

ON THIS THE 22nd DAY OF FEBRUARY 2021, BEING THE FOURTH 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



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: Alicia Sanchez Evelyn G. Castro **Sonia G. Perez** Alberto Esquivel Alfredo Martinez Esther Hernandez David Torres Leticia Hernandez Maricela G. Gonzalez Chris Castañeda Christine Cardona-Guerrero Carlos Pereda Osvaldo Perez Chris Plaster Daniel M. Gonzalez Estanislado Martinez Ed Walker Leticia Carmona Daniel Estrada
OTHER VISITORS: Melissa Medina

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

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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 Quorum present and the Absence of Commissioner Pct. 3-**Juan R. Carmona** 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/ **Francisco G. Ponce**-County Judge, RE:--joint reflection on providing rescue/aid to county residents during the recent Winter Freeze pandemic (Feb.14-19) and Appreciation for the "neighbor-helping-neighbor" efforts.

1.6 APPROVED: MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING – FEBRUARY 08, 2021

MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT **APPROVE** :
MINUTES of Regular Meeting held on February 08, 2021 as presented . **MOTION CARRIED.**

PERSONNEL & POLICY

2.1 APPROVAL OF BOND(s)

MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT **APPROVE** :
BOND for County Attorney-**Daniel M. Gonzalez**, Sheriff-**Marion M. Boyd, Jr.**, Tax Assessor&Collector-**Mary E. Sandoval**,
Commissioner Pct. 3-**Juan R. Carmona** as presented . **MOTION CARRIED.**

2. PERSONNEL & POLICY, contd.,

JOINT AGENDA ITEMS :

- 2.2 APPROVED: MONTHLY REPORT – JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PCT. 1
2.3 APPROVED: MONTHLY REPORT – JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PCT. 2
2.4 APPROVED: MONTHLY REPORT – JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PCT. 3
2.5 APPROVED: MONTHLY REPORT – JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PCT. 4

DISCUSSION:--JP 1 : requests from Intech (software) for payment; Invoices under review to confirm total charges—County Auditor to review contract; ask for a monthly report from Intech

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Jose Urenda

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :

REPORT(s) for Month of January 2021 from JP 1-Sonia G. Perez, JP 2-Alberto Esquivel, JP 3-Leticia Hernandez and JP4-Alfredo Martinez as presented.

MOTION CARRIED. *attachments

- 2.6 APPROVED: MONTHLY REPORT – DISTRICT CLERK

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :

REPORT for Month of January 2021 from District Clerk Maricela Gonzalez as presented.

DISCUSSION:--on-going issues w/current phone equipment/system. **COURT ADVISORY:** issue Notice to Public (newspaper and website) about the phone issue problem,etc.

MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

- 2.7 APPROVED: MONTHLY REPORT – COUNTY CLERK

MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Alonso Carmona

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :

REPORT for Month of January 2021 from County Clerk Mario Z Garcia as presented.

NOTED:--still conducting business 'by Appointment Only'

MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

- 2.8 APPROVED: MONTHLY REPORT – COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :

REPORT(s) for Month of January 2021 from Commissioners: Pct.1-Jose Urenda, Pct.2-Alonso Carmona, Pct.4-Valerie Rubalcaba as presented

NOTED:--Reports from Pct.3 will be submitted concurrent

MOTION CARRIED. *attachments

- 2.9 APPROVED: ASSIGN VACANT POSITION – ROAD & BRIDGE PCT. 1

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE TO :

[sic] fill vacant (employee) position for R&B Pct. 1, effective January 18, 2021 as presented.

NOTED:--starting hourly rate: \$10, add \$2 after 90 days

MOTION CARRIED.

- 2.10 APPROVED: LAWSUIT SETTLEMENT FUNDS – ROAD & BRIDGE PCT. 1

[RE:--Ref.: 12/14/2020 Minutes, Item 2.21]

MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Alonso Carmona

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE TO :

Amend R&B Pct. 1 BUDGET to add Funds from Lawsuit Settlement on Faith Ranch Road as presented.

NOTED: --funds for actual Faith Ranch RD, to create Line Item earmarked for Pct. 1 MOTION CARRIED.

- 2.11 APPROVED: (subject to) AIRPORT HANGAR LEASES – ASSIGN LEASE TO THIRD PARTY

[RE:--Hangar belongs to Ed Walker; consensus of court w/no problem him assigning, as long as, environment is kept protected (EX: no fuel storage,etc.);current Fee to County at \$400]

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Jose Urenda

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE TO :

Terminate current Lease and agree Ed Walker to sell/allow new Lease for Buyer per current (same) rate and allow Walker to wear-out current Lease and prepare new Lease Agreement, i.e., (sic) allow Airport Hangar Leases to be assigned to a Third Party with assurance of renewal for another 20 years or to write a new Lease to Buyer as of Sale for 20-30 years due to action of Commissioners Court on October, 2015 which assured the Hangars would not be torn down...subject to review of new Contract by legal counsel.

MOTION CARRIED. *attachments

- 2.12 APPROVED: MONTHLY REPORT – DCVFD ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF

MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Jose Urenda

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :

REPORT for Month of January 2021 from DCVFD Assistant Fire Chief David Torres as presented.

NOTED:--Citation, Notice to TCEQ on burning illegal item incident off Risinger LN/Cox Lane MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

2. PERSONNEL & POLICY, contd.,

2.13 APPROVED: INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT – REGIONAL PUBLIC DEFENDER OFFICE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CORPORATION (“RPDO”)

[RE:--Dimmit County (Participant) has a need for and desires RPDO to provide defense services to indigent defendants]
MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
Interlocal AGREEMENT between Regional Public Defender Office Local Government and Dimmit County as presented .

MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

2.14 APPROVED: 2021 RENEWAL AFFORDABLE CARE ACT REPORTING and TRACKING SERVICE (ARTS)

[RE:--enables county to produce forms required by IRS for calendar year 2021]
MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
Renewal of Affordable Care Act Reporting and Tracking Service (ARTS) for calendar year 2021 as presented .

MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

JOINT AGENDA ITEMS :

2.15 APPROVED: TRAVEL REQUEST – COUNTY TREASURER

2.16 APPROVED: TRAVEL REQUEST – COUNTY JUDGE

2.17 APPROVED: TRAVEL REQUEST(s) – COUNTY JUDGE, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Alonso Carmona THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
TRAVEL request/expenses for 1) County Treasurer Estanislado Martinez to attend : 49th Annual County Treasurer Seminar, April 19-22, 2021 in San Marcos, TX, 2) County Judge Francisco G. Ponce to attend : Spring Judicial Education Session, March 24-26, 2021 in Lubbock, TX and 3) County Judge Francisco G. Ponce, County Commissioners Jose A. Urenda, Alonso G. Carmona, Juan R. Carmona and Valerie Rubalcaba to attend : South Texas County Judges & Commissioners Assoc. Annual Conference, June 28-July 1, 2021 in South Padre Island, TX as presented .

MOTION CARRIED. *attachments

ADDENDUM:

2.18 APPROVED: AMEND RESOLUTION FOR ADDITIONAL PAY – CASE MANAGER

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE TO :
[sic] Amend RESOLUTION for additional pay for the Case Manager (Evelyn Castro) as presented . MOTION CARRIED.

NOTED:--an additional \$750- (not \$600-)—Castro currently reports hours worked on regular Time Sheet; does not have access to an electronic Time Clock—**COURT ADVISORY:** to utilize Time Clock at JP 4 Office

3. L A W E N F O R C E M E N T

3.1 APPROVED: AGREEMENT AMENDMENT CONTRACT/STERICYCLE – COUNTY JAIL

[RE:--Bio-hazardous Regulated Medical Waste Disposal service]
MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
Service AGREEMENT Amendment of the Stericycle Contract for County Jail, effective: 02/01/2021 as presented.

MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

3.2 APPROVED: REIMBURSEMENT – DEPUTY

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
REIMBURSEMENT for Deputy Josh Garcia for expenses incurred attending : Enhance Narcotic K9 Training, February 3-5, 2021 in San Antonio, TX as presented .

MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

3.3 NON-ACTION ITEM : STATUS REPORTS

4. GRANTS & PLANNING / REGULATORY COMPLIANCE

4.1 NON-ACTION ITEM : STATUS REPORTS

[RE:--JP ASHERTON PROJECT: --Cortinas (Architect) in receipt of the Plans; should county proceed on its own to build (only 1 Bid submitted) still has to Re-Bid on anything over \$50,000---LANDFILL: to inquire w/Dan Hejl if county can proceed to “dig hole” to start using ?—COVID-19 : local Mormon Church donation of water (being shipped from UTAH); Food Bank providing 600 boxes to distribute tomorrow 02/23/21; as of this morning : 19 Active Cases—OTHER: county to purchase Generator]

5. FINANCIAL

5.1 APPROVED: BUDGET ADJUSTMENT NO. 8 – DCVFD FIRE DEPARTMENT

MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
B U D G E T Adjustment NO. 8 (Fire Dept.-\$500.-) as presented . MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

5. FINANCIAL, contd.,
5.2 APPROVED: REIMBURSEMENT – 365TH FAMILY & JUVENILE COURT COORDINATOR
MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Alonso Carmona THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
REIMBURSEMENT for 365th Family & Juvenile CRT. COORD. Melissa Garcia for expenses incurred w/mileage, meals, for Month of January 2021 as presented.
MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

5.3 APPROVED: MONTHLY REPORT – COUNTY TREASURER
MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
REPORT for Month of January 2021 from County Treasurer Estanislado Martinez as presented.
DISCUSSION:--supplement Report: Cash on Hand as of 01/31/2021
MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

5.4 APPROVED: FINANCIAL REPORT – COUNTY AUDITOR
MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
Financial REPORT for Month of January 2021 from County Auditor Carlos Pereda as presented.
DISCUSSION:--Tax Office continues to process tax payments; total of Current Taxes collected will indicate higher amount on next report--\$5M Revenue over Expenses
MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

5.5 APPROVED: CLAIM DOCKET
MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
List of Claims and Claim Docket : GENERAL FUND (\$475,696.68) RCDS/MGMT.FUND CO. CLERK(\$1,257.06)
AIRPORT FUND (\$3,126.24) COURTHOUSE SECURITY(\$3,156.23) UTILITIES (\$39,436.81)
RODEO ARENA (\$2,535.20) EQUITABLE SHARING FORFEITURE(\$30,000.00) LOCAL BORDER SECURITY(\$2,270.28)
CTIF-TXDOT (\$27,350.01) DIMMIT COUNTY PAYROLL (\$351,717.50) CO's-2015 (\$116,362.50)
CO's-2019 (\$705,928.77)....GRAND TOTAL : \$1,758,837.28 as presented.
MOTION CARRIED. *attachments

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: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
Public Facility Fund (\$17,215.20) as presented.
MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

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

APPROVED:

FRANCISCO G. PONCE, COUNTY JUDGE

ATTEST:

MARIO ZUVIA GARCIA, COUNTY CLERK