

*County of Val Verde*



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**AGENDA/NOTICE**  
**VAL VERDE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT**  
**REGULAR TERM MEETING**

**Old County Court-At-Law Building**  
**207B E Losoya street**  
**Del Rio, TX 78840**

**Live Feed Link- <http://valverdecountry.texas.gov/>**

**October 11, 2023 at 9:00 A.M.**

1. Call to order.
2. Determining that a quorum is present.
3. Reciting the pledge of allegiance.
4. Reciting the Texas pledge of allegiance.
5. Approving and/or amending minutes from previous meetings.
6. Citizens' Comments.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE PUBLIC THAT THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WILL BE DISCUSSED AND POSSIBLE ACTION MAY BE TAKEN BY THE VAL VERDE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT:**

7. Approving monthly reports from elected officials.
8. Approving bills for payment.

**Matthew S. Weingardt, County Auditor**

9. Discussion and possible action to approve the Auditor's Report.
10. Discussion and possible action on the following:

- A. Certification of Revenue – GovDeals - \$23,692.50
  - Precinct 4- \$7,087.50
  - Building Maintenance - \$16,605.00
- B. Budget Adjustment for the following from available appropriations
  - Other – Attorney's other - \$15,000.00
  - Building Maintenance – Utilities \_\$12,500.00
  - Non-Departmental -Section 125- \$550
- C. Budget Adjustment- \$5,300.00 from General Capital into IT Capital, (\$1,300.00 for 2 printers, \$2,500.00 for tools and \$1,500.00 for office desk for Tech - George)
- D. Budget Adjustment - \$45,000.00 from General Capital Outlay to Purchasing Capital Outlay (for the purchase of a forklift and for the completion of the new Purchasing Warehouse.)

**Aaron D. Rodriguez, County Treasurer**

11. Discussion and possible action to approve the Treasurer's Report.

**Lewis G. Owens Jr., County Judge**

12. Recognition for years of service with Val Verde County Fire Department for Jerry Rust.

- 13. Recognizing October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month.**
- 14. Discussion and possible action on case management system and new legislative requirements.**
- 15. Discussion and possible action to donate for the Annual Veterans & Veterans Family Members Appreciation Day Luncheon on November 4, 2023.**
- 16. Discussion and possible action to ratify the issuance of a county cell phone and county credit card to Jorge Vargas, Interim Fire Chief.**
- 17. Discussion and possible action on funds received for insurance for county equipment and facilities.**
- 18. Discussion and possible action regarding the 2<sup>nd</sup> International Bridge.**
- 19. Discussion and possible action on money from auctions to be put in appropriate accounts.**
- 20. Discussion and possible action on paying \$727 for a driver out of available appropriations for the Veterans Office.**
- 21. Discussion and possible action on setting aside \$8,000 for Veterans Office for a third driver.**
- 22. Discussion and possible action on appointing a member for the Joint Airport Zoning Board (JAZB).**
- 23. Discussion and possible action on appointing two members for the Val Verde County Appraisal Board of Directors for the upcoming 2024-2025 term.**
- 24. Discussion and possible action on adopting the FY 2024 Texas Indigent Defense Commission Formula Grant Resolution.**
- 25. Discussion and possible action on renewal of the Interlocal Agreement for the joint participation in County-wide air ambulance membership in the amount of \$32,227.20 plus \$15,400.00 for the upgrade for county employees.**

26. Discussion and possible action to rescind order #23-596 regarding the LMC Corporation contract.

27. Discussion and possible action on the \$500.00 donation for the 2023 Back to School Event from Middle Rio Grande Development Council.

**Carlos Velarde, County Engineer**

28. Discussion and possible action on Revision of plat (replat) establishing lots 9-A1 and 9-A2, Ironwood Meza Subdivision, out of lot 9-A, Ironwood Meza Subdivision in Del Rio, Texas

29. Discussion and possible action on the elevator in the Alice Fitzpatrick Building.

**Melissa Vasquez, Purchasing Agent**

30. Discussion and possible action to rescind order 23-017 approving the purchase of a bucket truck from Altec Inc. because of ETA of early January 2024.

31. Discussion and possible action to approve the purchase of a 2024 Freightliner 4x4/Terex Bucket Truck for \$246,340.00 plus a 5 Yr./150,000 miles Extended Warranty for \$6,025.00 and to add a Preventative Maintenance Program. Funding for the truck will be paid from the \$300,000 that was approved by Commissioner's Court on January 3, 2023. This purchase will be procured through Sourcewell's contract #110421-TER.

32. Discussion and possible action to approve the purchase of a 2024 F550 Dump Truck in the amount of \$90,785.00 and to use funds from Pct. 2's Certificate of Obligation account.

