

**THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF ZAPATA**

IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS

Be it remembered, that on this the 27th day of February, A.D., 2017, 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: Juan J. Meza, Nellie R. Treviño, Maria I. Gutierrez, Daniel D. Arriaga, Roger Miller, Jose F. Mendoza, Sergio X. Guevara, Ricardo Guevara, Luis C. Guevara, Aaron Cruz and Consuelo R. Villarreal.

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

Commissioner Mendoza and Commissioner Elizondo commented on the Queen's Contest. The event was very nice and there was a very good turnout. Commissioner Elizondo congratulated Triunfo Gonzalez on his daughter Tirana's placing as 1st runner up for Zapata County Fair Queen. Manuel Gonzalez was also congratulated as his daughter turned in her crown as last year's County Fair Queen.

Commissioner Mendoza also stated that the Winter Texans event took place last week and it was also a success where many sponsors participated.

Fire Chief J.J. Meza informed the Court that the restoration of the Fire Department has been concluded. He thanked commissioner's court for their assistance.

ORDER APPROVING MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Mendoza, to approve minutes of December 2016 through January 2017, as presented by Hon. Mary Jayne Villarreal-Bonoan, County Clerk.

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 CHECKS ISSUED

Motion was made by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Mendoza, 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 PAYMENT TO PATRIA OFFICE SUPPLY

Motion was made by Commissioner Elizondo, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to approve payment of invoice from Patria Office Supply for purchase of printer toner in the amount of \$1,413.93 to be paid out of Technology Fund for Justice of the Peace in Pct. #2 as requested by Triunfo Gonzalez, County Auditor.

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

ORDER APPROVING USE OF TECHNOLOGY FUND TO PAY YEARLY LEASE ON COPIER MACHINE FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PCT. #3

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to approve the use of Technology Fund to pay the yearly lease of \$2,050.45 on the copier machine for JP Pct. 3 as requested by Triunfo Gonzalez, County Auditor.

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

ORDER APPROVING PAYMENT TO HILLCOUNTRY SOFTWARE AND SUPPORT FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PCT. 3 AND 4 FROM TECHNOLOGY FUND

Motion was made by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Mendoza, to approve payment to Hill Country Software and support for JP Pct. 3 and 4 from Technology Fund, JP Pct. 3, \$2,850.00 and JP Pct. 4, \$2,950.00 as requested by Triunfo Gonzalez, County Auditor.

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

ORDER APPROVING REPLAT OF REPLAT OF LOTS 20 AND 21 INTO 20A AND 20B AND 21A IN FALCON ESTATES IN MADISON AVENUE

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to approve replat of lots 20 and 21 into 20A, 20B, and 21A in Falcon Estates in Madison Avenue 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.

ORDER APPROVING REPLAT OF LOT 20E IN EVERGREEN AVENUE

Motion was made by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to approve replat of lot 20E in Evergreen Avenue 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.

**ORDER TO TABLE REQUEST BY JOHN AMOUR REGARDING DISCUSSION
ON BUSINESS PAYMENT SYSTEMS**

Motion was made by Commissioner Mendoza, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to table request by John Amour regarding discussion on Business Payment Systems as the company to provide merchant services to the JP offices. He will demonstrate how the system works on the collection of payments with credit cards.

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 GARZA,
TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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

**ORDER TO REFRAIN FROM LAND ACQUISITIONS FOR CEMETERY EXPANSION
DUE TO BUDGET CONSTRAINTS**

Motion was made by Commissioner Mendoza, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to approve to refrain from land acquisitions for Zapata County Cemetery expansion due to budget constraints as requested by Said A. Figueroa, County Attorney.

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

**NO ACTION WAS TAKEN ON DISCUSSION AND REVIEW OF RSL WASTE
MANAGEMENT CONTRACT**

No action was taken on discussion and review of RSL Waste Management Contract with Attorney Hector Uribe as requested by Paco Mendoza, Commissioner Pct. 1.

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
OF ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS

ATTEST:

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