

REGULAR MEETING  
November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022

Notice is hereby Given Pursuant to the requirement of Section 551.001 ET SEQ., Texas Government Code that the Commissioner Court of Zavala County will meet in a Special Session, Wednesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022 at 9:00 A.M. at the Commissioners' Courtroom Zavala County Courthouse located at 200 E. Uvalde Street, Crystal City, Texas.

THE COURT MET AT 9:00 A.M.

PRESENT:

Honorable County Judge Joe Luna

Honorable County Commissioner Raul Gomez Pct. 2

Honorable County Commissioner Jesse Gonzales Pct. 3

Honorable County Commissioner Florencio "Flo" Melendrez Pct. 4

ABSENT:

Honorable County Commissioner Joe Cruz Pct. 1

OTHERS PRESENT:

Maria Bustamante, Chief Deputy Clerk; Carlos Pereda, County Auditor; Anselma Rocha; Elizabeth Tovar, County Treasurer and Sheriff Salinas

1. ESTABLISH QUORUM:

The Chief Deputy Clerk Maria Bustamante called roll. A legal quorum was established with the County Judge and three County Commissioners present. (Pct. 2, 3 & 4)

2. WELCOME THE PUBLIC:

Judge Luna presiding over the meeting welcomes everyone present.

DELIBERATE AND CONSIDER ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

3. CONSIDER APPROVING BILLS AND REQUISITIONS:

Motion made by Commissioner Gonzales Second by Commissioner Gomez to approve the bills and requisitions for JP Briseno to attend a mandatory training; Eloy Vera to attend VSO initial training; Rosa Rocha 2 vacation days; Ernesto Melendrez 10 vacation days and Clemente De La Cruz 7 comp days. Motion carries. 4/0 vote

4. CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL OF DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

A. Commissioner Joe Cruz, Pct. 1 and 1A gave his October monthly report the monthly distribution of commodities, maintain Loma Vista Road, moved Ritchie, Averhoff and Northern Gas Rd; moved La Mota and La Presa Parks; moved around voting building and JP Office; picked up branches in Batesville and Crystal City; maintain La Paloma Rd; shredded old dump site; cleaned and moved cemetery; moved La Plaza and pressure wash tables at La Mota Park so 4-H could paint.  
B. Commissioner Raul Gomez, Pct. 2 gave his October Monthly report the monthly distribution of commodities; picked up branches; moved and weed eat around Zavala County Road and Bride, Crystal City Post Office, used shredder at Wagner Road, greased equipment and continued picking up branches.

Honorable County Commissioner Jesse Gonzales, Pct. 3



Honorable County Commissioner, Pct. 1 Joe Cruz

Honorable County Raul Gomez Commissioner Pct. 2

Honorable County Judge Joe Luna

Honorable County Commissioner Florencio "Flo" Melendrez, Pct. 4

APPROVED BY C.C. This 14<sup>th</sup> day of Dec. 22, 2022 At 11:15 o'clock, P.M. MICHELLE B. URRABAZO County Clerk, Zavala County, Texas By *[Signature]*

Honorable County  
Commissioner Jesse Gonzales,  
Pct. 3

Honorable County  
Commissioner Florencio "Flo"  
Melendrez, Pct. 4



Honorable County  
Commissioner, Pct. 1  
Joe Cruz

Honorable County  
Commissioner Raul Gomez  
Pct. 2

- C. Commissioner Jesse Gonzales, Pct. 3 gave his October monthly report  
report the monthly distribution of commodities; mowed grass at the park,  
baseball fields and in town; service equipment and cleaned shop; repaired  
county roads 4013, 4018, 4030 and picked branches in La Pryor and Crystal  
City.
- E. Constable John Simpson, Precinct 1 submitted his September monthly  
report, assisted Z.C. Sheriff's with loaded vehicles, 6 bailout vehicles, 5 stolen  
vehicle bailout, 5 stolen vehicle recovery, spiked 3 vehicles failing to yield, 1  
dog case; Assisted DPS with 1 spiked vehicle failing to yield, 3 vehicle  
pursuits, 1 stolen recovery/pursuit, 2 walk through Batesville School Campus  
and assist EMS landing helicopter, 1 assist Border Patrol with group in  
brush, 3 assist Alamo EMS/UDAs, 2 JP 1 office civil matters and 1 other;  
met with landowners in reference to fence damage/bailout and 3 vehicle  
unlock.
- F. Constable Jesse Hernandez, Precinct 4 submitted his October monthly  
report, patrolling residential areas, business and school areas in La Pryor  
and Crystal City; served civil process documents for Pct. 4-4A in Crystal  
City; zoom training behavioral Threat Assessment on 10-18-22; National  
Night Out at Bermea Park 10-4-22; Assisted State Troopers traffic control on  
US 57/US 83 due to vehicle chase; Assisted Zavala County Deputy on traffic  
stop and 2 undocumented subjects ran which I located under a tarp by a  
residence; Took reports for community complaints; has a vehicle pursuit  
East of La Pryor and the rest of report is detailed by the day.
- G. County Treasurer, Elizabeth Tovar submitted her September monthly  
report fund balance and compensation time earned report.
- H. Utility Department, Anselma Rocha submitted her September monthly  
report for Utility Revenue \$32,471.33 and Landfill Revenue \$17,870.00.
- I. Sheriff Eusevio Salinas stated he was not supposed to be on this agenda for a  
report.
- J. Agriculture Extension Office, Leslie Dominguez submitted her October monthly  
report in detail by date.
- K. Nutrition Center, Janie Patching submitted her September monthly report  
for the Middle Rio Grande \$1,226.61 and Title XX \$2,516.94.
- L. County Auditor, Carlos Pereda submitted his October monthly for budget  
analysis and expenditures.
- M. Zavala County Judge Joe Luna  
i. Zavala County Appraisal District report- did not submit report.  
ii. Report on status of roof at Camino Real Mental Health Clinic and  
Zavala County Annex Building- Judge Luna stated the roof is still  
under warranty. Mr. Pereda called the company and they will come  
look at the roof.
- Motion made by Commissioner Gomez Second by Commissioner Melendrez to  
approve the departmental reports submitted by each department.  
Motion carries. 4/0 vote

