

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES FOR MAY 11, 2021**

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Raymondville, Texas met in a Regular Session at City of Raymondville City Hall, 142 South 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Raymondville, Texas, on Tuesday, May 11, 2021, 5:15 P.M., with the following officials and members present:

Gilbert Gonzales, Mayor  
Clifton Smith, Commissioner  
Chris Tamez, Commissioner  
Edward Gonzales, Commissioner  
Joel Garcia, Commissioner  
Eleazar Garcia, City Manager  
Delma Garza, City Secretary  
Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police

ABSENT: Joel Soto, Public Works Director  
Ryan Solis, City Attorney

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**

No action taken.

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

**INVOCATION:** Invocation was given by Mayor Gilbert Gonzales.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR APRIL 27, 2021 AND MAY 4, 2021**

Commissioner Garcia moved to approve the minutes for April 27, 2021 and May 4, 2021. Commissioner Tamez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Smith, Garcia, Gonzales, Tamez and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**AUDIENCE**

Martha Martinez approached the Board of Commissioners to announce the launching of the Victim Initiated Notification Software.

**MUNICIPAL JUDGE REPORT**

Felicita Gutierrez, Municipal Court Judge, presented to the Board of Commissioners the Municipal Court monthly report for April, 2021. Total collected for April, 2021 was \$9,476.62.

Commissioner Smith moved to approve the monthly municipal court report for February, 2021. Commissioner Garcia seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Smith, Tamez, Gonzales, Garcia, and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 ON THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE PROPOSED SANITARY SEWER MANHOLES REHABILITATION PROJECT**

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve the change order no. 1 on the City of Raymondville proposed sanitary sewer manholes rehabilitation project. Commissioner Garcia seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING CERTIFICATION PAY INCREASE FOR WATER TREATMENT OPERATOR, RENE G. TREVINO**

Commissioner Garcia moved to approve the certification pay increase of a dollar an hour for water treatment operator, Rene G. Trevino. Commissioner Tamez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF STATEMENT OF ELECTED OFFICIALS FOR THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE OFFICERS' ELECTION THAT WAS TO BE HELD ON MAY 1, 2021**

Commissioner Tamez moved to approve the statement of elected officials for the City of Raymondville Officers' election that was to be held on May 1, 2021. Commissioner Garcia seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING ADMINISTERING OATH OF OFFICE TO THE ELECTED OFFICIALS FOR THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE OFFICERS' ELECTION THAT WAS TO BE HELD ON MAY 1, 2021**

Judge Felicita Gutierrez administered the oath to Clifton Smith.  
Judge Jessica Rosas administered the oath to Edward Gonzales.

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF MASTER ELECTRIC ENERGY SALES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE AND ENGIE RESOURCES LLC**

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve the Master Electric Energy Sales agreement between the City of Raymondville and ENGIE Resources LLC pending final negotiation. Commissioner Garcia seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING ADJUSTMENT TO RECONNECTION FEE FOR THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE WATER DEPARTMENT**

Commissioner Tamez moved to approve to increase the reconnection fee to \$25.00 dollars for the City of Raymondville Water Department. Commissioner Garcia seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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AYES: Commissioners Garcia, Tamez, Gonzales, Smith and Mayor Gonzales

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. Officer Rodriguez-SAFVIC Investigation-Alton, TX-May14-16<sup>th</sup>, 2021
2. Officer Garcia-Texas Southmost College

**APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS**

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

AYES: Commissioners Smith, Tamez, Gonzales, Garcia and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**REPORTS**

Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager/Secretary, invited the Board of Commissioners to a meeting on Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock with the city engineers on the 7<sup>th</sup> and Durham street project.

**RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**REPORTS**

Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police, reported to the Board of Commissioners that there are several junk motor vehicles around town and they will begin to tag them.

**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

**REPORTS**

Joel Soto, Public Works Director, was absent.

Andy Chavez, Asst. Public Works Director, updated the Board of Commissioners on weedy lots, Veterans' park, and changes that are going to be made on the zoning ordinance.

**RAYMONDVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

David Gomez, EDC Coordinator, reported to the Board of Commissioners that the BCFS Health and Human Services will be having a job fair next week at the EDC building.

**ADJOURN**

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

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Gilbert Gonzales, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Eleazar Garcia, Jr. City Manager