

ON THIS THE 12TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2022, BEING THE SECOND MONDAY OF THE MONTH, THE HONORABLE DIMMIT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT CONVENED IN REGULAR SESSION, AT THE DIMMIT COUNTY COURTHOUSE "ANNEX", 212 N. 4th St., CARRIZO SPRINGS, TEXAS, WITH MEMBERS PRESENT TO-WIT :



JOSE A. URENDA
COMMISSIONER PCT. 1

JUAN R. CARMONA
COMMISSIONER PCT. 3



ALONSO G. CARMONA
COMMISSIONER PCT. 2

VALERIE RUBALCABA
COMMISSIONER PCT. 4

MARIO ZUVIA GARCIA
COUNTY CLERK & EX-OFFICIO CLERK
OF COMMISSIONERS COURT

VISITORS SIGNED-IN: Robert Balderas Carissa Muñoz Alyssa Cruz Gabriel Riojas Leticia Carmona Lupe Puentes Mary Sandoval
Christine Cardona-Guerrero Ricardo Ramirez, Jr. Dan Hejl Daniel M. Gonzalez

OTHER VISITORS: Jose Galvan Carlos Pereda Marko De Leon Marcos Mendez Araceli Gonzalez

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

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ADMINISTRATIVE

- 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

Senior Commissioner Juan R. Carmona Called the Meeting to Order [10:00 AM]; County Clerk Mario Z Garcia conducted Roll Call of Court Members with a Quorum present and the Absence of County Judge Francisco G. Ponce 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 Testimony of Oath.

1.5 PUBLIC COMMENT

a) Valerie Rubalcaba-Commsr. Pct. 4, RE:- Advisory that her Cell Phone is [sic] broken

1.6 APPROVED: MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING – NOVEMBER 28, 2022

MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
MINUTES of Regular Meeting held on November 28, 2022 as presented . MOTION CARRIED.

PERSONNEL & POLICY

2.1 APPROVAL OF BONDS

MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
BOND(s) for Commsr. Pct. 2-Alonso G. Carmona, JP Pct. 4-Alfredo Martinez and Constable Pct. 3-Robert Balderas
MOTION CARRIED.

2. PERSONNEL & POLICY, contd.,

2.2 APPROVED: MONTHLY REPORT – COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
REPORT for Month of October, November 2022 from Alyssa Cruz as presented. MOTION CARRIED. *attachments

2.3 APPROVED: MONTHLY REPORT – BLT EXTENSION AGENT

MOTION: Jose Urenda SECOND: Alonso Carmona THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
REPORT for Month of November 2022 from Carissa Muñoz as presented .

NOTED:--Asherton ISD properties now Deeded to Dimmit County; R&B Pct. 4 Commissioner to undertake mission to upgrade buildings/facilities for Public Purpose Use MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

2.4 APPROVED: MONTHLY REPORT – RODEO ARENA EVENT COORDINATOR

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
REPORT for Month of November 2022 from Guadalupe Puente as presented .

NOTED:--Asherton REC Center: Use for basketball only; once HS Auditorium upgraded will designate for social event use—Big Wells REC Center: upcoming Toy for Kids event changed to “curbside” pick-up due to COVID---Rodeo Arena: to remove grass around gutter spouts; to add base rock MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

2.5 TABLED: CONSIDERATION OF CANDIDATE FOR COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT-FAMILY and COMMUNITY HEALTH POSITION WITH TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION

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

2.6 TABLED: MONTHLY REPORT – CONSTABLE PCT. 2, ANDRES ARAMBULA

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

2.7 APPROVED: MONTHLY REPORT – CONSTABLE PCT. 3

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
REPORT for Month of November 2022 from Robert Balderas as presented. MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

2.8 APPROVED: HIRING – CONSTABLE PCT. 3

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
Constable Robert Balderas HIRING a new Deputy as presented .

NOTED:--3 Month compliance from last county employment completed MOTION CARRIED.

2.9 APPROVED: MONTHLY REPORT – CONSTABLE PCT. 4

MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
REPORT for Month of November 2022 from Jose Galvan as presented . MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

2.10 TABLED: MONTHLY REPORT – VICTORY AMBULANCE

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

2.11 APPROVED: OFFICIAL DIMMIT COUNTY HOLIDAYS, 2023 CALENDAR YEAR

MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
Official Dimmit County HOLIDAYS for Year 2023, as presented . MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

2. PERSONNEL & POLICY, contd.,

2.12 APPROVED: APPOINTMENT OF DIMMIT COUNTY SALARY GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE, 2023

MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
APPOINTMENT of the Dimmit County Salary Grievance COMMITTEE 2023 for a Term of One-Year (January 1 to December 31, 2023) : Katherine Salazar, Michael Correa, Anna L. Moreno, Debra K. Sweeten, Esther B. Gibson Ruben Salinas, Maria Isabel Maltos, Katherine L. Enriquez, Monique M. Gonzalez and Alternate: Patricia Dominguez as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

