

March 12, 2015  
Regular Meeting

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the 12th day of March, A.D., 2015 there was held a Regular 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. Invocation/Pledge.
4. Public Comment (s).
5. Approval of previous minutes as follows: February 12, 2015 (Regular Meeting), February 26, 2015 (Public Workshop) and February 26, 2015 (Regular Meeting). ACTION REQUIRED
6. Spread in Minutes: Judge Aurelio Guerra has attended the Seminar for Newly Elected County Judges and Commissioners and has completed 20.5 hours of continuing Education for the calendar 2015.
7. Spread in Minutes: Terry White has earned 3.0 hours of Animal Control Officer Continuing Education for participating in local distribution of the Oral Rabies Vaccine baits on January 5, 2015.
8. Approval of resignation of Grant Coordinator Edward Gonzales. ACTION REQUIRED
9. Approval of resignation of Precinct # 1 Deputy Constable Steve Reyes. ACTION REQUIRED
10. Approval to donate a seized vehicle from the District Attorney's Office to the Lyford Police Department for law enforcement purposes only. ACTION REQUIRED
11. Discussion and Action to approve Revised Subdivision Plat of Las Jarra's Subdivision as requested by Joe Wetegrove. ACTION REQUIRED
12. Discussion and Action to approve the La Sara Independent School District to utilize partial of the County Building behind the La Sara Community Building. ACTION REQUIRED
13. To consider review, discussion and authorization contingency allocation of \$ 1.3 million upon available funds and garnered community contributions as a Local Match to express interest in the 84<sup>th</sup> State Legislature, budget writers approval to assist Willacy County with additional special funding provision aimed in restoration, preservation and protection of the endangered structure in conjunction to standards as directed by the Texas Historical Commission, Courthouse Preservation Program. ACTION REQUIRED
14. To discuss and approve immediate community contributions made in effort "Save Our Willacy Courthouse," considered special account pursuant to Local Government 81.032 related a function or performance of official county business. A defined account shall be considered in the county's finance to accommodate collection of revenues distributed as a separate account. ACTION REQUIRED

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15. Approval of Monthly Reports. ACTION REQUIRED
16. Approval of Treasurer's Report. ACTION REQUIRED.
17. Approval of Tax Collector's Report. ACTION REQUIRED.
18. Approval of Claims. ACTION REQUIRED.
19. Approval of Budget Amendments. ACTION REQUIRED.
20. Approval of Travel Request. ACTION REQUIRED.
21. Adjourn.

THE COURT MET:  
PRESENT:

Aurelio Guerra, Jr.,	County Judge,	
Eliberto Guerra,	Commissioner, Precinct 1,	
Oscar De Luna,	Commissioner, Precinct 2,	
Alfredo Serrato,	Commissioner, Precinct 3,	
Eduardo Gonzales,	Commissioner, Precinct 4,	<b>ABSENT</b>
Bernard Ammerman,	County Attorney,	<b>Presence at 10:12 A.M.</b>
Ida Martinez,	County Auditor,	
Rebecca Sanchez,	County Clerk Deputy,	

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

PERSONS VISITING THE COURT:

Nene Cavazos  
Joe Wetegrove  
Estefana Guerra

1. Call to Order – Chairman Aurelio Guerra, Jr.
2. Roll Call/Establishment of Quorum – Commissioner Eduardo Gonzales – **ABSENT**
3. Pledge – Commissioner Serrato      Invocation – Chairman Guerra
4. Public Comment(s) – None

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Agenda # 5  
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL  
OF PREVIOUS MINUTES AS  
FOLLOWS: FEBRUARY 12,  
2015 (REGULAR MEETING),  
FEBRUARY 26, 2015 (PUBLIC  
WORKSHOP) AND FEBRUARY  
26, 2015 (REGULAR MEETING)

Motion was made by Commissioner Serrato, seconded by Commissioner De Luna for approval of previous minutes as follows: February 12, 2015 (Regular Meeting), February 26, 2015 (Public Workshop) and February 26, 2015 (Regular Meeting). Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna and Serrato voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 6  
SPREAD IN MINUTES: JUDGE  
AURELIO GUERRA HAS  
ATTENDED THE SEMINAR FOR  
NEWLY ELECTED COUNTY  
JUDGES AND COMMISSIONERS  
AND HAS COMPLETED 20.5  
HOURS OF CONTINUING  
EDUCATION FOR THE CALENDAR  
2015

As per the Chairman, Spread in the Minutes Judge Aurelio Guerra has attended the Seminar for Newly Elected County Judges and Commissioners and has completed 20.5 hours of continuing Education for the calendar 2015.

Agenda # 7  
SPREAD IN MINUTES: TERRY  
WHITE HAS EARNED 3.0 HOURS  
OF ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER  
CONTINUING EDUCATION FOR  
PARTICIPATING IN LOCAL  
DISTRIBUTION OF THE ORAL  
RABIES VACCINE BAITS ON  
JANUARY 5, 2015

As per the Chairman, Spread in the Minutes Terry White has earned 3.0 hours of Animal Control Officer Continuing Education for participating in local distribution of the Oral Rabies Vaccine baits on January 5, 2015.

