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Official Minutes for Webb County Commissioners Court Special Meeting

Monday, July 13, 2015 at 2:00 PM (Approved DATE)

Let it be remembered that a special meeting of the Webb County Commissioners Court was held at 2:00 p.m. at the regular meeting place with the following members present to wit:

Tano E. Tijerina,

Frank Sciaraffa,

Rosaura "Wawi" Tijerina,

John C. Galo,

Jaime Alberto Canales,

County Judge

Commissioner, Pct. 1

Commissioner, Pct. 2

Commissioner, Pct. 3

Commissioner, Pct. 4

Thus constituting a quorum, the Commissioners Court proceeded to act upon the Agenda as posted in the meeting notice of the 10th day of July 2015. 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.

CALL TO ORDER BY THE HONORABLE TANO E. TIJERINA, WEBB COUNTY JUDGE

- 1. Roll Call by Honorable Margie Ramirez-Ibarra, Webb County Clerk
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Communications

Judge Tijerina stated that no action would be taken.

4. Public Comment - 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.

Barry E. Bernier, 1st Sergeant, U.S. Marine Corps (Retired)
Mr. Bernier asked that his full statement be recorded by the County
Clerk in the records of the proceedings.

Mr. Bernier spoke in support of Mr. David Garza.

COURT TO DISCUSS AND ACT ON THE FOLLOWING:

Administrative Services

- 5. Discussion and possible action to evaluate the performance of Webb County department heads who are subject to the authority of the Webb County Commissioner Court, to wit:
 - 1. Administrative Services Department
 - 2. Bruni Community Center
 - 3. Building Maintenance
 - 4. Carlos Aguilar Activity Center
 - 5. Economic Development/CAA / Self Help
 - 6. El Cenizo Community Center
 - 7. Engineering Department
 - 8. Ernesto J. Salinas Community Center
 - 9. Fernando A. Salinas Community Center
 - 10. Fred M. Anita Bruni Community Center (Peñitas)
 - 11. Head Start Program
 - 12. Indigent Health Care Services
 - 13. Larga Vista Community Center
 - 14. Law Library
 - 15. Information Technology
 - 16. Medical Examiner
 - 17. Mirando Activity Center
 - 18. Planning & Physical Development
 - 19. Pre Trial Services
 - 20. Public Defenders
 - 21. Public Information Officer
 - 22. Rio Bravo Community Center
 - 23. Road & Bridge Department
 - 24. Santa Teresita Community Center
 - 25. Veterans Service Office
 - 26. Webb County Fire/EMS Chief

Action to be taken by Commissioners Court may include continuation of employment, reassignment, and modification of duties, disciplinary action, dismissal or other actions. The Commissioners Court may take such other action as may be

necessary to implement its decisions including, but not limited to, appointment of interim department heads and/or permanent appointment of department heads; and any other matters incident thereto. [Closed Meeting/Executive Session is requested pursuant to Texas Government Code, Title 5, Subchapter D, Sections 551.071 (A)(B) Consultation with Attorney) and 551.074 (Personnel Matters)]

Discussion on file at the Webb County Clerk's Office July 13, 2015 Commissioners Court Special Meeting DVD.

Judge Tijerina stated that action would only be taken when making a motion for termination.

County Attorney's Office, Mr. Ramon Villafranca, County Attorney, Mr. Marco Montemayor, and Commissioners Court Administrator, Mr. Leroy Medford were all present to address the Commissioners Court on item #5.

The Commissioners Court evaluated the following Webb County department heads in the order that follows.

- 1. Administrative Services Department, Cynthia Mares
- 2. Bruni Community Center, Nelda Cortinas
- 3. Building Maintenance, Interim, Luis Perez Garcia
- 7. Engineering Department, Luis Perez Garcia
- 4. Carlos Aguilar Activity Center, Rachael Rangel

Motion by Commissioner, Pct. 1 Frank Sciaraffa, seconded by Commissioner, Pct. 3 John C. Galo to place Ms. Rangel on a two (2) month probationary period and to have Mr. Medford work on an action plan

Cmr. Sciaraffa stated that he would bring the item back.

Cmr. Galo withdrew his second.

- 5. Economic Development/ CAA/ Self Help, Juan Vargas
- 8. Ernesto J. Salinas Community Center, Griselda Johnson

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County Attorney's Office, Ms. Alexandra Colessides Solis was present to address the Commissioners Court.

Motion by Commissioner, Pct. 1 Frank Sciaraffa, seconded by County Judge Tano E. Tijerina to terminate Ms. Griselda Johnson effective immediately

Vote: 5 - 0 Motion Carried

County Attorney's Office, Mr. Ray Rodriguez was present to address the Commissioner Court.

Cmr. Sciaraffa stated that he would be appointing Vicenta Johnson as Interim and that he would be forwarding the application.

- 6. El Cenizo Community Center, Ricardo Molina
- 9. Fernando A. Salinas Community Center, Jose A. Pantoja
- 10. Fred M. Anita Bruni Community Center (Penitas), Javier Cavazos

Commissioners Court Administrator, Mr. Leroy Medford stated that Mr. Javier Cavazos asked if he could be rescheduled due to a conflict with his schedule.

- 11. Head Start Program, Aliza F. Oliveros
- 12. Indigent Health Care Services, Nancy Cadena
- 13. Larga Vista Community Center, Gregorio B. Araiza
- 14. Law Library, Yolanda Carrillo
- 15. Information Technology, Rafael Pena
- 16. Medical Examiner, Dr. Corinne Stern

Medical Examiner, Dr. Stern requested closed session.

(Executive Session 3:48 - 3:51 p.m.)

17. Mirando Activity Center, Juana Maria Lopez

Judge Tijerina stated that the Mirando Activity Center Director, Ms. Juana Maria Lopez was on FMLA.

- 18. Planning & Physical Development, Rhonda M. Tiffin
- 19. Pre Trail Services, Cornell Mickley
- 20. Public Defenders, Virginia Aranda
- 21. Public Information Officer, Larry Sanchez
- 22. Rio Bravo Community Center, Virginia Ibarra
- 23. Road & Bridge Department, Jose Luis Rodriguez
- 24. Santa Teresita Community Center, Armandina Garcia
- 25. Veterans Service Office, David Garza
- 26. Webb County Fire/ EMS Chief, Ricardo A. Rangel

6. Adjourn

Motion by Commissioner, Pct. 2 Rosaura "Wawi" Tijerina, seconded by County Judge Tano E. Tijerina to adjourn

Vote: 5 - 0 Motion Carried