

ON THIS THE 11TH DAY OF JANUARY, 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 :

JOSE A. URENDA
COMMISSIONER PCT. 1

FRANCISCO G. PONCE
COUNTY JUDGE



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: Robert Balderas Christine Guerrero Daniel Estrada Eric Olivarez Chris Plaster Andres Arambula Carlos Pereda Chris Castañeda Daniel M. Gonzalez Mary Sandoval Marion Boyd Ernest Martinez
OTHER VISITORS: Jose Galvan Luciano Quintanilla

<><><> 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 Quorum present and the Absence of Commissioner Pct. 3-**Juan 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, RE:--1) sanitized (vapor method) both Courthouse and Courthouse "Annex" on 01/07/21; recommend do to same once per month--2) due to the periodic of Closing Offices during surges of COVID; recommend to consider/research a more secure (cemented or flap in the wall) way for Public to deliver payments, mail, etc. from the outside

1.6 APPROVED: MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING – DECEMBER 28, 2020
MOTION: Valerie Rubalcab SECOND: Alonso Carmona THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
MINUTES of Regular Meeting held on December 28, 2020 as presented . MOTION CARRIED.

2. PERSONNEL & POLICY

2.1 APPROVED: BOND(s)
MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
BOND for Assistant County Treasurer Erik B. Torres as presented . MOTION CARRIED.

2.2 TABLED: MONTHLY REPORT – RODEO ARENA EVENT COORDINATOR
[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.

2.3 TABLED: MONTHLY REPORT – CONSTABLE PCT. 1
[RE:--Reports for November, December 2020; no one present to address this Item]
MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE TO :
TABLE this Item MOTION CARRIED.

2.4 APPROVED: MONTHLY REPORT – CONSTABLE PCT. 2
MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
REPORT for Month of November, December 2020 from Constable Andres Arambula. MOTION CARRIED. *attachments

2.5 TABLED: MONTHLY REPORT – CONSTABLE PCT. 3
[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.

2.6 APPROVED: MONTHLY REPORT – CONSTABLE PCT. 4
MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
REPORT for Month of December 2020 from Constable Jose Galvan . MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

2.7 APPROVED: MONTHLY REPORT – MEDSHIELD AMBULANCE
MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
REPORT for Month of November, December 2020 from Supervisor Eric Olivarez for Medshield Ambulance as presented.
NOTED:--4 employees had COVID; only 1 still out—all staff have been given vaccine MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

2.8 APPROVED: (subject to) AWARD CONTRACT – OLD HWY.83, COX LANE & RISINGER LANE IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS.
[RE:--recommendation from engineer for project; Hejl, Lee & Associates]
MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Alonso Carmona THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE TO :
Award CONTRACT for Dimmit County 2020 TxDOT CTIF Old Highway 83, Cox Lane & Risinger Lane Improvements PROJECT to Bega Paving (amount: \$1,320,008.20)...subject to TxDOT approval and notes/comments from Commsr. Pct. 3 as presented .
MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

2.9 APPROVED: DONATION – DIMMIT COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT
MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
DONATION of six (6) self-contained Breathing Apparatus and two (2) 20 lb.Fire Extinguishers from Chesapeake Energy to Dimmit County Fire Department as presented .
NOTED:--department will only need to purchase masks MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

2.10 APPROVED: AIRPORT MANAGER'S CONTRACT AGREEMENT
[RE:--Contract Services Provider Ernest Martinez addressed the court w/request]
MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Alonso Carmona THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
AIRPORT Manager CONTRACT for term : January 9, 2021 to January 9, 2022 . MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

2.11 APPROVED: ADDITIONAL PAY (CHECKS) NOT PICKED UP – COUNTY EMPLOYEES
[RE:--each year before Christmas Eve the County hosts a Luncheon Gathering for employees to boost morale (no salary increases for anyone this FY year--); only ask that employees must attend to collect their check. Some employees did not attend --2 had pre-cleared excuses from Dept. Head--]
MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE TO :
[sic] give the Check for Additional Pay to Employees that did not pick up their checks (on 12/23/20) as presented .
AGAINST: Francisco G. Ponce MOTION CARRIED.

