

March 23, 2017
Regular Meeting

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the 23rd day of March, A.D., 2017 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; County Judge Aurelio Guerra has completed 12.5 hours for the Continuing Judicial Education Program.
6. Discussion and Action on Supplemental Easement and Right-of-Way for outlots 73, 74, 75, and 76, Simo Subdivision, Town site of Lyford, Texas between Willacy County and AEP Texas Inc. ACTION REQUIRED
7. Presentation by Naismith and Peter Ravella pertaining to potential use of the Willacy County CIAP Coastal Resource Center in Port Mansfield.
8. Discussion and Action to proclaim April as Fair Housing Month in Willacy County. ACTION REQUIRED
9. Discussion and Action to approve Day of Recognition for National Service (April 4, 2017). ACTION REQUIRED
10. Discussion and Action upon presentation regarding Sam's Credit Account. ACTION REQUIRED
11. Approval of Tax Abatement Agreement for Las Majadas Wind Farm, LLC. ACTION REQUIRED
12. Approval of Resolution of Tax Abatement Agreement for Las Majadas Wind Farm, LLC. ACTION REQUIRED
13. Approval of Oath for Reserve Deputy Constable, Precinct # 4 Alberto Oviedo. ACTION REQUIRED
14. Approval to purchase 1994 Dump Truck (S.N. # 1GBM7H1J8RJ102421) from Laredo District in the amount of \$4,996.00. ACTION REQUIRED
15. Discussion and Action to approve Emergency Management Coordinator Contract between Willacy County Judge, Commissioners Court of Willacy County and Frank Torres. ACTION REQUIRED

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16. Discussion and Action to approve a contract between TransUnion (TLO) and Willacy County to continue to allow access by Willacy County and District Attorney Investigators to conduct research for the performance of the functions for the office. ACTION REQUIRED
17. Discussion and Action on Resolution in Support of the Creation of Willacy County Municipal Utility District No. 1 in the ETJ of the City of Raymondville, Willacy County, Texas. ACTION REQUIRED
18. Discussion and Action on filling vacant position for Justice of the Peace Precinct 2. ACTION REQUIRED
19. Discussion and Action on policy for campaign signs on County grounds. ACTION REQUIRED
20. Approval of Claims. ACTION REQUIRED.
21. Approval of Travel Request. ACTION REQUIRED.
22. Adjourn.

THE COURT MET:
PRESENT:

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

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

PERSONS VISITING THE COURT:
Joe Wetegrove
Mrs. Barrera

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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 Comment(s) – None

Agenda # 5

SPREAD IN THE MINUTES:
COUNTY JUDGE AURELIO
GUERRA HAS COMPLETED
12.5 HOURS FOR THE
CONTINUING JUDICIAL
EDUCATION PROGRAM

As per the Chairman, spread in the minutes certificate showing County Judge, Aurelio Guerra has completed 12.5 hours for the continuing Judicial Education Program.

Agenda # 6

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON
SUPPLEMENTAL EASEMENT AND
RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR OUTLOTS 73,
74, 75 AND 76, SIMO SUBDIVISION,
TOWNSITE OF LYFORD, TEXAS
BETWEEN WILLACY COUNTY AND
AEP TEXAS, INC.

Motion was made by Commissioner De La Paz, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales for approval of Supplemental Easement and Right-of-Way for outlots 73, 74, 75 and 76 Simo Subdivision, Townsite of Lyford, Texas between Willacy County and AEP Texas, Inc. 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 # 7
PRESENTATION BY NAISMITH
AND PETER RAVELLA PERTAINING
TO POTENTIAL USE OF THE
WILLACY COUNTY CIAP COASTAL
RESOURCE CENTER IN PORT
MANSFIELD

Presentation by Craig Thompson with Naismith pertaining to potential use of the Willacy County CIAP Coastal Resource Center in Port Mansfield. Mr. Peter Ravella was unable to attend to the meeting due to health issues.

Commissioner Guerra steps out of the meeting 10:34 a.m. returns back at 10:36 a.m.

Commissioner Guerra did not vote for item number 8.

