

**THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF ZAPATA**

IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS

Be it remembered, that on this the 10th day of June, 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:

Hon. Joseph Rathmell	County Judge
Paco Mendoza	Commissioner, Precinct No. 1
Olga M. Elizondo	Commissioner, Precinct No. 2
Mary Jayne Villarreal-Bonoan	County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court

ABSENT:

Eddie Martinez	Commissioner, Precinct No. 3
Norberto Garza	Commissioner, Precinct No. 4

VISITORS: Romeo Salinas, Triunfo Gonzalez, Monica Alanis, Juan J. Meza, Nellie R. Treviño, Roger Miller, Jason Delattre, Jesus D. Romero, Alma V. Romero, Keith Kurtz, Adriana Figueroa, Juana Maria Gutierrez, Armando Guerra, Alejandro Barrera, and Joyce Currington.

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

Chief Meza was presented a plaque by Jason Delattre of Air Evac Life Team. He was also commended by Judge Rathmell, Commissioner Mendoza and Commissioner Elizondo.

ORDER APPROVING INVOICES

Motion was made by Commissioner Mendoza, seconded by Commissioner Elizondo, to approve invoices in the amount of \$237,371.52 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 Elizondo, to approve Treasurer's Report 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 CHECKS ISSUED

Motion was made by Commissioner Mendoza, seconded by Commissioner Elizondo, to approve checks issued in the amount of \$237,475.02, 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.

TAX / ASSESSOR COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Tax Assessor/Collector's office reported Hotel-Motel tax collections in the amount of \$7,318.23 for the month of May for year-to-date collections in an amount of \$78,960.35 and year-to-date tax collections at a rate of 87.10%.

NO ONE WAS PRESENT FOR THE FOLLOWING ITEM

Presentation on Solar Shields for roofs as requested by Luis Treviño and Abel Alanis.

ORDER AUTHORIZING COUNTY ATTORNEY TO DEVELOP AND NEGOTIATE COUNTY ROAD USE AND MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT TERMS

Motion was made by Commissioner Mendoza, seconded by Commissioner Elizondo, to authorize County Attorney to develop and negotiate county road use and maintenance agreement between Zapata County and ENGIE North America for the Las Lomas Wind Farm Project 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 TO REQUEST PROPOSALS FOR REPAIR AND UPGRADE FOR TWO ZAPATA COUNTY WATERWORKS ELEVATED STORAGE TOWERS AND ONE STAND PIPE

Motion was made by Commissioner Mendoza, seconded by Commissioner Elizondo, to approve to request proposals for the repair and upgrade for two Zapata County Waterworks elevated storage towers and one stand pipe 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 PRELIMINARY WORK ON SECURITY PROPERTY FOR FUTURE ZAPATA COUNTY LANDFILL USE

Motion was made by Commissioner Mendoza, seconded by Commissioner Elizondo, to approve to begin preliminary work on security property for future Zapata County Landfill use, seeking a minimum of 50-100 acres, as requested by Paco Mendoza, Commissioner Pct. 1.

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

ORDER APPROVING NEW SOFTWARE PROPOSAL WITH NET DATA FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE OFFICES

Motion was made by Commissioner Mendoza, seconded by Commissioner Elizondo, to approve a new software proposal with Net Data, at a cost of \$24,000 per year, pending review by County Attorney, as requested by Juana Maria Gutierrez, Justice of the Peace Pct. 2.

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

**ORDER APPROVING INVOICES AND REVIEW STATUS FOR ZAPATA COUNTY
WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT PROJECT**

Motion was made by Commissioner Mendoza, seconded by Commissioner Elizondo, to approve invoice in the amount of \$3,230.00 payable to EJDCD; and invoice in the amount of \$14,079.76 payable to Premier Engineering for the Zapata County Wastewater Treatment Plant Project as requested by Manuel Gonzalez, Premier Engineering. The project is up and running and should be 100% complete in approximately 1 month.

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

**ORDER APPROVING TAX REIMBURSEMENTS TO MIDCON COMPRESSION, LLC,
MUSTANG GAS COMPRESSION AND J-W POWER COMPANY AS PER 49TH
DISTRICT COURT CAUSE NO. 8429, 9980 AND 8216**

Motion was made by Commissioner Mendoza, seconded by Commissioner Elizondo, to approve tax reimbursements to Midcon Compression, LLC (\$759,353.59), Mustang Gas Compression (\$1,989.76), and J-W Power Company (\$8,357.95) for a total of \$769,701.30 as per order of the 49th District Court on Cause No. 8429, 9980, and 8216 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 LINE ITEM TRANSFERS

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

	DEPARTMENT	LINE ITEM	FUND	AMOUNT
FROM	Justice of the Peace Pct. 4	10-455-464	Equipment Rental	\$350.00
TO	Justice of the Peace Pct. 4	10-455-459	Repairs & Maint.	\$350.00
FROM	Justice of the Peace Pct. 4	10-455-464	Equipment Rental	\$1,650.00
TO	Justice of the Peace Pct. 4	10-455-313	Supplies	\$1,650.00

as requested by Hon. Ramon Benavides, Justice of the Peace Pct. 4.

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 Elizondo, seconded by Commissioner Mendoza, to approve the following line item transfers to meet departmental needs:

	DEPARTMENT	LINE ITEM	FUND	AMOUNT
FROM	Juvenile Probation	10-570-512	Juvenile Detention	\$8,500.00
TO	Juvenile Probation	10-570-427	Workshops & Travel	\$8,500.00
FROM	Juvenile Probation	10-570-512	Juvenile Detention	\$500.00
TO	Juvenile Probation	10-570-731	Meals & Community Service	\$500.00
FROM	Juvenile Probation	10-570-512	Juvenile Detention	\$461.00
TO	Juvenile Probation	10-570-401	Independent Audit	\$461.00

as requested by Sandy Pippin-Gomez, Juvenile Probation.

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 Elizondo, seconded by Commissioner Mendoza, to approve the following line item transfers to meet departmental needs:

	DEPARTMENT	LINE ITEM	FUND	AMOUNT
FROM	Wastewater	80-602-341	Chlorine & Chemical	\$6,000.00

TO	Wastewater	80-602-336	Repair & Maint.	\$6,000.00
FROM	Wastewater	80-602-311	Postage	\$500.00
TO	Wastewater	80-602-205	Uniforms	\$500.00

as requested by Eloy Chapa, Jr., Wastewater Department Supervisor.

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 TRIUNFO GONZALEZ REGARDING RESOLUTION OF COUNTY OF ZAPATA, TEXAS FINDING, AFTER REASONABLE NOTICE AND HEARING, THAT AEP TEXAS, INC'S EXISTING ELECTRIC RATES AND CHARGES WITHING THE COUNTY SHOULD REMAIN IN EFFECT

Motion was made by Mendoza, seconded by Commissioner Elizondo, to table request by Triunfo Gonzalez regarding resolution of the County of Zapata, Texas finding, after reasonable notice and hearing, that AEP Texas, INC's existing electric rates and charges within the County should remain in effect.

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 Elizondo, 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.

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