

ON THIS THE 12TH DAY OF APRIL 2021, BEING THE SECOND MONDAY OF THE MONTH, THE HONORABLE DIMMIT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT CONVENED IN REGULAR SESSION, AT THE DIMMIT COUNTY COURTHOUSE "ANNEX", WITH MEMBERS PRESENT TO-WIT :

FRANCISCO G. PONCE
COUNTY JUDGE

JOSE A. URENDA
COMMISSIONER PCT. 1

JUAN R. CARMONA
COMMISSIONER PCT. 3



ALONSO G. CARMONA
COMMISSIONER PCT. 2

VALERIE RUBALCABA
COMMISSIONER PCT. 4

MARIO Z. GARCIA
COUNTY CLERK & EX-OFFICIO CLERK
OF COMMISSIONERS COURT

VISITORS SIGNED-IN: Daniel M. Gonzalez Chris Castañeda Brett Meyer Alicia Sanchez Mirtha C. Hernandez Yvette Nesmith Eric Olivera Robert Balderas Mary Sandoval Patsy M. Galvan Elidoro De Leon Estela M. Villarreal Christine Cardona-Guerrero Vanessa D. Briseño Myra Rubalcaba Leticia Carmona Carlos Pereda Florinda Perez Eva Elizondo Bernice Criel Dan Hejl Osvaldo Perez Luciano Quintanilla Patty Twentyfive Gabriel Riojas Maricela G. Gonzalez Dora Balderas Aleida Garcia Andres Arambula Marisel Muñoz Chris Plaster

OTHER VISITORS: Jose Galvan Joel Guerrero Michelle Garcia Ruby Tristan Celia Flores-Hernandez

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THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS DISCUSSED, CONSIDERED, PASSED OR ADOPTED TO-WIT :

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1.

ADMINISTRATIVE

1.1 CALL MEETING TO ORDER

1.3 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND SALUTE TO THE TEXAS FLAG

1.2 ROLL CALL

1.4 TESTIMONIAL OATH OF PRESENTERS

County Judge **Francisco G. Ponce** Called the Meeting to Order [**10:00 AM**]; County Clerk **Mario Z Garcia** conducted Roll Call of Court Members with a Full Quorum present so duly noted for the Record. Court Members led the Pledge of Allegiance and Salute to The Texas Flag. Presenters addressing the Court acknowledged the Testimonial Oath.

1.5 PUBLIC COMMENT

a) **Juan Carmona**-Commsr. Pct. 3, RE:-- **1)** Request (03/29/2021) to Close Tortuga Ranch RD; landowner now prefers to only install a Gate, **2)** Pct. 3-- Truck previously headed for purchase from City of Big Wells; now to transfer to R&B Pct. 2--- **3)** R&B Pct. 3 will assist City CS w/ Alamo St. paving project

b) **Jose Urenda**-Commsr. Pct. 1, RE:-- (NEXT AGENDA ITEM) proposal to enforce/curtail heavy Traffic on Vandervoort RD and Urenda Loop and related matters

c) **Valerie Rubalcaba**-Commsr. Pct. 4, RE:--Appreciation for assistance at Annual Easter Egg Hunt at Asherton Recreation Center --400+ baskets distributed

1.6 APPROVED: MINUES OF REGULAR MEETING – MARCH 22, 2021

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Juan Carmona

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :

MINUTES of Regular Meeting held on March 22, 2021 as presented .

MOTION CARRIED.

1. **ADMINISTRATIVE, contd.,**

1.7 **APPROVED: MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING – MARCH 29, 2021**

MOTION: Juan Carmona SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT **APPROVE :**
MINUTES of Special Meeting held on March 29, 2021 as presented . **MOTION CARRIED.**

2. **PERSONNEL & POLICY**

2.1 **APPROVAL OF BONDS**

[RE:--no Bonds timely submitted for approval] NO MOTION PRESENTED.