2.13 APPROVED: DESIGNATE COUNTY COURT TERMS FOR 2023 CALENDAR YEAR

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE TO :
DESIGNATE County Court Terms be held on the 3rd Thursday of each Month for Calendar Year 2023 as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

2.14 APPROVED: DESIGNATE SALARY BASIS FOR COUNTY ELECTED OFFICIALS FOR 2023 CALENDAR YEAR

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE TO :
DESIGNATE Salary Basis for County Elected Officials for 2023 Calendar Year as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

2.15 APPROVED: DESIGNATE COMMISSIONERS COURT MEETINGS DATE/TIME

MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE TO :
DESIGNATE Regular Sessions for Commissioners Court Meetings to be held on the 2nd and the 4th Monday of each Month, at 10:00 AM, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

2.16 APPROVED: RESCHEDULE REGULAR COMMISSIONERS COURT MEETING OF DECEMBER 26, 2022

MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE TO :
Reschedule Regular Meeting of Commissioners Court of Monday, December 26, 2022 TO : Tuesday, December 27, 2022 (10:00 AM) due to the Courthouse/County Offices being Closed for the Christmas Holiday as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

2.17 APPROVED: HIRING – ROAD & BRIDGE PCT. 2

MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
HIRING of one (1) CDL Driver, effective: November 28, 2022 as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

2.18 APPROVED: PURCHASE(s) – ROAD & BRIDGE PCT. 4

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
PURCHASE of : 1) Welder Machine and Trailer, 2) One Zero Turn Tractor, 3) Air Compressor for the Metroplex Department as presented. MOTION CARRIED. *attachments

2.19 APPROVED: RESCINDED: TABLED: PURCHASE A TRUCK INCLUDING MANLIFT (aka "cherry picker" – ROAD & BRIDGE PCT. 4

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE TO :
RESCIND previous Motion (to-date) to Approve and TABLE this Item. MOTION CARRIED.

2.20 APPROVED: PURCHASE OF TWO (2) TRUCKS – ROAD & BRIDGE PCT. 4

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
PURCHASE Price/Quotes for the Two (2), 2023 Pickup Trucks, previously Approved on October 24, 2022 .
NOTED: -- [sic] one truck for Rudy, other truck for Welder(s) at Metroplex MOTION CARRIED. *attachments

2.21 APPROVED: PURCHASE – SANITATION DEPARTMENT

[RE:-- 25 Customers on Waiting List for this size Dumpster]
MOTION: Jose Urenda SECOND: Alonso Carmona THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
PURCHASE of Five (5), 2 Yard and Five (5), 3 Yard Dumpsters for a Total of Ten (10) Dumpsters for the County Sanitation Department as presented. MOTION CARRIED. *attachments

2. PERSONNEL & POLICY, contd.,

2.22 APPROVED: ADJUST STIPEND – DCVFD

MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE TO :
Adjust STIPEND of \$200.00 for Dimmit County Volunteer Firefighters for Attendance at DCVFD Monthly Meetings.

NOTED:--No Stipend for Alonso G. Carmona

ABSTAIN: Alonso G. Carmona

MOTION CARRIED.

2.23 APPROVED: HIRING TEMPORARY – COUNTY JUDGE OFFICE

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
HIRING a Temporary Secretary for Office of the County Judge , effective: December 19 thru 22, 2022 .

MOTION CARRIED.

2.24 Tabled: TO CONSIDER APPOINTING COUNTY COMMISSIONER PCT. 4 TO THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CJAC) FOR THE MIDDLE RIO GRAND REGION

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE TO :
TABLE this Item . **MOTION CARRIED.**

2.25 APPROVED: CHANGE ORDER – CASTELLAW ROAD DRAINAGE PROJECT

[RE:--Project Engineer Dan Hejl addressed Court w/contract price incorporating the Change Order]

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 [sic] to install concrete along bar ditch black slope as presented .

MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

2.26 APPROVED: ADVERTISE/BID – HENRICHSON ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE TO :
AUTHORIZE Hejl, Lee & Associates, Inc. to coordinate w/County Staff to Advertise and BID for the HENRICHSON ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT from FM RD 1558 to approximately 3 Miles Eastward as presented .

MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

2.27 APPROVED: FINAL COMPLETION – FAITH RANCH RD PROGRAM IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

[RE:--Project Engineer Dan Hejl addressed court w/completion of the “upgrades” Project]

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
Final Completion of the FAITH RANCH RD TxDOT CTIF PROGRAM IMPROVEMENT PROJECT and Authorize County Judge to execute Completion Documents and Accept Road Improvements into the County Road Operation and Maintenance Program, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED. *attachments

2.28 APPROVED: ADVERTISE/BID – BRUNDAGE WATER SYSTEM PROJECT

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE TO :
AUTHORIZE Advertisement and BID for the Brundage Water System PROJECT, TxCDBG Contract NO. CFC21-0475.

NOTE:--for replacement of old Storage Tank

MOTION CARRIED.

