

August 26, 2021
Regular Meeting

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the 26th day of August, A.D., 2021 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. Spread in the Minutes: Judge Aurelio Guerra has successfully completed 9 hours of educational training at the 87th Annual South Texas Judges and Commissioners Association on June 28 – July 1, 2021 in South Padre Island, Texas.
6. Spread in the Minutes: Commissioner Precinct 4 Eduardo Gonzales has successfully completed 17.00 hours of Educational Training at the 87th Annual South Texas Judges and Commissioners Association on June 28 – July 1, 2021 in South Padre Island, Texas.
7. Spread in the Minutes: Commissioner Precinct 1 Eliberto Guerra has successfully completed 17.00 hours of Educational Training at the 87th Annual South Texas Judges and Commissioners Association on June 28 – July 1, 2021 in South Padre Island, Texas.
8. Spread in the Minutes: Commissioner Precinct 3 Henry De La Paz has successfully completed 17.00 hours of Educational Training at the 87th Annual South Texas Judges and Commissioners Association on June 28 – July 1, 2021 in South Padre Island, Texas.
9. Discussion and Action to discuss the current Willacy County Jail Schedule. ACTION REQUIRED.
10. Discussion and Action required to increase cash on hand to pay Jurors for County and District Court. ACTION REQUIRED.
11. Discussion and Action to approve Interlocal Governmental Agreement between Willacy County and the City of Lyford. ACTION REQUIRED.
12. Discussion and Approval of the Proclamation recognizing September 2021 as Bullying and Suicide Awareness Month. ACTION REQUIRED.
13. Discussion and Action to approve permission to bore on 6th Street from south to north, (1) 2-inch PVC casing, (1) 3/4-inch meter service. Location is approximately 155-feet east of County Road 65 (Cemetery Road) Precinct 1. ACTION REQUIRED.

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14. Executive Session:
 - A. Confer with Commissioners' Court legal counsel regarding pending or contemplated litigation and/or negotiations involving the county, its employees, or its interests, pursuant to V.T.C.A. Government Code, Section 551.071.
 - B. Confer with Commissioners' Court legal counsel concerning legal issues related to cyber security, pursuant to V.T.C.A. Government Code, Section 551.071.

15. Action Relative to Executive Session:
 - A. Possible Action.
 - B. Possible Action.

16. Approval of Travel Request. ACTION REQUIRED.

17. Approval of Claims. ACTION REQUIRED

18. Adjourn.

THE COURT MET:
PRESENT:

Aurelio Guerra, Jr.,	County Judge,	
Eliberto Guerra,	Commissioner, Precinct 1,	
Oscar De Luna,	Commissioner, Precinct 2,	Deceased
Henry De La Paz,	Commissioner, Precinct 3,	
Eduardo Gonzales,	Commissioner, Precinct 4,	
Annette Hinojosa,	County Attorney,	Arrives at 10:14 a.m.
Maria Del Carmen Maldonado,	County Auditor's Assistant,	
Elizabeth Rios,	County Chief Deputy Clerk,	

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

PERSONS VISITING THE COURT:

Lyford City Mayor, Rick Salinas
Marisol Reyna

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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

Agenda # 5

SPREAD IN THE MINUTES:

JUDGE AURELIO GUERRA HAS
SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED 9
HOURS OF EDUCATIONAL TRAINING
AT THE 87TH ANNUAL SOUTH TEXAS
JUDGES AND COMMISSIONERS
ASSOCIATION ON JUNE 28 – JULY
1, 2021 IN SOUTH PADRE ISLAND,
TEXAS

As per the Chairman, spread in the minutes: Judge Aurelio Guerra has successfully completed 9 hours of educational training at the 87th Annual South Texas Judges and Commissioners Association on June 28 – July 1, 2021 in South Padre Island, Texas.

Agenda # 6

SPREAD IN THE MINUTES:

COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 4
EDUARDO GONZALES HAS
SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED 17.00
HOURS OF EDUCATIONAL TRAINING
AT THE 87TH ANNUAL SOUTH TEXAS
JUDGES AND COMMISSIONERS
ASSOCIATION ON JUNE 28 – JULY 1,
2021 IN SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS

As per the Chairman, spread in the minutes: Commissioner Precinct 4 Eduardo Gonzales has successfully completed 17.00 hours of Educational Training at the 87th Annual South Texas Judges and Commissioners Association on June 28 – July 1, 2021 in South Padre Island, Texas.

