

**THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF ZAPATA**

IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS

Be it remembered, that on this the 12th day of May A. D., 2014, 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
Jose Emilio Vela	Commissioner, Precinct No. 1
Gabriel Villarreal	Commissioner, Precinct No. 2
Eddie Martinez	Commissioner, Precinct No. 3
Norberto Garza	Commissioner, Precinct No. 4
Mary Jayne Villarreal-Bonoan	County Clerk

VISITORS: Triunfo Gonzalez, Romeo Salinas, Carlos Treviño, Jr., Maria I. Gutierrez, Nellie R. Treviño, Jose F. Mendoza, Joyce Currington, Xavier Villarreal, Diana C. Villarreal, Larry Brandes, Ashley Claudio and Jose Peña.

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 MARY JAYNE VILLARREAL-BONOAN, COUNTY CLERK

INVOCATION BY REV. ROGER MILLER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ORDER APPROVING INVOICES

Motion was made by Commissioner Villarreal, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to approve invoices as presented by Triunfo Gonzalez, County Auditor.

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

ORDER APPROVING TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion was made by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to approve Treasurer's report as presented 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 CHECKS ISSUED

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to approve checks issued 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.

REPORT BY LUIS L. GONZALEZ, COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR / COLLECTOR

Mr. Gonzalez reported \$21,773.11 collected from Hotel Motel Tax, \$92,483.42 have been collected in total for this fiscal year and \$111,400.00 in tax collections for a total of 90%. Oso Blanco and Aqua are still behind.

PRESENTATION BY ASHLEY CLAUDIO ON MEDICAL BILLING SERVICES

A presentation on medical billing services was made by Ashley Claudio of Your Med Solutions. (No action taken.)

ORDER APPROVING RATIFICATION OF ORDER AUTHORIZING CREATION OF COUNTY ENERGY TRANSPORTATION REINVESTMENT ZONE KNOWN AS ZAPATA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION REINVESTMENT ZONE NO. 1 DATED MARCH 27, 2014

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Villarreal, to approve ratification of the order authorizing the creation of County Energy Transportation Reinvestment Zone known as Zapata County Transportation Reinvestment Zone No. 1 dated March 27, 2014, pursuant to §22.1071 of the Texas Transportation Code 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 TO APPROVE ORDER AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF “ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS LIMITED TAX REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2014” AND DELEGATING AUTHORITY TO CERTAIN COUNTY OFFICIALS AND STAFF TO EXECUTE DOCUMENTS RELATING TO BONDS AND ENTERING INTO ESCROW AGREEMENT AND PAYING AGENT / REGISTRAR AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZING OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO

Motion was made by Commissioner Vela, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to approve an order authorizing issuance of “Zapata County, Texas Limited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2014.” Delegating the authority to certain county officials and staff to execute certain documents relating to the bonds; entering into an escrow agreement and a paying agent/registrar agreement; and authorizing other matters related thereto as requested by Triunfo Gonzalez, County Auditor.

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

ORDER APPOINTING MARY JAYNE VILLARREAL-BONOAN AS ELECTED OFFICIAL TO OFFICE OF GOVERNOR REGIONAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Vela, to appoint Mary Jayne Villarreal-Bonoan as the elected official to the Office of the Governor

Regional Review Committee as requested by Juan Rodriguez, South Texas Development Council.

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

**ORDER APPROVING TO HIRE MELITON VALADEZ AT
WATER DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT**

Motion was made by Commissioner Vela, seconded by Commissioner Villarreal, to approve to hire Meliton Valadez at the Water Distribution Department at an entry rate of \$9.10 per hour for vacant slot #14 as requested by Carlos Treviño, Jr., Water Works Department.

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

**ORDER APPROVING TO REPLACE PRECINCT 3 CREW LEADER
SANTOS FLORES WITH RUBEN SANCHEZ**

Motion was made by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Villarreal, to approve to replace Precinct 3 crew leader Santos Flores with Ruben Sanchez at \$13.59 per hour starting May 19, 2014 as requested by Hon. Eddie Martinez, Commissioner Pct. 3.

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

ORDER APPROVING TO REPLACE RUBEN SANCHEZ WITH JESUS HINOJOSA

Motion was made by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Vela, to approve to Ruben Sanchez with Jesus Hinojosa at \$9.59 per hour starting May 19, 2014 as requested by Hon. Eddie Martinez, Commissioner Pct. 3.

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

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

17. Discussion and possible action to enter into a construction contract with R & G Clark, Inc., doing business as Servpro of Northwest Dallas in the amount of ONE MILLION THREE HUNDRED FIFTY-THOUSAND DOLLARS (1,350,000.00) for courthouse renovations involving re-roof of the courthouse, dealing with the ambient air temperature in the building, as well as addressing all issues with the sprinkler system and plumbing involving said courthouse and any matters incident thereto as requested by Said Alfonso Figueroa, County Attorney. (Executive Session in requested pursuant to Texas Government Code Title 5, Sub Chapter D, Section 551.071 Consultation with Attorney.)

18. Consultation with attorney and possible action to approve an amendment to the existing contract between Zapata County Water Department and Zapata County Water Control & Improvement District (Hwy 16) as requested by Said Alfonso Figueroa, County Attorney. (Executive Session in requested pursuant to Texas Government Code Title 5, Sub Chapter D, Section 551.071 Consultation with Attorney.)

ORDER APPROVING INSTALLATION OF SPEED HUMPS

Motion was made by Commissioner Vela, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to approve the installation of the following speed humps:

- a. 17th Avenue between Glenn Street and Fresno Street (Residents have submitted a petition).
- b. Zapata Boulevard between 16th and 17th (Residents have submitted a petition).

as requested by Hon. Norberto Garza, Commissioner Pct. 4.

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

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER GARZA,
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MARTINEZ,
TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER GARZA,
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MARTINEZ,
TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION**

**ORDER APPROVING CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT WITH R & G CLARK, INC,
DBA SERVPRO OR NORTHWEST DALLAS**

Motion was made by Commissioner Vela, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to approve construction contract with R & G Clark, Inc., doing business as Servpro of Northwest Dallas in the amount of ONE MILLION THREE HUNDRED FIFTY-THOUSAND DOLLARS (1,350,000.00) for courthouse renovations involving re-roof of the courthouse, dealing with the ambient air temperature in the building, as well as addressing all issues with the sprinkler system and plumbing involving said courthouse and any matters incident thereto as requested by Said Alfonso Figueroa, County Attorney.

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

**ORDER APPROVING AMENDMENT OF EXISTING CONTRACT BETWEEN
ZAPATA COUNTY WATER DEPARTMENT AND ZAPATA COUNTY WATER
CONTROL & IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (HWY 16)**

Motion was made by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to approve an to the existing contract between Zapata County Water Department and Zapata County Water Control & Improvement District (Hwy 16) as requested by Said Alfonso Figueroa, County Attorney.

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 Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Garza, 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.

JOSEPH RATHMELL, COUNTY JUDGE
ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS

ATTEST:

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