

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 8, 2022**

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Raymondville, Texas met in a Regular Session at City of Raymondville City Hall, 142 South 7th Street, Raymondville, Texas, on Tuesday, February 8, 2022, 5:15 P.M., with the following officials and members present:

Gilbert Gonzales, Mayor
Edward Gonzales, Commissioner
Joel Garcia, Commissioner
Eleazar Garcia, City Manager
Delma Garza, City Secretary
Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police
Ryan Solis, City Attorney
Joel Soto, Public Works Director

ABSENT: Clifton Smith, Commissioner
Chris Tamez, Commissioner

Mayor Gilbert Gonzales declared a quorum present and called this regular meeting to order.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF ABSENCE FROM MEETING BY MAYOR OR CITY COMMISSIONERS AS REQUIRED BY ARTICLE II, SECTION 6, OF THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE'S HOME RULE CHARTER

Commissioner Gonzales approved the absence of Commissioner Smith and Commissioner Tamez due to work obligations. Commissioner Garcia seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Gonzales, Smith and Mayor Gonzales
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Tamez and Smith

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Gilbert Gonzales.

INVOCATION: Invocation was given by Mayor Gilbert Gonzales.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY, 8, 2022

Commissioner Garcia moved to approve the minutes for February 8, 2022. Commissioner Gonzales seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Garcia, Gonzales, and Mayor Gonzales
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Smith and Tamez

AUDIENCE

No audience participation at this meeting.

MUNICIPAL JUDGE REPORT

Felecita Gutierrez, Municipal Court, presented to the Board of Commissioners the Municipal Court monthly report for January, 2022. Total collected for January, 2022 was \$12,916.14.

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve the monthly municipal court report for January, 2022. Commissioner Garcia seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Garcia, Gonzales, and Mayor Gonzales
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Tamez and Smith

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING AWARDING OF BIDS ON TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (TDA) CONTRACT NO. 7220379-MAIN WATER LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Commissioner Garcia moved to award the bid to RM Walsdorf, Inc. for a base bid price of \$205,007.50 for the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) Contract No. 7220379-Main Water Line Replacement Project as recommended by city engineer. Commissioner Gonzales seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Gonzales, Garcia, and Mayor Gonzales
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Smith and Tamez

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF RBEG LOAN APPLICATION FOR FRONTIER DIRECT CARE NETWORK AS APPROVED BY THE RAYMONDVILLE EDC

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve of RBEG loan application for Frontier Direct Care Network for \$100,000.00 at a 3% for ten years as approved by the Raymondville EDC. Commissioner Garcia seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Gonzales, Garcia, and Mayor Gonzales
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Smith and Tamez

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF WASTEWATER DISTRIBUTION RESTRUCTURING AND ADJUSTMENT OF PAY FOR URBANO AGUILAR JR. AND JOSE PAREDES III

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve an increase a \$.50 raise for water distribution restructuring and adjustment of pay for Urbano Aguilar Jr. and Jose Paredes III. Commissioner Garcia seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Garcia, Gonzales and Mayor Gonzales
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Smith and Tamez

APPROVAL OF TRAVEL AND TRAINING FOR CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE EMPLOYEES

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

1. 1 police officer-taser instructor course-Combes, TX-Feb. 22, 2022.

APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

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

AYES: Commissioners Garcia, Gonzales and Mayor Gonzales
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Smith and Tamez

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 he is fully staffed.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

REPORTS

Joel Soto, Public Works Director, updated the Board of Commissioners on the water tower project.

RAYMONDVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

David Gomez, EDC Coordinator, updated the Board of Commissioners on current projects and job fairs.

ADJOURN

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners of the City of Raymondville, Mayor Gilbert Gonzales declared this regular meeting adjourned.

Gilbert Gonzales, Mayor

ATTEST:

Eleazar Garcia, Jr. City Manager