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Agenda # 8  
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL  
OF RESIGNATION OF GRANT  
COORDINATOR EDWARD  
GONZALES

Motion was made by Commissioner De Luna, seconded by Commissioner Serrato for approval of resignation of Grant Coordinator Edward Gonzales. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna and Serrato voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

**Commissioner Eduardo Gonzales arrives at the meeting at 10:13 A.M.**

Agenda # 9  
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL  
OF RESIGNATION OF  
PRECINCT # 1 DEPUTY  
CONSTABLE STEVE REYES

Motion was made by Commissioner Serrato, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales for approval of resignation of Precinct # 1 Deputy Constable Steve Reyes. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna, Serrato and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 10  
IN REGARDS OF APPROVAL  
TO DONATE A SEIZED  
VEHICLE FROM THE DISTRICT  
ATTORNEY'S OFFICE TO THE  
LYFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT  
FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT  
PURPOSES ONLY

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner De Luna for approval to donate a seized vehicle from the District Attorney's Office to the Lyford Police Department for law enforcement purposes only. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna, Serrato and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 11  
DISCUSSION AND ACTION  
TO APPROVE REVISED  
SUBDIVISION PLAT OF LAS  
JARRA'S SUBDIVISION AS  
REQUESTED BY JOE WETEGROVE

Motion was made by Commissioner De Luna, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales to approve the revised Subdivision Plat of Las Jarra's Subdivision as requested by Joe Wetegrove; contingent to the City of Raymondville approving the plat. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna, Serrato and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 12  
DISCUSSION AND ACTION  
TO APPROVE THE LA SARA  
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL  
DISTRICT TO UTILIZE PARTIAL  
OF THE COUNTY BUILDING  
BEHIND THE LA SARA  
COMMUNITY BUILDING

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner De Luna for approval to allow County Judge to re-negotiate contract with La Sara Independent School District. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna, Serrato and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 13  
IN REGARDS TO CONSIDER  
REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND  
AUTHORIZATION CONTINGENCY  
ALLOCATION OF \$ 1.3 MILLION  
UPON AVAILABLE FUNDS AND  
GARNERED COMMUNITY  
CONTRIBUTIONS AS A LOCAL  
MATCH TO EXPRESS INTEREST IN  
THE 84<sup>TH</sup> STATE LEGISLATURE,  
BUDGET WRITERS APPROVAL TO  
ASSIST WILLACY COUNTY WITH  
ADDITIONAL SPECIAL FUNDING  
PROVISION AIMED IN RESTORATION,  
PRESERVATION AND PROTECTION  
OF THE ENDANGERED STRUCTURE  
IN CONJUNCTION TO STANDARDS  
AS DIRECTED BY THE TEXAS  
HISTORICAL COMMISSION,  
COURTHOUSE PRESERVATION  
PROGRAM

Motion was made by the Chairman, seconded by Commissioner Serrato for approval to authorize contingency allocation of \$ 1.3 million upon available funds and garnered community contributions as a Local Match to express interest in the 84<sup>th</sup> State Legislature, budget writers approval to assist Willacy County with additional special funding provision aimed in restoration, preservation and protection of the endangered structure in conjunction to standards as directed by the Texas Historical Commission, Courthouse Preservation Program. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna, Serrato and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 14  
IN REGARDS TO DISCUSS AND  
APPROVE IMMEDIATE COMMUNITY  
CONTRIBUTIONS MADE IN EFFORT  
"SAVE OUR WILLACY COURTHOUSE,"  
CONSIDERED SPECIAL ACCOUNT  
PURSUANT TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT  
81.032 RELATED A FUNCTION OR  
PERFORMANCE OF OFFICIAL COUNTY  
BUSINESS. A DEFINED ACCOUNT  
SHALL BE CONSIDERED IN THE  
COUNTY'S FINANCE TO ACCOMMODATE  
COLLECTION OF REVENUES  
DISTRIBUTED AS A SEPARATE  
ACCOUNT

Motion was made by the Chairman, seconded by Commissioner Guerra for approval of immediate community contributions made in effort "Save Our Willacy Courthouse," considered special account pursuant to Local Government 81.032 related a function or performance of official county business; contingent upon County Attorney's approval. A defined account shall be considered in the county's finance to accommodate collection of revenues distributed as a separate account. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna, Serrato and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 15  
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL  
OF MONTHLY REPORTS

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner De Luna for approval of Monthly Reports, as presented. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna, Serrato and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 16  
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL  
OF TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion was made by Commissioner Serrato, seconded by Commissioner De Luna for approval of Treasurer's Report, as presented. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna, Serrato and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 17  
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL  
OF TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner Serrato for approval of Tax Collector's Report, as presented. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna, Serrato and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 18  
IN REGARDS TO  
APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner Guerra for approval of Claims, as presented. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna, Serrato and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 19  
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL  
OF BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner Serrato for approval of Budget Amendments, as presented. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna, Serrato and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 20  
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL  
OF TRAVEL REQUEST

Motion was made by Commissioner Serrato, seconded by Commissioner De Luna that the following travel requests be approved:

1. Commissioner Pct. 4, Eduardo Gonzales and Two (2) Precinct 4 Employees to Brownwood District, Goldthwaite, Texas (date not announced).
2. Justice of the Peace Office, Pct. 2 Clerk Erika Guerra for reimbursement travel and registration fee to San Marcos training for the amount of \$527.80.
3. District Clerk's Office, Gilbert Lozano and one Deputy Clerk to San Antonio, Texas on March 30, 2015 to April 1, 2015.
4. Extension Office, Omar Gonzales to Falfurrias, Texas on March 28, 2015.

Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna, Serrato and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Serrato, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales that Court Adjourn. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna, Serrato and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

There being no further action,

Court Adjourned.