



**COMMISSIONER'S COURT MINUTES**  
**XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX**  
**JULY 22 REGULAR TERM, A.D. 2020**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER.
- 2. DETERMINATION THAT A QUORUM IS PRESENT:

BE IT REMEMBERED that on this the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July A.D. 2020 at 9:00 o'clock A.M., after due notice was given by posting of the attached Agenda; the Honorable Val Verde County Commissioners' Court convened in **REGULAR SESSION**. The meeting was called to order, the following members being present and constituted a quorum: Lewis G. Owens Jr., County Judge, Presiding; Martin Wardlaw, Commissioner of Precinct No. 1; Juan Carlos Vazquez, Commissioner of Precinct No. 2; Robert "LeBeau" Nettleton; Commissioner of Precinct No. 3; Gustavo Flores, Commissioner of Precinct No. 4; and Generosa Gracia-Ramon, County Clerk; when the following proceeding was had to wit:

- 3. Pledge of Allegiance.
- 4. Approval of minutes from previous meetings.

| ORDER  | Motion | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Amend | Amendment/Notes | Accept | Ayes      | Noes | Abst |
|--------|--------|-----------------|-------|-----------------|--------|-----------|------|------|
| 20-339 | N      | F               |       | Minutes for     |        | O,W,V,N,F |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | July 8, 2020    |        |           |      |      |

- 5. Citizens Comments.

1) NONE PRESENTED

2)

3)

4)

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:

MOTION KEY:  
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COMM NETTLETON=N  
COMM FLORES= F

QUORUM  
☒ COUNTY JUDGE  
TG Judge's Staff  
Judge's Staff  
☒ COMM. PRCT# 1  
☒ COMM. PRCT# 2  
☒ COMM. PRCT# 3  
☒ COMM. PRCT# 4

ATTENDING  
COUNTY STAFF/DEPTS:  
☒ COUNTY ATTY  
COUNTY ATTY STAFF  
COUNTY ATTY STAFF  
DISTRICT CLERK  
IT  
☒ SHERIFF  
SHERIFF'S STAFF  
☒ AUDITOR  
TREASURER-ZOOM  
PURCHASING-ZOOM  
HR-ZOOM  
TAX COLLECTOR ZOOM  
RISK MGMT  
FIRE DEPT  
EMERGENCY MGMT  
JP #1 Constable #1  
JP #2 Constable #2  
JP #3 Constable #3  
☒ JP #4 Constable #4  
OTHER  
2-TRACERS  
1-NEWSPAPER

## 6. Approving subdivision plats.

| ORDER | Motion | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Amend | Amendment/Notes | Accept | Ayes | Noes | Abst |
|-------|--------|-----------------|-------|-----------------|--------|------|------|------|
| N/A   |        |                 |       | NONE            |        |      |      |      |
|       |        |                 |       |                 |        |      |      |      |

## 7. Approving certificates of compliance.

| ORDER | Motion | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Amend | Amendment/Notes | Accept | Ayes | Noes | Abst |
|-------|--------|-----------------|-------|-----------------|--------|------|------|------|
| N/A   |        |                 |       | NONE            |        |      |      |      |
|       |        |                 |       |                 |        |      |      |      |

## 8. Approving monthly reports from elected officials.

| ORDER  | Motion | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Amend | Amendment/Notes   | Accept | Ayes      | Noes | Abst |
|--------|--------|-----------------|-------|-------------------|--------|-----------|------|------|
| 20-340 | N      | F               |       | Motion to Approve |        | O,W,V,N,F |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | as presented.     |        |           |      |      |

## 9. Approving bills.

| ORDER  | Motion | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Amend | Amendment/Notes   | Accept | Ayes      | Noes | Abst |
|--------|--------|-----------------|-------|-------------------|--------|-----------|------|------|
| 20-341 | F      | N               |       | Motion to Approve |        | O,W,V,N,F |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | as presented.     |        |           |      |      |

