

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES FOR MAY 26, 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, May 26, 2015, 5:00 P.M., with the following officials and members present:

Clifton Smith, Commissioner
Eziquiel Cavazos, Commissioner
Yolanda Alexandre, Commissioner
Chris Tamez, Commissioner
Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager
Delma Garza, Assistant City Secretary
William R. Wepfer, City Attorney
Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police
Joel Soto, Public Works Director

Absent: Orlando A. Correa, Mayor

Mayor Pro Tem Clifton Smith, declared a quorum present and called this regular meeting to order.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Pro Tem Smith.

INVOCATION: Invocation was given by Mayor Pro Tem Smith.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR MAY 12, 2015 AND MAY 18, 2015

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve the minutes for May 12, 2015 and May 18, 2015. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Tamez, Cavazos, Alexandre and Mayor Pro Tem Smith

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Mayor Correa

AUDIENCE

Vanessa Tijerina, approached the Board of Commissioners with some concerns the Municipal Court Department.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF SPECIAL PROCLAMATION FOR THE RAYMONDVILLE BEARKAT BAND

Mayor Pro Tem Smith presented a special proclamation to the Raymondville Bearkat Band.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF RETIREMENT AND RETIREMENT PARTY FOR PAST CITY COMMISSIONER, MARY GUTIERREZ

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve the retirement and retirement party for past city Commissioner, Mary Gutierrez. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Cavazos, Alexandre, Tamez and Mayor Pro Tem Smith

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Mayor Correa

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF PAYMENT FOR UNUSED VACATION TIME FOR RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT COMMUNICATIONS SUPERVISOR, NOEMI GARZA

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the payment for unused vacation time for Raymondville Police Department Communications Supervisor, Noemi Garza. Commissioner Tamez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Tamez, Alexandre, Cavazos and Mayor Pro Tem Smith

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Mayor Correa

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING UPDATE PRESENTATIONS ON THE FOLLOWING PROJECTS:

- a) City of Raymondville new Police Department Building Project
- b) City of Raymondville Water Well Revitalization Project
- c) City of Raymondville new Water Well Revitalization Project
- d) City of Raymondville Sports Complex Project
- e) City of Raymondville condemnation projects

City engineers reported to the Board of Commissioners an update on the above mentioned City of Raymondville projects.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENTS FOR THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE DEPARTMENTS

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the budget amendments for the finance and parks for the City of Raymondville Departments. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Alexandre, Cavazos, Tamez and Mayor Pro Tem Smith

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Mayor Correa

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF TRAVEL AND TRAINING FOR THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE EMPLOYEES

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

1. Commissioner Chris Tamez-Newly elected City Officials' Orientation-San Antonio, Texas July 24-25, 2015
2. Denise Ledesma-Racial Profiling-Harlingen, Texas-May 28, 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 Alexandre, Tamez, Cavazos and Mayor Pro Tem Smith

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Mayor Correa

REPORTS

Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager/Secretary, had no reports.

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 have been changing out water meters. Mr. Soto also mentioned that they have been working on weedy lots and pot holes. Mr. Soto gave the board an update on the city water towers.

Andy Chavez, Public Works Supervisor, reported to the Board of Commissioners an update on Republic Services and also mentioned that the trash bash would be held on May 30th and 31st.

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