



**Zapata County Commissioners Court** 

Joseph Rathmell County Judge

Paco Mendoza Commissioner, Pct. 1

Olga M. Elizondo Commissioner, Pct. 2

**Eddie Martinez** Commissioner, Pct. 3

Norberto Garza Commissioner, Pct. 4

# Public Notice Regular Commissioners Court Meeting February 12, 2018 9:00 A.M.

Zapata County Courthouse <sup>200</sup> 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: Pastor 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

#### REPORTS AND PRESENTATION

10. Presentation for a Community Garden.

[Requested by: Jaime Garcia]

11. Presentation in regards to a proposed Texas Historical Commission Marker for Falcon Reservoir.

[Requested by: Guadalupe Villarreal, Zapata Co. Historical

Commission]

12. Presentation by Border Renewable Energy, LLC's concerning three (3) wind energy development projects in Zapata County, Texas: (1) Las Lomas Wind Energy Project, (2) Zapata County Wind Energy Project, and (3) Vaquero Wind Energy Project.

[Requested by: Juan Cruz & Fortunato G. Paredes, J. Cruz & Associates, LLC]

## **DELIBERATE AND CONSIDER ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:**

13. To approve payment to Santos Castillo contractor, for the amount of \$1,600.00 for the Child Advocacy Center Office remodel.

[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]

14. To request the use of the Zapata County Community Center for the Political Forum on February 13, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. Sponsored by the Zapata County News.

[Requested by: Karran Westerman, Zapata County News]

15. To review progress and approve invoices for the Zapata County Wastewater Treatment Plant project.

[Requested by: Manuel Gonzalez, Premier Engineering]

16. To review status and approve invoices for the Veleño Lift Station Project.

[Requested by: Manuel Gonzalez, Premier Engineering]

17. Discussion and action on tax resale bids received on tax resale properties.

[Requested by: Anissa de la Garza, Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP]

18. Discussion and action on tax resale resolution for resale properties.

[Requested by: Anissa de la Garza, Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP]

19. To determine the logistics of recognizing retro actively the employment of a former Zapata County Juvenile Referee from 2000 through 2007.

[Requested by: Nellie R. Treviño, Personnel Director]

20. Discussion concerning Bordas Renewable Energy, LLC's proposal concerning tax abatement terms for their wind energy projects being developed in Zapata County, Texas, where a possible tax abatement agreement may be discussed and approved at the future Zapata County Commissioners Court Meeting.

[Requested by: Juan Cruz & Fortunato G. Paredes, J. Cruz & Associates, LLC]

## **CONSENT ITEMS:**

# Honorable, Norberto Garza Commissioner Pct. 4

- 21. To approve the installation of a speed hump at the following location:
  - a. 411 Roma Ave.

# **Line-item Transfers**

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

|      | DEPARTMENT   | LINE ITEM  | <u>FUND</u>       | <u>AMOUNT</u> |
|------|--------------|------------|-------------------|---------------|
| FROM | J.P. Pct. #1 | 10-455-316 | Dues Pct.1        | \$20.00       |
| ТО   | J.P. Pct. #1 | 10-455-427 | Workshop & Travel | \$20.00       |

[Requested by: Judge Anna M. Guerra, Justice of the Peace Pct. #1]

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

|      | <u>DEPARTMENT</u>      | LINE ITEM  | <u>FUND</u>     | <u>AMOUNT</u> |
|------|------------------------|------------|-----------------|---------------|
| FROM | Zapata Co. Water Works | 80-600-488 | Inspection Fees | \$14,080.50   |
| ТО   | Zapata Co. Water Works | 80-600-485 | TCEQ Assessment | \$14,080.50   |

[Requested by: Carlos Treviño, Water Plant Manager]

### **RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:**

24. National Cancer Prevention Month Proclamation February 2018. [Requested by: Oda Garcia]

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**

25. To determine the logistics of recognizing retro actively the employment of a former Zapata County Juvenile Referee from 2000 through 2007. [Closed Session/Executive Session is requested pursuant to Texas Government Code Title 5 Subchapter D, Section 551.071(A)(B)(Consultation with Attorney) and Note 3 Gov't Code Ann 551.074, (Personnel Matters)].

[Requested by: Nellie R. Treviño, Personnel Director]

26. Discussion concerning Bordas Renewable Energy, LLC's proposal concerning tax abatement terms for their wind energy projects being developed in Zapata County, Texas, where a possible tax abatement agreement may be discussed and approved at the future Zapata County Commissioners Court Meeting and any matters incident thereto. [Closed Session/Executive Session is requested pursuant to Texas Government Code Title 5 Subchapter D, Section 551.071(Deliberation with Legal Counsel]

[Requested by: Juan Cruz & Fortunato G. Paredes, J. Cruz & Associates, LLC]

#### **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 9th DAY OF February, 2018

HONORABLE JOSEPH RATHMELL, COUNTY JUDGE, ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS

Monica Alanis
Agenda Clerk

## **CERTIFICATION OF NOTICE AND POSTING**

DATED THIS 9th DAY OF February, 2018.

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

BY: annas. Moline