**Matthew S. Weingardt, County Auditor**

## 10. Auditor's Report.

| ORDER  | Motion | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Amend | Amendment/Notes   | Accept | Ayes      | Noes | Abst |
|--------|--------|-----------------|-------|-------------------|--------|-----------|------|------|
| 20-342 | N      | F               |       | Motion to Approve |        | O,W,V,N,F |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | as presented.     |        |           |      |      |

## 11. Budget Adjustment:

## A. \$25,485.00 to Attorneys' - Other from available appropriations.

| ORDER  | Motion | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Amend | Amendment/Notes                 | Accept | Ayes | Noes | Abst |
|--------|--------|-----------------|-------|---------------------------------|--------|------|------|------|
| 20-343 | N      | F               |       | Motion to Approve and take from |        |      |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | Contingency for now and later   |        |      |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | move more if needed.            |        |      |      |      |

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12.Certification of Revenue –

A. \$73,869.13 Total loss of Vehicles – Hail Damage

| ORDER  | Motion | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Amend | Amendment/Notes                         | Accept | Ayes      | Noes | Abst |
|--------|--------|-----------------|-------|-----------------------------------------|--------|-----------|------|------|
| 20-344 | N      | none            |       | Motion to approve and certify           |        |           |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | revenue.                                |        |           |      |      |
|        |        |                 | N     | Motion to rescind motion.               |        |           |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       |                                         |        |           |      |      |
| 20-345 | F      | N               |       | Motion to keep Sheriff's vehicles       |        | O,W,V,N,F |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | For now, once repaid and replaced       |        |           |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | Make reimbursement.                     |        |           |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       |                                         |        |           |      |      |
| 20-346 | F      | N               |       | Motion to put into Precinct 4 budget    |        | O,W,V,N,F |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | \$8,600.00 for Ford F150 and \$3,900.00 |        |           |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | For the charger for hail damage in      |        |           |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | Order for them to be replaced. Loss     |        |           |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | On Van is still pending.                |        |           |      |      |

B. \$654,665.08 FEMA/TDEM

• Precinct 2 - \$178,945.73

| ORDER  | Motion | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Amend | Amendment/Notes                     | Accept | Ayes      | Noes | Abst |
|--------|--------|-----------------|-------|-------------------------------------|--------|-----------|------|------|
| 20-347 | N      | V               |       | Certify revenue and put in Precinct |        | O,W,V,N,F |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | 2's budget and roll over the amount |        |           |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | into next year's budget.            |        |           |      |      |

• Precinct 3 - \$180,100.95

| ORDER  | Motion | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Amend | Amendment/Notes                     | Accept | Ayes      | Noes | Abst |
|--------|--------|-----------------|-------|-------------------------------------|--------|-----------|------|------|
| 20-348 |        |                 |       | Certify revenue and put in Precinct |        | O,W,V,N,F |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | 3's budget and roll over the amount |        |           |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | into next year's budget.            |        |           |      |      |

• Precinct 4 - \$295,618.40

| ORDER  | Motion | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Amend | Amendment/Notes                     | Accept | Ayes      | Noes | Abst |
|--------|--------|-----------------|-------|-------------------------------------|--------|-----------|------|------|
| 20-349 | N      | V               |       | Certify revenue and put in Precinct |        | O,W,V,N,F |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | 4's budget and roll over the amount |        |           |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | into next year's budget.            |        |           |      |      |

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**Aaron D. Rodriguez, County Treasurer**

## 13. Treasurer's Report.

| ORDER | Motion | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Amend | Amendment/Notes  | Accept | Ayes | Noes | Abst |
|-------|--------|-----------------|-------|------------------|--------|------|------|------|
| N/A   |        |                 |       | NO ACTION TAKEN. |        |      |      |      |
|       |        |                 |       |                  |        |      |      |      |

**Rogelio R. Musquiz, Jr., County Tax Assessor Collector**

## 14. Presentation to authorize collection of the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles Child Safety Fee \$1.50 per registration.

| ORDER  | Motion | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Amend | Amendment/Notes                    | Accept | Ayes      | Noes | Abst |
|--------|--------|-----------------|-------|------------------------------------|--------|-----------|------|------|
| 20-350 | N      |                 |       | Motion to deny.                    |        | O,W,V,N,F |      |      |
|        |        |                 | N     | Motion to rescind previous motion. |        |           |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       |                                    |        |           |      |      |
| 20-351 | V      | N               |       | Motion to table.                   |        | O,W,V,N,F |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       |                                    |        |           |      |      |

