child Cancer Awareness Month

[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 6th DAY OF September, 2024

HONORABLE JOSEPH RATHMELL, COUNTY JUDGE, ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS

By: Monica Alanis
Monica Alanis
Agenda Administrator

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 6th day of September, 2024 and said notice remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

DATED THIS 6th DAY OF September, 2024.

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

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