2.2 **APPROVE: PROCLAMATION : RECOGNITION OF CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK RETIREMENT – COUNTY CLERK’S OFFICE**

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT **APPROVE :**
PROCLAMATION : April 16, 2021 as **“JOSEFA (Pepa) ORTIZ DE LEON DAY”** in Dimmit County, TX in Recognition for 20 Years of
Service as Chief Deputy Clerk in the Dimmit County Clerk’s Office as presented . **MOTION CARRIED. *attachment**

2.3 **TABLED: MONTHLY REPORT – RODEO ARENA EVENT COORDINATOR**

[RE:--no one present to address this Item; Report submitted]
MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT **APPROVE TO :**
TABLE this Item . **MOTION CARRIED.**

2.4 **APPROVED: MONTHLY REPORT – CONSTABLE PCT. 1**

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Juan Carmona THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT **APPROVE :**
REPORT for Month of March 2021 from Constable **Luciano Quintanilla** as presented . **MOTION CARRIED. *attachment**
DISCUSSION:--Vests for Constables; status on Reserve Deputy Constable **MOTION CARRIED. *attachment**

2.5 **APPROVED: MONTHLY REPORT – CONSTABLE PCT. 2**

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT **APPROVE :**
REPORT for Month of March 2021 from Constable **Andres Arambula** as presented . **MOTION CARRIED. *attachment**

2.6 **APPROVED: MONTHLY REPORT – CONSTABLE PCT. 3**

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT **APPROVE :**
REPORT for Month of March 2021 from Constable **Robert Balderas** as presented . **MOTION CARRIED. *attachment**
DISCUSSION:-- 1) having to drive to Valero in CS for gas fill-up; no Valero in Big Wells— fuel budget “dissipating”-
2) if considering Deputy Constable(s) for Balderas, that they be bonded and not employed elsewhere—**3)** Constable Balderas
purchased vest for himself; county will reimburse **MOTION CARRIED. *attachment**

2.7 **APPROVED: MONTHLY REPORT – CONSTABLE PCT. 4**

MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT **APPROVE :**
REPORT for Month of March 2021 from Constable **Jose Galvan** as presented . **MOTION CARRIED. *attachment**

2.8 **APPROVED: MONTHLY REPORT – MEDSHIELD AMBULANCE**

MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Alonso Carmona THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT **APPROVE :**
REPORT for Month of March 2021 from ADMIN Director **Eric Olivarez** for MedShield Ambulance as presented .
DISCUSSION:--status on Radio’s..COURT: consider utilizing radios from old Patrol Vehicles; Chris (it Dept) to assist
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2.9 **APPROVED: RE-SALE BID PROPERTY IN HOMESTEAD TERRACE ADDITION, CARRIZO SPRINGS, TX**

MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Juan Carmona THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT **APPROVE :**
RE-SALE BID on trustee property, to-wit : “Lot 9, Block 12, Homestead Terrace Addition, to City of Carrizo Springs, Dimmit
County, Texas”, Tax Office Property ID Number 13032, (Tax Suit 16-08-02784-DTX, City of Carrizo Springs vs. Carlos Maciel, Et.
Ux., Et. Al) from **Maria G. Martinez (\$3,500.00)** as presented . **MOTION CARRIED. *attachment**

2.10 **DISCUSSION/COURT ADVISORY: CONCERNING TELEPHONE SYSTEM AT COURTHOUSE BUILDINGS**

[RE:--issues w/new carrier; calls being re-routed from old system—office staff having to use personal cell phones to make out-
calls--AT&T has not moved numbers; Helifax has numbers now—**COURT ADVISORY:** IT Dept. to proceed and [sic] get new
numbers ...now/today] NO MOTION PRESENTED.

2. PERSONNEL & POLICY, contd.,

2.11 APPROVED: REINSTATE BURN BAN

MOTION: Jose Urenda SECOND: Juan Carmona

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE TO :

Reinstate Burn BAN [sic] ORDER Prohibiting Outdoor Burning for next 90 days from to-date as presented.

