

THE STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF VICTORIA §

Be it remembered that on this the **23rd day of May A.D., 2022**, the Commissioners Court convened in **Special Session** at the Victoria County Courthouse in the City of Victoria, Victoria County, Texas, with His Honor, Ben Zeller, County Judge, presiding and the following Commissioners attending:

Danny Garcia,	Commissioner Precinct No. 1
Kevin M. Janak,	Commissioner Precinct No. 2
Gary Burns,	Commissioner Precinct No. 3
Clint C. Ives,	Commissioner Precinct No. 4
and	
Heidi Easley,	County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk

and the following orders were passed:



COUNTY OF VICTORIA
MINUTES
COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF VICTORIA COUNTY, TEXAS
MONDAY, MAY 23, 2022, 10:00 AM, SPECIAL TERM
VICTORIA COUNTY COURTHOUSE
115 N. BRIDGE ST., ROOM 241, SECOND FLOOR, VICTORIA, TX

1. Call to Order.

(1-0:00)

1. May 23, 2022. Ben Zeller, County Judge, called to order the Commissioners Court Special Term for Monday, May 23, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

2. Invocation and Pledges.

(2-0:00)

2. May 23, 2022. Judge Ben Zeller opened the meeting with prayer and the reciting of the Pledges of Allegiance of the United States of America and the State of Texas.

3. Citizens Communication.

(3-1:23)

3. May 23, 2022. Judge Ben Zeller opened the meeting to anyone wishing to address general County business which was not on the meeting agenda.

Ernie Byrd, Victoria County Resident, asked the Court to look into the sidewalk outside of Citizens Medical Center Building B due to an incident involving a relative. He stated the sidewalk looks like there should be a ramp at the end of it and has spoken to head maintenance at Citizens. Next, he spoke about the shooting range in regards to it being built in the waterway. He stated that lead jacket bullets are being shot at the shooting range and the bullets contaminate the soil, and when the ground washes out, then the contamination gets into the water. He asked for the Court to do something about this situation. He also spoke about items that were going to be burned in Victoria County Precinct No. 3.

Michael Vonderau of 2204 E. North Street, Victoria, Texas, spoke about Warrior's Weekend. He also spoke about the Town Hall Meeting at Meals on Wheels last Monday and questioned where Animal Control was and voiced his concerns about Animal Control. The Court responded to Mr. Vonderau.

Donnie Montemayor, District Extension Administrator for Texas A&M Agri Life Extension Service, introduced Jennifer Janssen as the new Family Community Health Agent and provided information on Mrs. Janssen's work experience. Jennifer Janssen spoke to the Court about her new role and duties as the Family Community Health Agent.

Matt Bochat, County Extension Agent, informed the Court that on June 29, 2022, there will be an Agriculture Pest Waste Collection Day at the Victoria County Precinct No. 4 barn from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Mr. Bochat provided additional information on this event. Commissioner Ives provided information to the Court.

Fire Marshal Richard Castillo spoke in regards to the KBDI numbers and the current rainfall for Victoria County and stated the current burn ban should remain in effect. Mr. Castillo discussed the upcoming firework sales in regards to the burn ban with the Court.

Hearing no further comments, Judge Ben Zeller continued to the next agenda item.

4. Consider approval of minutes and take appropriate action.

(4-21:59)

4. May 23, 2022. Moved by Kevin Janak and seconded by Clint Ives, the Commissioners Court approved the minutes of the Commissioners Court meeting held on May 16, 2022. Motion adopted.

5. Consider approval of accounts payable and take appropriate action.

(5-22:23)

5. May 23, 2022. Moved by Gary Burns and seconded by Clint Ives, the Commissioners Court approved the accounts payable as presented by Michelle Samford, County Auditor.

Regular Accounts	5/23/2022	\$293,618.88
Supplemental Accounts	5/13/2022 – 5/19/2022	\$187,967.08

Motion adopted.

6. Receive monthly and quarterly reports from various county officials and departments and take appropriate action.

(6-22:54)

6. May 23, 2022. Moved by Danny Garcia and seconded by Clint Ives, the Commissioners Court approved the monthly report from Commissioner, Precinct No. 4. Motion adopted.

7. Consider approval of bond forfeiture releases and take appropriate action.

(7-23:13)

7. May 23, 2022. None. No action taken.

8. Consider approval of CMC Interim vendor payments and take appropriate action.

(8-23:23)

8. May 23, 2022. Moved by Danny Garcia and seconded by Kevin Janak, the Commissioners Court approved the interim vendor payments for Citizens Medical Center dated May 19, 2022 in the amount of \$677,275.66 and the ACH report dated May 19, 2022 in the amount of \$5,105,576.80. Motion adopted.

