

August 17, 2017  
Budget Workshop

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of August, A.D., 2017 there was held a Budget Workshop 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. Budget Workshop.
4. Adjourn.

THE COURT MET:  
PRESENT:

Aurelio Guerra, Jr.,	County Judge,	
Eliberto Guerra,	Commissioner, Precinct 1,	
Oscar De Luna,	Commissioner, Precinct 2,	<b>ABSENT</b>
Henry De La Paz,	Commissioner, Precinct 3,	<b>ABSENT</b>
Eduardo Gonzales,	Commissioner, Precinct 4,	
Annette Hinojosa,	County Attorney,	<b>ABSENT</b>
Ida Martinez,	County Auditor,	
Elizabeth Rios,	County Clerk Deputy,	
Terry Flores,	County Clerk,	

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

PERSONS VISITING THE COURT:  
No one signed in the sign in sheet.

1. Call to Order – Chairman Aurelio Guerra, Jr.
2. Roll Call/Establishment of Quorum – Commissioners De Luna and De La Paz - **ABSENT**

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Agenda # 3  
IN REGARDS TO  
BUDGET WORKSHOP

Chairman Guerra, proceeds with the Budget Workshop. Discussion continues on reference to the Budget for the following departments:

**County Clerk's Office:**

Discussion starts with Terry Flores, County Clerk and Susan Garza, Chief Deputy Clerk on reference to Account Number 210-Rentals asking a \$2,000.00 increase from \$3,735.00 to \$5,740.00. Account Number 180-Contracts and Legal Expense asking a \$3,700.00 increase from \$4,500.00 to \$8,225.00. Also, if possible would like if a part-time position may be given to her.

**District Attorney's Office:**

Discussion starts with Annette Hinojosa, District/County Attorney by stating she has no changes on her budget only asking for some salary increases for her staff, which will be paid from Grant Monies. Mrs. Hinojosa will be getting with Ida Martinez, County Auditor to review the numbers on the Grants, requests to come back on next Budget Workshop.

**Sheriff's Department:**

Discussion starts with Larry Spence, Sheriff, Joe Jimenez, Chief Deputy and Ernie Garcia, Major on reference to Account Number 390-Legal and Library Books increase from \$450.00 to \$475.00, coming out from Account Number 380-Machinery and Equipment <\$500.00. Account Number 115-Gas increase from \$68,990.00 to \$85,000.00. Account Number 200-Repairs and Maintenance increase from \$36,245.00 to \$46,000.00. Account Number 340-Uniforms increase it from \$4,915.00 to \$5,400.00, other changes had already been done by Budget Amendments.

**Jail Department:**

Discussion starts with Larry Spence, Sheriff, Joe Jimenez, Chief Deputy and Ernie Garcia, Major on reference to Account Number 200-Repairs and Maintenance changed to \$38,780.00. A \$5,000.00 amount is to pay Mr. Tijerina for Maintenance Technician as needed, paid from a vacant position.

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales for approval to make a Corporal to a Sargent, two (2) Jailers to Corporal, an amount \$5,000.00 for a Maintenance Technician and the balance to be allocated for the replacement Nurse for holidays, vacations or any absence of regular Nurse. So, it will zero out \$26,533.30 to accommodate the above. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Discussion continues on Account Number 115-Gas increase it to \$13,000.00 and reduce it from Account Number 200-Maintenance/Repairs.

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Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by the Chairman that Court Recess until 3:30 p.m. 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 Recessed.

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Court Reconvened at 4:00 p.m. at the County Judge's Office, 576 West Main, in the City of Raymondville, Texas.

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Eliberto Guerra,	Commissioner, Precinct 1,	
Oscar De Luna,	Commissioner, Precinct 2,	<b>ABSENT</b>
Henry De La Paz,	Commissioner, Precinct 3,	<b>ABSENT</b>
Eduardo Gonzales,	Commissioner, Precinct 4,	
Annette Hinojosa,	County Attorney,	<b>ABSENT</b>
Ida Martinez,	County Auditor,	
Rebeca Saenz,	County Auditor's Assistant,	
Elizabeth Rios,	County Clerk Deputy,	

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

PERSONS VISITING THE COURT:

No one signed the sign in sheet.

Chairman Guerra, continues with discussion on reference to the Budget Workshop. Discussion continues on reference to the Budget for the following departments:

**Justice of the Peace Precinct 1:**

Discussion starts with Justice of the Peace Precinct 1, Judge Yesenia Rosas on reference to asking for her part-time employee to be a full-time employee. Account Number 20-Deputies and Assistants from \$13,200.00 to \$22,000.00. Account Number 210-Rentals to \$488.00. Account Number 35-Other Compensation from \$1,200.00 to \$1,700.00.

**Justice of the Peace Precincts 2 & 4:**

Discussion starts with Justice of the Peace Precincts 2 & 4, Judge Juan Salinas on reference to if they can move the green sign provided by TXDOT to be moved to their offices located at 494 West Hidalgo, Raymondville, Texas. Also, if Dolores Cantu, JP Clerk may be moved to their offices and if she can be a full-time employee instead of a part-time employee. Account Number 35-Other Compensation from \$1,200.00 to \$1,700.00. Account Number 210 to zero out, reason being they share the copier with the Juvenile's Office.

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**Justice of the Peace Precinct 3:**

Discussion continues on reference to Justice of the Peace Precinct 3, Judge Juan Silva was not present due to sick leave. Judge Juan Salinas, requested for his budget to stay the same. Judge Salinas will be getting with Judge Silva if he is needing any changes on his budget. Account Number 35-Other Compensation from \$1,200.00 to \$1,700.00.

**Justice of the Peace Precinct 3:**

Discussion starts with Justice of the Peace Precinct 5, Judge Rodolfo Cantu on reference to Account Number 35-Other Compensation from \$1,200.00 to \$1,700.00.

Chairman Guerra, advises all these changes are just a wish list for all departments. They won't know how they stand not until they finish with all the departments, finalize all the accounts and see how the budget stands. Also, for the \$1,700.00 Other Compensation for Justice of the Peace Precincts 1-5, if approved it will have to publish for the car allowance.

Motion was made Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner Guerra that Court Adjourn. 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