

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES FOR JUNE 25, 2013**

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Raymondville, Texas met in a Regular Session at Raymondville Rural Technology Center, 700 FM 3168, Raymondville, Texas, on Tuesday, May 28, 2013, 5:00 P.M., with the following officials and members present:

Orlando A. Correa, Mayor
Clifton Smith, Commissioner
Eziquiel Cavazos, Commissioner
Yolanda Alexandre, Commissioner
Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager
William R. Wepfer, City Attorney
Delma C. Garza, Assistant City Secretary
Joel Soto, Public Works Director
Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police

Absent: Mary Gutierrez, Commissioner

Mayor Orlando A. Correa declared a quorum present and called this regular meeting to order.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Correa.

INVOCATION: Invocation was given by Mayor Correa.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR JUNE 11 AND JUNE 18, 2013

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve the minutes for June 11 and June 18, 2013. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner Cavazos, Smith, Alexandre and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Gutierrez

AUDIENCE

No audience participation at this meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE'S 2012 WATER SYSTEM CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT (CCR)

Mayor Correa opened the Public Hearing at 5:05 p.m.

There were no comments from the audience.

Mayor Correa closed the Public Hearing at 5:06 p.m.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING OPENING AND AWARDED OF CHEMICAL BIDS FOR THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE'S WATER TREATMENT PLANT

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve to accept the bids and have city manager review and make a recommendation on the following city meeting. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Cavazos, Smith, Alexandre and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Gutierrez

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF REQUEST BY THE LEONARD SANTANA FAMILY FOR THE USE OF THE CITY'S BASEBALL FIELDS TO

HOLD A FUNDRAISING TOURNAMENT TO ASSIST IN RAISING FUNDS TO SEND LEONARD SANTANA TO FLORIDA TO COMPETE IN THE ANNUAL UNDER ARMOUR NATIONAL BASEBALL PROGRAM

Commissioner Smith moved to approve the request by the Leonard Santana Family to use the City's baseball fields to hold a fundraising tournament to assist in raising funds to send Leonard Santana to Florida to compete in the annual Under Armour National Baseball Program. Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve the use of the City's baseball fields, pending letter from family indicating date for usage. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner Smith, Alexandre, Cavazos, and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Gutierrez

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF REQUEST FROM ALLIED WASTE FOR ROUTE CHANGES IN THE COLLECTION OF GARBAGE IN THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the request from Allied Waste for route changes in the collection of garbage in the City of Raymondville. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner Smith, Alexandre, Cavazos, and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Gutierrez

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF RETIREMENT AND RETIREMENT PARTY FOR WATER DEPARTMENT METER READER, JOE MORENO

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve the retirement and the retirement party for Water Department Meter Reader Joe Moreno. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner Smith, Alexandre, Cavazos, and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Gutierrez

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSFER EMPLOYEE TO THE WATER DEPARTMENT METER READER POSITION

Commissioner Smith moved to approve authorization to transfer employee to the Water Department Meter Reader position. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner Smith, Alexandre, Cavazos, and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Gutierrez

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING AUTHORIZATION TO HIRE A PERMANENT STREET DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve authorization to hire a permanent street department employee. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner Smith, Alexandre, Cavazos, and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Gutierrez

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF STREET LIGHT ON THE 700

BLOCK OF SOUTH 12TH STREET, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve a street light on the 700 block of South 12th Street, as recommended by the Raymondville Police Department. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner Smith, Alexandre, Cavazos, and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Gutierrez

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF ENGINEERING AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE'S WATER WELL PROJECT AS RECOMMENDED BY SCORING COMMITTEE

Commissioner Smith moved to approve engineering and management services for the Texas Department of Agriculture's Water Well Project as recommended by the scoring committee be awarded to Guzman & Munoz Engineering and Business Service Company. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner Smith, Alexandre, Cavazos, and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Gutierrez

APPROVAL OF TRAVEL AND TRAINING FOR CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE EMPLOYEES

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the travel and training for City of Raymondville employees.

1. Chief of Police will send 4 or 5 employees to NCIC-TCIC at \$20.00 per person.
2. Chief of Police requesting to send all P.D. employees to get CPR certified at \$20.00 - \$30.00 each.

APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

Commissioner Cavazos approved and authorize payment of the City's bills as presented. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner Smith, Alexandre, Cavazos, and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Gutierrez

REPORTS

Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager/Secretary reminded the Board of Commissioners that the City will have a softball team for the 4th of July celebration. Mr. Garcia advised the Board of Commissioners of the Texas Development Bond Issue, the Texas Department of Agriculture, also, he advised about the upcoming street projects and sewer improvements for liftstations.

RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police, reported to the Board of Commissioners the owner an 8-liner previously raided had been arrested in Austin. 1 or 2 other arrests are still pending.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Joel Soto, Public Works Director, reported to the Board of Commissioners that they have been working on weedy lots, scraping streets, water breaks. Commissioner Smith requested the trash in the downtown area be picked up.

RAYMONDVILLE FIRE CHIEF OSCAR GUTIERREZ
REPORTS

Oscar Gutierrez, Fire Chief, was absent and had no reports.

ADJOURN

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners of the City of Raymondville, Mayor Orlando A. Correa declared this regular meeting adjourned.

Orlando A. Correa, Mayor

ATTEST:

Eleazar Garcia, Jr.
City Manager/Secretary