

**FRIO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES FOR  
REGULAR MEETING April 26, 2021**

On the 26TH day of APRIL, 2021, at 3:00 p.m., the Commissioners Court of Frio County met in a regular meeting with the following members either absent or present, to-wit: Arnulfo C. Luna, Frio County Judge Present; Joe Vela, Commissioner Pct 1 present; Richard "Dicki" Graf, Commissioner Pct 2 present; Raul Carrizales, Commissioner Pct 3 present; Jose Asuncion, Commissioner Pct 4 present; Joseph A. Sindon, Legal Counsel for Frio County Commissioners Court present; and Aaron Ibarra, Frio County Clerk present when the following meeting was held, to-wit:

- I. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance
  
- II. Adopt Agenda  
**Motion by: Commissioner Graf**  
**Seconded by: Commissioner Carrizales**  
**Voted Aye: All Motion Carried**

- III. Old Business

**PRESENTATION**

**ACTION AGENDA ITEMS**

- IV. General Discussion
  
- V. Citizens To Be Heard  
**NONE**
  
- VI. New Business  
**NONE**

**PRESENTATION**

**ACTION AGENDA ITEMS**

- (1) Frio County Commissioners Court, requests:
  - 1.1 Consider/take action on approving an Agreement for Collateral Assignment to Solar Construction Lending, LLC of the Elara Energy Project, LLC Solar Project Tax Abatement Agreement.
  
  - 1.2 If the agreement is approved and adopted, then authorize Frio County Judge Arnulfo C. Luna to execute the agreement on behalf of Frio County, Texas.  
  
**Motion by: Commissioner Graf**  
**Seconded by: Commissioner Carrizales**  
**Voted Aye: All Motion Carried**

- (2) Anna Ortiz, requests:

Consider/take action on waving Frio Regional Park rental fees of \$200 to host Benefit for 4 years old Logan Elizondo on June 26, 2021 starting at 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.. There will be a bike run in honor of Logan Elizondo along with a plate sale, a raffle and DJ.

**Motion by: Commissioner Carrizales**  
**Seconded by: Commissioner Graf**  
**Voted Aye: All Motion Carried**  
**NO RAFFLE**

- (3) Mary Perez, Frio County Human Resources Director, requests:

Consider/take action on approving upcoming fundraiser of the Frio County Events Committee, and allow the solicitation of monetary donations to Frio County for the event.

**Motion by: Commissioner Asuncion**  
**Seconded by: Commissioner Carrizales**  
**Voted Aye: All Motion Carried**

- (4) Hon. Mike Morse, Frio County Sheriff, requests:

- 4.1 Consider / take action on approving a Construction Contract between Frio County and DPS Plumbing for the purposes of providing plumbing services for the Frio County Jail
- 4.2 If the contract is approved, consider/take action on signing resolution allowing Frio County Judge Arnulfo C. Luna to enter into same on behalf of Frio County.

**Motion by: Commissioner Carrizales**  
**Seconded by: Commissioner Graf**  
**Voted Aye: All Motion Carried**

- (5) Hon. Mike Morse, Frio County Sheriff, requests:

- 5.1 Consider/take action on approving an End User License Agreement between Frio County and School Safety Grant, LLC for use of ALERT Software.
- 5.2 If the agreement is approved, consider/take action on signing resolution allowing Frio County Judge Arnulfo C. Luna to enter into same on behalf of Frio County.

**Motion by: Commissioner Graf**  
**Seconded by: Commissioner Vela**  
**Voted Aye: All Motion Carried**

- (6) Hon. Mike Morse, Frio County Sheriff, requests:

Consider taking action on a transfer of funds from contingency or other source in order to cover the County Jail projects in the amount of 150,000.00 to include the plumbing contract, ventilation project, door project, fire alarm project, and overage incidentals.

**Motion by: Commissioner Carrizales**  
**Seconded by: Commissioner Graf**  
**Voted Aye: All Motion Carried**

- (7) Hon. Arnulfo C. Luna, Frio County Judge, requests:

Consider/take action on accepting a donation from Swinerton Renewable Energy in the amount of \$2,500.00.

**Motion by: Judge Arnulfo Luna**  
**Seconded by: Commissioner Carrizales**  
**Voted Aye: All Motion Carried**

- (8) Frio County Commissioners Court, requests:

8.1 Consider/take action on approving a Memorandum of Understanding between the Pearsall Independent School District, Frio County, and the City of Pearsall regarding maintenance of the Pearsall Public Pool.

8.2 If the Memorandum of Understanding is approved, consider/take action on signing resolution allowing Frio County Judge Arnulfo C. Luna to enter into same on behalf of Frio County.

**Motion by: Commissioner Asuncion**  
**Seconded by: Commissioner Graf**  
**Voted Aye: All Motion Carried**

- (9) Ray Kallio, CFM, Frio County Emergency Management Coordinator and Rural 9-1-1 Addressing Project Coordinator, requests:

Consider/take action on terminating the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between Frio County and the City of Pearsall effective June 1, 2021 and authorize Hon. Arnulfo C. Luna, Frio County Judge, to send a letter of termination to the City of Pearsall on behalf of Frio County.

