

**THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF ZAPATA**

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

Be it remembered, that on this the 24<sup>th</sup> day of July, 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:** Romeo Salinas, Triunfo Gonzalez, Juan J. Meza, Nellie R. Treviño, Daniel Arriaga, Roger Miller, Laura Garza, and Xavier 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**

Judge Rathmell congratulated Mr. and Mrs. Juan Medina on the victory of their race horse.

Commissioner Mendoza stated that Da'Vita Dialysis Clinic is now open. The clinic is waiting for Medicare approval from the state. Approximately 40 local residents are dialysis patients; one patient from Starr County is being currently treated.

**ORDER APPROVING INVOICES**

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Mendoza, 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 Mendoza, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, 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 TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES COUNTY ROAD AND BRIDGE FEE AND CHILD SAFETY FEE**

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Mendoza, to approve the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles County Road and Bridge Fee and Child Safety Fee as requested by Hon. Joe Rathmell, County Judge.

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

**ORDER APPROVING RENEWAL OF COUNTY DEPOSITORY CONTRACT WITH ZAPATA NATIONAL BANK FOR TWO YEARS**

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Mendoza, to approve the Renewal of County Depository Contract with Zapata National Bank for the next two years as provided by Subsection (C) Chapter 262 Section 116.021 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 AND ACCEPTING RESIGNATION OF MANUEL RAMON AND ORDER TO HIRE PARAMEDIC**

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Mendoza, to approve and accept the resignation of Manuel Ramon and order to hire a paramedic at \$12.39 per hour as requested by Chief J.J. Meza, Fire Chief.

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

**ORDER APPROVING AND ACCEPTING RESIGNATION OF JAVIER GARAY AND ORDER ALLOWING CHIEF MEZA TO HIRE EMT/FIREFIGHTER**

Motion was made by Commissioner Mendoza, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to approve and accept the resignation of Javier Garay, effective July 14, 2017, and order to allow Chief Meza to hire an EMT/Firefighter at \$10.60 per hour as requested by Chief J.J. Meza, Fire Chief.

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

**ORDER APPROVING TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES HEALTH AND EMPLOYEES BENEFITS POOL 2017-2018 RENEWAL FOR HEALTH INSURANCE**

Motion was made by Commissioner Mendoza, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to approve the Texas Association of Counties Health and Employees Benefits Pool 2017-2018 Renewal for health insurance for employee benefits as presented 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 2017-2018 WELLNESS INCENTIVE PROGRAM FOR ZAPATA COUNTY**

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Mendoza, to approve the 2017-2018 Wellness Incentive Program for Zapata County, as a participant of Texas Association of Counties Healthy Counties Program as requested by Nellie R. Treviño, Personnel

Director. Rewards are offered to challenge participants. Annual physical exam must be completed.

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

**APPROVAL OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN ZAPATA COUNTY AND CITY OF LAREDO FOR 9-1-1 SERVICES**

Motion was made by Commissioner Mendoza, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to approve Interlocal Agreement between Zapata County and the City of Laredo for 9-1-1 services as requested by Luis Ortiz III, 9-1-1 Program Specialist.

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

**ORDER APPROVING LINE ITEM TRANSFERS**

Motion was made by Commissioner Mendoza, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to approve the following line-item transfers to meet departmental needs:

	DEPARTMENT	LINE-ITEM	FUND	AMOUNT
<b>FROM</b>	County Attorney's Office	10-475-310	Supplies	\$1,200.00
<b>TO</b>	County Attorney's Office	10-475-392	Misc. Maint. Exp.	\$1,200.00
<b>FROM</b>	County Attorney's Office	10-475-454	Vehicle Exp.	\$1,049.00
<b>TO</b>	County Attorney's Office	10-475-392	Misc. Maint. Exp.	\$1,049.00

as requested by Said Alfonso Figueroa, County Attorney.

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 Martinez, to approve the following line-item transfers to meet departmental needs:

	DEPARTMENT	LINE-ITEM	FUND	AMOUNT
<b>FROM</b>	Treasurer's Office	10-497-310	Office Supplies	\$1,820.00
<b>TO</b>	Treasurer's Office	10-497-727	Workshops/Travel Esp.	\$1,820.00

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.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mendoza, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to approve the following line-item transfers to meet departmental needs:

	DEPARTMENT	LINE-ITEM	FUND	AMOUNT
<b>FROM</b>	Juvenile Probation	10-570-512	Juvenile Detention	\$4,500.00
<b>TO</b>	Juvenile Probation	10-570-427	Workshops	\$4,500.00

as requested by Sandy J. Pippin-Gomez, Juvenile Probation Office.

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 Martinez, to approve the following line-item transfers to meet departmental needs:

	DEPARTMENT		LINE-ITEM	FUND	AMOUNT
<b>FROM</b>	Zapata Center	Community	10-518-454	Pavilion Repairs	\$61.07
<b>TO</b>	Zapata Center	Community	10-518-336	Supplies	\$61.07

as requested by Laura Garza, Community Center Manager.

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 Martinez, to approve the following line-item transfers to meet departmental needs:

	DEPARTMENT		LINE-ITEM	FUND	AMOUNT
<b>FROM</b>	County Clerk		10-403-484	Election Expense	\$400.00
<b>TO</b>	Treasurer's Office		10-403-311	Postage	\$400.00

as requested 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.

#### **ADJOURN**

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Mendoza, 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