

**THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF ZAPATA**

**IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS**

Be it remembered, that on this the 8<sup>th</sup> day of January, 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
Mary Jayne Villarreal-Bonoan	County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court

**VISITORS:** Roxana Elizondo, Juan J. Meza, Nellie R. Treviño, Daniel D. Arriaga, Roger Miller, Joyce Currington, and Manuel Gonzalez

**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 AND  
EX-OFFICIO CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT  
INVOCATION BY REV. ROGER MILLER  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**COMMUNICATIONS**

Joyce Currington addressed the dog problem resulting in an elderly lady getting attacked by a German Shepard. She lives in Medina Addition on Medina and Diaz Avenues. No emergency care was available. The dog was picked up by Martin Saenz of Animal Control and was euthanized. Ms. Currington asked if Crime Stoppers can be involved. Judge Rathmell commented that the Court had taken appropriate measures to try to control the problem.

**ORDER APPROVING INVOICES**

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to approve invoices as presented 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 Garza, 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 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.

**TAX / ASSESSOR COLLECTOR’S REPORT**

Luis L. Gonzalez, Tax Assessor/Collector, reported collections of Motel-Hotel Tax in an amount of \$5,362.18 and tax collections in the amount of \$643,854 for a total of 68.24% total collections.

**ORDER APPROVING INVOICE FROM SPECIALIZED TRANSPORTATION, INC FOR PICK-UP OF COPIER AND INVOICE TO RICOH USA TO TERMINATE COPIER RENTAL AGREEMENT**

Motion was made by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Mendoza, to approve the payment of an invoice totaling \$475.00 from the Technology Fund to Specialized Transportation, Inc. for the pick-up of the copier at Justice of the Peace, Pct. 4 office and also approve the payment of an invoice totaling \$1,080.66 from the Technology Fund to Ricoh USA to terminate the copier rental agreement for the Justice of the Peace, Precinct 4 office as requested by Hon. Ramon Benavides, Justice of the Peace, Pct. 4.

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

**ORDER APPROVING TO HIRE SAUL BURUATO AT RECYCLING DEPARTMENT**

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to approve to hire Saul Buruato in slot #2 at the Recycling Department as requested by Guillermo Saenz, Environmental Department.

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

**ORDER APPROVING TO HIRE LINDA ARAMBULA AS TEMPORARY EMPLOYEE AT NUTRITION CENTER IN SAN YGNACIO**

Motion was made by Commissioner Mendoza, seconded by Commissioner Elizondo, to approve Linda Arambula, as temporary employee, at the Nutrition Center in San Ygnacio as requested by Rosie Gonzalez, Nutrition Center.

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

**ORDER APPROVING CDBG PROJECT #7216511 – PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS**

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to approve CDBG Project #7216511 – 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 7<sup>th</sup> Street, plans and specifications for bidding as requested by Manuel Gonzalez, Premier Engineering. Improvements will be done from Hwy 16 to Ramireño on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Street - Hwy 16 to Miraflores and 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> – Ramireño to Miraflores (curb and gutter) County will do paving as necessary.

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**

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to approve invoice in the amount of \$318,487.50 payable to EJCDC and invoice in the amount of \$15,834.76 payable to Premier Engineering as requested by Manuel Gonzalez, Premier Engineering.

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 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.

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JOSEPH RATHMELL, COUNTY JUDGE  
OF ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS

ATTEST:

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