

August 29, 2016
Budget Workshop

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the 29th day of August, A.D., 2016 there was held a Budget Workshop of the Honorable Commissioners' Court of Willacy County, Texas at the Reber Memorial Library Annex Building, 190 North 4th Street, 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,	ABSENT
Alfredo Serrato,	Commissioner, Precinct 3,	
Eduardo Gonzales,	Commissioner, Precinct 4,	ABSENT
Ida Martinez,	County Auditor,	
Bernard Ammerman,	County Attorney,	ABSENT
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.

1. Call to Order – Chairman Aurelio Guerra, Jr.
2. Roll Call/Establishment of Quorum – Commissioners Oscar De Luna and Eduardo Gonzales -
Absent

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Commissioner Oscar De Luna arrives at 8:20 a.m. and Commissioner Eduardo Gonzales arrives at the meeting at 8:38 a.m.

Agenda # 3
IN REGARDS TO
BUDGET WORKSHOP

Chairman starts welcoming everyone and proceeds with the solid waste expenses. Also, talks about the sanitary position.

Discussion continues with Justice of the Peace about hiring the 3 part-timers and 1 full-timer.

The recommendations are as follows for Justice of the Peace Office:

JP Precinct 1- a part time clerk

JP Precinct 2- a full time clerk

JP Precinct 3- a part time clerk

JP Precinct 4 and 5- share a part-time clerk with 28 hours instead of 24 hours (20 hours with JP Precinct 4 and 8 hours with JP Precinct 5)

I-Ticket Program will be purchase estimated cost of \$2,500 per year

New Box with maintenance estimated cost of \$498.00

Purchase of two (2) security doors for the JP's that will occupy the current offices at CASA and Agrilife Offices

Assistance from Workforce Employees and Commissioners' Precinct Staff to help move the furniture maybe in September, 2016.

Motion was made by the Chairman, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales for approval to eliminate Justice of the Peace Administration to restructure and integrate into each individual Justice of the Peace Budgets. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna, Serrato and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Discussion per Chairman approving Budget as submitted changes were on office supplies, bonds, communications and contingency. The break-down of the part timer will be JP Precinct 4 to 20 hours and JP Precinct 5 to 8 hours a total of 28 hours. The extra two hours added another \$1,294.00 reduce it to contingent again, so the first time was \$1,292.00. So, now instead contingent being \$136,096.00 its going to \$129,402.00 this will be with 28 hours.

Motion was made by the Chairman, seconded by Commissioner Serrato for approval to purchase the I-Ticket program to reduce the work load from the Justice of the Peace Offices. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna, Serrato and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Discussion as per the Chairman; to be funded from its own fee charged and also the transaction fee. This budget year will be paid from the Technology on reference to the I-Ticket Program; discussion only.

Motion was made by the Chairman, seconded by Commissioner De Luna for approval to use the JP security account to fund the installing of at least two (2) security doors. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna, Serrato and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Motion was made by the Chairman, seconded by Commissioner De Luna for approval to allocate the Justice of the Peace Offices in the different locations to include the offices of were CASA, Agrilife and Veteran's Office are; the offices of were the JP's Offices are currently; the offices where the Juvenile Office exist; and possibly current District Attorney's Offices. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna, Serrato and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Motion was made by the Chairman for approval to reduce the current sanitation solid waste container budget in Health and Welfare by \$40,000.00 and create a trash security position to be under two (2) Constables and the DA's. Motion dies; due to lack of a second.

Commissioner Serrato leaves the meeting at 11:37 a.m.

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner Guerra for approval to hire a deputy under Constables Precinct 4 and Precinct 5 with all other operational expenses coming out from Administration Expenses. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Motion was made by the Chairman, seconded by Commissioner De Luna for approval of the difference to be posted to the contingent within \$1,000.00. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De Luna and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Discussion; the budget is \$6.9 million, but gave a little cushion and went up to \$7.1 million. For example, last year budgeted \$7.3 million, but gave a little cushion and ended up using \$6.99 million; discussion only.

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