LAW ENFORCEMENT

3.1 APPROVED: HIRING – JAILER
MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
HIRING of one Jailer Position for the DC Jail, effective : 12/21/2020 as presented . MOTION CARRIED.

3.2 APPROVED: HIRING - JAILER
MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Jose Urenda THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
HIRING of Jailer for one open position for DC Jail, effective: 01/19/2021 as presented . MOTION CARRIED.

3.3 APPROVED: a)FMLA FOR JAILER...b) HIRE TEMPORARY REPLACEMENT

a)MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Jose Urenda
FMLA for Barbara Carmona (Jailer) as presented

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
ABSTAIN: Alonso Carmona MOTION CARRIED.

b) MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Jose Urenda
HIRING of a Temporary Replacement as presented

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
MOTION CARRIED.

3.4 APPROVED: HIRING – FULL TIME DEPUTY

MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Juan Urenda

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :

HIRING of a Full Time Deputy for DC Sheriff Office, effective: 01/19/2021 as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.

3.5 APPROVED: PURCHASE – ADDITIONAL VEHICLES w/FORFEITURE MONIES

[RE:--Item TABLED (for more information) at Regular Meeting held on 12/28/2020]

[RE:--Sheriff Boyd addressed court w/request, information and explain the 2 accounts, i.e., State and Federal adding, that each vehicle will not exceed \$36,000- each]

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Juan Urenda

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :

PURCHASE of additional Vehicles from Forfeiture Monies at an additional lesser amount as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

3.6 APPROVED: JAIL STATUS / SHERIFF ACTIVITY REPORT and STATUS

[RE:--Server replaced w/new—NEXT AGENDA ITEM: Intech service at Sheriff Ofc.]

MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Alonso Carmona

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :

REPORTS on Jail Status and Sheriff Dept. Activity/Status for Month of December 2020 as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.

*attachments

4. GRANTS & PLANNING / REGULATORY COMPLIANCE

4.1 APPROVED: DONATION – N95 FACE MASKS

MOTION: Valerie Rubalcaba SECOND: Alonso Carmona

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :

DONATION of N95 Masks from Ross J. Davidson, Jr. –President, Eagle Pass District of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, as presented

MOTION CARRIED.

4.2 STATUS REPORTS

[NON-ACTION ITEM]

[RE:--Asherton Project: plans submitted to Zertuche & Cortinas—interests in other property in Asherton for Commodities
FIRE STATION: Carbon Monoxide monitor, fuse replace; working again]

FINANCIAL

5.1 CLAIM DOCKET

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :

GENERAL FUND (\$499,790.82) AIRPORT FUND (\$187.56) DIMMIT COUNTY GRANTS (\$2,840.46) COURTHOUSE SECURITY(\$4,735.50)
RCDS/MGMT. CO.CLERK (\$321.14) UTILITIES (\$52,666.01) STONE GARDEN (\$31,296.42) LOCAL BORDER SEC(\$2,866.23)
DC PAYROLL (\$287,333.31) CO's-2017 (\$415.00) CO's-2019 (\$4,000.00) : GRAND TOTAL: \$886,452.45, as presented

MOTION CARRIED. *attachment

6. EXECUTIVE SESSION

[NON-ACTION ITEM]

7. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

[NON-ACTION ITEM]

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: Jose Urenda
Public Facility (\$4,043.40 as presented

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE :
MOTION CARRIED.

9. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Alonso Carmona SECOND: Valerie Rubalcaba
Adjourn Meeting [11:45 AM]

THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVE TO :
MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

FRANCISCO G. PONCE, COUNTY JUDGE

MARIO ZUVIA GARCIA, COUNTY CLERK