9. Hear report from Victoria County Veteran's Office and take appropriate action.

(9-24:03)

9. May 23, 2022. Lee Bowman, Director of the Veterans Center, presented a report for the Crossroads Veterans Center from August through December 2021 to the Court. The report reviewed the services they offer, organizations within the center, data from August 2021 through December 2021, and current 2022 data for the Crossroads Veterans Center. Mr. Bowman answered questions from the Court. Commissioner Danny Garcia stated the goal is to service Veterans as walk-ins and recognized Linda May and Frances Garcia for volunteering at the Crossroads Veterans Center. The Court thanked Mr. Bowen for his service. No action taken.

10. Consider approval of the following in connection to the Victoria Regional Airport Maintenance Building Demolition Project and take appropriate action:

a. A resolution establishing a procurement method.

(10a-48:02)

10a. May 23, 2022. Executive Director Lenny Llerena provided information to the Court. Moved by Clint Ives and seconded by Kevin Janak, the Commissioners Court approved the Project Resolution No. 1 establishing a Construction Procurement Method in connection to the Victoria Regional Airport Maintenance Building Demolition Project. Motion adopted.

Consider approval of the following in connection to the Victoria Regional Airport Maintenance Building Demolition Project and take appropriate action:

b. A resolution delegating authority to the County Judge.

(10b-48:02)

10b. May 23, 2022. Lenny Llerena, Executive Director, provided the Court with information. Moved by Clint Ives and seconded by Kevin Janak, the Commissioners Court approved the Project Resolution No. 2 delegating authority to the County Judge in connection to the Victoria Regional Airport Maintenance Building Demolition Project. Motion adopted.

Consider approval of the following in connection to the Victoria Regional Airport Maintenance Building Demolition Project and take appropriate action:

c. A resolution establishing a selection committee.

(10c-48:02)

10c. May 23, 2022. Executive Director Lenny Llerena provided information to the Court. Moved by Clint Ives and seconded by Kevin Janak, the Commissioners Court approved the Project Resolution No. 3 establishing a selection committee of Vinicio Llerena, Executive Director of Victoria Regional Airport; Kelly Hubert, Victoria County Facilities Manager; John A. Johnston, County Engineer; and Patrick Ohrt, RMA Architect, in connection to the Victoria Regional Airport Maintenance Building Demolition Project. Motion adopted.

Consider approval of the following in connection to the Victoria Regional Airport Maintenance Building Demolition Project and take appropriate action:

d. Approval and authorization to advertise a competitive sealed proposal.

(10d-48:02)

10d. May 23, 2022. Lenny Llerena, Executive Director, provided the Court with information. Moved by Clint Ives and seconded by Kevin Janak, the Commissioners Court approved and authorized to advertise for competitive sealed proposals in connection to the Victoria Regional Airport Maintenance Building Demolition Project. Motion adopted.

11. Consider approval of 2021 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) Operation

Stonegarden Grant Program (OPSG) Award, Grant Number: 3186207 and take appropriate action.

(11-51:14)

11. May 23, 2022. Grant Administrator Robin Knipling provided information to the Court. Moved by Gary Burns and seconded by Clint Ives, the Commissioners Court approved the 2021 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) Operation Stonegarden Grant Program (OPSG) Award, Grant Number 3186207 for the Victoria County Sheriff's Office. Motion adopted.

12. Award bid for ASPPM 9202 Grade IV Cold Mix for the Victoria County Annual Road Material Contract for all precincts and take appropriate action.

(12-52:19)

12. May 23, 2022. John Johnston, County Engineer, provided information to the Court. Moved by Gary Burns and seconded by Danny Garcia, the Commissioners Court approved the award bid for ASPPM 9202 Grade IV Cold Mix for the Victoria County Annual Road Material Contract for all precincts to Waller County Asphalt, Inc. of Hempstead, Texas. Motion adopted.

13. Consider proposal from Fire Programs Software for use in the Victoria County Fire Department and take appropriate action.

(13-53:27)

13. May 23, 2022. Fire Marshal Richard Castillo and Cissy Bonuz, Administrative Assistant, spoke to the Court regarding the Fire Programs Software. Moved by Gary Burns and seconded by Kevin Janak, the Commissioners Court approved the proposal from Fire Programs Software for use in the Victoria County Fire Department. Motion adopted.