2.29 APPROVED: TRAVEL REQUEST(s) – COUNTY COMMISSIONER, COUNTY AUDITOR

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
TRAVEL request/expenses for Commissioner Pct. 4-Valerie Rubalcaba, County Auditor Carlos Pereda to attend :

Healthy County Boot Camp, February 8-9-10, 2023 in Denton, TX as presented. MOTION CARRIED. *attachments

3. LAW ENFORCEMENT

3.1 APPROVED: TRAVEL REQUEST – K9 DEPUTIES

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
TRAVEL request/expenses for Deputies Cesar Martinez, Jake Bradshaw to attend : Combat K9 Recertification

Course, December 12-13-14-15-16, 2022 in San Antonio, TX as presented .

MOTION CARRIED. *attachments

3. LAW ENFORCEMENT, contd.,

3.2 APPROVED: HIRING – COURTHOUSE SECURITY

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT **APPROVE** : HIRING of a Deputy for Courthouse Security (station: Old Courthouse) as presented.

NOTED:--3 Month Compliance from last county employment completed—**COURT ADVISORY:** request for the Code Compliance Officer to present Status Report, next Meeting **MOTION CARRIED.**

3.3 APPROVED: TRAVEL REQUEST – CHIEF DEPUTY

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT **APPROVE** : TRAVEL request/expenses for Chief Deputy **Ricardo Ramirez, Jr.** to attend : The Executive Leadership Institute, January 30 thru February 3, 2023 in Killeen, TX as presented . **MOTION CARRIED. *attachment**

3.4 APPROVED: MONTHLY REPORT/ STATUS – SHERIFF DEPARTMENT

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT **APPROVE** : Activity **REPORT** for Month of November 2022 from Chief **Ricardo Ramirez, Jr.** as presented .

NOTED:--Funding for County Units damaged in “car chases” in Operation Lonestar Grant—Update on new Lonestar Grant from G&P Office : Dimmit County Not Funded due to No Accountability for reporting Overtime---
FAITH RANCH RD : increase in oilfield Traffic driving past the designated 35 MPH limit

MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

3.4 TABLED: MONTHLY REPORT – JAIL OPERATION/STATUS

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT **APPROVE TO** : TABLE this Agenda Item . **MOTION CARRIED.**

4. UTILITY / REGULATORY COMPLIANCE

4.1 STATUS REPORT [NON-ACTION ITEM]

[RE: Fire Hydrant damages in Catarina; DPS filed Report—issue w/Pressure Tank at Catarina Water Well]

5. GRANTS & PLANNING

5.1 TABLED: AWARD/EXECUTE BID(S) FOR 40x40 METAL STORAGE BUILDING (CSA PROJECT)

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT **APPROVE TO** : TABLE this Item .

NOTED: (impromptu) STATUS : working/research on Weatherization Project, HOME Project—COVID numbers up **MOTION CARRIED.**

6. FINANCIAL

6.1 APPROVED: MODIFY EXISTING BUDGET ADJUSTMENT – 365TH DISTRICT COURT

[RE: spokesperson **Araceli Gonzalez** addressed court w/purpose of the Adjustment, i.e., employee was promoted to Office Manager at salary rate \$15 per Maverick County budget (Dimmit County rate cap at \$11); asking court to modify recent decision to include Fringe Benefits]

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT **APPROVE TO** : [sic] “modify existing **BUDGET** Adjustment in Motion made on November 28, 2022 to include not only the salary to include Fringe Benefits, but not the Longevity Pay for the 365th District Court from Secretarial Salary to Aid to Other Governments”, as presented . **MOTION CARRIED.**

6.2 APPROVED: REIMBURSEMENT – 365TH DISTRICT COURT REPORTER

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT **APPROVE** : REIMBURSEMENT to **Patricia Salinas** for expenses incurred w/ meals, mileage for Month of November 2022.

MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

6.3 APPROVED: REIMBURSEMENT – 365TH DISTRICT COURT ASSISTANT

MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT **APPROVE** : REIMBURSEMENT to **Lorena LaFuente** for expenses incurred w/meals, November 29-30, 2022 .

MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

6. FINANCIAL, contd.,

6.4 APPROVED: REIMBURSEMENT – COUNTY COMMISSIONER PCT. 1

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
REIMBURSEMENT to Commissioner Jose Urenda for expenses incurred w/Fuel for attending : District 12
Continuing Education Conference, December 2, 2022 in Laredo, TX. MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

6.5 APPROVED: CLAIM DOCKET

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
CLAIM DOCKET as presented. MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION

[NON-ACTION ITEM]

8. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

[NON-ACTION ITEM]

9. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE TO :
Adjourn Meeting [11:40 AM]. MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVED:



FRANCISCO G. PONCE, COUNTY JUDGE

ATTEST:

SEAL:


MARIO ZUVIA GARCIA, COUNT CLERK

COMMISSIONERS COURT
COUNTY OF DIMMIT, TEXAS