**Motion by: Commissioner Graf**  
**Seconded by: Commissioner Carrizales**  
**Voted Aye: All Motion Carried**

- (10) Hon. Crystal Marquez, Frio County Auditor, requests:

Consider / take action on approving six online applications agreements with Medina Electric, to add new safety lighting at the Hilltop Subdivision in Dilley, Texas, including the costs of \$125.00 for each new light on five existing poles, and \$100.00 engineering fee for one new pole, for a total cost of \$725.00. Exact locations are as follows:

1. Corner of IH 35 FR & CR 4603/Barbra St.;
2. Corner of CR 4603/Barbra St. & CR 4604/Russel Rd. (may need line extension and new pole);
3. Corner of IH 35 FR & CR 4602/Justin Rd.;
4. Middle of CR 4602/Justin Rd. (646 FT from corner of IH 35 FR & CR 4602/Justin Rd.);
5. Corner of IH 35 FR & CR 4601/Todd Rd.;
6. Corner of IH 35 FR & CR 4600/Rusty Furnace Rd.

**Motion by: Commissioner Asuncion**  
**Seconded by: Commissioner Carrizales**  
**Voted Aye: All Motion Carried**

(11) Hon. Crystal Marquez, Frio County Auditor, requests:

Discuss and/or take appropriate action to certify the revenue received, \$178,425 under the General Fund (fund 100) and add the following line items to the 2020-2021 Budget to receipt the funds and allow expenses:

Account #: 100-40000.4361 Operation Stonegarden Grant	Account Name: Revenues
Account #: 100-58612.5120 Salaries – OPSG Deputies	Account Name: Special Projects
Account #: 100-58612.5131 Payroll Taxes	Account Name: Special Projects
Account #: 100-58612.5151 Co. Retirement Contribution	Account Name: Special Projects
Account #: 100-58612.5156 County Retirement Supplement	Account Name: Special Projects
Account #: 100-58612.5161 Workers Comp. Insurance	Account Name: Special Projects
Account #: 100-58612.5171 Unemployment	Account Name: Special

**Motion by: Commissioner Graf**  
**Seconded by: Commissioner Carrizales**  
**Voted Aye: All Motion Carried**

(12) Hon. Crystal Marquez, Frio County Auditor, requests:

12.1 Consider / take action to approve the budget amendments to the FY 2020-2021 Frio County Budget, list below:

ORDER OF BUDGET AMENDMENT					
The Commissioners' Court of Frio County, Texas hereby authorizes the following budget amendment for fiscal year October 1, 2020 - September 30, 2021.					
DEPT. NAME	ACCOUNT #	DESCRIPTION	CURRENT BUDGET	+ INCREASE (DECREASE)	- ADJUSTED BUDGET
<b>100 - GENERAL FUND</b>					
100 - J.P. PCT. # 4	100 - 53304.5201	Office Supplies	1,500.00	(1,000.00)	500.00
100 - J.P. PCT. # 4	100 - 53304.5394	Conferences & Associations	1,500.00	(150.00)	1,350.00
100 - J.P. PCT. # 4	100 - 53004.5397	Meals & Lodging	3,000.00	(2,000.00)	1,000.00
100 - J.P. PCT. # 4	100 - 53004.5210	Purchases Non-Capitalized	3,700.00	3,150.00	6,850.00
This entry is to record transfer of funds from expense line items to cover the cost of purchasing new office furniture in the J.P. Pct. # 4 Budget.					

12.1 If the amendment is approved, consider/take action on signing order stating same.

**Motion by: Commissioner Asuncion**  
**Seconded by: Commissioner Graf**  
**Voted Aye: All Motion Carried**

(13) Hon. Crystal Marquez, Frio County Auditor, requests:

13.1 Consider / take action to approve the budget amendments to the FY 2020-2021 Frio County Budget, list below:

**ORDER OF BUDGET AMENDMENT**

The Commissioners' Court of Frio County, Texas hereby authorizes the following budget amendment for fiscal year  
October 1, 2020 - September 30, 2021.

DEPT. NAME	ACCOUNT #	DESCRIPTION	CURRENT BUDGET	+ INCREASE (DECREASE)	= ADJUSTED BUDGET
<b>100 - GENERAL FUND</b>					
100 - Sheriff	100 - 57207.5105	Salaries - Deputies / Deputy #10	45,094.00	(184.00)	44,910.00
100 - Commissioner's Court	100 - 52001.5510	Contingencies	243,121.68	184.00	243,305.68

This entry is to record reduced salary expenses to Paygrade minimum in the Deputy Salaries line item in the Sheriff's Office Budget.

