

**THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF ZAPATA**

IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS

Be it remembered, that on this the 9th day of December, A.D., 2019, 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:

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| Hon. Joseph Rathmell | County Judge |
| Paco Mendoza | Commissioner, Precinct No. 1 |
| Olga M. Elizondo | Commissioner, Precinct No. 2 |
| Eddie Martinez | Commissioner, Precinct No. 3 |
| Celica A. Rodriguez | Deputy County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court |

ABSENT:

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| Norberto Garza | Commissioner, Precinct No. 4 |
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VISITORS: Romeo Salinas, Triunfo Gonzalez, Juan J. Meza, Nellie R. Treviño, Roger Miller, Atilano Flores, Jr., Adriana Figueroa and Alejandro Barrera, 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, DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK AND EX-
OFFICIO CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

COMMUNICATIONS

Commissioner Mendoza reported that there was a great turn out at the Christmas parade. Commissioner Elizondo added that there was also a small parade in San Ygnacio. The tour of the houses will be this Sunday.

ORDER APPROVING INVOICES

Motion was made by Commissioner Mendoza, seconded by Commissioner Elizondo, 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 Mendoza, 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 Mendoza, to approve checks issued in the amount of \$1,095,244.23 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.

TAX / ASSESSOR COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Tax Assessor/Collector's office reported Hotel-Motel tax collections in the amount of \$5,543.27 for the month of November for a total year-to-date collection of \$117,856.00 and year-to-date tax collections at a rate of 62.35% for a total base tax collected of \$4,091,309.97.

ORDER APPROVING TO PERMANENTLY HIRE JOSE JAVIER GARCIA AS TREATMENT OPERATOR

Motion was made by Commissioner Mendoza, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to approve to permanently hire Jose Javier Garcia as treatment operator @ \$9.00 per hour (08-600 slot 29) as requested by Ralph Treviño, Water Plant Manager.

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

ORDER APPROVING TO PERMANENTLY HIRE JOSE EDUARDO JUAREZ AS COLLECTION SYSTEM OPERATOR

Motion was made by Commissioner Mendoza, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to approve to permanently hire Jose Eduardo Juarez as Collection System Operator @ \$9.00 per hour (08-600 slot #30) as requested by Ralph Treviño, Water Plant Manager.

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

ORDER APPROVING TO PERMANENTLY HIRE OVIDIO BAUTISTA AS TREATMENT/MAINTENANCE OPERATOR

Motion was made by Commissioner Mendoza, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to approve to permanently hire Ovidio Bautista as Treatment /Maintenance Operator @ \$9.48 per hour (08-602 slot #9) as requested by Ralph Treviño, Water Plant Manager.

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

ORDER TO APPROVE A PAY INCREASE FOR SERGIO CAVAZOS

Motion was made by Commissioner Mendoza, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to approve a pay increase for Sergio Cavazos, slot #4, from \$10.48 per hour to \$11.90 per hour to be paid from 80-602-0227 – License Stipends line item. Mr. Cavazos has fulfilled all requirements of TCEQ and is licensed to practice as Class D Wastewater Treatment Operator as requested by Ralph Treviño, Water Plant Manager.

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

ORDER APPROVING 1 YEAR RENEWAL FOR UPDATES AND COVER EQUIPMENT ON SMARTNET ON PHONE/NETWORK EQUIPMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Mendoza, to approve the 1 year renewal for updates and cover equipment on Smartnet on Phone/Network Equipment for the amount of \$12,000.00 as requested by Rene Garcilazo, IT Specialist.

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

**ORDER REAPPOINTING COMMISSIONER MARTINEZ AS MEMBER
FOR THE ZAPATA COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT BOARD**

Motion was made by Commissioner Mendoza, seconded by Commissioner Elizondo, to reappoint Commissioner Martinez, as member for the Zapata County Appraisal District Board as requested by Amada Gonzalez, Chief Appraiser.

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

ORDER APPROVING INSTALLATION OF STREET LIGHTS

Motion was made by Commissioner Mendoza, seconded by Commissioner Elizondo, to approve installation of streetlight at the following address:

a. 5229 McAllen

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.

ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Mendoza, 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
OF ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS

ATTEST:

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