DISCUSSION: -- include language, i.e., a Permit is required for "controlled" burning—post Order/Ban in County website

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2.12 APPROVED: HIRING – ROAD & BRIDGE PCT. 4

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Jose Urenda

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :

HIRING one, Temporary Full-Time Employee for R&B Pct. 4 as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.

2.13 APPROVED: (subject to) ASSIST CITY OF CARRIZO SPRINGS DEMOLISH HOUSE DESTROYED BY FIRE

MOTION: Juan Carmona SECOND: Jose Urenda

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :

Road & Bridge Pct. 2 to assist the City of Carrizo Springs to demolish the residence of Charles and Vera Issac, 1207 W.. Nopal St., which was destroyed by fire and as requested by City of Carrizo Springs Authority and pursuant to COURT ADVISORY: that this effort will "Serve a Public Purpose" for the health and safety of area residents and to avoid any hazardous incidents ...subject to a Waiver executed by the owners (Issac) not to hold the County liable for any incidents during the tearing down or hauling away of any/all debris as presented.

NOTED:--other R&B Pcts. to assist

MOTION CARRIED.

2.14 APPROVED: OPEN-CLOSE BIDDING : MIDWAY PARK PROJECT

[RE:--County Judge Francisco G. Ponce duly opened and read aloud the three (3) timely Bids submitted :

BIDDER:	BOAT RAMP:	BOAT RAMP & CULVERT :
1. Spencer Construction, LLC (Tucson, AZ)	302,485.00	396,247.00
2. J & J Excavating & Materials (Crystal City)	225,357.63	301,196.26
3. BEGA PAVING, INC. (Eagle Pass)	291,460.00	406,995.00

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MOTION: Juan Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :

the Accepting, Opening and Closing of all Bidding for the Midway Park Project and designate County Auditor to analyze Bids for recommendation and report, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED. *attachments

2.15 APPROVED: PREPARE BID - (PCT. 3) HENRICHSON ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT WORK ORDER

MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Jose Urenda

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :

TxDOT CTIF Program Task Work Order to provide professional services to prepare BID documents to improve an approximate 2-Mile road section of Henrichson Road as presented.

DISCUSSION:--concerns w/Fees, i.e., mobilization, surveys, engineer

MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

2.16 TABLED: ROAD BOND PROGRAM YEARS 2019'/2021' HLA PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT TO PREPARE BID DOCUMENTS TO IMPROVE AN APPROXIMATE 1,400 LINEAR FOOT ROAD SECTION OF RUTH ROAD IN THE ESPANTOSA SUBDIVISION

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Jose Urenda

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE TO :

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2.17 APPROVED: PREPARE BID – (PCT. 2) WILLIAMS ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT WORK ORDER

MOTION: Jose Urenda SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :

TxDOT CTIF Program HLA Task Work Order to provide professional services to prepare BID documents to improve an approximate 2-Mile road section of Williams Road as presented.

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2.18 APPROVED: PREPARE BID – (PCT.2) ROAD BOND PROGRAM ZAMBRANO ROAD ROADWAY PROJECT

MOTION: Juan Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :

Road BOND Program for Years 2019 and 2021 HLA professional services to prepare BID documents to perform asphalt and concrete spot pavement repairs, crack seal and surface course overlay on an approximate ½ Mile road section of Zambrano Road as presented.

MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

2.19 **TABLED:** TxDOT CTIF PROGRAM HLA TASK WORK ORDER TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES TO PREPARE BID DOCUMENTS TO PERFORM ASPHALT AND CONCRETE SPOT PAVEMENT REPAIRS, CRACK SEAL AND SURFACE COURSE OVERLAY ON AN APPROXIMATE 8-MILE SECTION OF FAITH RANCH ROAD.

