

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES FOR JUNE 10, 2014**

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Raymondville, Texas met in a Regular Session at Raymondville Rural Technology Center, 700 FM 3168, Raymondville, Texas, on Tuesday, June 10, 2014, 5:00 P.M., with the following officials and members present:

Orlando A. Correa, Mayor  
Mary Gutierrez, Commissioner  
Eziquiel Cavazos, Commissioner  
Yolanda Alexandre, Commissioner  
Clifton Smith, Commissioner  
Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager  
Delma Garza, Assistant City Secretary  
William Wepfer, City Attorney  
Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police

Absent: Joel Soto, Public Works Director

Mayor Orlando A. Correa declared a quorum present and called this regular meeting to order.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Correa.

**INVOCATION:** Invocation was given by Mayor Correa.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR MAY 27, 2014**

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve the minutes for May 27, 2014. Commissioner Gutierrez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Gutierrez, Cavazos, Smith and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Alexandre

**AUDIENCE**

Oscar Garcia, representative from Reyna and Associates gave the Board of Commissioners an update.

Anabell Cardona, from Valley Grande Institute for Academic Studies presented herself to the Board of Commissioners and informed them of their upcoming plans for a vocational nursing education program in Raymondville.

**MUNICIPAL JUDGE REPORT**

Commissioner Smith moved to approve the Municipal Court monthly report for May, 2014. Commissioner Gutierrez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Cavazos, Gutierrez, Alexander, Smith and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING PRESENTATION BY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SUMMIT COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

No action taken.

**PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECT BEING CONSIDERED BY THE COREDC TO EXPAND 4B ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUNDS**

**FOR THE CLEANUP AND DEMOLITION OF EXISTING BUILDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW PUBLIC REFRIGERATED STORAGE UNIT LOCATED AT 240 W. SAN FRANCISCO, RAYMONDVILLE, TEXAS 78580**

Mayor Orlando Correa opened the public hearing at 5:25 p.m.

No comments were made.

Mayor Orlando Correa closed the public hearing at 5:26 p.m.

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY THE REVOLVING LOAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR A SMALL BUSINESS LOAN REQUEST MADE BY TRIPLE J HARDWARE**

No action taken.

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING TRANSFERRING FUNDS FROM THE COREDC TO THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE USDA RBEG GRANT ACCOUNT FOR THE REVOLVING LOAN PROGRAM**

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the transferring funds from the COREDC to the City of Raymondville USDA RBEG account for the Revolving Loan Program. Commissioner Cavazos seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Gutierrez, Cavazos, Alexandre, Smith and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING ACCEPTANCE OF MARKET VALUE APPRAISAL OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 471 W. MAIN, RAYMONDVILLE, TEXAS, PERFORMED BY VALLEY APPRAISAL SERVICES, AND AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED WITH THE EXECUTION OF THE REPAYMENT OF GRANT FUNDS PERTAINING TO THE CISNEROS PACKING INC. MANUFACTURE OF FINE FOOD PRODUCTS AS OUTLINED IN THE AMENDED PERFORMANCE AGREEMENT**

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve acceptance of market value appraisal of property located at 471 W. Main, Raymondville, Texas, performed by Valley Appraisal Services, and authorization to proceed with the execution of the repayment of grant funds pertaining to the Cisneros Packing Inc. Manufacture of Fine Food Products as outlined in the amended performance agreement. Commissioner Gutierrez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Cavazos, Gutierrez, Alexandre, Smith and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING CERTIFICATION PAY ADJUSTMENT FOR WATER PLANT OPERATOR, RIGOBERTO REYES**

Commissioner Smith moved to approve a dollar an hour increase for water plant operator, Rigoberto Reyes. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Cavazos, Smith, Alexandre, Gutierrez, and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING PAY ADJUSTMENT FOR TEMPORARY ASSISTANT ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER, ALBERTO ALFARO**

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve a dollar an hour increase for temporary assistant Animal Control Officer. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Smith, Cavazos, Gutierrez, Alexandre and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING PAY ADJUSTMENT FOR STREET DEPARTMENT STREET SWEEPER EMPLOYEE, JAVIER GONZALES**

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve a .50 cent an hour increase for street department street sweeper employee, Javier Gonzales. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Smith, Cavazos, Alexandre, Gutierrez, and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION FROM, RAYMONDVILLE POLICE OFFICER, SAMUEL SALAZAR, JR.**

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the acceptance of resignation from Raymondville Police Officer, Samuel Salazar, Jr. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Cavazos, Gutierrez, Alexandre, Smith and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING AUTHORIZATION TO HIRE NEW POLICE OFFICER FOR THE RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Commissioner Smith moved to approve the authorization to hire new police officer for the Raymondville Police Department. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Gutierrez, Alexandre, Smith Cavazos and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF REQUEST FROM THE LASARA ISD ACE PROGRAM FOR THE USE AND RENTAL OF THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE'S MUNICIPAL SWIMMING POOL**

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve the request from the Lasara ISD Ace Program for the use and rental of the City of Raymondville's Municipal Swimming Pool. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Cavazos, Gutierrez, Alexandre, Smith and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF BILLING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE AND NORTH ALAMO WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION, FOR THE COLLECTION OF SEWER FEES PAYABLE TO THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE**

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the billing agreement between the City of Raymondville and North Alamo Water Supply Corporation, for the collection of sewer fees payable to the City of Raymondville. Commissioner Cavazos seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Gutierrez, Alexandre, Smith, Cavazos and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**APPROVAL OF TRAVEL AND TRAINING FOR CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE EMPLOYEES**

Commissioner Smith moved to approve the travel and training for City of Raymondville employees.

1. Andrew Maldonado & one officer-Dealing with Difficult People-McAllen, Texas-June 13, 2014

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF TAX ASSESSOR'S/COLLECTOR'S REPORT FOR MAY, 2014**

Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager/Secretary, presented to the Board of Commissioners, for approval, the Tax Assessor/Collector's monthly report for May, 2014.

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve the monthly Tax Assessor/Collector's report as presented. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Alexandre, Smith, Gutierrez, Cavazos, and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS**

Commissioner Cavazos approved and authorize payment of the City's bills as presented. Commissioner Gutierrez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Gutierrez, Smith, Cavazos, Alexandre, and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**REPORTS**

Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager/Secretary, reported to the Board of Commissioners that the City of Raymondville was awarded \$48,500.00 for the Trinity Strand Trail from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission. Mr. Garcia presented to the financial report for the month of May, 2014. Mr. Garcia also mentioned that VTX would be buying two score boards for the baseball fields.

**RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**REPORTS**

Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police, reported to the Board of Commissioners that a pit bull dog had been picked up due to attacking a 7 year old.

**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

**REPORTS**

Joel Soto, Public Works Director, was absent and had no reports.

Andy Chavez, Public Works Supervisor, reported to the Board of Commissioners that a clean-up had been done to prepare for the Community Garden. Mr. Chavez mentioned that the Trash Bash would be is upcoming weekend from 8a.m. to 5 p.m. Mr. Chavez invited the Board of Commissioners to attend Movie Night at the Park of June 21<sup>st</sup>.

**RAYMONDVILLE FIRE CHIEF OSCAR GUTIERREZ**

**REPORTS**

Oscar Gutierrez, Fire Chief, was absent and had no reports.

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners of the City of Raymondville,

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Mayor Orlando A. Correa declared this regular meeting adjourned.

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Orlando A. Correa, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Eleazar Garcia, Jr.  
City Manager/Secretary