33. Discussion and possible action to approve the purchase of (2) 21,000 gal. water tanks for \$13,830.00 F.O.B.-Dolan Creek Rd. A budget adjustment from General Capital Outlay to Pct. 2 Capital Outlay for \$12,000 will be used and the overage of \$1,830.00 to be paid from Pct. 2's operating.

**34.** Discussion and possible action to approve the purchase of (2) 21,000 gal. water tanks for \$13,830.00 F.O.B.-Langtry. A budget adjustment from General Capital Outlay to Pct. 4 Capital Outlay for \$12,000 will be used and the overage of \$1,830.00 to be paid from Pct. 4's operating.

**35.** Discussion and possible action to award Bid 23-11 for (2) used Day Cabs to Auto World Motors for a total amount of \$123,600.00. A budget adjustment will be needed from Pct.4's FEMA account to Pct. 4 Capital Outlay. Funding amounts to be determined.

**36.** Discussion and possible action to authorize the addition of (3) First Net lines and cell phones for ADA's Eric Bayne and Hilary Showers, & Paralegal Vivian Radcliff. Monthly expenses will be funded through the DA's BPU Grant.

**37.** Discussion and possible action to authorize Purchasing Agent to advertise for formal bids to remove the existing elevator and prep site for the installation of a new elevator at the Fitzpatrick Building located on 309 Mills Street.

#### **Jorge Vargas, Interim Fire Chief**

**38.** Discussion and possible action to accept a donation check of \$200.00 from Greenwood Ranch, LLC to be deposited into the Reserve fund.

#### **Juanita Barrera, Human Resources Director**

**39.** Discussion and approval of HR Monthly Report for period from September 13, 2023 through October 11, 2023.

A. Teresa Chapoy, County Clerk, requesting to stop the distribution of checks to Yvonne Avila, Deputy Clerk IV, effective September 20, 2023. Ms. Avila has transferred to 63<sup>rd</sup> District Court.

B. Teresa Chapoy, County Clerk, requesting the issuance of checks to Crystal Cedillo, Deputy Clerk IV, effective September 25, 2023 with a salary of \$30,762.44, Ms. Cedillo has been promoted to replace Yvonne Avila who transferred.

- C. Teresa Chapoy, County Clerk, requesting to stop the distribution of checks to Sandra Perez, Chief Deputy, effective September 29, 2023. Ms. Perez has transferred to District Attorney.
- D. Teresa Chapoy, County Clerk, requesting the issuance of checks to Maria Fuentes, Chief Deputy, effective September 29, 2023 with a salary of \$33,536.43, Ms. Fuentes has been promoted to replace Sandra Perez who transferred.
- E. Teresa Chapoy, County Clerk, requesting the issuance of checks to Melissa Infante, Assistant Chief Deputy, effective September 29, 2023 with a salary of \$32,338.68, Ms. Infante is replacing Maria Fuentes who was promoted.
- F. Teresa Chapoy, County Clerk, requesting the issuance of checks to Rosa Valdes, Deputy Clerk I, effective September 25, 2023 with a salary of \$25,918.66, Ms. Valdes has been demoted from Deputy Clerk III to Deputy Clerk I and is replacing Crystal Cedillo who was promoted.
- G. Teresa Chapoy, County Clerk, requesting the issuance of checks to Ruby Nieto, Deputy Clerk III, effective September 25, 2023 with a salary of \$29,439.59, Ms. Nieto has been promoted to replace Rosa Valdes who was demoted.
- H. Rolando Andrade, 63rd District Judge, requesting the issuance of checks to Yvonne Avila, PT OLS Clerk, effective September 21, 2023 with an hourly rate of \$18.00. Ms. Avila is replacing Fabiola Aguilera who became full time.
- I. Suzanne West, District Attorney, requesting the issuance of checks to Vivian Radcliff, BPU Paralegal, effective September 29, 2023 with a salary of \$65,000.00, Ms. Radcliff is filling in a newly created position under the BPU Grant.
- J. Suzanne West, District Attorney, requesting the issuance of checks to Sandra Perez, BPU Administrative Assistant, effective September 29, 2023 with a salary of \$44,000.00, Ms. Perez is filling in a newly created position under the BPU Grant.