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

## 15. Discussing matters relating to COVID-19.

| ORDER  | Motion | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Amend | Amendment/Notes                      | Accept | Ayes      | Noes | Abst |
|--------|--------|-----------------|-------|--------------------------------------|--------|-----------|------|------|
| 20-352 | W      | N               |       | Motion to Approve Interlocal         |        | O,W,V,N,F |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | Agreements (City proposed and        |        |           |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | School) and authorize the Judge to   |        |           |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | sign the Agreements.                 |        |           |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       |                                      |        |           |      |      |
| 20-353 | N      | F               |       | Motion to set aside \$100,000.00 for |        | O,W,V,N,F |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | Businesses outside City limits; come |        |           |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | up with a plan/proposal on how       |        |           |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | People can apply for the grants, the |        |           |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | requirements and applications.       |        |           |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | Committee will be Matt Weingardt,    |        |           |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | Commissioner Nettleton and           |        |           |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | Commissioner Flores.                 |        |           |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       |                                      |        |           |      |      |

Clerk's note: No more expenditures for 4,5, & 6 only PPE & salaries.

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16. Discussing the policy for the food distribution.

| ORDER   | Motion | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Amend | Amendment/Notes                                               | Accept | Ayes    | Noes | Abst |
|---------|--------|-----------------|-------|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------|---------|------|------|
| 20- 354 | V      | N               |       | Motion to continue for 2 weeks<br>and take it off the Agenda. |        | W,V,N,F | O    |      |
|         |        |                 |       |                                                               |        |         |      |      |

17. Approving additional funding for Jerry Hernandez, Constable Pct. #4 – process serving expense.

| ORDER | Motion | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Amend | Amendment/Notes | Accept | Ayes | Noes | Abst |
|-------|--------|-----------------|-------|-----------------|--------|------|------|------|
| N/A   |        |                 |       | NO ACTION TAKEN |        |      |      |      |
|       |        |                 |       |                 |        |      |      |      |

**Robert “Beau” Nettleton, County Commissioner Pct. 3**

18. Approving placement of 4-way stop signs at the intersection of Agua Vista and Agua Dulce.

| ORDER  | Motion | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Amend | Amendment/Notes                    | Accept | Ayes      | Noes | Abst |
|--------|--------|-----------------|-------|------------------------------------|--------|-----------|------|------|
| 20-355 | N      | V               |       | Motion to Approve<br>as presented. |        | O,W,V,N,F |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       |                                    |        |           |      |      |

**Guillermo Sanchez, County Purchasing Agent**

19. Approving the purchase of one hot spot For Precinct 1 Foreman Mario Cervantes.

| ORDER  | Motion | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Amend | Amendment/Notes                    | Accept | Ayes      | Noes | Abst |
|--------|--------|-----------------|-------|------------------------------------|--------|-----------|------|------|
| 20-356 | W      | N               |       | Motion to Approve<br>as presented. |        | O,W,V,N,F |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       |                                    |        |           |      |      |

20. Approving the purchase of three air cards for the Sheriff’s Office to install in License Plate Readers.

| ORDER  | Motion | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Amend | Amendment/Notes | Accept | Ayes    | Noes | Abst |
|--------|--------|-----------------|-------|-----------------|--------|---------|------|------|
| 20-357 | V      | W               |       | Motion to Table |        | O,W,V,F | N    |      |
|        |        |                 |       |                 |        |         |      |      |

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- 21.** Authorizing the advertisement and submission of bids for 2020-2021 defined term purchases for commodities and services such as fuel, road construction materials, uniforms, janitorial services, pest control and beverage services.

| ORDER  | Motion | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Amend | Amendment/Notes   | Accept | Ayes      | Noes | Abst |
|--------|--------|-----------------|-------|-------------------|--------|-----------|------|------|
| 20-358 | N      | F               |       | Motion to Approve |        | O,W,V,N,F |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | as presented.     |        |           |      |      |

- 22.** Approving the purchase of two cell phones and two hot spots for the County Health Authority physician's assistant and registered nurse.

| ORDER  | Motion | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Amend | Amendment/Notes   | Accept | Ayes      | Noes | Abst |
|--------|--------|-----------------|-------|-------------------|--------|-----------|------|------|
| 20-359 | F      | M               |       | Motion to Approve |        | O,W,V,N,F |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | as presented.     |        |           |      |      |

- 23.** Approving purchase of a 2015 Freightliner for the price of \$30,378.00 to be paid with capital expenditure funds to be reimbursed by FEMA.

| ORDER  | Motion | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Amend | Amendment/Notes                 | Accept | Ayes      | Noes | Abst |
|--------|--------|-----------------|-------|---------------------------------|--------|-----------|------|------|
| 20-360 | N      | F               |       | Motion to pay out of Prct. 3    |        | O,W,V,N,F |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | Operating expense and reimburse |        |           |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | Operating expense when FEMA     |        |           |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | monies are received.            |        |           |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | (approximately \$13,000.00)     |        |           |      |      |

**Joe Frank Martinez, County Sheriff**

- 24.** Requesting issuance of two county credit cards for the Val Verde Sheriff's Office to be issued to Julio DeHoyos and Yesenia Flores.

| ORDER  | Motion | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Amend | Amendment/Notes   | Accept | Ayes       | Noes | Abst |
|--------|--------|-----------------|-------|-------------------|--------|------------|------|------|
| 20-361 | F      | N               |       | Motion to Approve |        | O,W,V, N,F |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | As presented.     |        |            |      |      |

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**Jerry Rust, County Fire Chief**

25. Extending burn ban for three months due to extreme dry conditions in the county.

| ORDER  | Motion | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Amend | Amendment/Notes   | Accept | Ayes      | Noes | Abst |
|--------|--------|-----------------|-------|-------------------|--------|-----------|------|------|
| 20-362 | F      | N               |       | Motion to Approve |        | O,W,V,N,F |      |      |
|        |        |                 |       | as presented.     |        |           |      |      |

**Ana Markowski Smith, County Attorney**

26. Executive Session items that may result in action in open session thereafter:

Closed session consultation pursuant to Texas Government Code:

- A. §551.071(2), attorney/client privilege
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EXECUTIVE SESSION: \_\_\_\_\_ §551.071(2)\_\_\_\_\_v\_\_\_\_\_ §551.071(1)(A)\_\_\_\_\_v\_\_\_\_\_ §551.072\_\_\_\_\_v\_\_\_\_\_

OTHER \_\_\_\_\_ BEGAN @ 9:43AM \_\_\_\_\_ ENDED @ 10:26AM \_\_\_\_\_ BREAK @ \_\_\_\_\_

RESUMED @ \_\_\_\_\_ ACTION AFTER EX: \_\_\_\_\_

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.

27. Commissioners’ comments. None.

28. County Judge’s comments: Received Letter from City of Del Rio. We are going to be working together. They will assist in funding some of the tracers and other positions and have offered the EOC building as a working place for the tracers. The School District has also sent a proposed Agreement so we all will be working together.

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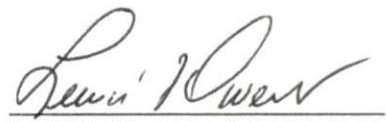
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29. Adjourn. 10:27 AM

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The foregoing, recorded in Volume \_\_\_\_\_, pages \_\_\_\_\_, inclusive, was on this the 5th day of August A.D. 2020, read and is hereby **APPROVED**.

Respectfully submitted,

  
LEWIS G. OWENS JR, COUNTY JUDGE  
VAL VERDE COUNTY, TEXAS

ATTEST:

  
GENEROSA GRACIA-RAMON, COUNTY CLERK  
VAL VERDE COUNTY, TEXAS



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*County of Val Verde*



**Lewis G. Owens Jr.**

*County Judge*

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

Old County Court-at-Law  
207B East Losoya Street  
Del Rio, TX 78840

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

Social distancing and face masks required

July 22, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

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Our next Regular Commissioners Court Meeting will be August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020 @ 9:00 a.m.; Agenda Items are due THURSDAY, JULY 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 @ 12:00 noon.

