

**THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF ZAPATA**

**IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS**

Be it remembered, that on this the 11<sup>th</sup> day of November 2023, the Commissioners Court of Zapata County, Texas convened in **REGULAR SESSION** of said Court, at the regular meeting place thereof, in the Courthouse of Zapata, Texas, with the following members of said Court, to-wit:

**PRESENT:**

Hon. Joseph Rathmell	County Judge
Paco Mendoza	Commissioner, Precinct No. 1
Pedro Morales	Commissioner, Precinct No. 2
Jose A. Solis	Commissioner, Precinct No. 3
Roberto Garza	Commissioner, Precinct No. 4
Celica A. Rodriguez	Chief Deputy County Clerk

**ABSENT:**

Mary Jayne Villarreal-Bonoan	County Clerk and Ex Officio Clerk of Commissioners Court
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**VISITORS:** Ramon E. Montes, Roger Miller, Nellie R. Treviño, Veronica Alanis, Joe Peña, and Manuel I. Longoria.

**WHEREUPON**, the following Orders and Proceedings were had by said Court, to-wit:

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 9:00 A.M.**

**ROLL CALL BY CELICA A. RODRIGUEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK  
INVOCATION BY REV. ROGER MILLER, COMMISSIONERS COURT CHAPLAIN  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**COMMUNICATIONS**

Judge Rathmell commented on Thanksgiving Luncheon in-service. We had very good speakers with very good topics. Local businesses and elected officials were very generous, almost every employee took 2 gifts home. We had very good door prizes so all in all it was a very good event.

Commissioner Solis advised the public that there was vandalism at the playground in Precinct 3. Commissioner Solid wants to get the community involved to identify the young individuals. It is unfortunate because it cost a lot of money.

**ORDER APPROVING INVOICES**

Motion was made by Commissioner Solis, seconded by Commissioner Mendoza, to approve invoices of November 9 – November 20, 2023 for the amount of \$398,571.52, which included \$1,999.99 for air compressor for county shop, as presented by Triunfo Gonzalez.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

**ORDER APPROVING CHECKS ISSUED**

Motion was made by Commissioner Solis, seconded by Commissioner Mendoza, to approve checks issued from November 9 – November 20, 2023 for the amount of \$398,571.52, which included \$1,999.99 for air compressor for county shop as requested by Hon. Romeo Salinas, County Treasurer.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

**ORDER APPROVING PAYMENT TO INTEGRATED ENVIRONMENTAL SOLUTIONS, LLC**

Motion was made by Commissioner Solis, seconded by Commissioner Morales, to approve payment to Integrated Environmental Solutions, LLC as requested by Hon. Joe Rathmell, County Judge.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

**ORDER APPROVING PART TIME POSITION OF 20 HOURS PER WEEK AT COMMUNITY CENTER MAINTENANCE CREW**

Motion was made by Judge Rathmell, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to approve a part time position of 20 hours per week at the Community Center Maintenance Crew as requested by Hon. Joe Rathmell, County Judge.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

**ORDER APPROVING ESTIMATES FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO COVERED PARKING AREA AT ZAPATA COUNTY AIRPORT**

Motion was made by Commissioner Solis, seconded by Commissioner Morales, to approve estimate of \$9,100.00 payable to Tomas Chapa (pending \$10,000 upon completion) for concrete and estimate of \$5,500.00 payable to Jose Romero (pending \$2,000.00 upon completion) for labor and materials, for improvements to the covered parking area at the Zapata County Airport as requested by Ramon Montes, Airport Manager.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

**ORDER APPROVING AGREEMENT BETWEEN TXDOT AND ZAPATA COUNTY AIRPORT**

Motion was made by Commissioner Solis, seconded by Commissioner Morales, to approve agreement between TXDOT and Zapata County Airport as requested by Ramon Montes, Airport Manager.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

**ORDER APPROVING PROPOSALS FROM SOUTHERN TRENCHLESS SOLUTIONS**

Motion was made by Commissioner Solis, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to approve proposals from Southern Trenchless Solutions to replace four (4) manhole frames and covers two (2) located at the Zapata County Regional Jail and two (2) located at the Zapata County Jail, for \$3,039.58 as requested by Carlos Q. Ramirez, Sheriff’s Office.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

**ORDER APPROVING PROPOSAL FROM ZAPATA QA TO  
REPLACE COMPRESSOR UNIT WITH TRANE UNIT**

Motion was made by Commissioner Solis, seconded by Commissioner Mendoza, to approve proposal from Zapata QA to replace compressor unit with TRANE unit (including parts, labor, and crane freight) located at the Zapata County Jail for the amount of \$9,380.00 as requested by Carlos Q. Ramirez, Sheriff's Office.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

**ORDER APPROVING INSTALLATION OF STREET LIGHTS**

Motion was made by Commissioner Mendoza, seconded by Commissioner Morales, to approve installation of street lights:

- a. 205 Raven and 213 Cardinal
- b. 5411 Davis Lane
- c. 124 Santa Maria
- d. 1012 Falcon Street
- e. 503 Nopal Road
- f. 5409 Cuellar Lane
- g. 5113 Peña Lane
- h. 5324 Davis Lane
- i. 5303 Carrizo Lane
- j. 5413 Betty Lane

as requested by Hon. Jose A. Solis, Commissioner Pct. 3.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

**ADJOURN**

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Mendoza, seconded by Commissioner Solis, and being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

There being no further business for disposition at this term, the Court adjourned.

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JOSEPH RATHMELL, COUNTY JUDGE  
OF ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS

ATTEST:

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MARY JAYNE VILLARREAL-BONOAN,  
COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO  
CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS  
COURT OF ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS