

ON THIS THE 10TH DAY OF AUGUST 2020, 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 :

MIKE URIEGAS
COMMISSIONER PCT. 1

FRANCISCO G. PONCE
COUNTY JUDGE

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: Osvaldo Perez Luciano Quintanilla Eric Olivarez Nestor Salinas Daniel Estrada Ruth A. Ceniseros Leticia Carmona Carlos Pereda Christine Guerrero Chris Plaster David Ojeda, Jr. Mary Sandoval Daniel M. Gonzalez

OTHER VISITORS: Robert Tijerina

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

1. ADMINISTRATIVE

- 1.1 CALL MEETING TO ORDER
- 1.2 ROLL CALL
- 1.3 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND SALUTE TO THE TEXAS FLAG
- 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) **Valerie Rubalcaba**-Commsr. Pct. 4, RE:--Statistics Report for Dimmit County from South Texas Food Bank, i.e., 529,000 pounds of food provided since COVID-19 crisis began; an increase of 912% in pounds of food compared to last year
*attachment

1.6 APPROVED: MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING – JULY 27, 2020
MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
MINUTES of Regular Meeting held on July 27, 2020 as presented . MOTION CARRIED.

1.7 APPROVED: MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING – AUGUST 3, 2020
MOTION: Mike Uriegas SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
MINUTES of Special Meeting held on August 3, 2020 as presented . MOTION CARRIED.

2. PERSONNEL & POLICY

2.1 APPROVAL OF BONDS
[RE:--no Bond(s) timely submitted for approval] NO MOTION PRESENTED.

2.2 NON-ACTION ITEM : MONTHLY REPORT – RODEO ARENA EVENT COORDINATOR
*attachment

2. PERSONNEL & POLICY, contd.,

2.3 Tabled: TRANSFER CUSTODIAN TO FILL POSITION VACANT BY EVENT COORDINATOR

MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Mike Uriegas THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE TO :
TABLE this Item MOTION CARRIED.

2.4 Tabled: MONTHLY REPORT – CONSTABLE PCT. 1

[RE:--no one present to address this Item]

MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Mike Uriegas THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE TO :
TABLE this Item

NOTED:--discussion to consider Issue Process (?) for services not being rendered—Auditor to research MOTION CARRIED.

2.5 Tabled: MONTHLY REPORT – CONSTABLE PCT. 2

[RE:--no one present to address this Item]

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE TO :
TABLE this Item MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

2.6 APPROVED: MONTHLY REPORT – CONSTABLE PCT. 3

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Juan Carmona

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :

REPORT for Months of June, July 2020 from Constable Pct. 3-Ruth Ceniseros . MOTION CARRIED. *attachment(s)

2.7 Tabled: MONTHLY REPORT – CONSTABLE PCT. 4

[RE:--no one present to address this Item]

MOTION: Mike Uriegas SECOND: Alonso Carmona THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE TO :
TABLE this Item MOTION CARRIED.

2.8 APPROVED: MONTHLY REPORT – MEDSHIELD AMBULANCE

MOTION: Mike Uriegas SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :

REPORT for Month of July 2020 from Eric Olivarez for Medshield Ambulance . MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

[AGENDA ITEMS 6. and 7. TAKEN OUT OF SEQUENCE]

6. EXECUTIVE SESSION (Cause No. 13-05-11980-DCV/EMS)

[10:19 A.M.]

7. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

[10:47 A.M.]

[RE:-- no Motion(s) presented]

2.9 APPROVED: OPEN-CLOSE BIDDING : EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

[RE:--County Judge Francisco G. Ponce opened and read aloud the one (1) Bid timely submitted :

1. Med Shield Ambulance (Carrizo Springs) Proposal Fee : \$ 288,000.00]

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
Opening and Closing of all BIDDING for Emergency Medical Services for review, recommendation and forward bid information to City of Carrizo Springs as presented .

NOTED/DISCUSSION:-- Ambulance Fleet : 3 daily (also for 9-1-1 calls), 1 "on call" truck = 4; do not dedicate specific number of ambulances for Dimmit County (not in contract language); always have 1 for 9-1-1 calls; COURT ADVISORY : be proactive to recognize location of caller needing EMS
MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

2.10 APPROVED: (PROCEED) PLAN OF FINANCE TO ISSUE ONE OR MORE SERIES CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2020

[RE:--NOTED/DISCUSSION: TGL Financial Consulting Advisor Robert A. Tijerina addressed Court w/preliminary sources, uses for Bond proceeds (\$5M), i.e., major intentions of this court (EX: construct building, county road improvements)which he (Tijerina) will confirm w/ Bond Counsel (Aguilera)—Tax Rate now: 29.29, w/the CO's : 29.27 which will still have a tax decrease--\$53M increase in Values this year—court allowed to change loan amount but cannot go higher than \$5M]

MOTION: Juan Carmona SECOND: Alonso Carmona THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE TO :
consider and proceed with Plan of Finance to Issue One or More Series of Certificates of Obligations, Authorizing County Staff, Bond Counsel and Financial Advisor to proceed with such financing and Approving other Matters incident and related thereto, as presented .
MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

2. PERSONNEL & POLICY, contd.,

2.11 APPROVED: RESOLUTION (w/Caveat)- AUTHORIZING AND PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ISSUE SERIES OF CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION AND OTHER MATTERS

MOTION: Juan Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
RESOLUTION by the Commissioners Court of Dimmit County, Texas Authorizing and approving Publication of NOTICE of Intention to issue one or more Series of Certificates of Obligation and providing for other Matters in connection therewith i.e. adding Caveat if this Court needs to clarify language for use of the Bond Monies, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

2.12 APPROVED: COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE – 1) ORDER OF GENERAL ELECTION, NOVEMBER 3, 2020, 2) AGREEMENT FOR JOINT ELECTION w/CSCISD GENERAL ELECTION and 3) CONTRACT w/ZAVALA-DIMMIT COUNTIES WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT TO CONDUCT BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION

[RE:--partial "checklist" in preparing for the General Election and assisting Entities whose May 3 Elections were postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic]

1)

MOTION: Juan Carmona SECOND: Alonso Carmona THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
ORDER and Publication of General Election to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2020 for electing county and precinct officers (Article XVI, Sec. 65 Texas Constitution) as presented .

MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

2)

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
Interlocal Cooperation AGREEMENT between Dimmit County and Carrizo Springs CISD for a Joint General and CSISD Trustees Election on November 3, 2020 as presented .

MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

3)

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
CONTRACT between Dimmit County and The Zavala-Dimmit Counties Water Improvement District #1 to conduct their Board of Directors Election on November 3, 2020 as presented .

MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

2.13 APPROVED: (subject to) ADDENDUM TO CONTRACT w/ FORTE PAYMENTS, INC.

[RE:--clarification w/regard to the settlement funds and the Agreement]

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
Addendum to CONTRACT w/ Forte Payments, Inc. ...subject to review of Contract by Legal Counsel/ County Attorney .

MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

2.14 APPROVED: AUTHORIZATION – COUNTY JUDGE NEGOTIATIONS w/ CSA FOR DEVELOPMENT OF PROPERTY

MOTION: Juan Carmona SECOND: Alonso Carmona THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
AUTHORIZATION for County Judge Francisco G. Ponce to enter into negotiations w/ Community Services Agency (CSA) on the Development of Property ID NO. 63839 as presented .

NOTED/DISCUSSION:--area located between N. 9th St. and N. Hwy. 83—two(2) separate buildings, i.e., MRGDC building and buildings for Elderly Nutrition Center and CSA Admin Offices—to consider Design Built construction

MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

3. LAW ENFORCEMENT

3.1 APPROVED: HIRING – JAILER

MOTION: Mike Uriegas SECOND: Alonso Carmona THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
HIRING of Joshua Xavier Perez to fill open Jailer position as presented .

NOTED:--Perez [sic] started last week w/starting pay scale rate

MOTION CARRIED.

3.2 APPROVED: TRAVEL REQUEST – SECURITY GUARDS

MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Alonso Carmona THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
TRAVEL request/expenses for Cameron Gamez, Rogelio Garza to attend : (ALERT) Advance Law Enforcement Readiness Training, August 26-28, 2020 in Round Rock, TX as presented .

MOTION CARRIED. *attachment(s)

3.3 APPROVED: MONTHLY REPORT(S) - JAIL STATUS , SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT STATUS

1)

MOTION: Mike Uriegas SECOND: Juan Carmona THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
REPORT for Month of July 2020 from Jail Adminrator Osvaldo Perez for Jail Operations as presented .

NOTED/DISCUSSION:--Inspection next Tues.-Wed.; Pen Packets for transfers—sanitizing procedures continue—to-date: 16 Inmates testing positive, 3 Jailers same

MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

3.3 STATUS REPORTS, contd.,
2)

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
Activity REPORT for Month of July 202 from Chief Deputy Sheriff Luciano Quintanilla for Sheriff's Department as presented .
NOTED/DISCUSSION:--Traffic Control Officers--responsibilities for care of vehicles--currently 29 Officers
MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

4. GRANTS & PLANNING / REGULATORY COMPLIANCE

4.1 APPROVED: HIRING – SANITATION DEPARTMENT

MOTION: Juan Carmona SECOND: Alonso Carmona THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
HIRING of a Full-Time Employee for the Sanitation Department, effective: 08/04/2020. MOTION CARRIED.

4.2 STATUS REPORT(s)

[RE:--LANDFILL : still no protests (from area landowners)--ASHERTON PROJECT:--Design complete (few changes); project back on track, nearing the Bid process--HOME : --new contact (Salazar) w/ TDHCA office ; will have to re-start project]

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
Status REPORTS as presented . MOTION CARRIED.

5. FINANCIAL

JOINT AGENDA ITEMS :

5.1 APPROVED: REIMBURSEMENT – 365TH FAMILY & JUVENILE COURT COORDINATOR

5.2 APPROVED: REIMBURSEMENT – 36TH COURT REPORTER

MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Alonso Carmona THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
REIMBURSEMENT(s) for 365th Family & Juvenile CRT. COORD. Melissa Garcia and 365th CRT. Reporter Patricia Salinas for expenses incurred w/ mileage and meals . MOTION CARRIED.

5.3 APPROVED: CLAIMS

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Juan Carmona THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
List of CLAIMS as presented . MOTION CARRIED.

5.4 APPROVED: CLAIMS DOCKET

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
GENERAL FUND (\$709,759.25), AIRPORT FUND (\$3,286.55), COURTHOUSE SECURITY FUND (\$4,289.01), RCDS/MGMT. COUNTY CLERK FUND 1,331.19), UTILITIES FUND (\$46,207.66), EQUITABLE SHARING FUND (\$3,339.25), RODEO ARENA FUND (\$8,910.35), STONE GARDEN FUND (\$29,604.02), DC PAYROLL FUND (\$287,338.54), INTEREST & SINKING FUND (\$8,608,746.00) CO's-2018 FUND (\$66,567.16), CO's-2019 FUND (\$814,478.44)...Grand Total : \$10,583,857.42 as presented .

NOTED/DISCUSSION:--last payment Interest & Sinking for this year MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

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: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
PUBLIC FACILITY FUND docket (\$3,412.48) as presented . MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

9. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE TO :
Adjourn Meeting [12:40 PM] . MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

FRANCISCO G. PONCE, COUNTY JUDGE

MARIO Z. GARCIA, COUNTY CLERK