

Zapata County, Texas



Commissioners Court

**Rosalva Guerra
County Judge**

**Jose Emilio Vela
Commissioner, Pct. 1**

**Gabriel Villarreal
Commissioner, Pct. 2**

**Joseph Rathmell
Commissioner, Pct. 3**

**Norberto Garza
Commissioner, Pct. 4**

**Public Notice
Regular Commissioners Court Meeting
Zapata County Courthouse, 200 E. 7th Ave, Suite 108
Zapata, Texas 78076
April 14, 2009
9:00 a.m.**

CALL TO ORDER BY THE HONORABLE ROSALVA GUERRA, ZAPATA COUNTY JUDGE

1. Roll call by Honorable Mary Jayne Villarreal-Bonoan, Zapata County Clerk
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Prayer
4. Approval of Minutes
5. Communications
6. Public Comment – This section provides the public the opportunity to address the Commissioners Court on any items on the Agenda. Members of the public wishing to participate must complete a public participation form specifying which agenda item they wish to comment on.
7. Departmental Reports

DELIBERATE AND CONSIDER ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

8. Approval of fees for Architectural Services proposed by Cotera and Reed Architects regarding the planning of the Zapata County property located on 17th Avenue to 26th Avenue between Glenn and Fresno Streets and Lots 6 through 43 inclusive, Block 200 of the Manuel Medina Addition. **[Requested by Gabriel Villarreal, County Commissioner, Pct. 2, Norberto Garza County Commissioner, Pct. 4 and Cotera + Reed Architects.]**
9. To approve Grant application for Recovery Act Funds for Juvenile Probation Department. **[Requested by Roger Miller, Probation Department.]**
10. To approve the use of the Zapata County Fairgrounds as the starting point for the Zapata/Laredo Fun Race charity to benefit Casa La Esperanza, crisis pregnancy center. **[Requested by Mike Doyle, Pro-Bike.]**
11. To use the Oswaldo & Juanita Ramirez Show Barn for the Relay for Life on May 8th, 2009. **[Requested by Bobbie Meza and Nellie Treviño.]**
12. To concur with the Finding of No Significant Impact for the environmental assessment on the Ramireño Water Tower Relocation Project. **[Requested by Mario Gonzalez-Davis, Project Coordinator.]**
13. To approve the bid for materials to be used on Lake Front Road Bond Paving Pct. # 3 Project. **[Requested by Mario Gonzalez-Davis, Project Coordinator.]**
14. To award the contract for the Construction Manager at Risk contract for the construction of the ORCA and EDA grant Higher Education Center. **[Requested by Mario Gonzalez-Davis, Project Coordinator.]**
15. To approve the final design phase for the Higher Education Center following the recommendations of the partners that will be using the facility. **[Requested by Mario Gonzalez-Davis, Project Coordinator.]**
16. To approve Zapata County Cemetery Plot Policy. **[Requested by Romeo Salinas, County Treasurer.]**
17. To hire LeeAnn Gonzalez for 6 months temporary warrant clerk position for the Justice of the Peace Offices. **[Requested by Justice of the Peace Office.]**
18. To approve the hiring of Ruben G. Peña Jr. as a treatment operator trainee at the Wastewater Treatment Plant for slot-9, vacant position, at a salary of \$8.80/hr. **[Requested by Carlos Treviño, Water Plant Director and Eloy Chapa Jr., Wastewater Supervisor.]**
19. To approve the purchase of a boring machine with possible Siesta Shores purchase participation. A price quotation breakdown is included for discussion and funding. **[Requested by Carlos Treviño Jr. and Joseph Rathmell, County Commissioner, Pct. 3.]**

20. The hiring of Armando del Bosque, Jr. for the Recycling Department under the budget of Commissioner Garza. **[Requested by Hector Lopez, Jr., Recycling Center Supervisor.]**
21. To allow Master Fibers to make a proposal to service the Recycling Department. **[Requested by Hector Lopez, Recycling Center Supervisor.]**
22. To appoint Mr. Zar Rodriguez, IV as Zapata County Director/Manager for the newly constructed Romeo T. Flores Park including management of the public swimming pool. **[Requested by Jose Emilio Vela, County Commissioner, Pct. 1.]**
23. To approve change order requested by Rigney Construction Co. to finalize contract with Zapata County for the completion of Romeo T. Flores Park Project- Phase I. **[Requested by Jose Emilio Vela, County Commissioner, Pct. 1.]**
24. Approve reimbursement to Mr. Victor Guerra, local rancher, for incurred expenses while keeping livestock away from County Landfill area when constructing the new perimeter fence. **[Requested by Jose Emilio Vela, County Commissioner, Pct. 1.]**
25. To approve a change order for the Precinct 3 Road Bond Paving Project Phase I. **[Requested by Joseph Rathmell, County Commissioner, Pct. 3.]**
26. To appoint interim director for the Environmental Health Service and Safety and Risk Management Departments. **[Requested by Rosalva Guerra, County Judge and Jose Emilio Vela, County Commissioner, Pct. 1.]**
27. To approve transfer of the Environmental Health Service and Safety and Risk Management Department to the Animal Control Shelter (effective immediately). **[Requested by Rosalva Guerra, County Judge.]**
28. Approval of Cardboard Recycling Center as presented by Mr. Raul Maldonado. **[Requested by Rosalva Guerra, County Judge.]**
29. To approve lease/purchase agreement for a bulldozer and a scraper for the landfill in order to maintain standards required by TCEQ. **[Requested by Rosalva Guerra, County Judge.]**
30. To appoint the Zapata County Auditor to serve as purchasing agent for Zapata County effective immediately. (Reference Local Government Code, Section 252.001, A-3). **[Requested Rosalva Guerra, County Judge.]**

