

November 14, 2019

Regular Meeting

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of November, A.D., 2019 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:
  - Regular Meeting October 17, 2019
  - Regular Meeting October 24, 2019. ACTION REQUIRED
6. Spread in the Minutes – Maintenance Supervisor Adolfo Mata has successfully completed the Advanced Motor Grader Training.
7. Spread in the Minutes – Juan Ahumada, Pct. 2 Road Maintenance has successfully completed the Advanced Motor Grader Training.
8. Discussion and Action to consider and approve to recognize and authorize proclamation honoring Eros Villarreal, in the 2019 FFA Talent Competition. ACTION REQUIRED.
9. Discussion and Actin to allow the Reber Memorial Library to close on November 15, 2019 to attend work shop in McAllen, Texas. ACTION REQUIRED.
10. Discussion and Approval of Resolution for nomination of board member for Willacy County Appraisal District. ACTION REQUIRED
11. Discussion and Action to approve Memorandum of Understanding between Willacy County and (BHSST) Behavioral Health Solutions of South Texas. ACTION REQUIRED.
12. Discussion and Action for consideration and approval of memorandum of agreement by and between the County of Willacy and Research applied technology, education and service, INC. (RATES) DBA Rates/RGV for a joint funded externally sponsored watershed coordinator staff position. ACTION REQUIRED
13. Discussion and Action to approve the Willacy County Treasurers Office copier lease agreement with Archer Business System. ACTION REQUIRED
14. Discussion and Action to approve the Willacy County Tax Office copier lease agreement with Archer Business System. ACTION REQUIRED

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15. Discussion and Action to approve Proclamation commemorating January 26 February 1, 2020 as School Choice Week in Willacy County. ACTION REQUIRED
16. Discussion and Action to approve License Agreement between i3-Bearcat, LLC (Net Data Corporation) and Willacy County Texas. ACTION REQUIRED
17. Discussion and action to approve modification of contract between ERI and Willacy County for TVC 2020 General Grant Application assistance for the Willacy County VCSO, approved by Willacy County Commissioner's Court on October 24, 2019, to include Contract Addendum. ACTION REQUIRED
18. Discussion & Action to approve Agreement with VTX for phone services at the Annex Building/Tax Office and Extension Office. ACTION REQUIRED
19. Consider authorization to issue requests for proposals for Administrative services (RFPs) and requests for qualifications for Engineering services (RFQs) related to the 2020 Texas County Transportation Infrastructure Fund administered by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT). ACTIONREQUIRED
20. Discussion and Action to appoint Commissioner Eduardo Gonzales to serve and represent Willacy County on the Rio Grande Regional Water Authority Board. ACTION REQUIRED
21. Approval of Monthly Reports. ACTION REQUIRED
22. Approval of Treasurers Report. ACTION REQUIRED
23. Approval of Travel Request. ACTION REQUIRED.
24. Approval of Tax Collector Report. ACTION REQUIRED
25. Approval of Budget Amendments. ACTION REQUIRED
26. Approval of Claims. ACTION REQUIRED
27. Approval to ratify special claims. ACTION REQUIRED
28. Review of monthly reports on jail count.
29. Review of monthly employee overtime report.
30. 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**

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**arrives at 10:48 a.m.**

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

PERSONS VISITING THE COURT:

Daniel Gomez  
Yahaira Marroquin  
Gabriel Villarreal  
Carlos Ceballos, Jr.  
Ron Garza  
Sylvia Cruz

Robert Rodriguez  
Jeff Patterson  
Gloria C. Cortez  
Andy Ernest  
Roseanna Ramirez

1. Call to Order – Chairman Aurelio Guerra, Jr.
2. Roll Call / Establishment of Quorum – Commissioners Oscar De Luna and Henry De La Paz –  
**ABSENT**
3. Pledge / Invocation – Commissioner Eduardo Gonzales
4. Public Comments – Gabriel Villarreal with TxDOT to update on North U.S. 77 Project, South U.S. 77 Project, Over lane Project FM 186 and Business 77, FM 1921 and they are still reviewing the plans for the drainage.

