

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES FOR MARCH 24, 2015**

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, March 24, 2015, 5:00 P.M., with the following officials and members present:

Orlando A. Correa, Mayor  
Clifton Smith, Commissioner  
Mary Gutierrez, Commissioner  
Yolanda Alexandre, Commissioner  
Eziquiel Cavazos, Commissioner  
Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager  
William R. Wepfer, City Attorney  
Delma Garza, Assistant City Secretary  
Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police  
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 MARCH 10, 2015**

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve the minutes for March 10, 2015. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**AUDIENCE**

Vanessa Tijerina, approached the Board of Commissioners with some concerns on the police department and the municipal court.

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING OPENDING AND AWARDING OF BIDS ON CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE SPORTS COMPLEX CONCESSION BUILDING/PARK IMPROVEMENTS AND PARK PAVILION PROJECTS**

Commissioner Smith moved to approve for the city engineers to review all the bids and come back to the next city meeting and make a recommendation. Commissioner Cavazos seconded the motion

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which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF PROCLAIMING APRIL AS FAIR HOUSING MONTH IN THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE**

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve proclaiming April as Fair Housing Month in the City of Raymondville. Commissioner Gutierrez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE PROCUREMENT POLICY AS REQUIRED BY STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDING AGENCIES**

Commissioner Gutierrez moved to approve the amendments to the City of Raymondville Procurement Policy as required by state and federal funding agencies. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING REQUEST MADE BY ATTORNEY RICK SCHELL TO WIRE FUNDS FOR CLOSING ON LOAN FROM RBEG REVOLVING ACCOUNT TO FRANK SOLIS FOR THE APPROVED AMOUNT OF \$125,000.00**

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the request made by Attorney Rick Schell to wire funds for closing on loan from RBEG revolving account to Frank Solis for the approved amount of \$125,000.00. Commissioner Cavazos seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF REQUEST FROM WATER PLANT SUPERVISOR, JAVIER RODRIGUEZ FOR PAYMENT OF UNUSED VACATION**

**LEAVE AS OUTLINED IN THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE PERSONNEL POLICY**

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve the request from water plant supervisor, Javier Rodriguez for payment of unused vacation leave as outlined in the City of Raymondville Personnel Policy. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE CITY OF LYFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE**

This agenda item was tabled to the next meeting.

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF CERTIFICATION PAY RATE INCREASE FOR ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER, HECTOR TIJERINA**

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve the certification pay rate increase of a \$1.00 for animal control officer, Hector Tijerina. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

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

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

1. Hector Tijerina-Rabies & Wildlife-Harlingen, Texas-April 9, 2015

**APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS**

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

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

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**REPORTS**

Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager/Secretary, presented to the Board of Commissioners the financial report for the month of February, 2015. Mr. Garcia also had the Board of Commissioners pick out the color schemes for the Raymondville Police Department Building.

**RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**REPORTS**

Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police, had no reports.

**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

**REPORTS**

Joel Soto, Public Works Director, reported to the Board of Commissioners that the crew has been working on pot holes and weedy lots.

Andy Chavez, Public Works Supervisor, reported to the Board of Commissioners that they have been working on a major cave in on FM 3168. Mr. Chavez also mentioned that the sludge at the wastewater plant basins is being removed.

**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, 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