

**THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF ZAPATA**

IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS

Be it remembered, that on this the 28th day of July 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. Jose Emilio Vela, Presiding	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

ABSENT:

Joseph Rathmell	County Judge
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VISITORS: Said A. Figueroa, Romeo Salinas, Triunfo Gonzalez, Auddy Hernandez, Brian Martinez, Nellie R. Treviño, Juan J. Meza, Maria I. Gutierrez, Roger Miller, Aurelio Villarreal, Joyce Currington, John Amour, Joey Cepeda, Michael Davis, Joni Davis, Diana Cuellar Villarreal, Luis L. Gonzalez, Joe Peña, and Manuel Gonzalez, Jr.

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 AUDELIA M. HERNANDEZ

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMUNICATIONS

Carlos Treviño, Water Plant Director, announced that there will be a demonstration of a vacuum truck immediately after Commissioners Court at the Community Center.

ORDER APPROVING INVOICES

Motion was made by Commissioner Villarreal, seconded by Commissioner Garza, 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 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.

ORDER APPROVING FINAL PAYMENT FOR SHARE OF COST FOR ZAPATA LAKE FALCON IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to approve the final payment for share of cost for the Zapata Lake Falcon Improvement Project in the amount of \$133,514.00 to be paid out of the fund balance 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 APPOINTING A MEMBER OF COMMISSIONERS COURT TO BORDER BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CENTER BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Motion was made by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to appoint Commissioner Vela, as the member of commissioner's court to serve on the Border Behavioral Health Center Board of Trustees 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 USE OF COMMUNITY CENTER FOR ZAPATA LIONS CLUB 60TH ANNIVERSARY

Motion was made by Commissioner Villarreal, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to approve the use of the Community Center for the Zapata Lions Club 60th Anniversary, at no cost, to be held on September 6, 2014 as requested by Aurelio Villarreal, Zapata Lions Club.

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

ORDER APPROVING RESOLUTION TO PARTICIPATE WITH TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AIRPORT FUND TO COMPLETE PHASE 1 OF ZAPAT COUNTY AIRPORT EXPANSION AND INSTRUMENT APPROACH PROJECT

Motion was made by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Villarreal, to approve a resolution to participate with the Texas Department of Transportation Airport Fund to complete Phase 1 of the Zapata County Airport Expansion and Instrument Approach Project as requested by Mario Gonzalez-Davis, Project Manager.

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

ORDER APPROVING CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS AS ZAPATA COUNTY'S 10% SHARE OF PROJECT ESTIMATED COST

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to approve the Certification of Funds as Zapata County's 10% share of the project estimated cost as requested by Mario Gonzalez-Davis, Project Manager.

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

ORDER TO APPROVE DESIGNATION OF SPONSOR'S AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE 1521ZAPAT-PROJECT

Motion was made by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to approve the Designation of Sponsor's Authorized Representative naming Mario Gonzalez-Davis as Zapata County authorized representative and contact person for the 1521ZAPAT-Project as requested by Mario Gonzalez-Davis, Project Manager.

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

ORDER APPROVING IMPOSITION OF OPTIONAL FEES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2015

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to approve Option "A" – no change. This county will charge the same fees in 2015. for Special Road and Bridge as required by Texas Department of Transportation as requested by Luis L. Gonzalez, Tax Assessor/Collector.

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

ORDER TO TABLE REQUEST BY JOHN AMOUR OF MAROOM SOLUTIONS REGARDING A PRESENTATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION FOR INSTALLATION OF PRECINCT 4 SECURITY CAMERAS

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to table request by John Amour, of Maroon Solutions, regarding a presentation and possible action for the installation of Precinct 4 security cameras.

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

ORDER APPROVING PAYMENT OF INVOICE TO DISCOUNT IMAGING FOR TONER FROM JP TECHNOLOGY FUND

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to approve the payment of an invoice to Discount Imaging in the amount of \$325.63 for toner from the JP Technology fund (62-582-392) as requested by Hon. Juana Maria Gutierrez, Justice of the Peace, Pct. 2.

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

ORDER APPROVING PURCHASE OF 32 CHANNEL DVR FOR COURTHOUSE SECURITY CAMERAS

Motion was made by Commissioner Villarreal, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to approve the purchase of a 32 Channel DVR for the courthouse security cameras including installation and configuration with 3 year warranty. Equipment to be paid with Courthouse security funds in the amount of \$3,390.00 as requested by 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 FINAL PLAT FOR MCC ADDITION

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Villarreal, to approve the final plat for MCC Addition as requested by Michael Davis, Banister Engineering.

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

ORDER AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF \$904,000 “ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS WATERWORKS AND SEWER SYSTEM REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2014,” PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT OF BONDS BY A PLEDGE OF NET REVENUES OF COUNTY’S WATERWORKS AND SEWER SYSTEM

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to approve an order authorizing the issuance of \$904,000 “Zapata County, Texas Waterworks and Sewer System Revenue Bonds, Series 2014,” providing for the payment of the bonds by a pledge of the net revenues of the County’s Waterworks and Sewer System; providing the terms and conditions of the bonds and resolving other matters incident and relating to the issuance, payment, security, sale, and delivery of the bonds; authorizing the execution of a paying agent/registrars agreement and an escrow agreement; and providing for an effective date as requested by Daniel M. Martinez, Winstead PC.

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

THE FOLLOWING ITEM WAS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

20. Discussion and possible action to appoint representatives of the Commissioners Court for possible mediation and settlement, with approval of the Commissioners Court of said settlement, in Cause Number 7,779 in the 49th Judicial District Court, Zapata County, Texas, and any matters incident thereto as requested by Fortunato Paredes, J. Cruz and Associates.

ORDER APPROVING LINE ITEM TRANSFERS

Motion was made by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to approve the following line item transfer:

	DEPARTMENT	LINE ITEM	FUND	AMOUNT
FROM	Justices of the Peace	62-582-392	Technology	\$1,134.29
TO	Justices of the Peace	10-455-428	Workshops & Travel Pct. 2	\$1,134.29

as requested by Hon. Juana Maria Gutierrez, Justice of the Peace, Pct. 2.

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 approve the following line item transfer:

	DEPARTMENT	LINE ITEM	FUND	AMOUNT
FROM	Non-Department	10-409-444	Electricity	\$11,000.00
TO	Non-Department	10-409-730	Consulting	\$11,000.00

as requested by Triunfo Gonzalez, County Auditor.

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

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

**ORDER APPOINTING REPRESENTATIVES OF COMMISSIONERS COURT FOR
POSSIBLE MEDIATION AND SETTLEMENT IN CAUSE NO. 7.779**

Motion was made by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Villarreal, to appoint Judge Rathmell and County Attorney, Said A. Figueroa, as representatives of the Commissioners Court for possible mediation and settlement, with approval of the Commissioners Court of said settlement, in Cause Number 7,779 in the 49th Judicial District Court, Zapata County, Texas, and any matters incident thereto as requested by Fortunato Paredes, J. Cruz and Associates.

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

NO ACTION TAKEN ON THE FOLLOWING ITEM

23. Status report regarding Zapata County vs. Satterfield & Pontikes Construction, Inc.; Cause No. 7,779 in the 49th District Court, Zapata County, Texas and any matters incident thereto as requested by Fortunato Paredes, J. Cruz and Associates. *Executive Session is requested pursuant to Texas Government Code Title 5, Sub Chapter D, Session 551.071, Consultation with Attorney.*

ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, 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