

Zapata County, Texas



Commissioners Court

Rosalva Guerra
County Judge

Jose Emilio Vela
Commissioner, Pct. 1

Joseph Rathmell
Commissioner, Pct. 3

Gabriel Villarreal
Commissioner, Pct. 2

Norberto Garza
Commissioner, Pct. 4

MARY JAYNE
VILLARREAL-BONDIAN
COUNTY CLERK

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Public Notice
Regular Commissioners Court Meeting
Zapata County Courthouse, 200 E. 7th Ave, Suite 108
Zapata, Texas 78076
August 10, 2009
9:00 A.M.

CALL TO ORDER BY THE HONORABLE ROSALVA GUERRA, ZAPATA COUNTY JUDGE

1. Roll call by Honorable Mary Jayne Villarreal-Bonoan, Zapata County Clerk
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Prayer
4. Approval of Minutes
5. Communications
6. 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.
7. Departmental Reports
8. Approval of Invoices. [Requested by Doroteo N. Garza, County Auditor.]

DELIBERATE AND CONSIDER ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS

9. Discussion on the proposed tax rate for fiscal year 2009-10. [Requested by Doroteo N. Garza, County Auditor.]
10. To reverse payment for the Preliminary Study to the Las Palmas Sewer Project as approved by Commissioner Court earlier this fiscal year. To be paid from 10-370-901. [Requested by Doroteo N. Garza, County Auditor and Commissioner Gabriel Villarreal, Pct. 2.]
11. To adopt new hours of operation for the San Ygnacio Municipal Landfill. [Requested by Guillermo M. Saenz, Environmental Health Department Supervisor.]
12. To propose and allow constituents to enter landfill to dispose of household wastes. [Requested by Guillermo M. Saenz, Environmental Health Department Supervisor.]
13. To approve the extension of a six inch water line by the Zapata County Waterworks, to serve an area(s) of over 5 acres along the 40' easement conveyed to Zapata County from Share 4, 100 acres of the Jose Cuellar et al., approximately 900 ft. Materials to be paid from landowner. With possible loop to be provided by waterworks. [Requested by Mario Gonzalez-Davis, Project Coordinator and Carlos Treviño, Zapata County Waterworks Director.]
14. To approve the Authorized Signatories for the ORCA and EDA Higher Tech Center Project, as follows:
 - Rosalva Guerra, County Judge
 - Romeo Salinas, County Treasurer
 - Doroteo Garza, County Auditor[Requested by Mario Gonzalez-Davis, Project Coordinator.]
15. Approval to fill vacancy at the Zapata County Recycling Center by transferring Mr. Felipe Gonzalez to replace department supervisor's slot. [Requested by Commissioner Jose Emilio Vela, Pct. 1.]
16. Approval to cross county (Zapata County) portion of FM 3169 with an 8" buried natural gas pipeline (min. depth 36"). [Requested by William "Duck" Menzies, Sr. Right of Way Agent, Gilcrease Partners, LLC.]
17. Approval of membership to the Rio Grande South Texas Development Council. [Requested by County Judge Rosalva Guerra.]
18. Terminate contract with Blue Moon Solutions as per terms of agreement. [Requested by County Judge Rosalva Guerra.]

