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# Zapata County Commissioners Court ZAPATA COUNTY TEXAS

Joseph Rathmell County Judge BY MM DEPUTY

José Emilio Vela 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 August 10, 2015 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: 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 Minutes

[Requested by: Mary Jayne Villarreal-Bonoan, County Clerk]

7. Approval of Invoices.

[Requested by: Triunfo Gonzalez, County Auditor]

8. Approval of Treasurer's Report.

[Requested by: Romeo Salinas, County Treasurer]

9. Approval of Checks Issued.

[Requested by: Romeo Salinas, County Treasurer]

10. Tax Assessor/Collector's Departmental Report

[Requested by: Luis Lauro Gonzalez, Tax Assessor/Collector]

#### **REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS:**

11. To recognize the retirement of Fernando Hernandez from the Zapata County Fire Department after 35 years of service.

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

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

12. To approve an agreement for the conveyance of the Ramireño Water Supply Corporation to Zapata County.

[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]

13. To set the 2016 Sheriffs' and Constables' fees at their current rates.

[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]

14. To approve the annual Interlocal Agreement for E911 Public Safety Answering Services between the City of Laredo and Zapata County.

[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]

15. To approve creation of income G/L account number 10-370-915 (Retirees Health Insurance) to properly record income collected from County retirees.

[Requested by: Honorable Romeo Salinas, County Treasurer]

16. To approve the purchase of a digital camera for the Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 office from the Technology Fund (62-582-392).

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

17. To award the Zapata County Health Insurance as per Request for Proposal.

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

18. To approve the 2015-2016 Holiday, Commissioners Court, and Pay calendar.

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

19. To approve the purchase of incentives for employees who actively participate in the Healthy County Programs with monies from Employee Rewards Refund.

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

20. To transfer \$10,000 from the Tobacco Fund (67-800-352) to Fire Department Medical Supplies (10-543-460) for the purchase of medications.

[Requested by: Chief Juan J. Meza, Fire Chief]

21. To approve the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension candidate recommendation for the County Extension Agent - Agriculture and Natural Resources position serving Zapata County effective September 1, 2015.

[Requested by: Ruben Saldaña, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension]

- 22. To approve the use of the Little League Field in Precinct 4 and the use of lights on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:30PM—9:30PM for a youth baseball program organized by John Lane [Requested by: Ramiro Hernandez]
- 23. To approve the all night use of already approved fields for the Annual Clash of the Classes tournament on Friday, August 21<sup>st</sup> through Saturday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> and the use of D.J. music until midnight on the 21<sup>st</sup> and 1 A.M. on the 23<sup>rd</sup>.

[Requested by: Corando Barrera, Clash of the Classes Chair]

24. Discussion and possible action to consider continuing opposition to the renewal permit for the J. Moss Investments (JMI) Land Treatment Facility, the potential hiring of professional services, and to set a budget for expenses.

[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]

## **CONSENT ITEMS:**

# Honorable Olga Elizondo, Commissioner Pct. 2

- 25. To approve the reinstallation of a speed hump at the following address:
  - a. 2106 Alamo Street

# Honorable Eddie Martinez, Commissioner Pct. 3

- 26. To approve the installation of a street light at the following address:
  - a. 5120 Mission Lane

## Line-item Transfers

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

	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	LINE ITEM	<u>FUND</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
FROM	County Clerk	10-403-484	Election Expense	\$2,500.00
ТО	County Clerk	10-403-462	Equipment Rental	\$2,500.00

[Requested by: Mary Jayne Villarreal-Bonoan, County Clerk]

28. To approve the following line item transfer to correct over budget funds.

	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	LINE ITEM	<u>FUND</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
FROM	Non-Department	10-409-444	Electricity	\$20,000.00
ТО	Non-Department	10-409-445	Water	\$20,000.00
FROM	Non-Department	10-409-336	Supplies General	\$500.00
ТО	Non-Department	10-409-465	Repairs	\$500.00
FROM	Non-Department	10-409-336	Supplies General	\$1,500.00
ТО	Non-Department	10-409-431	ADV & Publications	\$1,500.00

[Requested by: Triunfo Gonzalez, County Auditor]

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

	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	LINE ITEM	<u>FUND</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
FROM	Juvenile Probation	10-570-512	Juvenile Detention	\$2,000.00
ТО	Juvenile Probation	10-570-427	Workshops & Travel Expenses	\$2,000.00
FROM	Juvenile Probation	10-570-512	Juvenile Detention	\$1,000.00
ТО	Juvenile Probation	10-570-310	Office Supplies	\$1,000.00

[Requested by: Sandy J. Pippin-Gomez, Chief Probation Officer]

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

	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	LINE ITEM	<u>FUND</u>	AMOUNT
FROM	Aviation	10-667-457	Fuel Purchase	\$4,500.00
ТО	Aviation	10-667-458	Contract Services	\$4,500.00

[Requested by: Charles Avaritt, Airport Manager]

31. 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. Waterworks	80-600-443	Electricity	\$3,000.00
ТО	Zapata Waste Water	08-602-121	Sewer Plant Overtime	\$3,000.00

[Requested by: Carlos Treviño, Jr., Water Plant Manager]

#### **RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:**

32. Resolution to Support and Participate in the South Texas Development Council and confirm the appointment of representatives from the County of Zapata, Texas to serve on the Board of Directors of the South Texas Development Council for the period of October 1, 2014 to September 30, 2015

[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]

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**

33. Discussion and possible action to consider continuing opposition to the renewal permit for the J. Moss Investments (JMI) Land Treatment Facility, the potential hiring of professional services, and to set a budget for expenses.

[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]

#### **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 7<sup>th</sup> DAY OF August, 2015

HONORABLE JOSEPH RATHMELL, COUNTY JUDGE, ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS

Agenda 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 <u>7<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>August</u>, <u>2015</u> and said notice remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

DATED THIS 7<sup>th</sup> DAY OF August, 2015.

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

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