

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES FOR JULY 12, 2011**

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, July 12, 2011, 5:00 P.M., with the following officials and members present:

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

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 Orlando A. Correa.

INVOCATION: Invocation was given by Mayor Orlando A. Correa.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR JUNE 28, 2011

Commissioner Smith moved to approve the minutes June 28, 2011. Commissioner Gutierrez 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

AUDIENCE

No audience participation at this meeting.

MUNICIPAL JUDGE REPORT

Armin Martinez, Municipal Judge, presented to the Board of Commissioners the Municipal Court monthly report for June, 2011. Total collected for June, 2011 was \$13,965.93.

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE'S 2010 CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT (CCR) AS REQUIRED BY TCEQ

Mayor Orlando Correa opened the Public Hearing at 5:07 pm.

There were no comments from the audience.

Mayor Orlando Correa closed the Public Hearing at 5:08 pm.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING AWARDING OF BIDS ON CHEMICALS TO BE USED AT THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE'S WATER TREATMENT PLANT

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the low bids as presented from the bidders. Commissioner Cavazos seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

The bids are as listed:

Pureline was awarded the purate
Valley Solvents was awarded the Sulfuric Acid 78%
Altivia Corp. was awarded 12.5% Trade Industrial Bleach
General was awarded Liquid Ammonium Sulfate
Altivia Corp. was awarded Caustic Soda Solution
Altivia Corp. was awarded Aluminum Sulfate/Polymer & Copper Sulfate Blend

AYES: Commissioners Cavazos, Alexandre, Smith, Gutierrez and Mayor Correa
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR 9-1-1 ANSWERING SERVICES BETWEEN THE LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL (LRGVDC) AND THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve the interlocal agreement for 9-1-1 answering services between the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council (LRGVDC) and the City of Raymondville. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Cavazos, Smith, Gutierrez, Alexandre and Mayor Correa
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE RIO GRANDE VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS GROUP (RGVCG) AND THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE FOR THE PROVIDING OF RADIO AIR TIME AND SUPPORT FOR THE REGIONAL RADIO SYSTEM (RRS)

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the interlocal agreement between the Rio Grande Valley Communications Group (RGVCG) and the City of Raymondville for the providing of radio air time and support for the Regional Radio System (RRS) upon city attorneys approval. Commissioner Smith 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 AUTHORIZATION TO ADJUST MILEAGE PER DIEM RATE AS PER NEW IRS REGULATIONS

Commissioner Smith moved to approve to adjust mileage per diem rate as per new IRS regulations. Commissioner Gutierrez 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 REQUEST BY KIDS SKILLS PEDIATRIC THERAPY CENTER FOR AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE APPROXIMATELY 3.0 ACRES OF CITY PROPERTY ADJACENT TO THE RURAL TECHNOLOGY BUILDING IN ORDER TO CONSTRUCT NEW 7,500 SQUARE FOOT FACILITY

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve the request by Kids Skills Pediatric Therapy Center for authorization to purchase approximately 3.0 acres of city property adjacent to the Rural Technology Building in order to construct new 7,500 square foot facility. Commissioner Smith 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 REQUEST BY THE LA LUZ DEL MUNDO CHURCH FOR A VARIANCE ON SIGN ORDINANCE NO. 1099 IN ORDER TO PLACE NEW SIGN AT CHURCH

This agenda item was passed.

APPROVAL OF TRAVEL AND TRAINING FOR CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE EMPLOYEES

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

1. Yesenia Hernandez-Legislative Update 2011- Houston, TX-August 16, 2011
2. Armin Martinez-Legislative Update 2011-Austin, TX-August 19, 2011
3. Leo Munoz-SFST Instructor Course-Brownsville, TX-July 11-15, 2011

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF TAX ASSESSOR'S/COLLECTOR'S REPORT FOR JUNE, 2011

Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager/Secretary, presented to the Board of Commissioners, for approval, the Tax Assessor/Collector's monthly report for June, 2011. Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the monthly Tax Assessor's/Collector's report for June, 2011. Commissioner Smith 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

APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

Commissioner Smith approved and authorize payment of the City's bills as presented. Commissioner Cavazos 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

REPORTS

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

RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

REPORTS

Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police, reported to the Board of Commissioners that they had made an arrest last week that resulted in police seizing cocaine.

PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISOR ANDY CHAVEZ

REPORTS

Andy Chavez, Public Works Supervisor, reported to the Board of Commissioners that the City will be having a Trash Bash on July 23 and July 24, 2011. Mr. Chavez also mentioned the city crew is trying to catch up with weedy lots.

RAYMONDVILLE FIRE CHIEF OSCAR GUTIERREZ

REPORTS

John Henry Rodriguez, Assistant Fire Chief, reported that all city trucks are working fine.

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