

May 14, 2020
Regular Meeting

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the 14th day of May, A.D., 2020 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: ACTION REQUIRED
 - April 9, 2020 Regular Meeting via Teleconference
 - April 23, 2020 Public Workshop via Teleconference
 - April 23, 2020 Regular Meeting via Teleconference
 - April 29, 2020 Special Meeting via Teleconference
 - April 29, 2020 Special Meeting Addendum #1 via Teleconference
 - May 4, 2020 Public Workshop via Teleconference
6. Presentation – TxDOT to provide monthly updates.
7. Presentation on the Willacy County COVID-19 small business funding program directory and report.
8. Discussion and Action to appoint Manuel Guerra as Willacy County Constable Precinct #5. ACTION REQUIRED.
9. Discussion and Action to approve Right of Way Permit for Valley Telephone Cooperative to bury Fiber Optic Cable on the East Side of Simo Road from the Intersection of Freedom Road to the Intersection of FM 498. ACTION REQUIRED.
10. Discussion and Action to approve subdivision plat for Delgado Subdivision. ACTION REQUIRED
11. Discussion and Action to approve subdivision plat for Saul Garza Subdivision. ACTION REQUIRED.
12. Discussion and Action to approve Plan Change for Caprock Health Plans retroactive March 18, 2020. ACTION REQUIRED.
13. Discussion and Action to approve Emergency Family and Medical Leave Expansion Act/Emergency Paid Sick Leave Act from Caprock Health Plans retroactive April 2, 2020. ACTION REQUIRED.

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14. Discussion and Action to accept \$1000-dollar donation from H. Yturria Land and Cattle Company to be used to purchase trauma kits for Willacy County Sheriff's Office. ACTION REQUIRED
15. Discussion and Action on approval of the finalized priority list of roads for the TxDOT 2020 County Transportation Infrastructure Fund (CTIF) grant program. ACTION REQUIRED.
16. Discussion and Action to approve updating of the Resolution approving Courthouse Renovation. ACTION REQUIRED.
17. Discussion and Action to approve License/Agreement between IBWC International Boundary Water Commission and Willacy County. ACTION REQUIRED.
18. Discussion and Action to approve ending Employee Skeleton Crew scheduling for specific county departments. ACTION REQUIRED.
19. Discussion and Action to approve COVID-19 regulations for both employees and customers/citizens while conducting business at our service windows. ACTION REQUIRED.
20. Discussion and Action to approve constructing a negative pressurized cell at the Willacy County Jail. ACTION REQUIRED.
25. Approval of Monthly Reports. ACTION REQUIRED
26. Approval of Treasurers Report. ACTION REQUIRED
27. Approval of Travel Request. ACTION REQUIRED.
28. Approval of Tax Collector Report. ACTION REQUIRED
29. Approval of Budget Amendments. ACTION REQUIRED
30. Approval of Claims. ACTION REQUIRED
31. Review of Special Claims. ACTION REQUIRED
32. Review of monthly reports on jail count.
33. Review of monthly employee overtime report.
34. Adjourn.

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THE COURT MET:
PRESENT:

Aurelio Guerra, Jr.,
Eliberto Guerra,
Oscar De Luna,
Henry De La Paz,
Eduardo Gonzales,
Annette Hinojosa,
Ida Martinez,
Elizabeth Rios,

County Judge,
Commissioner, Precinct 1,
Commissioner, Precinct 2,
Commissioner, Precinct 3,
Commissioner, Precinct 4,
County Attorney,
County Auditor,
County Chief Deputy Clerk,

ABSENT

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

PERSONS VISITING THE COURT:

Perla M. Flores
Megan R. Rodriguez
Oralia Cardenas
Matt Rodriguez
Rolando Zamora

1. Call to Order – Chairman Aurelio Guerra, Jr.
2. Roll Call / Establishment of Quorum – **ALL PRESENT**
3. Pledge – Commissioner Henry De La Paz Invocation – Commissioner Eduardo Gonzales
4. Public Comments – None

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Agenda # 5
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL
OF PREVIOUS MINUTES AS
FOLLOWS: APRIL 9, 2020
REGULAR MEETING VIA
TELECONFERENCE, APRIL 23,
2020 PUBLIC WORKSHOP VIA
TELECONFERENCE, APRIL 23,
2020 REGULAR MEETING VIA
TELECONFERENCE, APRIL 29,
2020 SPECIAL MEETING VIA
TELECONFERENCE, APRIL 29,
2020 SPECIAL MEETING
ADDENDUM NUMBER 1 VIA TELECONFERENCE
AND MAY 4, 2020 PUBLIC WORKSHOP
VIA TELECONFERENCE

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner De Luna for approval of previous minutes as follows: April 9, 2020 Regular Meeting via Teleconference, April 23, 2020 Public Workshop via Teleconference, April 23, 2020 Regular Meeting via Teleconference, April 29, 2020 Special Meeting via Teleconference, April 29, 2020 Special Meeting Addendum Number 1 via Teleconference and May 4, 2020 Public Workshop via Teleconference. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna, De La Paz and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 6
PRESENTATION – TXDOT TO
PROVIDE MONTHLY UPDATES

As per the Chairman, TxDOT submitted a letter since they were unable to attend due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) to provide monthly updates.

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Agenda # 7
PRESENTATION ON THE WILLACY
COUNTY COVID-19 SMALL
BUSINESS FUNDING PROGRAM
DIRECTORY AND REPORT

Presentation by Jessica Gracida, Communication Development Specialist and Megan Guerrero, Extension Office Agent on reference to the Willacy County COVID-19 Small Business Funding Program Directory and Report.