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Agenda # 7
SPREAD IN THE MINUTES:
COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 1
ELIBERTO GUERRA HAS
SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED 17.00
HOURS OF EDUCATIONAL TRAINING
AT THE 87TH ANNUAL SOUTH TEXAS
JUDGES AND COMMISSIONERS
ASSOCIATION ON JUNE 28 – JULY 1, 2021
IN SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS

As per the Chairman, spread in the minutes: Commissioner Precinct 1 Eliberto Guerra has successfully completed 17.00 hours of Educational Training at the 87th Annual South Texas Judges and Commissioners Association on June 28- July 1, 2021 in South Padre Island, Texas.

Agenda # 8
SPREAD IN THE MINUTES:
COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 3
HENRY DE LA PAZ HAS
SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED 17.00
HOURS OF EDUCATIONAL TRAINING
AT THE 87TH ANNUAL SOUTH TEXAS
JUDGES AND COMMISSIONERS
ASSOCIATION ON JUNE 28 – JULY 1, 2021
IN SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS

As per the Chairman, spread in the minutes: Commissioner Precinct 3 Henry De La Paz has successfully completed 17.00 hours of Educational Training at the 87th Annual South Texas Judges and Commissioners Association on June 28 – July 1, 2021 in South Padre Island, Texas.

Move to item number 10.

Agenda # 9
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
DISCUSS THE CURRENT WILLACY
COUNTY JAIL SCHEDULE

As per the Chairman, no action taken on this item.

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Move to item number 18.

Agenda # 10

DISCUSSION AND ACTION
REQUIRED TO INCREASE CASH
ON HAND TO PAY JURORS FOR
COUNTY AND DISTRICT COURT

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner De La Paz for approval of an additional \$1,000.00 to have cash on hand to pay Jurors for County and District Court. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De La Paz and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 11

DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
APPROVE INTERLOCAL GOVERNMENTAL
AGREEMENT BETWEEN WILLACY COUNTY
AND THE CITY OF LYFORD

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner De La Paz for approval of Interlocal Governmental Agreement between Willacy County and the City of Lyford. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De La Paz and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY, ANNETTE HIJOJOSA ARRIVES AT THE MEETING AT 10:14 A.M.

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Agenda # 12
DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF
THE PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING
SEPTEMBER 2021 AS BULLYING AND
SUICIDE AWARENESS MONTH

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner De La Paz for approval of Proclamation recognizing September 2021 as Bullying and Suicide Awareness Month. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De La Paz and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 13
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
APPROVE PERMISSION TO BORE
ON 6TH STREET FROM SOUTH TO
NORTH, (1) 2-INCH PVC CASING,
(1) 3/4-INCH METER SERVICE.
LOCATION IS APPROXIMATELY
155-FEET EAST OF COUNTY ROAD
65 (CEMETERY ROAD) PRECINCT 1

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales for approval for permission to bore on 6th Street from south to north, (1) 2-inch PVC casing, (1) 3/4-inch meter service. Location is approximately 155-feet east of County Road 65 (Cemetery Road) Precinct 1. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De La Paz and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Move to item number 16.

Agenda # 14

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- A. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS'
COURT LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING
PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED
LITIGATION AND/OR NEGOTIATIONS
INVOLVING THE COUNTY, ITS
EMPLOYEES, OR ITS INTERESTS,
PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT
CODE, SECTION 551.071

- B. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS'
COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING
LEGAL ISSUES RELATED TO CYBER SECURITY,
PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT
CODE, SECTION 551.071

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner Guerra that Court Adjourn to Closed Executive Session at 10:22 a.m. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De La Paz and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner Guerra that Court Reconvene into Open Session at 11:35 a.m. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De La Paz and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 15
ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE
SESSION:
A. POSSIBLE ACTION.
B. POSSIBLE ACTION.

A.)
Motion was made by Commissioner De La Paz, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales for item number 15A. to move forward as discussed in Executive Session. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De La Paz and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

B.)
Motion was made by Commissioner De La Paz, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales for item number 15B. to move forward as discussed in Executive Session. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De La Paz and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Move to item number 9.

Agenda # 16
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL
OF TRAVEL REQUEST

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner Guerra that the following travel request be approved:

1. Sheriff's Department, for 3 from the Sheriff's Office to Lufkin, Texas on September 27 – October 1, 2021.
2. Sheriff's Department, Administrative Assistant to Galveston, Texas on October 11-14, 2021.

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

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Agenda # 17
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 La Paz and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Return back to item number 14.

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

There being no further action,

Court Adjourned.