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Joseph Rathmell County Judge

David R. Moya 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 April 14, 2025 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. To present certificates of recognition to Zapata High School students Albert Camacho Kelsey, Cooper and Jesus "Jay" Aguilar for accomplishments at the Texas High School Powerlifting Association's State Meet.

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

11. Presentation by Lone Star Strategy Group, LLC.

[Requested by: Yvette Utley, Lone Star Strategy Group LLC]

12. Presentation from the Sigma Delta Lambda Sorority from TAMIU for the establishment of community libraries in Zapata Colonias.

[Requested by: Victoria Garcia, Sigma Delta Lambda Sorority]

13. To recognize local student Cristaly Leal.

[Requested by: Pedro Morales, Commissioner, Pct. 4]

14. Presentation on Library Report

[Requested: Rebecca Gutierrez, Library Director]

15. To present J. Frank Dobie Library Trust awarded to Olga V. Figueroa Zapata County Public Library. [Requested: Rebecca Gutierrez, Library Director]

DELIBERATE AND CONSIDER ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

16. To approve estimate of \$5,000 from R&R Pool Plaster Repairs for the repairs to the Zapata County Pool.

[Requested by: David Moya, Commissioner, Pct. 1]

- 17. To approve the use of \$80,000 from Certificate of Obligation to purchase equipment [Requested by: David Moya, Commissioner, Pct. 1]
- 18. To approve the solicitation of administrative and engineering services for an application to the U.S.D.O.T FY25 Safe Streets and Roads for All grant program

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

19. To allow Public Power Pool to solicit competitive pricing for electricity generated by renewable sources from retail electric providers & approve resolution.

[Requested by: Romeo Salinas, County Treasurer]

- 20. To approve overtime for patrol officers to work the TxDOT (STEP) Selective Traffice Enforcement Program Grant 2026-ZAPATACOSO-S-1YG-00100 and Grant 2026-ZAPATACOSO-S-CMV-00040 [Requested by: Sheriff Ramon Montes, County Sheriff]
- 21. To request that \$25,000.00 from Tobacco Fund (67-800-43800) be transferred to Medical Supplies (10-543-42611) due to funds being exhausted.

[Requested by: Chief Daniel D. Arriaga, Fire Chief]

22. To approve the purchase of a Pumper/Tanker from Metro Fire Apparatus Specialists, Inc. in the amount of \$398.000, utilizing the Texas A&M Forest Service 2604 grant awarded for a Large Brush Truck.

[Requested by: Chief Daniel D. Arriaga, Fire Chief]

- 23. To pay invoice of \$5,400.00 to Ramiro Sanchez for repairs to the Public Library [Requested: Rebecca Gutierrez, Library Director]
- 24. To request payment of 4H animal projects from Windfarm contributions.

[Requested by: Rafael Garcia, Zapata Co. Fair President]

- 25. To review status and take action on the Zapata Booster Station project
 [Requested by: Manuel Gonzalez, Jr., Premier Engineering]
- 26. To review status and take action on the Zapata Drainage Project [Requested by: Manuel Gonzalez, Jr., Premier Engineering]
- 27. To review status and take action on the Los Ebanos Walking Trail
 [Requested by: Manuel Gonzalez, Jr., Premier Engineering]
- 28. To review status and take action on the Lakeshore Dr. Utility easement acquisition [Requested by: Manuel Gonzalez, Jr., Premier Engineering]
- 29. To hire architectural firm for the Zapata County roping arena [Requested by: Manuel Gonzalez, Jr., Premier Engineering]
- 30. To review proposal for the roof inspection on Sheriff's office
 [Requested by: Manuel Gonzalez, Jr., Premier Engineering]
- 31. To review status and take action on Hwy 83 TxDOT Project.

 [Requested by: Manuel Gonzalez, Jr., Premier Engineering]
- 32. Consultation with attorney regarding Operation Lone Star funding for grant #4372601 [Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]

CONSENT ITEMS:

Line-item Transfers

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

	DEPARTMENT	LINE ITEM	<u>FUND</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
FROM	Treasurer	010-497-42610	General Supplies	\$1,800.00
ТО	Treasurer	010-497-43580	Travel & Training	\$1,800.00

[Requested by: Romeo Salinas, County Treasurer]

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

	DEPARTMENT	LINE ITEM	FUND	<u>AMOUNT</u>
FROM	Justice of the Peace Pct. 1	010-455-43581	Travel & Training	\$600.00
ТО	Justice of the Peace Pct. 1	010-455-42611	General Supplies	\$600.00

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

RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:

35. Proclamation on Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

[Requested: Mayra Arevalo Program Coordinator, SCAN]

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

36. Consultation with attorney regarding Operation Lone Star funding for grant #4372601. [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]

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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 11th DAY OF April, 2025

HONORABLE JOSEPH RATHMELL, COUNTY JUDGE, ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS

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 11th day of April, 2025 and said notice remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

DATED THIS 11th DAY OF April, 2025.

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

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