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

THIS NOTICE OF THE AGENDA WAS POSTED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD ON  
JULY 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020: AT 3:09 AM/PM

FILED

2020 JUL 17 P 3:09  
GENEALISA GONZALES-BAHON  
VAL VERDE COUNTY CLERK  
BY  DEPUTY

400 Pecan Street • Del Rio, TX 78840

**CERTIFICATE**

I, the undersigned County Clerk, do hereby certify that the above **AGENDA/NOTICE/ADDENDUM** of the Val Verde County Commissioner's Court is a true and correct copy of the **AGENDA/NOTICE/ADDENDUM** as posted on the courthouse door of Val Verde County, at a place readily accessible to the general public at all times on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2020, at 3:09 o'clock p. m. and said **AGENDA/NOTICE/ADDENDUM** remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.





**Generosa Gracia-Ramon**  
**Val Verde County Clerk**

STATE OF TEXAS

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COUNTY OF VAL VERDE

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**ORDER PROHIBITING OUTDOOR BURNING**

**WHEREAS**, the Texas Forest Service has determined that drought conditions exist within Val Verde County; and

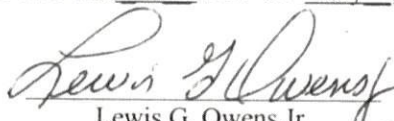
**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** by the Commissioners Court of Val Verde County that all **outdoor burning is prohibited** in the unincorporated area of the county for **90 days** from the date of **adoption** of this Order, unless the restrictions are terminated earlier based on a determination made by: (1) the Texas Forest Service that drought conditions no longer exist; or (2) the Commissioners Court, based on a determination that the circumstances that required the Order no longer exist.

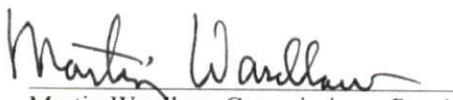
This Order is adopted pursuant to Local Government Code §352.081, and other applicable statutes. This Order does not prohibit outdoor burning activities related to public health and safety that are authorized by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality for: (1) Firefighters training; (2) public utility, natural gas pipeline or mining operations; (3) planting or harvesting of agricultural crops; or (4) burns that are conducted by a prescribed burn manager certified under Natural Resources Code §153.048 and meet the standards of Natural Resources Code §153.047.

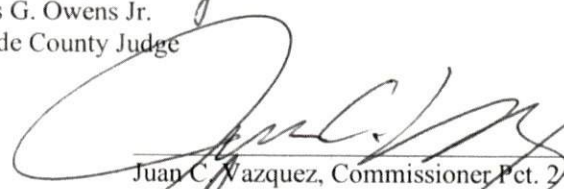
In accordance with Local Government Code §352.081(h), a violation of this **Order** is a **Class C Misdemeanor**, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.00.

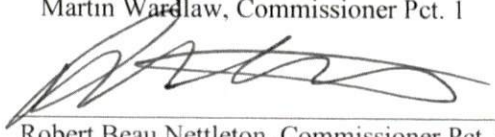
**Burning will be allowed only with written permission from Val Verde County Fire Chief or Val Verde County Judge.**

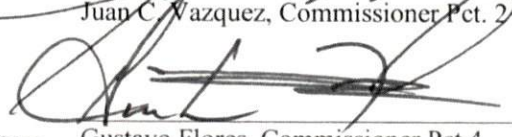
ADOPTED this 22 DAY OF July, 2020.

  
Lewis G. Owens Jr.  
Val Verde County Judge

  
Martin Wardlaw, Commissioner Pct. 1

  
Juan C. Vazquez, Commissioner Pct. 2

  
Robert Beau Nettleton, Commissioner Pct. 3

  
Gustavo Flores, Commissioner Pct. 4

Attest:

  
Generosa Gracia-Ramon  
Val Verde County Clerk