CONSENT ITEMS

31. Approval to use \$700.00 from Account 10-001-681 to purchase portable radios to be used by J.P. Pct. 1, Judge Anna Guerra and Pct. 1, Constable Adalberto Mejia. **[Requested by Jose Emilio Vela, County Commissioner, Pct. 1.]**
32. To replace Ana Celia Taylor, Slot #5 Parks Salary and Wages (10-002-107) with Henry Martinez, Jr. @ \$7.25/hr. **[Requested by Gabriel Villarreal, County Commissioner, Pct. 2.]**

33. To approve line item transfer in order to meet budget requirements.
From: 10-598-330 Fuel \$1,300.00
To: 10-598-427 Workshops/Travel \$1,300.00
[Requested by Hector Lopez, Jr., Recycling Center Supervisor.]

34. To approve line item transfer in order to meet budget requirements.
From: 38-647-330 Fuel & Lubricants \$1,000.00
To: 38-647-589 Center Equip. \$1,000.00
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To: 38-647-589 Center Equip. \$500.00
[Requested by Carmen R. Reyes, Nutrition Center Director.]

35. To approve speed hump at 2403 Brazos Street in Zapata. **[Requested by Gabriel Villarreal, County Commissioner, Pct. 2.]**

36. To install a speed hump on 812 Roma Street. **[Requested by Norberto Garza, County Commissioner, Pct. 4.]**

37. The installation of a speed hump on the following locations:
a. 804 Medina Street
b. Between 10th & 13th on Zapata Street
c. Between 7th & 10th on Zapata Street
d. Between 16th & 19th on Ramireño Street
e. Between 7th & 10th on Miraflores Street

[Requested by Norberto Garza, County Commissioner, Pct. 4.]

38. To approve Security Lights at the following locations:
a. 4085 N. Hwy. 83 in Ramireño, Texas
b. 201 Matamoros Street in San Ygnacio, Texas
[Requested by Gabriel Villarreal, County Commissioner, Pct. 2.]

39. To approve installation of a security light at 208 Matamoros in San Ygnacio. **[Requested by Gabriel Villarreal, County Commissioner, Pct. 2.]**

40. To install security lights on the following locations:
a. 1601 Zapata Boulevard
b. Between 7th & 10th Street on 711 Villa Street
[Requested by Norberto Garza, County Commissioner, Pct. 4.]

41. To install a security light at 406 Ann Drive. **[Requested by Joseph Rathmell, County Commissioner, Pct. 3.]**

42. To install one street light at the following locations:

- a. 384 Cerrito Drive
- b. Intersection of Lincoln and Madison Drive
- c. Lakeshore Drive

[Requested by Joseph Rathmell, County Commissioner, Pct. 3.]

RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

43. To approve resolution for the Byrne Justice Assistance Act Grant Application # 2009-F5632-TX5B. **[Requested by Sheriff Sigifredo Gonzalez, Jr. and Captain Victor Sermino.]**

44. To approve resolution for the County Auditor to operate the central accounting system and set standards and procedures related to this process. (This authority is given to the County Auditor by statutes as listed in the Texas Local Government Code, Chapter 12, County Financial Accounting). This will become effective on October 1, 2009. **[Requested by Doroteo N. Garza, County Auditor.]**

45. To approve Soil Water Conservation District Resolution and/or letter in opposition of HB 3484. **[Requested by Rosalva Guerra, County Judge.]**

REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

46. Monthly Zapata County Medical Group Report. **[Requested by L.R. Sands, M.D.]**

47. Presentation by Al Chapa, former CEO for Doctors Hospital on Surgicenter Proposal. **[Requested by L.R. Sands, M.D.]**

48. Monthly Zapata County Economic Development Center Business Report. **[Requested by Zapata County Economic Development Center.]**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Note 1 Gov't Code Ann 551.071, Consultation with Attorney

Note 2 Gov't Code Ann 551.072, Real Property

Note 3 Gov't Code Ann 551.074, Personnel Matters

Note 4 Gov't Code Ann 551.076, Security

The Commissioners Court will consider the following items in Executive Session. The Commissioners Court may also consider any other matter posted on the agenda if there are issues that require consideration in Executive Session and the Commissioners Court announces that the item will be considered during Executive Session.

ADJOURN

Pursuant to the authority granted under Government Code, Chapter 551, the Commissioners Court may convene a closed session to discuss any of the above agenda items. Immediately before any closed session, the specific section or sections of Government Code, Chap. 551 that provide statutory authority will be announced.

DATED THIS 8th DAY OF April, 2009

By: _____
Nellie R. Treviño
Executive Clerk

CERTIFICATION OF NOTICE AND POSTING

I, the undersigned, County Clerk, do hereby certify that the above notice of meeting of the Zapata County Commissioners Court, is a true and correct copy of said notice, and that I posted a true and correct copy of said notice on the bulletin board at the Courthouse of Zapata County, Texas, at a place readily accessible to the general public at all times on the 8th day of April, 2009 and said notice remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

DATED THIS 8th DAY OF April, 2009.

MARY JAYNE VILLARREAL-BONOAN, COUNTY CLERK, ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS

BY: _____