DISCUSSION:-- Dan Hejl [sic] portion of cement edges need to be repaired due to the on-going heavy traffic—Other: La Bandera Ranch now has a new owner—(Question) if the county can condemn piece of property to do this type of work ?

MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Alonso Carmona

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT **APPROVE TO :**

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3. **LAW ENFORCEMENT**

3.1 **APPROVED:** (subject to) **PURCHASE INNER/OUTER BODY ARMOR VESTS**

[RE:-- **SUMMARY:**--need 21 inner vests (Level 3, good for 5 years); need 16 outer vests (more expensive due to its heavier plate) Estimated Total Purchase : \$87,200.—majority of current inner vests have “expired”]

MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Alonso Carmona

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT **APPROVE :**

PURCHASE of the Vests [sic] with the understanding to fund purchase out of the Forfeiture Fund and **subject to** obtaining, first, a Final Price, research if can purchase thru Buy Board and a Budget Amendment (Next Agenda Item) as presented .

MOTION CARRIED.

3.2 **TABLED:** **REQUEST and APPROVAL TO PURCHASE PATROL RIFLES FOR DEPUTIES and CONSTABLES THAT DO NOT HAVE ONE ISSUED and AMMUNITION**

[RE:--estimate to purchase 18 rifles]

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT **APPROVE TO :**

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3.3 **APPROVED:** **TRAVEL REQUEST – JAIL ADMINISTRATOR and JAIL CAPTAIN**

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Jose Urenda

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT **APPROVE :**

TRAVEL request/expenses for Jail ADMIN. **Osvaldo Perez** and Jail Captain **Maricela Hernandez** to attend : Texas Jail Association 35th Annual Conference, May 10-14, 2021 in Austin, TX as presented .

MOTION CARRIED.

***attachments**

3.4 **APPROVED:** **JAIL STATUS and SHERIFF DEPARTMENT REPORT/STATUS**

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT **APPROVE :**

Activity REPORT for Month of March 2021 for Sheriff Department as presented .

MOTION CARRIED.

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DISCUSSION:--stolen vehicles in Report ? (illegal pursuits)

MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Jose Urenda

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT **APPROVE :**

Jail Status REPORT for Month of March 2021 from Jail ADMIN. **Osvaldo Perez** as presented .

DISCUSSION:--RE: recent Jail Inspection, i.e., 30 days to fix issue w/Jailer Compliance Plan **MOTION CARRIED.** ***attachment**

4. **GRANTS & PLANNING / REGULATORY COMPLIANCE**

[RE: Quote Compliance obtained]

4.1 **APPROVED:** **PURCHASE – JAIL CELL LAVATORY**

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Jose Urenda

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT **APPROVE :**

PURCHASE of combination Lavatory Toilet for Cell at County Jail (ZORO, \$2,071.99) .

MOTION CARRIED.

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4.2 **APPROVED:** **PURCHASE – EQUIPMENT FOR METROPLEX**

[RE:--Quote Compliance obtained]

MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Alonso Carmona

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT **APPROVE :**

PURCHASE of motor for four-pole Car Lift at the Metroplex (Automotive Business Concepts, \$ 845.43) as presented .

MOTION CARRIED.

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4.3 **APPROVED:** **PURCHASE – FLO METER FOR BRUNDAGE WATER SYSTEM**

[RE:--Quote Compliance obtained]

MOTION: Jose Urenda SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT **APPROVE :**

PURCHASE of a Flo Meter for Brundage Water System (USA Bluebook, \$2,443.19) .

