

Official Minutes for Webb County Commissioners Court Special Meeting

**Wednesday, September 7, 2011 at 9:00 AM
(Approved September 26, 2011)**

Call to order by Judge Danny Valdez

Let it be remembered that a special meeting of the Webb County Commissioners Court was held at 9:00 a.m. at the regular meeting place with the following members present to wit:

Danny Valdez	County Judge
Frank Sciaraffa	Commissioner, Pct. 1
Rosaura "Wawi" Tijerina	Commissioner, Pct. 2
Jerry Garza	Commissioner, Pct. 3
Jaime Alberto Canales	Commissioner, Pct. 4

Thus constituting a quorum, the Commissioners Court proceeded to act upon the Agenda as posted in the meeting notice of the 2nd day of September 2011. Present also were Ms. Virginia Martinez, Deputy County Clerk representing Mrs. Margie Ramirez Ibarra, Ex-officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court, various officers and others interested in the business of the Court.

Item No.1. Roll Call by Honorable Margie Ramirez-Ibarra, Webb County Clerk

Item No.2. Pledge of Allegiance

Item No.3. Communications

Judge Valdez welcomed everyone present.

Cmr. Sciaraffa – No comments

Cmr. Tijerina – No comments

Cmr. Garza – No comments.

Cmr. Canales welcomed everyone present.

Item No.4. Public Comments - This section provides the public the opportunity to address the Commissioners Court on any items on the Agenda. Members of the public wishing to participate must complete a Witness Card specifying which agenda item they wish to comment on. Each public member will be allowed a total of Three (3) minutes within which to make any/all public comments.

Sergio "Keko" Martinez

Mr. Martinez spoke in reference to item #5.

Ron Rodriguez

Mr. Rodriguez spoke in reference to item #5

Israel Reyna

Mr. Reyna spoke in reference to item #5.

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Item No.5. Discussion and possible action to interview and select a law firm for the Collection of Delinquent Taxes RFQ-2011-02; and any other matters incident thereto. [Closed Session may be requested pursuant to Texas Government Code, Title 5, Subchapter D, Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney). [Requested by Cecilia May Moreno, Webb County Purchasing Agent]

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The law firms were interviewed by the Commissioner's Court in the following order:

1. Castillo, Montemayor, and Solis, P.C.
2. De Anda Law Firm, P.C.
3. Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP
4. Maria Elena Morales Attorney at Law
5. Ornelas and Molina, PLLC Attorney at Law
6. Salinas, Garcia, and Martinez

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Judge Valdez motioned to go into a lunch break. Cmr. Tijerina seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

(Lunch Break 1:25 – 2:07 PM)

Administrative Services

Item No.6. Discussion and possible action to evaluate, interview, and negotiate for a best and final offer from agents bidding on the Property and Casualty Insurance, Excess Workers Compensation Insurance, Peripheral Insurance Coverage (Pollution, Marine, School Leaders Errors & Omissions) and Third Party Administrators for the General Liability and Workers Compensation Insurance, selection of Insurance Providers to be determined at the next Commissioners Court meeting; and any other matters incident thereto. [Executive Session is requested pursuant to Texas Government Code Title 5, Subchapter D, and Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney)] [Requested by Cynthia Mares, Administrative Services Director]

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The Insurance Providers were interviewed by the Commissioner's Court in the following order:

1. Wells Fargo
2. Tristar
3. Alternate Service Concepts
4. 1-2-1 Claims Inc.
5. IBC Insurance

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County Attorney, Ana Laura Cavazos Ramirez stated that the best and final offer regarding the Property and Casualty Insurance would be made on the next Commissioner's Court Meeting to be held on September 12, 2011.

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Purchasing Agent, Dr. C. Moreno stated that the top rank law firm was Castillo, Montemayor, and Solis.

Judge Valdez motioned to authorize the County Attorney to begin negotiations on a contract and to bring back to the Court for review. Cmr. Tijerina seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Item No.7. Adjourn

Judge Valdez motioned to adjourn. Cmr. Tijerina seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.