14. Consider approval of Citizens Medical Center Emergency Department Expansion & Renovation AIA Document G702 Application for Payment No. 19 and take appropriate action.

(14-1:03:05)

14. May 23, 2022. Moved by Kevin Janak and seconded by Danny Garcia, the Commissioners Court approved the Citizens Medical Center Emergency Department Expansion and Renovation AIA Document G702 Application for Payment No. 19 in the amount of \$468,993.62. Motion adopted.

15. Consider approval of the following Detention and Residential contracts between Victoria Regional Juvenile Justice Center and take appropriate action.

a. Residential contract for Potter County

(15a-1:04:31)

15a. May 23, 2022. Moved by Danny Garcia and seconded by Kevin Janak, the Commissioners Court approved the Residential Contract between Victoria Regional Juvenile Justice Center and Potter County. Motion adopted.

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Consider approval of the following Detention and Residential contracts between

Victoria Regional Juvenile Justice Center and take appropriate action.

b. Detention and Residential contracts for Madison County

(15b-1:04:31)

15b. May 23, 2022. Moved by Danny Garcia and seconded by Kevin Janak, the Commissioners Court approved the Detention and Residential Contracts between Victoria Regional Juvenile Justice Center and Madison County. Motion adopted.

16. Consider approval of the following 2022 budget amendments and take appropriate action.

(16-1:04:42)

16. May 23, 2022. Moved by Gary Burns and seconded by Kevin Janak, the Commissioners Court approved the 2022 budget amendments for:

- a. General Fund/Various Departments, Expenditures - Line item transfer
- b. General Fund/Sheriff's Office, Expenditures – Line item transfer
- c. Road and Bridge, Precinct No. 1, Expenditures - Line item transfer
- d. Pretrial Intervention, Expenditures - Increase
- e. Road and Bridge, Precinct No. 4, Expenditures - Line item transfer
- f. Health Department, Revenues and Expenditures - Line item transfer

Motion adopted.

17. Consider approval of personnel changes and take appropriate action.

(17-1:05:44)

17. May 23, 2022. Moved by Danny Garcia and seconded by Kevin Janak, the Commissioners Court approved that payroll be processed in compliance with policy and personnel changes:

- a. Constance Filley Johnson, Criminal District Attorney - District Attorney's Office:
 - 1. A date correction change of Longevity Pay for Arnold K. Hayden, Jr. from \$55.38 to \$64.50 on June 10, 2022 payroll and \$64.62 thereafter. Remarks: Arnold K. Hayden, Jr. qualifies for an increase in longevity pay from \$55.38 to \$64.50 on 6/10/2022 payroll and \$64.62 thereafter.
- b. Gary Burns, Commissioner, Precinct No. 3 - Road and Bridge, Precinct No. 3:
 - 1. Salary change for Allen D. Polonsky, Jr., Sr. Equip. Operators, from a rate of \$21.50 per hour, Budget Code 203-613-1108 to a rate of \$22.75 per hour, effective May 7, 2022.
- c. Justin Marr, Sheriff - Sheriff's Office:
 - 1. Dismissal of Jose Diaz, Patrol Corporals, with 80.0 PTO and 416.30 Compensatory hours due, effective May 13, 2022.

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- 2. Salary and position change for Robert Vandygriff, from Patrol Dep

- Tier 2, at a rate of \$25.86 per hour, Budget Codes 100-563-1209-24.86; 100-563-1136-1.00; and 100-563-1137 \$23.08 Cert. Pay to Patrol Corporals, at a rate of \$27.60 per hour, Budget Codes 100-563-1112-26.60; 100-563-1136-1.00; and 100-563-1137 \$23.08 Cert Pay, effective May 21, 2022.

- d. Ashley Hernandez, Tax Assessor Collector - County Tax Office:
 - 1. Resignation of Betsi D. Rivera Lopez, Clerk III, with 80.0 PTO hours due, effective May 26, 2022.
 - 2. Employment of Lynette Susan Jordan, Clerk III, at a rate of \$15.00 per hour, Budget Code 100-499-1106, effective May 24, 2022.

Motion adopted.

18. Adjourn.

(18-1:05:55)

18. May 23, 2022. County Judge announced that due to Monday being Memorial Day, Commissioners Court will be held on Tuesday, May 31, 2022, and that he will be out for this meeting. The Commissioners Court adjourned the meeting of May 23, 2022.