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4. GRANTS & PLANNING, contd.,

JOINT AGENDA ITEMS :

4.4 APPROVED: ACCEPT-OPEN-CLOSE ENGINEER RFQ PACKETS-2021-2022 TxCDBG CD APPLICATION

4.5 APPROVED: ACCEPT-OPEN-CLOSE ENGINEER RFQ PACKETS-2021-2022 TxCDBG COLONIA APPLICATION

[RE:--County Judge Francisco G. Ponce duly opened and read aloud the RFQ Packets timely submitted :

2021-2022 TxCDBG CD APPLICATION:

Hejl, Lee & Associates, Inc. (Hutto, TX)
Vickrey & Associates, LLC (San Antonio)

2021-2022 TxCDBG COLONIA APPLICATION:

Hejl, Lee & Associates, Inc. (Hutto, TX)
Vickrey & Associates, LLC (San Antonio)
Morris P. Hebert, Inc. (San Antonio)
Hanson Profession Services, Inc. (Corpus Christi)]

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Jose Urenda

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT **APPROVE :**

Accepting, Opening of and Closing for all Engineer RFQ Packets for the 2021-2022 TxCDBG CD Application and for the 2021-2022 TxCDBG Colonia Application as presented .

MOTION CARRIED. *attachments

JOINT AGENDA ITEMS:

4.6 APPROVED: APPOINT SELECTION REVIEW COMMITTEE FOR 2021-2022 TxCDBG CD APPLICATION

4.7 APPROVED: APPOINT SELECTION REVIEW COMMITTEE FOR 2021-2022 TxCDBG COLONIA APPLICATION

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT **APPROVE TO :**

APPOINT : Christine Cardona-Guerrero, Valerie Rubalcaba, Jose Urenda, Carlos Pereda and Michelle Garcia to serve on the Selection Review COMMITTEE for the 2021-2022 TxCDBG CD APPLICATION and the 2021-2022 TxCDBG COLONIA APPLICATION as presented .

MOTION CARRIED.

4.8 TABLED: ADDITIONAL SERVICES FOR THE JUSTICE OF THE PEACE BUILDING, DIMMIT COUNTY, PCT 4 BY FISHER HECK ARCHITECTS

[RE:--to Re-Bid]

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Jose Urenda

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT **APPROVE TO :**

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4.9 STATUS REPORTS

[RE:--LANDFILL:--open in late June; Building will house Admin., Scale, Storage, Tire Storage, Pad, equipment storage—COVID-19 :--Vaccine now only once per week, 45% in County have received vaccines—majority of cases contained at the Detention Center]

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Jose Urenda

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT **APPROVE :**

Status Reports as presented .

MOTION CARRIED.

5. FINANCIAL

5.1 APPROVED: REIMBURSEMENT – 365TH FAMILY JUVENILE CRT. COORD.

MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Jose Urenda

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT **APPROVE :**

REIMBURSEMENT for 365th Family & Juvenile CRT.COORD. Melissa Garcia for expenses incurred w/mileage, meals on March 11, 2021, as presented .

MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

5.2 APPROVED: CLAIM DOCKET

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT **APPROVE :**

CLAIM DOCKET (Claims, Travel, Reimbursement, Purchase Order) FUNDS : General Fund(\$722,437.15), Airport Fund(\$69.30), Courthouse Security(\$3,747.25), RCDS/MGMT County Clerk(\$112.87), Utilities(\$57,350.47), Stone Garden (\$73,004.34) CTIF-TXDOT(\$26,060.00), DC Payroll (\$261,704.99), CO's-2019(\$199,901.59) GRAND TOTAL: **\$1,344,387.96**, as presented.

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6. EXECUTIVE SESSION

[NON-ACTION ITEM]

7. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

[NON-ACTION ITEM]

8.

PUBLIC SAFETY CORPORATION

8.1 NEW BUSINESS

[NON-ACTION ITEM]

8.2 PERSONNEL and EXPENDITURES

[NON-ACTION ITEM]

8.3 APPROVED: CLAIM DOCKET

MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Alonso Carmona
Public Safety Corp. Fund (\$4,191.26) as presented .

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
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9. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba
Adjourn Meeting [12:20 PM] .

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE TO :
MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVED:

FRANCISCO G. PONCE, COUNTY JUDGE

ATTEST:

MARIO ZUVIA GARCIA, COUNTY CLERK