Agenda # 8
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
PROCLAIM APRIL AS FAIR HOUSING
MONTH IN WILLACY COUNTY

Motion was made by Commissioner De Luna, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales for approval to Proclaim April as Fair Housing Month in Willacy County. 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 # 9
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
APPROVE DAY OF RECOGNITION
FOR NATIONAL SERVICE (APRIL
4, 2017)

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner De Luna for approval to Proclaim April 4, 2017 as National Service Recognition Day. 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 # 10
DISCUSSION AND ACTION
UPON PRESENTATION
REGARDING SAM'S CREDIT
ACCOUNT

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner De La Paz 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 # 11
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL
OF TAX ABATEMENT AGREEMENT
FOR LAS MAJADAS WIND
FARM, LLC

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner De Luna for approval of Tax Abatement Agreement for Las Majadas Wind Farm, LLC. 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
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL
OF RESOLUTION OF TAX
ABATEMENT AGREEMENT FOR
LAS MAJADAS WIND FARM, LLC

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner De Luna for approval of Resolution of Tax Abatement Agreement for Las Majadas Wind Farm, LLC. 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
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL
OF OATH FOR RESERVE DEPUTY
CONSTABLE, PRECINCT # 4
ALBERTO OVIEDO

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner De La Paz for approval of Oath for Reserve Deputy Constable Precinct Number 4, Alberto Oviedo. 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
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL
TO PURCHASE 1994 DUMP
TRUCK (S.N. # 1GBM7H1J8RJ102421)
FROM LAREDO DISTRICT IN
THE AMOUNT OF \$4,996.00

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner De Luna for approval to purchase 1994 Dump Truck (S.N. # 1GBM7H1JBRJ102421) from Laredo District in the amount of \$4,996.00 for Precinct 2. 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
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
APPROVE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
COORDINATOR CONTRACT
BETWEEN WILLACY COUNTY JUDGE,
COMMISSIONERS COURT OF
WILLACY COUNTY AND FRANK
TORRES

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner De Luna for approval of Emergency Management Coordinator Contract between Willacy County Judge, Commissioners Court of Willacy County and Frank Torres retroactive as of October 1st, 2014 based on the contract to be paid out of Health and Welfare. 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 AND ACTION TO
APPROVE A CONTRACT BETWEEN
TRANSUNION (TLO) AND WILLACY
COUNTY TO CONTINUE TO
ALLOW ACCESS BY WILLACY
COUNTY AND DISTRICT ATTORNEY
INVESTIGATORS TO CONDUCT
RESEARCH FOR THE PERFORMANCE
OF THE FUNCTIONS FOR THE OFFICE

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner De La Paz for approval of contract between TransUnion (TLO) and Willacy County to continue to allow access by Willacy County and District Attorney Investigators to conduct research for the performance of the functions for the office. 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
DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON
RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF
THE CREATION OF WILLACY
COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY
DISTRICT NO. 1 IN THE ETJ OF
THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE,
WILLACY COUNTY, TEXAS

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner Guerra 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 # 18
DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON
FILLING VACANT POSITION
FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE
PRECINCT 2

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales for approval for Justice of the Peace Precinct 4, Juan Salinas to fill the vacant position of Justice of the Peace Precinct 2, given him the responsibilities and the authority to use of Precinct 2 Budget. 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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Commissioner Guerra steps out of the meeting at 12:22 p.m. and returns at 12:24 p.m.

Agenda # 19
DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON
POLICY FOR CAMPAIGN SIGNS
ON COUNTY GROUNDS

Motion was made by Commissioner De La Paz, seconded by Commissioner De Luna for approval to allow one sign per candidate maximum, size of 4x8 in front of the Annex Building and must be removed within three (3) days of the end of Early Voting or Election, effective immediately. 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 # 20
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL
OF CLAIMS

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner De Luna 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 # 21
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, as long they are in the County Guidelines:

1. Extension Office, Matthew Rodriguez to Pearsall, Texas on March 28, 2017.
2. County Treasurer's Office, Jacob Quilantan to Lost Pines, Texas on April 17-20, 2017.
3. Constable Precinct 3, Ben Vera to Huntsville, Texas on April 9-14, 2017.
4. Extension Office, Matthew Rodriguez to Kingsville, Texas on April 8, 2017.
5. Extension Office, Matthew Rodriguez to Brownwood, Texas on April 21-23, 2017.

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