19. Approval of antiviral contract with the Department of State Health Services (DSHS). [Requested by County Judge Rosalva Guerra.]
20. Approval of Rural Community Program 2009 hardworking Rural Community license agreement with Texas Department of Agriculture. [Requested by County Judge Rosalva Guerra.]
21. Approval of retirement of Zapata County Personnel Director Sylvia Mendoza effective July 31, 2009. [Requested by County Judge Rosalva Guerra.]
22. Appointment of Zapata County Personnel Director. [Requested by County Judge Rosalva Guerra.]
23. To request bids for the construction of approximately 5,000 linear feet of curb and gutter on existing paved streets in Siesta Shores subdivision to be paid out of the road paving bond Pct. 3. [Requested by Commissioner Joseph Rathmell, Pct. 3.]
24. To approve a change order on Falcon Lake Estates West Contract for Rapid Haul Construction to add a section of County Road from Loma Verde to Public Boat Ramp. [Requested by Commissioner Joseph Rathmell, Pct. 3.]
25. To sponsor a refreshment break for the Region 8 County & District Clerk fall conference. Conference to be held on Oct. 7-9, 2009 at the Embassy Suites in Laredo, Texas. Conference will be hosted by Zapata & Webb County. [Requested by Dora M. Ramos, District Clerk & Mary Jayne Villarreal-Bonoan, County Clerk.]
26. To approve hiring of two (2) temporary clerks, at the rate of \$7.50 per hour, to be paid from the County Clerks' record management and preservation fund under Section 118.0216 of the Local Government Code, to scan and/or index minutes and documents. Employment shall be effective August 24 – until project is completed. [Requested by Mary Jayne Villarreal-Bonoan, County Clerk.]
27. To accept the resignation of Luis Lopez, EMS, effective immediately. [Requested by Fire Chief Juan Jose Meza.]
28. To allow Fire Chief to hire an EMS employee to replace Luis Lopez. [Request by Fire Chief Juan Jose Meza.]
29. Possible action regarding the unpaid wages owed to employees (current and former) of the Zapata County Medical Clinic. [Requested by: Former employees of the Zapata County Medical Clinic.]

30. The Zapata County Juvenile Probation Department requests the permanent assignment of 6 parking spaces on the front row (nearest to the Courthouse) on the east side of the building. The Department has vehicles which are covered by our own video surveillance camera in these locations. We request signs to be erected designating these places for **Juvenile Probation Vehicles Only**. [Requested by Sandy J. Pippin-Gomez, Chief Juvenile Probation Officer.]

CONSENT ITEMS

31. Approval to install 4-way stop signs at the following sites:
 A. Intersection of 3rd Avenue and Glenn Street (Zapata Town Site)
 B. Intersection of 2nd and Costa Rica (Flores Addition I)
 [Requested by Commissioner Jose Emilio Vela, Pct. 1.]

32. To approve the following line item transfers as requested:

	DEPARTMENT	LINE ITEM	FUND	AMOUNT
FROM	CONSTABLE PCT. 4	10-550-333	FUEL & LUBRICANTS	\$700.00
TO	CONSTABLE PCT. 4	10-550-313	SUPPLIES	\$700.00
FROM	CONSTABLE PCT. 4	10-550-430	WORKSHOP	\$400.00
TO	CONSTABLE PCT. 4	10-550-212	UNIFORMS	\$400.00
FROM	CONSTABLE PCT. 4	10-550-333	FUEL & LUBRICANTS	\$1,000.00
TO	CONSTABLE PCT. 4	10-550-212	UNIFORMS	\$1,000.00

[Requested by Constable Manuel M. Flores, Pct. 4.]

33. To approve the following line item transfers as requested:

	DEPARTMENT	LINE ITEM	FUND	AMOUNT
FROM	NUTR. PROGRAM	38-647-336	RAW FOOD	\$700.00
TO	NUTR. PROGRAM	38-647-454	REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	\$700.00
FROM	NUTR. PROGRAM	38-647-427	TRAVEL	\$300.00
TO	NUTR. PROGRAM	38-648-454	REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	\$300.00
FROM	NUTR. PROGRAM	38-647-339	ELDERLY ACTIVITIES	\$300.00
TO	NUTR. PROGRAM	38-647-467	NON-FOOD CONSUMABLE	\$300.00
FROM	NUTR. PROGRAM	38-648-427	TRAVEL	\$250.00
TO	NUTR. PROGRAM	38-647-392	SAFETY SERVICE	\$250.00

To meet budget requirements. [Requested by Carmen R. Reyes, Nutrition Center Supervisor.]

