

February 11, 2021
Regular Meeting Via Teleconference

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the 11th day of February, A.D., 2021 there was held a Regular Meeting Via Teleconference 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: January 14, 2021 Regular Meeting via Teleconference; January 22, 2021 Special Meeting via Teleconference; January 28, 2021 Regular Meeting via Teleconference; January 28, 2021 Addendum #1 Regular Meeting via Teleconference; February 2, 2-21 Special Meeting via Teleconference;
6. Presentation – TxDOT to provide monthly updates.
7. Willacy County Economic Development Opportunity Presentation by Kent Saterlee, Executive Director for Gulf Offshore Research Institute (GORI).
8. Discussion and appropriate action to award materials bid(s) for the TxDOT County Transportation Infrastructure Fund grant. ACTION REQUIRED
9. Permission to apply for partnership with the Texas Law Enforcement Support Office (TXLESO) Program. ACTION REQUIRED.
10. Discussion and action to approve Contract between Willacy County and PCtech4U for I.T. Services. ACTION REQUIRED.
11. Discussion and Action in reference to Budget Review for Willacy County Court Reporter. ACTION REQUIRED.
12. Discussion and Action to consider funding a vaccine coordinator position and assistant position. ACTION REQUIRED.
13. Discussion and Action to approve Final Plat for Mulberry Estates, located on Mulberry CR. In precinct 1. ACTION REQUIRED.
14. Discussion and Action to approve agreement between Willacy County and Hino Gas Sales Inc. for Road & Bridge Precinct #4. ACTION REQUIRED.
15. Approval of Nurse's resignation and permission to advertise and hire new nurse. ACTION REQUIRED.

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16. Discussion and preventative maintenance agreement for the Jail as required by Jail Standards. ACTION REQUIRED
17. Update on the progress of the Willacy County Sheriff's Office, under the direction of Sheriff Jose A Salazar.
18. Approval of Monthly Reports. ACTION REQUIRED
19. Approval of Treasurers Report. ACTION REQUIRED
20. Approval of Travel Request. ACTION REQUIRED.
21. Approval of Tax Collector Report. ACTION REQUIRED
22. Approval of Budget Amendments. ACTION REQUIRED
23. Approval of Claims. ACTION REQUIRED
24. Review of Special Claims.
25. Review monthly reports on jail count.
26. Review of monthly employee overtime report.
27. Adjourn.

THE COURT MET:
PRESENT:

Aurelio Guerra, Jr.,	County Judge,	
Eliberto Guerra,	Commissioner, Precinct 1,	VIA TELECONFERENCE
Oscar De Luna,	Commissioner, Precinct 2,	
Henry De La Paz,	Commissioner, Precinct 3,	VIA TELECONFERENCE
Eduardo Gonzales,	Commissioner, Precinct 4,	
Annette Hinojosa,	County Attorney,	
Maria Del Carmen Maldonado,	County Auditor's Assistant,	VIA TELECONFERENCE
Elizabeth Rios,	County Chief Deputy Clerk,	

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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 – **(Commissioners Eliberto Guerra and Henry De La Paz by Via Teleconference)**
3. Pledge – Commissioner Henry De La Paz Invocation – Commissioner Eduardo Gonzales
4. Public Comments – None

Agenda # 5

IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL
OF PREVIOUS MINUTES AS
FOLLOWS: JANUARY 14, 2021
REGULAR MEETING VIA
TELECONFERENCE, JANUARY 22,
2021 SPECIAL MEETING VIA
TELECONFERENCE, JANUARY 28,
2021 REGULAR MEETING VIA
TELECONFERENCE, JANUARY 28,
2021 ADDENDUM NUMBER 1
REGULAR MEETING VIA
TELECONFERENCE AND FEBRUARY
2, 2021 SPECIAL MEETING VIA
TELECONFERENCE

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner De Luna for approval of previous minutes as follows: January 14, 2021 Regular Meeting Via Teleconference, January 22, 2021 Special Meeting Via Teleconference, January 28, 2021 Regular Meeting Via Teleconference, January 28, 2021 Addendum Number 1 Regular Meeting Via Teleconference and February 2, 2021 Special Meeting 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.

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Agenda # 6
PRESENTATION – TXDOT TO
PROVIDE MONTHLY UPDATES

Presentation by Rene Davila with TxDOT to provide monthly updates on the U.S. 77 Willacy County (South Project), U.S. 77 Willacy/Kenedy (North Project), SH 186 and Highway Routine Maintenance Contract.

Agenda # 7
WILLACY COUNTY ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY
PRESENTATION BY KENT SATERLEE,
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR GULF
OFFSHORE RESEARCH INSTITUTE (GORI)

Willacy County Economic Development Opportunity Presentation by Kent Saterlee, Executive Director for Gulf Offshore Research Institute (GORI).

