

**THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF ZAPATA**

IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS

Be it remembered, that on this the 21st day of November 2022, the Commissioners Court of Zapata County, Texas convened in **SPECIAL 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
Jose A. Solis	Commissioner, Precinct No. 3
Norberto Garza	Commissioner, Precinct No. 4
Mary Jayne Villarreal-Bonoan	County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of Commissioners Court

VISITORS: Nellie R. Treviño, Joyce Currington, Luis Mendoza, Delia Mendoza, Fidencio Mendoza, Jr., and Sara Rathmell.

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 COMMISSIONERS COURT
INVOCATION BY REV. ROGER MILLER, COMMISSIONERS COURT CHAPLAIN
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

COMMUNICATIONS

Judge Rathmell announced that good news was received on the emergency drought funding from USDA, funding has come through for Zapata County and Siesta Shores for \$1,000,000. He thanked Congressman Cuellar and his staff for helping us and Raul Gomez of Rural Development and his staff. We will be able to upgrade raw water pumping station and purchase equipment for next emergency. Lake levels are up 8 feet. Siesta Shores will be able to reimburse the county for equipment that was advanced to them.

A ribbon cutting is taking place today for veterans clinic that will be here every Thursday commencing in December.

Judge Rathmell added that mandatory annual Thanksgiving Inservice will take place on Wednesday, November 23 at 9:00 a.m. at community center.

Commissioner Elizondo reminded the public to test for Covid-19 as Covid is still very present.

**ORDER APPROVING CANVAS OF ELECTION RESULTS FROM THE
NOVEMBER 8, 2022 GENERAL ELECTION**

Motion was made by Commissioner Mendoza, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to approve canvas of election results from the November 8, 2022 General Election 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.

**ORDER APPROVING TO AWARD GRANT MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR 2023-
2024 TEXAS VETERANS COMMISSION GENERAL ASSISTANCE GRANT**

Motion was made by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Solis, to approve to award grant writing and management services for the 2023-2024 Texas Veterans Commission General Assistance Grant to Educational Research Institute. No upfront cost to the county, they will rely on the 10% commission, if grant is awarded, as requested by Adolfo "Pope" Gonzalez Veterans Service Officer.

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

**ORDER APPROVING TO AWARD GRANT WRITING AND MANAGEMENT
SERVICES FOR 2023-2024 TEXAS VETERANS COMMISSION HOUSING FOR
TEXAS HEROES GRANT**

Motion was made by Commissioner Mendoza, seconded by Commissioner Solis, to approve to award grant writing and management service for the 2023-2024 Texas Veterans Commission Housing for Texas Heroes Grant to Educational Research Institute as requested by Adolfo "Pope" Gonzalez Veterans' Service Officer.

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 Solis, 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