13.2 If the amendment is approved, consider/take action on signing order stating same.

**Motion by: Commissioner Asuncion**  
**Seconded by: Commissioner Graf**  
**Voted Aye: All Motion Carried**

(14) Hon. Crystal Marquez, Frio County Auditor, requests:

14.1 Consider / take action to approve the budget amendments to the FY 2020-2021 Frio County Budget, list below:

<b>ORDER OF BUDGET AMENDMENT</b>					
The Commissioners' Court of Frio County, Texas hereby authorizes the following budget amendment for fiscal year October 1, 2020 - September 30, 2021.					
DEPT. NAME	ACCOUNT #	DESCRIPTION	CURRENT BUDGET	+ INCREASE (DECREASE)	= ADJUSTED BUDGET
<b>100 - GENERAL FUND</b>					
100 - General Fund - Revenues	100 - 40000.4865	Miscellaneous Revenue	68,600.00	2,500.00	71,100.00
100 - Commissioner's Court	100 - 52001.5292	Miscellaneous Supplies	5,000.00	2,500.00	7,500.00

This entry is to record donated funds from Renewable Energy Solv to the General Fund Rev. Budget & record the funds to be expensed from the Commissioners Court Budget to also in f

14.2 If the amendment is approved, consider/take action on signing order stating same.

**Motion by: Commissioner Carrizales**  
**Seconded by: Commissioner Asuncion**  
**Voted Aye: All Motion Carried**

(15) Hon. Arnulfo C. Luna, Frio County Judge, requests:

Consider/take action on extension of Declaration of Local State of Disaster, dated April 23, 2021, by Frio County Judge, Hon. Arnulfo C. Luna, pursuant to Texas Government Code § 418.108(b).

**The item was tabled**

(16) Hon. Arnulfo C. Luna, Frio County Judge, requests:

16.1 Discuss, Consider and act on retrieving the Time Capsule buried in the Northwest part of the County Courthouse lawn, as per Records filed in the County Clerk's office in 1971. Records revealed that through Commissioner's Court on May 8 1971, a

celebration was held when the time capsule was buried. Capsule contains residents' /officials' memorabilia and was designed to be delivered to the surviving families after 50 years.

- 16.2 Consider/take action on approving Professional Services Agreement between Frio County and Underground Services, Inc. for the location and extraction of a time capsule on Frio County Courthouse grounds for a cost of \$2,080.00.
- 16.3 If the Agreement is approved, consider/take action on signing resolution allowing Frio County Judge Arnulfo C. Luna to enter into same on behalf of Frio County.

**County Judge Arnulfo Luna will look into the services, as well as what is needed in order to excavate the time capsule.**

(17) Hon. Aaron Ibarra, Frio County Clerk, requests:

- 17.1 Review Frio County Commissioners Court minutes for March 29, 2021, and April 12, 2021.
- 17.2 Consider/take action on approving Frio County Commissioners Court minutes for March 29, 2021, and April 12, 2021.

**Will be placed on next agenda for consideration.**

(18) Hon. Raul Carrizales, III, requests:

Discussion regarding Private Road 1178 and 1181.

**Tabled for further advice from another firm.**

(19) Roxana Garcia, P.E., Frio County Engineer, requests:

- 19.1 Consider/take action on approving and adopting resolutions granting permits to Trinity Operating (USG), LLC to lay bore, construct and maintain one (1) 8" pipeline operated at 900 PSI on County Road 4670 right-of-way for a total permit fee of \$500.00.
- 19.2 If the resolution is approved and adopted, then authorize Frio County Judge Arnulfo C. Luna to execute the permit on behalf of Frio County, Texas to Trinity Operating (USG), LLC.

(20) Roxana Garcia, P.E., Frio County Engineer, requests:

Designate a Countywide Director and Librarian with the duties as established by the Texas Local Government Records Act, Title 6, Subtitle C, Local Gov. Code § 203.001 Director and Librarian. This person will act as the single Point of Contact for all Elected/Non-Elected County Officials and Department Heads for Frio County.

**No Action**

(21) Roxana Garcia, P.E., Frio County Engineer, requests:

Approval of the revised Frio County Office and Records Management Person.

**Motion by: Commissioner Carrizales**  
**Seconded by: Commissioner Judge**  
**Voted Aye: All Motion Carried**

(22) Roxana Garcia, P.E., Frio County Engineer, requests:

Designate a Countywide Open Records Officer.

**No Action**

(23) Roxana Garcia, P.E., Frio County Engineer, requests:

Consider/take action on providing memorandum to all Elected/Non-Elected County Officials and Department Heads for implementation instructions and deadlines, if any.

**No Action**

(24) Hon. Mike Morse, Frio County Sheriff, requests:

Consider/take action on waiving the probationary period for being able to access Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas Insurance Benefits for new employees Detention Officers Larissa Leal and Patricia Hatfield.

**Motion by: Commissioner Graf**  
**Seconded by: Commissioner Carrizales**  
**Voted Aye: All Motion Carried**

(25) Frio County Commissioners Court, requests:

Discussion regarding the gate across County Road 4427.

**No Action**

(26) Documents (resolutions, orders, contracts, etc.) to be signed.

**Reviewed and signed**

(27) Allow bills payable

**Motion by: Commissioner Carrizales**  
**Seconded by: Commissioner Vela**  
**Voted Aye: All Motion Carried**

(28) Adjourn

**Motion by: Commissioner Carrizales**  
**Seconded by: Commissioner Asuncion**  
**Voted Aye: All Motion Carried**