Commissioner Henry De La Paz steps out of the meeting at 10:35 a.m.

Move to item number 9

Agenda # 8
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
APPOINT MANUEL GUERRA
AS WILLACY COUNTY CONSTABLE
PRECINCT NUMBER 5

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales for approval of Manuel Guerra as Willacy County Constable Precinct Number 5. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Commissioner De La Paz returns back to the meeting at 10:39 a.m.

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Agenda # 9
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
APPROVE RIGHT OF WAY PERMIT
FOR VALLEY TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE
TO BURY FIBER OPTIC CABLE ON
THE EAST SIDE OF SIMO ROAD FROM
THE INTERSECTION OF FREEDOM
ROAD TO THE INTERSECTION OF
FM 498

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales for approval of Right of Way Permit for Valley Telephone Cooperative to bury Fiber Optic Cable on the East Side of Simo Road from the Intersection of Freedom Road to the Intersection of FM 498. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna, De La Paz and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 10
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
APPROVE SUBDIVISION PLAT
FOR DELGADO SUBDIVISION

Motion was made by Commissioner De Luna, seconded by Commissioner Guerra for approval of Subdivision Plat for Delgado Subdivision. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna, De La Paz and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Motion Amended: Motion was made by Commissioner De Luna, seconded by Commissioner Guerra for approval of Preliminary Subdivision Plat for Delgado Subdivision. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna, De La Paz and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 11
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
APPROVE SUBDIVISION PLAT
FOR SAUL GARZA SUBDIVISION

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales for approval of Preliminary Subdivision Plat for Saul Garza Subdivision. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna, De La Paz and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Commissioner Henry De La Paz leaves the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

Agenda # 12
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
APPROVE PLAN CHANGE FOR
CAPROCK HEALTH PLANS
RETROACTIVE MARCH 18, 2020

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner Guerra for approval of Plan Change for Caprock Health Plans retroactive March 18, 2020. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 13
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
APPROVE EMERGENCY FAMILY
AND MEDICAL LEAVE EXPANSION
ACT/EMERGENCY PAID SICK LEAVE
ACT FROM CAPROCK HEALTH PLANS
RETROACTIVE APRIL 2, 2020

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner De Luna for approval of Emergency Family and Medical Leave Expansion Act/Emergency Paid Sick Leave Act from Caprock Health Plans retroactive April 2, 2020. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 14
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
ACCEPT \$1,000.00-DOLLAR
DONATION FROM H. YTURRIA
LAND AND CATTLE COMPANY
TO BE USED TO PURCHASE
TRAUMA KITS FOR WILLACY
COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales for approval to accept \$1,000.00-dollar donation from H. Yturria Land and Cattle Company to be used to purchase trauma kits for Willacy County Sheriff's Office. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 15
DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON
APPROVAL OF THE FINALIZED
PRIORITY LIST OF ROADS FOR
THE TXDOT 2020 COUNTY
TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE
FUND (CTIF) GRANT PROGRAM

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner De Luna for approval of the finalized priority list of roads for the TxDOT 2020 County Transportation Infrastructure Fund (CTIF) Grant Program. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 16
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
APPROVE UPDATING OF THE
RESOLUTION APPROVING
COURTHOUSE RENOVATION

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales for approval for updating of the Resolution approving Courthouse Renovation. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 17
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
APPROVE LICENSE/AGREEMENT
BETWEEN IBWC INTERNATIONAL
BOUNDARY WATER COMMISSION
AND WILLACY COUNTY

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales for approval of License/Agreement between IBWC International Boundary Water Commission and Willacy County. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 18
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
APPROVE ENDING EMPLOYEE
SKELETON CREW SCHEDULING
FOR SPECIFIC COUNTY
DEPARTMENTS

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner De Luna for approval of ending Employee Skeleton Crew scheduling for specific County Departments retroactive May 11, 2020. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna, and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Move to item number 8.

Agenda # 19
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
APPROVE COVID-19 REGULATIONS
FOR BOTH EMPLOYEES AND
CUSTOMERS/CITIZENS WHILE
CONDUCTING BUSINESS AT OUR
SERVICE WINDOWS

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales for approval of COVID-19 Regulations from required mandate to should wear masks for both Employees and Customers/Citizens while conducting business at our service windows. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 20
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
APPROVE CONSTRUCTING A
NEGATIVE PRESSURIZED CELL
AT THE WILLACY COUNTY JAIL

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales for approval of constructing a negative pressurized cell at the Willacy County Jail. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

As per the Chairman, the following Agenda items should read 21-30 and not 25-34.

Agenda # 21
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 and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 22
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL
OF TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, 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 and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 23
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL
OF TRAVEL REQUEST

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner De Luna to pass on this item. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 24
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL
OF TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

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

Agenda # 25
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL
OF BUDGET AMENDMENTS

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

Agenda # 26
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL
OF CLAIMS

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

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Agenda # 27
REVIEW OF SPECIAL CLAIMS

As per the Chairman, Review of Special Claims.

Agenda # 28
REVIEW OF MONTHLY REPORTS
ON JAIL COUNT

As per the Chairman, review of Monthly Reports on Jail Count.

Agenda # 29
REVIEW OF MONTHLY EMPLOYEE
OVERTIME REPORT

As per the Chairman, review of Monthly Employee Overtime Report. There was no report presented.

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

There being no further action,

Court Adjourned.