- K. Suzanne West, District Attorney, requesting the issuance of checks to Kristela Ramirez, BPU Administrative Assistant, effective September 29, 2023 with a salary of \$44,000.00, Ms. Ramirez is filling in a newly created position under the BPU Grant.
- L. Suzanne West, District Attorney, requesting the issuance of checks to Danielle Rockwell, BPU Investigator, effective September 29, 2023 with a salary of \$60,000.00, Ms. Rockwell is filling in a newly created position under the BPU Grant.
- M. Suzanne West, District Attorney, requesting the issuance of checks to Hilary Showers, BPU Attorney, effective September 29, 2023 with a salary of \$90,000.00, Ms. Showers is filling in a newly created position under the BPU Grant.
- N. Joe Frank Martinez, Sheriff, requesting the issuance of checks to Maria F. Morris, Civil Warrants Clerk, effective September 19, 2023 with a salary of \$25,918.66, Ms. Morris is replacing Karen Sanchez who resigned.
- O. Joe Frank Martinez, Sheriff, requesting the issuance of checks to Marisi De Hoyos, Criminal Investigator, effective September 25, 2023 with a salary of \$44,341.50, Ms. De Hoyos is replacing Marcos Hernandez who resigned.
- P. Joe Frank Martinez, Sheriff, requesting the issuance of checks to Kevin Van Hoozier, Animal Control Officer Investigator, effective October 2, 2023 with a salary of \$29,096.48, Mr. Van Hoozier is replacing Blas Cardenas who resigned.
- Q. Joe Frank Martinez, Sheriff, requesting the issuance of checks to Martin Soto, Telecommunicator Operator, effective October 2, 2023 with a salary of \$34,320.00, Mr. Soto has transferred and is replacing Monica Salazar who was terminated.
- R. Lewis G. Owens, County Judge, requesting to stop the distribution of checks to Martin Soto, COVID-19 Tracer, effective September 29, 2023. Mr. Soto has transferred.
- S. Lewis G. Owens, County Judge, requesting to stop the distribution of checks to Jerry Rust, Fire Chief, effective September 29, 2023. Mr. Rust has retired.

- T. Lewis G. Owens, County Judge, requesting the issuance of checks to Jorge Vargas, Interim Fire Chief, effective October 2, 2023 with a salary of \$57,353.62, Mr. Vargas is replacing Jerry Rust who retired.
- U. Adrian Bitela, requesting the issuance of checks to Estela Sportsman, Temp. Driver, effective September 12, 2023 with a salary of \$15.00/Hr., Ms. Sportsman is replacing Daniel Chavez Sr., who resigned.
- V. David Bond, Library Director, requesting the issuance of checks to Rachel Hinman, Librarian II, effective September 18, 2023 with a salary of \$27,810.99, Ms. Hinman is replacing Jaqueline Vazquez who resigned.
- W. Juan C. Vazquez, Commissioner Pct. 2, requesting to stop the distribution of checks to Maria F. Morris, effective September 18, 2023. Ms. Morris has transferred.
- X. Juan C. Vazquez, Commissioner Pct. 2, requesting the issuance of checks to Teresa Menchaca, Food Dist. Clerk, effective September 20, 2023 with a salary of \$25,918.66, Ms. Menchaca is replacing Maria F. Morris who transferred.
- Y. Gustavo Flores, Commissioner Pct.4, requesting the issuance of checks to Alan Pena, Light Equipment Operator, effective September 14, 2023 with a salary of \$28,981.39, Mr. Pena is replacing Luis Rodriguez who was terminated.

**David E. Martinez, County Attorney**

**40. Discussion and possible action on the following:**

- A. Amending the County Attorney's budget as to Job Titles to reflect that John Clemmer's title will now be First Assistant County Attorney-Civil and Daniel Esquivel's title will now be First Assistant County Attorney-Criminal and to authorize the County Auditor to continue issuing pay checks according to and consistent with the 2023-2024 budgeted salaries for Mr. Clemmer and Mr. Esquivel.

**41. Closed session consultation pursuant to Texas Government Code:**



- A. §551.071(2), attorney/client privilege.
- B. §551.071(1)(A), contemplated litigation.
- C. §551.072 regarding the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property and possible action in open session thereafter.
- D. §551.073 regarding a negotiated contract, lease, or value of real property and possible action in open session thereafter.
- E. §551.076 regarding security devices, security audits and/or security personnel

**Commissioners Court reserves the right to hear any of the above agenda items that qualify for an executive session in a closed session by publicly announcing the applicable section number of the Open Meetings Act (Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code) that justifies executive session treatment.**


42. Commissioners' comments.

43. County Judge's comments.

44. Adjourn.

**NOTE: Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need auxiliary aids of services such as interpreters for persons who are deaf or hearing impaired, readers, or large print, are requested to contact the County Judge's Office at 830-774-7501 at least two (02) business days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made**

The next Regular Commissioners Court Meeting will be October 25, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m.  
**Agenda Items are due Thursday, October 19, 2022 @ 4:00p.m.**

  
Lewis G. Owens Jr., County Judge  
Val Verde County, Texas

**THIS NOTICE OF THE AGENDA WAS POSTED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD ON OCTOBER 6, 2023: AT 3:30 A.M./P.M.**

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