

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES FOR JANUARY 14, 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, January 14, 2014, 5:00 P.M., with the following officials and members present:

Orlando A. Correa, Mayor
Clifton Smith, Commissioner
Mary Gutierrez, Commissioner
Eziquiel Cavazos, Commissioner
Mary Gutierrez, Commissioner
Yolanda Alexandre, Commissioner
Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager
Joel Soto, Public Works Director
William R. Wepfer, City Attorney
Delma C. Garza, Assistant City Secretary

Absent: Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police

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 DECEMBER 10, 2013, DECEMBER 16, 2013 AND JANUARY 7, 2014

Commissioner Smith moved to approve the minutes for December 10, 2013 December 16, 2013 and January 7, 2014. Commissioner Cavazos seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Cavazos, Smith, Gutierrez and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Alexandre

AUDIENCE

Denise Blanchard gave the Board of Commissioners an update for the month of December.

MUNICIPAL JUDGE REPORT

Commissioner Smith moved to approve the Municipal Court monthly report for December, 2013. Commissioner Cavazos seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION RELATING TO ESTABLISHING THE CITY'S INTENTION TO REIMBURSE ITSELF FOR THE PRIOR LAWFUL EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS RELATING TO CONSTRUCTING VARIOUS CITY IMPROVEMENTS FROM THE PROCEEDS OF TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS TO BE ISSUED BY THE CITY FOR AUTHORIZED PURPOSES; AUTHORIZING OTHER MATTERS INCIDENT AND RELATED THERETO; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE (SPORTS COMPLEX PROJECT)

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve the resolution relating to establishing the City's intention to reimburse itself for the prior lawful expenditure of funds relating to constructing various city

improvements from the proceeds of tax-exempt obligations to be issued by the city for authorized purposes; authorizing other matters incident and related thereto; and providing an effective date. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF RESOLUTIONS ADOPTING AND AMENDING THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE INVESTMENT POLICY

Commissioner Gutierrez moved to approve the resolutions adopting and amending the City of Raymondville Investment Policy. Commissioner Smith 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 PRESENTATION BY CITY ENGINEER ON PROPOSED NEW POLICE DEPARTMENT AND SPORTS COMPLEX PROJECTS

No action taken.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING TRANSFER OF RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT RESERVE, ANDRES MALDONADO TO THE MHMR OFFICER PROGRAM

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve the transfer of Raymondville Police Department Reserve, Andres Maldonado to the MHMR Officer Program. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS AND ADDITIONS TO THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE PERSONNEL POLICY

This agenda item was passed.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING AUTHORIZATION TO PAY TAX ASSESSOR/COLLECTOR, OLGA FADELY, ACCRUED VACATION TIME AS PER THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE PERSONNEL POLICY

Commissioner Gutierrez moved to approve to pay Tax Assessor/Collector, Olga Fadely, 25 hours of accrued vacation time as per the City of Raymondville Personnel Policy. Commissioner Cavazos seconded the motion 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 REQUESTS TO RENT THE EDDIE STARK LITTLE LEAGUE PARK FOR POLITICAL FUNDRAISER EVENT

Commissioner Gutierrez moved to approve the request to rent the Eddie Stark Little League Park for Political fundraiser events at \$250.00 rental fee. Commissioner Smith 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

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. Diana Chavez-TWC on Human Resource Information-Brownsville, Texas-Feb. 13, 2014
2. Rigoberto Reyes-Surface Water-SPI, TX- Jan. 28-30, 2014

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF TAX ASSESSOR'S/COLLECTOR'S REPORT FOR DECEMBER, 2013

Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager/Secretary, presented to the Board of Commissioners, for approval, the Tax Assessor/Collector's monthly report for December, 2013.

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, Gutierrez, Smith, Cavazos and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

Commissioner Smith 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, Alexandre, Cavazos, and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

REPORTS

Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager/Secretary, presented to the Board of Commissioners the Financial Report for December, 2013 and the Animal Control Officer Report.

RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police, was absent and had no reports.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Joel Soto, Public Works Director, reported to the Board of Commissioners that the city crew have been working on water breaks, potholes, weedy lots, and replacing stop signs.

Andy Chavez, Public Works Supervisor, reported to the Board of Commissioners that movie at the park was a great success and had a great turn out. Mr. Chavez also invited the board members to the retirement party.

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.

Orlando A. Correa, Mayor

ATTEST:

Eleazar Garcia, Jr.
City Manager/Secretary