Honorable County Commissioner Jesse Gonzales, Pct. 3  
 Honorable County Commissioner Florencio "Flo" Melendrez, Pct. 4  
 Honorable County Commissioner Joe Cruz, Pct. 1  
 Honorable County Commissioner Raul Gomez, Pct. 2  
 Honorable County Judge Joe Luna



5. CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR UTILITY DEPARTMENT-WATER:  
 Motion made by Commissioner Melendrez Second by Commissioner Gonzales to approve the budget amendment for Utility Department-Water.  
 Motion carries. 4/0 vote
6. CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL PAYING OVERTIME FOR TAX ASSESSOR COLLECTOR STAFF FOR THE GENERAL ELECTION ON NOVEMBER 8, 2022:  
 Motion made by Commissioner Gomez Second by Commissioner Gonzales to approve paying overtime for Tax Assessor Collector staff for the General Election on November 8, 2022.  
 Motion carries. 4/0 vote
7. CONSIDER UPGRADING INTERNET SERVICE IN SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO ADD FIBER IN ORDER TO ALLOW FOR MIGRATION OF VIDEO TO CLOUD BASED STORAGE:  
 Motion made by Commissioner Gomez Second by Commissioner Gonzales to TABLE this agenda item.  
 Motion carries. 4/0 vote
8. CONSIDER APPROVING THE HIRING OF A CATERER FOR THE ZAVALA COUNTY IN-SERVICE DAY ON NOVEMBER 23, 2022:  
 Judge Luna stated only one quote was received out of three caterers Kevin's Cafe, Anthony's and Albert Medina. He stated Mr. Albert Medina submitted a quote for turkey plates at \$12 per plate.  
 Motion made by Commissioner Gomez Second by Commissioner Gonzales approved the hiring Albert Medina to caterer for the in-service on November 23, 2022 at \$12.00 a turkey plate.  
 Motion carries. 4/0 vote
9. CONSIDER APPROVING BIDS FOR A 50'X30'X12" RISE STAGE FOUNDATION OF A PAVILION AT POPEYE LAKE:  
 Commissioner Gonzales stated he was able to get three quotes.  
 Bryan Davila \$17,235.32  
 JF Painting \$18,900.00  
 RV Construction \$14,324.91  
 Commissioner Gonzales recommends to approve JF Painting \$18,900.00.  
 Motion made by Commissioner Gonzales Second by Commissioner Gomez to approve the quote from JF Painting in the amount of \$18,900.00.  
 Motion carries. 4/0 vote
10. CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL PURCHASING A BRUSH TRUCK FOR THE ZAVALA COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT LOCATED IN LA PRYOR:  
 Motion made by Commissioner Gonzales Second by Commissioner Melendrez to approve purchasing a brush truck for the Zavala County Fire Department located in La Pryor.  
 Motion carries. 4/0 vote

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Raul Gomez

**11. CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL PURCHASING A BRUSH TRUCK FOR THE ZAVALA COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT LOCATED IN LA PRYOR.**  
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Motion carries. 4/0 vote

**12. CONSIDER APPROVING BY RESOLUTION THAT IT IS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE CITIZENS OF ZAVALA COUNTY THAT THE LOCAL SECURITY PROGRAM BE OPERATED 2023.**  
Motion made by Commissioner Gomez Second by Commissioner Melendrez to approve by Resolution that it is in the best interest of the citizens of Zavala County that the local Security Program operated 2023.  
Motion carries. 4/0 vote

**13. COMMISSIONER REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**  
(No action or discussion may occur during this agenda item)  
No items requested at this time.

**14. ADJOURN**  
There being no further business before the Court, Judge Luna adjourned the Regular Commissioners Court for November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022 at 9:25 A.M.

If during the course of meeting, discussing of any item on this Agenda be held to a closed meeting, the Court will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meeting Act, Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapter D and E, including consultation with counsel under section 551.071 and certain personnel matter under section 551.074. Before any closed meeting convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the Section or Sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes, action, or decisions to be taken in open meeting.

Duly approved by vote of the Zavala County Commissioner's Court sitting in session in the county seat of Zavala County, Texas, on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.  
PASSED AND APPROVED on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

Hon. Joe Luna, County Judge

Attest:

Michelle B. Urrabazo, County Clerk