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Agenda # 5

IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL  
OF PREVIOUS MINUTES AS FOLLOWS:  
REGULAR MEETING OCTOBER 17, 2019  
AND REGULAR MEETING OCTOBER  
24, 2019

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales for approval of previous minutes as follows: Regular Meeting October 17, 2019 and Regular Meeting October 24, 2019. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 6

SPREAD IN THE MINUTES –  
MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR  
ADOLFO MATA HAS SUCCESSFULLY  
COMPLETED THE ADVANCED  
MOTOR GRADER TRAINING

As per the Chairman, spread in the minutes – Maintenance Supervisor Adolfo Mata has successfully completed the Advanced Motor Grader Training.

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SPREAD IN THE MINUTES –  
JUAN AHUMADA, PRECINCT 2  
ROAD MAINTENANCE HAS  
SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED THE  
ADVANCED MOTOR GRADER  
TRAINING

As per the Chairman, spread in the minutes – Juan Ahumada, Precinct 2 Road Maintenance has successfully completed the Advanced Motor Grader Training.

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Agenda # 8

DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO  
CONSIDER AND APPROVE TO  
RECOGNIZE AND AUTHORIZE  
PROCLAMATION HONORING  
EROS VILLARREAL, IN THE 2019  
FFA TALENT COMPETITION

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner Guerra for approval to recognize and authorize Proclamation honoring Eros Villarreal, in the 2019 FFA Talent Competition. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 9

DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO  
ALLOW THE REBER MEMORIAL  
LIBRARY TO CLOSE ON NOVEMBER  
15, 2019 TO ATTEND WORKSHOP  
IN MCALLEN, TEXAS

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales for approval to allow the Reber Memorial Library to close on November 15, 2019 to attend Workshop in McAllen, Texas. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 10

DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF  
RESOLUTION FOR NOMINATION  
OF BOARD MEMBER FOR WILLACY  
COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner Guerra for approval of Resolution for nomination of Board Member for Willacy County Appraisal District. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 11  
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO  
APPROVE MEMORANDUM OF  
UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN  
WILLACY COUNTY AND (BHSST)  
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SOLUTIONS  
OF SOUTH TEXAS

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales for approval of Memorandum of Understanding between Willacy County and (BHSST) Behavioral Health Solutions of South Texas. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 12  
DISCUSSION AND ACTION FOR  
CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL  
OF MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT  
BY AND BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF  
WILLACY AND RESEARCH APPLIED  
TECHNOLOGY, EDUCATION AND  
SERVICE, INC. (RATES) DBA RATES/RGV  
FOR A JOINT FUNDED EXTERNALLY  
SPONSORED WATERSHED COORDINATOR  
STAFF POSITION

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner Guerra for approval of Memorandum of Agreement by and between the County of Willacy and Research Applied Technology, Education and Service, Inc. (RATES) DBA Rates/RGV for a joint funded externally sponsored watershed coordinator staff position, portion of the funding to be paid out and the rest to be paid on the next fiscal year. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

**Motion Amended:** Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner Guerra for approval to reflect to pay the amount of \$6,000.00 to be paid out from line item Marketer, Account Number 401-180 Contracts and Legal. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

**Continue with item number 25.**

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Agenda # 13  
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO  
APPROVE THE WILLACY COUNTY  
TREASURER'S OFFICE COPIER LEASE  
AGREEMENT WITH ARCHER  
BUSINESS SYSTEM

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner Guerra for approval of the Willacy County Treasurer's Office Copier Lease Agreement with Archer Business System. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 14  
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO  
APPROVE THE WILLACY COUNTY  
TAX OFFICE COPIER LEASE AGREEMENT  
WITH ARCHER BUSINESS SYSTEM

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner Guerra for approval of the Willacy County Tax Office Copier Lease Agreement with Archer Business System. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 15  
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO  
APPROVE PROCLAMATION  
COMMEMORATING JANUARY 26 –  
FEBRUARY 1, 2020 AS SCHOOL  
CHOICE WEEK IN WILLACY COUNTY

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales for approval of Proclamation commemorating January 26 – February 1, 2020 as School Choice Week in Willacy County. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 16

DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO  
APPROVE LICENSE AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN I3-BEARCAT, LLC (NET  
DATA CORPORATION) AND WILLACY  
COUNTY, TEXAS

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales for approval of License Agreement between i3-Bearcat, LLC (Net Data Corporation) and Willacy County, Texas. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 17

DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO  
APPROVE MODIFICATION OF  
CONTRACT BETWEEN ERI AND  
WILLACY COUNTY FOR TVC 2020  
GENERAL GRANT APPLICATION  
ASSISTANCE FOR THE WILLACY  
COUNTY VCSO, APPROVED BY  
WILLACY COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S  
COURT ON OCTOBER 24, 2019, TO  
INCLUDE CONTRACT ADDENDUM

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner Guerra for approval of Modification of Contract between ERI and Willacy County for TVC 2020 General Grant Application Assistance for the Willacy County VCSO, approved by Willacy County Commissioner's Court on October 24, 2019, to include Contract Addendum. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.



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Agenda # 18

DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO  
APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH VTX  
FOR PHONE SERVICES AT THE  
ANNEX BUILDING/TAX OFFICE AND  
EXTENSION OFFICE

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner Guerra for approval of Agreement with VTX for phone services at the Annex Building/Tax Office and Extension Office. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 19

CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION TO  
ISSUE REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS  
FOR ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES  
(RFPs) AND REQUESTS FOR  
QUALIFICATIONS FOR ENGINEERING  
SERVICES (RFQs) RELATED TO THE 2020  
TEXAS COUNTY TRANSPORTATION  
INFRASTRUCTURE FUND ADMINISTERED  
BY THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF  
TRANSPORTATION (TXDOT)

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner Guerra for approval of authorization to advertise to issue requests for proposals for Administrative Services (RFPs) and requests for qualifications for Engineering Services (RFQs) related to the 2020 Texas County Transportation Infrastructure Fund administered by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT). Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 20  
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO  
APPOINT COMMISSIONER EDUARDO  
GONZALES TO SERVE AND REPRESENT  
WILLACY COUNTY ON THE RIO GRANDE  
REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY BOARD

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Chairman Guerra for approval to appoint Commissioner Eduardo Gonzales to serve and represent Willacy County on the Rio Grande Regional Water Authority Board. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 21  
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL  
OF MONTHLY REPORTS

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales for approval of Monthly Reports, as presented. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra 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 Gonzales for approval of Treasurer's Report, as presented. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra 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 Guerra, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales that the following travel requests be approved:

1. District Attorney's Office, Lena Chaisson Munoz, Martha Martinez and Cindy Adameit to Weslaco, Texas on November 14, 2019.
2. Extension Office, Matthew Rodriguez to Weslaco, Texas on November 12-14, 2019.
3. Building Inspector, Robert Salinas for travel reimbursement, mileage only, for attending the Strengthening Coastal Counties Resilience Workshop on November 7-8, 2019 in South Padre Island, Texas.
4. Constable Precinct 2, Jose Salazar to Huntsville, Texas on December 2-6, 2019.
5. Sheriff's Department, Sgt. Investigator Andres D. Maldonado to Galveston, Texas on November 17-21, 2019.
6. Commissioner Precincts 1 and 5, Eliberto Guerra and Building Inspector, Robert Salinas to Laredo, Texas on November 22, 2019.
7. Sheriff's Department, Sheriff Larry Spence and Chief Deputy, Joe Jimenez to Austin, Texas on November 22, 2019.

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

**Move back to item number 12.**

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Agenda # 25  
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL  
OF BUDGET AMENDMENTS

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

Agenda # 26  
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. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried

Agenda # 27  
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL  
TO RATIFY SPECIAL CLAIMS

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

Agenda # 28  
REVIEW OF MONTHLY REPORTS  
ON JAIL COUNT

As per the Chairman, review of Monthly Reports on Jail Count is a total of 55 Inmates (48 – County and 7 – Federal).

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Agenda # 29

REVIEW OF MONTHLY EMPLOYEE

OVERTIME REPORT

As per the Chairman, review of Monthly Employee Overtime Report.

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

There being no further action,

Court Adjourned.