Agenda # 8
DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE
ACTION TO AWARD MATERIALS
BID(S) FOR THE TXDOT COUNTY
TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE
FUND GRANT

Motion was made by Commissioner De Luna, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales for approval to award Barnhart Trucking Company for materials bid(s) for the TxDOT County Transportation Infrastructure Fund Grant. 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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Agenda # 9
PERMISSION TO APPLY FOR
PARTNERSHIP WITH THE
TEXAS LAW ENFORCEMENT
SUPPORT OFFICE (TXLESO)
PROGRAM

Motion was made by Commissioner De Luna, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales for approval to apply for partnership with the Texas Law Enforcement Support Office (TXLESO) Program. 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 CONTRACT BETWEEN
WILLACY COUNTY AND PCTECH4U
FOR I.T. SERVICES

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner De Luna to table this item. 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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Agenda # 11
DISCUSSION AND ACTION IN
REFERENCE TO BUDGET REVIEW
FOR WILLACY COUNTY COURT
REPORTER

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner De Luna for approval of the following as read by County Judge, Aurelio Guerra, Jr.: Court Reporter Salary – County Court: \$17,648.00 District Court: \$35,298.00 a total of \$52,946.00. County Court will need to make a Budget Amendment from the following accounts to fund the \$17,648.00 share: Move from County Court Account 01-427-301 – Indigent Defense – Adult (\$8,000.00), Administration Account 01-401-180 – Contracts and Legal (\$4,824.00), Health and Welfare – Contracts and Legal (\$4,824.00). Move to: County Court Account 01-427-030 Temporary Personnel, Account 01-427-040 Social Security Taxes and Account 01-427-075 Unemployment Compensation for a total of \$17,648.00; which will be broken down for Salary and Fringes in the County Court Budget Amendment. District Court will need to make a Budget Amendment from the following accounts to fund the \$35,298.00 share: Move from District Court Account 01-436-301 Indigent Defense – Adult (\$18,998.00), Account 01-436-385 Machinery and Equipment > \$500.00 (\$16,300.00). Move to District Court Account 01-436-030 Temporary Personnel, Account 01-436-040 Social Security Taxes and Account 01-436-075 Unemployment Compensation for a total of \$35,298.00; which will be broken down for Salary and Fringes in the District Court Budget Amendment. So, the totals are \$17,648.00 County Court total for Salary and Fringes and \$35,298.00 District Court total for Salary and Fringes. 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 # 12
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
CONSIDER FUNDING A VACCINE
COORDINATOR POSITION AND
ASSISTANT POSITION

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner De Luna for approval to authorize the County Judge, Aurelio Guerra, Jr. to enter into negotiation and execute documents/contracts with Willacy County Emergency EMS to create the Willacy County Vaccination Plan of the expenses associated with it. 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 was made by Commissioner De Luna, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales for approval for Jessica Rodriguez, as the County COVID Liaison to receive a stipend. 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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Agenda # 13
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
APPROVE FINAL PLAT FOR
MULBERRY ESTATES, LOCATED
ON MULBERRY CR. IN PRECINCT 4

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner De Luna to table this item. 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 # 14
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
APPROVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN
WILLACY COUNTY AND HINO GAS
SALES INC. FOR ROAD AND BRIDGE
PRECINCT NUMBER 4

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner De Luna to table this item. 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 # 15
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL
OF NURSE'S RESIGNATION
AND PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE
AND HIRE NEW NURSE

Motion was made by Commissioner De Luna, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales for approval of Nurse's resignation and permission to advertise and hire new nurse. 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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Agenda # 16
DISCUSSION OF PREVENTATIVE
MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT FOR
THE JAIL AS REQUIRED BY JAIL
STANDARDS

Motion was made by Commissioner De Luna, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales to table this item. 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 # 17
UPDATE ON THE PROGRESS
OF THE WILLACY COUNTY
SHERIFF'S OFFICE, UNDER THE
DIRECTION OF SHERIFF JOSE A.
SALAZAR

Update on the progress of the Willacy County Sheriff's Office, under the direction of Sheriff Jose A. Salazar.

Agenda # 18
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL
OF MONTHLY REPORTS

Motion was made by Commissioner De Luna, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales for approval of Monthly Reports, as presented. 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 # 19
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL
OF TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion was made by Commissioner De Luna, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales for approval of Treasurer's Report, as presented. 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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Agenda # 20
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL
OF TRAVEL REQUEST

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

1. Commissioner Precinct 2, Oscar De Luna to South Padre Island, Texas on June 28-July 1, 2021.
2. Commissioner Precinct 3, Henry De La Paz to South Padre Island, Texas on June 28-July 1, 2021.
3. County Judge, Aurelio Guerra, Jr. to South Padre Island, Texas on June 28-July 1, 2021.
4. Constable Precinct 5, Manuel Guerra for the registration/attendance to attend the 206th Basic Peace Officer Course starting March 1, 2021, fee for course will be \$2,500.00 to be paid out of Travel and Training.
5. Commissioner Precincts 1 and 5, Eliberto Guerra to South Padre Island, Texas on June 28-July 1, 2021.
6. Commissioner Precinct 4, Eduardo Gonzales to South Padre Island, Texas on June 28-July 1, 2021.

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 # 21
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, De La Paz and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 22
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL
OF BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Motion was made by Commissioner De Luna, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales for approval of Budget Amendments, as read and presented. 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 # 23
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, De La Paz and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 24
IN REGARDS TO REVIEW
OF SPECIAL CLAIMS

As per the Chairman, Review of Special Claims.

Agenda # 25
REVIEW OF MONTHLY REPORTS
ON JAIL COUNT

As per the Chairman, Review of Monthly Report on Jail Count. There was no inmates.

Agenda # 26
REVIEW OF MONTHLY EMPLOYEE
OVERTIME REPORT

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

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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, De La Paz and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

There being no further action,

Court Adjourned.