

**THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF ZAPATA**

IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS

Be it remembered, that on this the 22ND day of June A. D., 2015, 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
Jose Emilio Vela	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

VISITORS: Triunfo Gonzalez, Romeo Salinas, Juan J. Meza, Brian J. Martinez, Nellie R. Treviño, Maria I. Gutierrez, Roger Miller, Amelia Gonzalez, Xavier Villarreal, Betty M. Lopez, Laura Garza, Luis Lauro Gonzalez, Juana Maria Gutierrez, and Desi Olivarez.

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 REV. ROGER MILLER
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

COMMUNICATIONS

Triunfo Gonzalez, County Auditor, reported to the Court that he attended the appeal hearing for the library in Austin. The appeal was won. There was a deficiency where the library was not meeting formula requirements.

Romeo Salinas, County Treasurer, advised the Court that he attended the awards banquet for United Way. Zapata County received a bronze award and a plaque was presented to Judge Rathmell. Mr. Salinas received a certificate and bronze pin.

Commissioner Olga Elizondo stated that she attended the Grand Opening for Pronto Insurance.

Romeo Salinas further reported that over \$695,000 have been collected in ARM funds.

**ORDER APPROVING MINUTES OF
APRIL 27, MAY 11 AND MAY 26, 2015**

Motion was made by Commissioner Vela, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to approve Minutes of April 27, May 11 and 23, 2015 as presented 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 INVOICES

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to approve invoices as presented by Triunfo Gonzalez. Luis Lauro Gonzalez, Tax Collector, inquired on a requisition for an invoice for the amount of \$112.40, said invoice will be paid out of salaries and no P.O. is necessary.

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 Vela, seconded by Commissioner Elizondo, 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 INTERLOCAL COOPERATION CONTRACT BETWEEN ZAPATA COUNTY AND TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY FOR FAILURE TO APPEAR PROGRAM

Motion was made by Commissioner Vela, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to approve Interlocal Cooperation Contract between Zapata County and the Texas Department of Public Safety for the Failure to Appear Program as requested by Hon. Juana M. Gutierrez, J.P. Pct 2.

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

ORDER APPROVING PAYMENT OF TRAVEL AND HOTEL FOR 2015 EDUCATIONAL AND TECHNOLOGY CONFERENCE

Motion was made by Commissioner Vela, seconded by Commissioner Elizondo, to approve travel & hotel in an amount of \$971.59 for 2015 Educational and Technology Conference in Austin, Texas hosted by Texas Justice Court Judges Association requested by Hon. Juana M. Gutierrez, J.P. Pct 2.

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 JULY 4, 2015 MISS FALCON LAKE PAGEANT

Motion was made by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to approve the use of the Community Center and waive rental fees on July 4, 2015 for the Miss Falcon Lake Pageant at a discounted rate of \$200.00 as requested by Raquel Martinez, Miss Falcon Lake Pageant Committee.

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

ORDER APPROVING REPLACEMENT OF TRUCK FOR WATER PLANT

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to approve the replacement of a truck for the water plant, monies to come from insurance reimbursement in the amount of \$9,000. Any other monies that exceed the allocated amount to be paid by department 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 RESOLUTION FOR SUBMISSION OF COLONIA 2015-2016 CONSTRUCTION FUND APPLICATION FOR SEWER IMPROVEMENTS AT MILITARY POINT, PHELPS SUBDIVISION AND AUTHORIZING COUNTY JUDGE AS SIGNATORY FOR ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS

Motion was made by Commissioner Vela, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to approve a resolution for the submission of Colonia 2015-2016 Construction Fund Application for Sewer Improvements for the installation of first time sewer service to area known as Military Point, Phelps Subdivision, Community of Zapata, and authorizing County Judge as signatory for all necessary documents as requested by Mario Gonzalez-Davis, Consultant.

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

THE FOLLOWING ITEM WAS HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

14. Report on findings of Tax Office timesheet audit. Possible action regarding correction of time sheets to reflect audit findings as requested by Triunfo Gonzalez, Zapata County Auditor.

LINE ITEMS TRANSFERS

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to approve the following line item transfers for payment of postage:

	DEPARTMENT	LINE ITEM	FUND	AMOUNT
FROM	Sheriff's Office	10-560-311	Postage	\$344.31
TO	Postage	10-409-311	Postage	\$344.31
FROM	Code Enforcement	10-596-311	Postage	\$129.60
TO	Postage	10-409-311	Postage	\$129.60
FROM	49 th District	10-435-311	Postage	\$15.40
TO	Postage	10-409-311	Postage	\$15.40

as requested by Brian Martinez, Zapata County Judge's Office.

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

	DEPARTMENT	LINE ITEM	FUND	AMOUNT
FROM	49 th District Court	10-435-402	District Court (Criminal)	\$5,000.00
TO	49 th District Court	10-435-401	District Court (CPS)	\$5,000.00

as requested by Monica Bautista, 49th District Court.

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

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

ORDER TO CORRECT LEAVE RECORDS AS AUDITED

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to approve findings of Tax Office timesheet audit and make corrections of time sheets to reflect audit findings as requested by Triunfo Gonzalez, Zapata County Auditor.

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

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.

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