

**THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF ZAPATA**

IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS

Be it remembered, that on this the 11th day of June, A.D., 2018, 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
Paco Mendoza	Commissioner, Precinct No. 1
Olga M. Elizondo	Commissioner, Precinct No. 2
Eddie Martinez	Commissioner, Precinct No. 3
Norberto Garza	Commissioner, Precinct No. 4
Celica A. Rodriguez	Chief Deputy County Clerk

VISITORS: Monica Alaniz, Nellie R. Treviño, Daniel D. Arriaga, Jose F. Mendoza, Gabriela I. Gonzalez, Mary Davis, Roger Miller, Xavier Villarreal, Henry Woltag, Danielle Thurber, Rorik Peterson, Brandon Budde, Ricardo Guevara, 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 CELICA A. RODRIGUEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK
INVOCATION BY REV. ROGER MILLER
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

COMMUNICATIONS

Judge and Commissioners have completed required CEU hours.

Judge Rathmell reported that he has been in contact with the Water Master and has requested that water levels be set at 270.

ORDER APPROVING INVOICES

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Mendoza, to approve invoices as presented and also include invoice from RSL as requested by Triunfo Gonzalez.

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 Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Mendoza, to approve Treasurer's Report 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 CHECKS ISSUED

Motion was made by Commissioner Mendoza, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, 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.

TAX / ASSESSOR COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Tax Assessor/Collector's office reported Hotel-Motel tax year-to-date collections up to \$65,541.83 and tax collections are at 85.14%.

ORDER APPROVING COMMITMENT BY ZAPATA COUNTY MAINTENANCE CREWS TO PARTNER WITH TXDOT TO UPKEEP TWO SCENIC OVERLOOK REST AREAS

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Elizondo, approving commitment by Zapata County maintenance crews to partner with TxDot on the upkeep of two scenic overlook rest areas on U.S. Hwy 83 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 TEMPORARY ASSISTANT FOR PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Mendoza, to approve to hire temporary assistant for the Personnel Department 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 TRANSFER OF \$50,000 TO LINE ITEM 10-409-730 CONSULTING FEES

Motion was made by Commissioner Mendoza, seconded by Commissioner Elizondo, to approve transfer of \$50,000 to line item 10-409-730, Consulting Fees 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 PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN ZAPATA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND GILBERTO GARZA-LOZANO FOR INMATE MEDICAL SERVICES

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Mendoza, to approve Professional Medical Service Agreement between Zapata County Sheriff's Office and Gilberto Garza-Lozano for inmate medical services as requested by Alonso M. Lopez, County Sheriff.

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

ORDER APPROVING AGREEMENT BETWEEN ZAPATA COUNTY AND ZAPATA COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT TO HOLD ELECTION FOR TRUSTEES FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Mendoza, to approve agreement between Zapata County and the Zapata County Independent School District to hold an election for the purpose of electing three trustees for said school district on November 6, 2018 as requested by Hon. Mary Jayne Villarreal-Bonoan, County Clerk.

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

ORDER APPROVING 2018-2019 TAC-RISK MANAGEMENT POOL RENEWAL

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Mendoza, to approve the 2018-2019 TAC-Risk Management Pool Renewal for auto, property, general liability, public official, law enforcement liability coverage as requested by Nellie R. Treviño, Personnel Director.

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

ORDER APPROVING INVOICES FOR SAN YGNACIO WATER PLANT TANK REPLACEMENT PROJECT AND STATUS REVIEW

Motion was made by Commissioner Mendoza, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to approve invoices for the San Ygnacio Water Plant tank replacement project in the amount of \$30,210.00 payable to Guzman-Juarez Backhoe Services and \$992.00 payable to Premier Engineering as requested by Manuel Gonzalez, Premier Engineering. The old tank at has been demolished and new tank has been installed.

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

ORDER APPROVING INVOICE FOR GOLF COURSE SEWER LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT AND STATUS REVIEW

Motion was made by Commissioner Mendoza, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to approve invoice in the amount of \$3,225.00 payable to Premier Engineering for the Golf Course Sewer Line Replacement Project as requested by Manuel Gonzalez, Premier Engineering. Adjustments have been made and easements have been verified. They are proposing installation of a manhole.

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

ORDER APPROVING INVOICES FOR ZAPATA COUNTY WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT AND STATUS REVIEW

Motion was made by Commissioner Mendoza, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to approve invoices for the Zapata County Wastewater Treatment Plant as requested by Manuel Gonzalez, Premier Engineering. (No information provided.)

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

ORDER APPROVING INSTALLATION OF STOP SIGN

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Mendoza, to approve the installation of stop sign at the following location:

a. Las Cruces Drive and 27th Avenue
as requested by Hon. Olga Elizondo, Commissioner Pct. 2.

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

ORDER APPROVING LINE ITEM TRANSFER

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Mendoza, to approve the following line item transfer to meet departmental needs:

	DEPARTMENT	LINE ITEM	FUND	AMOUNT
FROM	Zapata Regional Jail	10-567-391	Prisoner Supplies	\$2,500.00
TO	Zapata Regional Jail	10-567-456	Equipment Maintenance	\$2,500.00
FROM	Zapata Regional Jail	10-567-392	Prisoner Medical Care	\$1,000.00
TO	Zapata Regional Jail	10-567-456	Equipment Maintenance	\$1,000.00
FROM	Zapata Regional Jail	10-567-429	Prisoner Transportation	\$1,000.00
TO	Zapata Regional Jail	10-567-456	Equipment Maintenance	\$1,000.00
FROM	Zapata Regional Jail	10-567-454	Vehicle Maintenance	\$500.00
TO	Zapata Regional Jail	10-567-456	Equipment Maintenance	\$500.00

as requested by Sheriff Alonso M. Lopez, County Sheriff.

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 MENDOZA,
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MARTINEZ,
TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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

**NO ACTION WAS TAKEN ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS DISCUSSED IN
EXECUTIVE SESSION**

19./23 to amend Amusement Redemption Machine Ordinance as requested by Hon. Paco Mendoza, Commissioner Pct. 1.

Executive Session is requested pursuant to Texas Government Code Title 5, Subchapter D, Section 551.071, Consultation with Attorney.

20./24 to discuss Chapter 312 abatement terms being proposed by Zapata County and feedback from the Applicant as requested by Brandon Budde, EDP Renewables and Ryan, LLC.

Executive Session is requested pursuant to Texas Government Code Title 5, Subchapter D, Section 551.071, Consultation with Attorney.

ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Elizondo, 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
OF ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS

ATTEST:

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