



## Zapata County Commissioners Court

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

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VILLARREAL-BONOAN  
COUNTY CLERK

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# Public Notice Regular Commissioners Court Meeting January 13, 2025 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 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 financial report for the Zapata County Fair.  
[Requested by: Jaime A. Guerra, ZCFA President]

## DELIBERATE AND CONSIDER ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

11. To consider and approve an estimate from Records Consultants ,Inc (RCI) to conduct A Fixed Asset Inventory & Management survey of Zapata County.  
[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]
12. To transfer GMC Sierra 1500 from the County Judge’s Office to the Zapata Community Center.  
[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]

13. To approve payment to SHI Government Solutions in the amount of \$31,830.50 to cover labor for improvements made to the 49<sup>th</sup> District Courtroom.  
[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]
14. To hire Atilano Flores as Labor Maintenance in 15-421-slot #3 at \$11.00/hour.  
[Requested by: David Moya, Commissioner Pct. 1]
15. To hire Edwin Villarreal as Labor/Maintenance in 15-421-slot #5 at \$11.00/hour.  
[Requested by: David Moya, Commissioner Pct. 1]
16. To transfer Amado Esquivel from Labor/Maintenance 15-421-slot#2 at \$13.22/hour.  
[Requested by: David Moya, Commissioner Pct. 1]
17. To increase Crew Leader Juan A. Garcia 15-421-slot #1 to \$16.00/hr. All changes are within budget and to be effective 1/1/2025  
[Requested by: David Moya, Commissioner Pct. 1]
18. To approve the removal of stop signs in Flores Dr. at the Falcon Shores Subdivision.  
[Requested by: David Moya, Commissioner Pct. 1]
19. To go out for repair estimates for the Zapata County Public pool.  
[Requested by: David Moya, Commissioner Pct. 1]
20. To transfer Norberto Lozano from Labor/Maintenance in 15-424-slot #4 to WaterPlant as Distribution in 800-600-slot #6 at \$11.25/hour effective 1/13/2025.  
[Requested by: Roberto Garza, Commissioner Pct. 4]
21. To hire Carlos Vela as Labor/Maintenance in 15-424-slot #4 at \$11.05/hour effective 1/13/2025  
[Requested by: Roberto Garza, Commissioner Pct. 4]
22. To increase Jose Luis Salinas, Labor/Maintenance in 15-424-slot #5 from \$10.48/hr to \$11.39/hr effective 1/13/2025, with no increase to the budget.  
[Requested by: Roberto Garza, Commissioner Pct. 4]
23. To discuss overtime 40hrs work week  
[Requested by: Sheriff Ramon Montes, County Sheriff]
24. To approve purchase of furniture, office supplies & computers for offices & lobby at the Zapata County Sheriff's Office  
[Requested by: Sheriff Ramon Montes, County Sheriff]
25. To amend FY25 budget to add two additional Detention Officers for the Regional Jail at \$25,542 & \$2,247.70 fringe which has been budgeted under OLS #4372602 Dept. 410  
[Requested by: Sheriff Ramon Montes, County Sheriff]
26. Requesting \$25,000.00 from Tobacco Fund 67-800-43800 to Medical Supplies 10-543-42611 Due to exhausting funds.  
[Requested by: Chief Daniel D. Arriaga, Fire Chief]

27. To advertise for the Site Manager for the Falcon Nutrition Center.  
[Requested by: Berta G. Lopez, Nutrition Center Director]
28. To review projects considered for the Certificate of Obligation  
[Requested by: Manuel Gonzalez, Jr., Premier Engineering]
29. To review projects submitted under the EPA Grant application  
[Requested by: Manuel Gonzalez, Jr., Premier Engineering]
30. To review San Ygnacio project status and take action needed  
[Requested by: Manuel Gonzalez, Jr., Premier Engineering]
31. To review Zapata Booster project status and take action needed  
[Requested by: Manuel Gonzalez, Jr., Premier Engineering]
32. To review Sheriff Office project and act on items  
[Requested by: Manuel Gonzalez, Jr., Premier Engineering]
33. To review Fire station project and act on items  
[Requested by: Manuel Gonzalez, Jr., Premier Engineering]
34. Requesting the use of the Romeo Flores park for Border Fest Chapter 4 to Benefit Alynna Lopez  
[Requested by: Ely Zepeda, Event Organizer]
35. To request the use of the town plazita on January 25<sup>th</sup> to host a Bright Beginnings Pop up Market and Celebration.  
[Requested by: Esperanza Garcia, Esperanza's Pretty Painting]
36. To request Hotel and Motel funds for the Zapata County Fair Association.  
[Requested by: Jaime A. Guerra, ZCFA President]
37. To review status and take any necessary action on Congressional Directed Spending Community Facility Grant through the USDA Rural Development for Zapata County Fire Station  
[Requested by: Carl Esser, Esser & Company Consulting LLC]
38. To review status and take any necessary action on Congressional Directed Spending Community Facility Grant through the USDA Rural Development for Zapata County Sheriff's Office  
[Requested by: Carl Esser, Esser & Company Consulting LLC]
39. To review status and take any necessary action on Congressional Directed Spending Community Facility Grant through the USDA Rural Development for Zapata County 4-H Arena Improvements.  
[Requested by: Carl Esser, Esser & Company Consulting LLC]
40. To review status of CDBG CFC 22-0086 San Ygnacio Water Plant Improvement Project and Schedule Final Inspection for the Tuesday January 28, 2025 at 11:00 A.M  
[Requested by: Carl Esser, Esser & Company Consulting LLC]
41. To schedule Final Public Hearing for CDBG CFC 22-0086 San Ygnacio Water Plant Improvement Project for February 10, 2025 at 5:15 PM Zapata County Courthouse and publish notice for same.  
[Requested by: Carl Esser, Esser & Company Consulting LLC]

**CONSENT ITEMS:**

Honorable, Pedro Morales, Commissioner Pct. 2

42. To approve the following street lights.
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**RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:**

43. To approve update Resolution in Support of FY25 Operation Lone Star.  
[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]
44. To approve Resolution for a Large Brush Truck with the Texas Forest Service  
[Requested by: Chief Daniel D. Arriaga, Fire Chief]

**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 10<sup>th</sup> DAY OF January, 2025

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 10<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2025 and said notice remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

DATED THIS 10<sup>th</sup> DAY OF January, 2025.

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

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