34. To approve the following line item transfers as requested:

	DEPARTMENT	LINE ITEM	FUND	AMOUNT
FROM	COUNTY CLERK	10-403-484	ELECTION EXPENSE	\$10,000.00
TO	COUNTY CLERK	10-403-437	MICROFILM	\$10,000.00
FROM	COUNTY CLERK	10-403-484	ELECTION EXPENSE	\$2,000.00
TO	COUNTY CLERK	10-403-310	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$2,000.00

To meet budget requirements. [Requested by Mary Jayne Villarreal-Bonoan, County Clerk.]

35. To approve the following line item transfers as requested:

	DEPARTMENT	LINE ITEM	FUND	AMOUNT
FROM	COUNTY ATTORNEY	10-475-311	POSTAGE	\$800.00
TO	COUNTY ATTORNEY	10-475-392	OTHER/ MAINTENANCE	\$800.00
FROM	COUNTY ATTORNEY	10-475-454	VEHICLE EXPENSE	\$4,000.00
TO	COUNTY ATTORNEY	10-475-392	OTHER/ MAINTENANCE	\$4,000.00
FROM	COUNTY ATTORNEY	10-475-462	EQUIPMENT RENTAL	\$1,000.00
TO	COUNTY ATTORNEY	10-475-392	OTHER/ MAINTENANCE	\$1,000.00

To meet budget requirements. [Requested by Saïd A. Figueroa, County Attorney.]

36. To approve the following line item transfers as requested:

	DEPARTMENT	LINE ITEM	FUND	AMOUNT
FROM	JUVENILE PROBATION DEPARTMENT	31-570-730	CONSULTANT-CONTRACT SERVICES	\$7,000.00
TO	JUVENILE PROBATION DEPARTMENT	31-570-427	TRAVEL	\$7,000.00

To meet budget requirements. [Requested by Sandy J. Pippin-Gomez, Chief Juvenile Probation Officer.]

37. To install a speed hump on 1612 Zapata Street. [Requested by Commissioner Norberto Garza, Pct. 4.]

REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

38. Announcement of Historical Marker at the Falcon Community Park donated by the Falcon Historical Committee, planning to unveil during the dedication of the Veteran's Memorial in November, 2009. [Requested by Commissioner Jose Emilio Vela, Pct. 1.]

39. Financial status report (2nd call) from Executive Sesquicentennial Committee regarding donation for benches and pavers as well as update of itemized disbursements. [Requested by Commissioner Jose Emilio Vela, Pct. 1.]
40. Update and annual report from the Zapata County Predatory Control Officer, participating under the USDA-Wildlife Services. [Requested by Commissioner Jose Emilio Vela, Pct. 1.]
41. Report by Danny Santos regarding Water Plant. [Requested by Commissioner Norberto Garza, Pct. 4.]
42. Monthly business report of the Zapata County Economic Development Center (ZEDC). [Requested by ZEDC President, Peggy Umphres Moffett.]
43. Report of a study conducted by the Falcon Lake Planning Commission to determine the need for zoning regulations in Zapata County. [Requested by Zar Rodriguez, IV and Falcon Lake Planning Commission.]

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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.

44. Discussion of Water Plant personnel matters. [Requested by County Judge Rosalva Guerra.]
45. Discussion and possible action to appoint a five member advisory board to oversee the operations of the Zapata County Waterworks and Sewer Plant departments. [Requested by County Judge Rosalva Guerra.]
46. Consultation with County Attorney and possible action to consider the supplement request by the Zapata Medical Group for the Zapata County Medical Clinic. [Requested by Saïd A. Figueroa, County Attorney.]

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 7th DAY OF AUGUST, 2009.

By: *Nellie R. Treviño*
Nellie R. Treviño
Executive Clerk

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 7th day of AUGUST, 2009 and said notice remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

DATED THIS 7th DAY OF AUGUST, 2009.

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

BY: *Celi G. Rodriguez* Deputy

