

December 20, 2023

Special Meeting

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the 20th day of December, A.D., 2023 there was held a Special Meeting of the Honorable Commissioners' Court of Willacy County, Texas at the County Judge's Office, 576 West Main, in the City of Raymondville, Texas for the purpose of transacting the following agenda:

1. Call to Order.
2. Roll Call / Establishment of Quorum.
3. Discuss, consider and select a vendor to complete project implementation for the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Projects. Funding administered by the U.S. Department of Treasury, other federal or state agencies. ACTION REQUIRED.
4. Discussion and Action to approve the purchase of machinery and equipment >\$50,000 for the Willacy County Elections Department to be funded by the American Rescue Plan Act fund 114 Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund (LATCF) ACTION REQUIRED.
5. Consideration and possible action to approve Change Order No. 1 for the ARPA Roadway Street Improvements (Pct. 1 #2223, Pct. 3 #2212). POSSIBLE ACTION REQUIRED.
6. Discussion and Possible Action in regards to the discovery, concern and impounding of Estray Livestock in Willacy County public, county, and private roads. POSSIBLE ACTION REQUIRED.
7. Discussion and Action to not renew the Inmate Telephone Service Subscriber Agreement between AUSA Jail Services and the Willacy County Sheriff's Office entered into on March 28, 2019. ACTION REQUIRED
8. Discussion and update on Willacy County Watershed Study, Category 1 Project No. 40020. POSSIBLE ACTION REQUIRED.
9. Discussion and Action to correct the salary and fringes for the extended ARPA full time Administrative Assistant for the Judge's Administration estimated for the total amount of \$46,190.00 approved on September 28, 2023, Commissioners Court Regular Meeting agenda item #20 to \$46,261.00 to be paid from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) fund 114 for fiscal year 2023-2024. ACTION REQUIRED.
10. Adjourn.

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THE COURT MET:

PRESENT:

Aurelio Guerra, Jr.,

Eliberto Guerra,

Mario Tijerina,

Henry De La Paz,

Ernesto Garcia,

Annette Hinojosa,

Maria Del Carmen Maldonado,

Elizabeth Rios,

County Judge,

Commissioner, Precinct 1,

Commissioner, Precinct 2,

Commissioner, Precinct 3,

Commissioner, Precinct 4,

County Attorney,

County Auditor,

County Chief Deputy Clerk,

arrives at 10:02 a.m.

WHEREUPON, the Court was opened to the following proceedings were had to wit:

PERSONS VISITING THE COURT:

No one signed the sign in sheet.

1. Call to Order – Chairman Aurelio Guerra, Jr.
2. Roll Call/Establishment of Quorum – Commissioner Eliberto Guerra – **ABSENT**

Commissioners Eliberto Guerra arrives at the meeting at 10:02 a.m.

Agenda # 3

DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND SELECT
A VENDOR TO COMPLETE PROJECT
IMPLEMENTATION FOR THE
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA)
PROJECTS. FUNDING ADMINISTERED
BY THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY,
OTHER FEDERAL OR STATE AGENCIES

Motion was made by Commissioner De La Paz, seconded by Commissioner Tijerina for approval to select Hart InterCivic, Inc. to complete project implementation for the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Projects. Funding administered by the U.S. Department of Treasury, other federal or state agencies to be funded by ARPA Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund (LATCF) Fund 114. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra, Tijerina, De La Paz and Garcia voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 4

DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF
MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT
>\$50,000.00 FOR THE WILLACY
COUNTY ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT
TO BE FUNDED BY THE AMERICAN
RESCUE PLAN ACT FUND 114 LOCAL
ASSISTANCE AND TRIBAL CONSISTENCY
FUND (LATCF)

Motion was made by Commissioner De La Paz, seconded by Commissioner Tijerina for approval to purchase Voting Machines for the Willacy County Elections Department to be inventoried under the Willacy County Judge's Department for the total amount of \$161,843.47. Funds to be paid out of the American Rescue Plan Act Fund (ARPA) Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund (LATCF) Fund 114. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra, Tijerina, De La Paz and Garcia voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 5

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE
ACTION TO APPROVE CHANGE
ORDER NUMBER 1 FOR THE ARPA
ROADWAY STREET IMPROVEMENTS
(PRECINCT 1 NUMBER 2223, PRECINCT
3 NUMBER 2212)

Motion was made by Commissioner De La Paz, seconded by Commissioner Garcia for approval of Change Order Number 1 to be paid out of Fund 114, which was \$24,432.41 left from the grant and the remaining balance of \$27,407.99 to be paid from Fund 63, Precinct 3 Budget. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra, Tijerina, De La Paz and Garcia voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Commissioner Ernesto Garcia steps out of the meeting at 10:23 a.m. and returns back 10:24 a.m.

Commissioner Mario Tijerina steps out of the meeting at 10:29 a.m. and returns back at 10:30 a.m.

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Continue with item number 7.

Agenda # 6
DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION
IN REGARDS TO THE DISCOVERY,
CONCERN AND IMPOUNDING OF
ESTRAY LIVESTOCK IN WILLACY COUNTY
PUBLIC, COUNTY AND PRIVATE ROADS

Motion was made by Commissioner De La Paz, seconded by Commissioner Garcia to table this item. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra, Tijerina, De La Paz and Garcia voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Return back to item number 3.

Agenda # 7
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
NOT RENEW THE INMATE
TELEPHONE SERVICE SUBSCRIBER
AGREEMENT BETWEEN AUSA JAIL
SERVICES AND THE WILLACY COUNTY
SHERIFF'S OFFICE ENTERED INTO ON
MARCH 28, 2019

Motion was made by Commissioner De La Paz, seconded by Commissioner Tijerina for approval to not renew the Inmate Telephone Service Subscriber Agreement between AUSA Jail Services and the Willacy County Sheriff's Office entered into on March 28, 2019. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra, Tijerina and De La Paz voting AYE. Commissioner Garcia voting ABSTAINED. Motion was declared carried.

Commissioner Ernesto Garcia steps out of the meeting at 10:56 a.m. and returns back at 10:58 a.m.

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Commissioner Henry De La Paz steps out of the meeting at 11:12 a.m. and returns back at 11:13 a.m.

Commissioner Mario Tijerina steps out of the meeting at 11:19 a.m. and returns back at 11:23 a.m.

Agenda # 8

DISCUSSION AND UPDATE ON
WILLACY COUNTY WATERSHED
STUDY, CATEGORY 1 PROJECT
NUMBER 40020

Motion was made by Commissioner De La Paz, seconded by Commissioner Garcia that no action on this item. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra, Tijerina, De La Paz and Garcia voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 9

DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
CORRECT THE SALARY AND FRINGES
FOR THE EXTENDED ARPA FULL TIME
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT FOR THE
JUDGE'S ADMINISTRATION ESTIMATED
FOR THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$46,190.00
APPROVED ON SEPTEMBER 28, 2023,
COMMISSIONERS COURT REGULAR
MEETING AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 20 TO
\$46,261.00 TO BE PAID FROM THE
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) FUND
114 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024

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Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner De La Paz that Court Adjourned. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra, Tijerina, De La Paz and Garcia voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

There being no further action,

Court Adjourned.