**FRIO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES FOR**

**Regular called meeting September 12th, 2023**

On the 12th day of September, 2023, 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: Rochelle Lozano Camacho, Frio County Judge was present; Joe Vela, Commissioner Pct 1 present; Mario Martinez, Commissioner Pct 2 present; Raul Carrizales, Commissioner Pct 3 present; Danny Cano, 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: The meeting can be seen unedited and to its full extent on our county website, under the County Clerk tab.

I. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

II. Adopt Agenda

**MOTION: COMMISSIONER CARRIZALES**

**SECOND: COMMISSIONER CANO**

**MOTION PASSED**

III. Old Business

**PRESENTATION**

**ACTION AGENDA ITEMS**

IV. General Discussion

V. Citizens To Be Heard

**NONE**

VI. New Business

**PRESENTATION**

**ACTION AGENDA ITEMS**

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

* 1. Open and hold public hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year 2023-2024 budget. (Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, Section 111.007a)

**MOTION TO OPEN AT 3:10: COMMISSIONER CARRIZALES**

**SECOND: COMMISSIONER CANO**

**MOTION PASSED**

1.2 Close public hearing.

**MOTION: COMMISSIONER MARTINEZ**

**SECOND: COMMISSIONER CARRIZALES**

**MOTION PASSED**

1.3 Consider/take action on making any necessary changes to the budget. (Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, Section 111.008b)

**MOTION: COMMISSIONER CARRIZALES**

**SECOND: COMMISSIONER MARTINEZ**

**MOTION PASSED**

1.4 Consider/take action on setting the salary, expenses and other allowances of elected county or precinct officers. (Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, Section 152.013a)

**MOTION: COMMISSIONER MARTINEZ**

**SECOND: JUDGE CAMACHO**

**MOTION PASSED**

1.5 Consider/take action on adopting by record vote the Frio County Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024. (Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, Section 111.008a)

**MOTION: COMMISSIONER CARRIZALES**

**SECOND: COMMISSIONER MARTINEZ**

**MOTION PASSED**

1.6 Consider/take action to ratify the increase in property tax received for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 reflected in the Frio County 2023-2024 Budget.

**MOTION: COMMISSIONER MARTINEZ**

**SECOND: COMMISSIONER CARRIZALES**

**MOTION PASSED**

(2) Hon. Anna L. Alaniz, Frio County Tax Assessor Collector, requests:

2.1 Open and hold public hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year 2023-2024 tax rates.

**MOTION: COMMISSIONER CARRIZALES**

**SECOND: COMMISSIONER MARTINEZ**

**MOTION PASSED**

2.2 Close public hearing.

**MOTION: COMMISSIONER CARRIZALES @ 3:56**

**SECOND: COMMISSIONER CANO**

**MOTION PASSED**

2.3 Consider/take action on adopting the 2023-2024 Frio County Debt Service Rate by record vote.

**MOTION: COMMISSIONER CARRIZALES**

**SECOND: COMMISSIONER CANO**

**MOTION PASSED**

2.4 Consider/take action on adopting the 2023-2024 Frio County General Tax Rate, Frio County Lateral Road Tax Rate, and the Total Tax Rate for Frio County of 0.5968 by record vote.

**MOTION: COMMISSIONER CARRIZALES**

**SECOND: COMMISSIONER MARTINEZ**

**MOTION PASSED**

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

Consider / take action on selecting Fuel and Road Materials vendor from the bids received.

**MOTION: JUDGE CAMACHO**

**SECOND: COMMISSIONER CARRIZALES**

**MOTION PASSED**

(4) Carlos Segura, Frio County Elections Administrator, requests:

Consider/take action on approving an Order of Special Election for the November 7, 2023 Constitutional Amendment Election, which will be in a Joint Election with the two Devine ISD Elections – School Bond Election and Voter-Approval Tax Rate Election (VATRE).

**MOTION: COMMISSIONER CANO**

**SECOND: COMMISSIONER MARTINEZ**

**MOTION PASSED**

(5) Hon. Rochelle Camacho, Frio County Judge, requests:

Discussion with Yvette Utley of Lone Star Strategy Group, LLC regarding pending grants, possible future grants, and developing a protocol for Frio County Departments who want to apply for a grant.

**DISCUSSION HEARD AND DISCUSSED AMONGST THE COMMISSIONERS**

(6) Frio County Commissioners Court, requests:

Consider / take action to designate day of each month on which the court shall convene in a regular term in each month during the next fiscal year. (Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, Section 81.005(a).

**2ND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH, 3:00 P.M.**

**MOTION: COMMISSIONER CARRIZALES**

**SECOND: COMMISSIONER VELA**

**MOTION PASSED**

(7) Hon. Mike Morris, Frio County Sheriff, requests:

Consider/take action to approve purchase of Less Lethal Shotguns and Accessories from Botach Tactical and Primary Arms LLC to outfit the department with an additional means of force.

**MOTION: COMMISSIONER CARRIZALES**

**SECOND: COMMISSIONER CANO**

**MOTION PASSED**

(8) Ancelmo Ornelas, Frio County Road and Bridge Administrator, requests:

Consider/take action on waiving Fireman’s Park fee for medical benefit plate sale for Adan Vela scheduled for September 16, 2023 and park hours from 6:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

**MOTION: COMMISSIONER CARRIZALES**

**SECOND: COMMISSIONER VELA**

**MOTION PASSED**

(9) Ancelmo Ornelas, Frio County Road and Bridge Administrator, requests:

Consider/take action on fee reimbursement for park reservation for Jose Munoz for use of Fireman’s Park on September 2, 2023 for Ortegon family fundraiser.

**MOTION: COMMISSIONER MARTINEZ**

**SECOND: COMMISSIONER CARRIZALES**

**MOTION PASSED**

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

10.1 Consider / take action on approving the Security Light Agreements with Medina Electric to add scheduled lighting at CR 1151, CR 2010 & CR 2000 in Pearsall, Texas, and CR 4401 & CR 4425 in Derby, Texas, the schedule lighting rate for each location is $10.90 per month.

10.2 If the Agreements are approved, consider/take action on approving a resolution authorizing Hon. Rochelle Camacho, Frio County Judge, to sign same on behalf of Frio County.

**MOTION: COMMISSIONER CARRIZALES**

**SECOND: COMMISSIONER VELA**

**MOTION PASSED**

(11) Ramiro Trevino, Frio County Human Resources Director requests:

Appoint John Meyer as a member of the Sick Leave Pool Committee. Mr. Meyer will be replacing the vacancy left by Joshua Longoria.

**MOTION: COMMISSIONER CARRIZALES**

**SECOND: COMMISSIONER CANO**

**MOTION PASSED**

(12) Hon. Rochelle Camacho, Frio County Judge, requests:

Recess the Special called meeting reconvene in executive session pursuant to Texas Gov.’t Code 552.071 to meet with legal counsel of Allison, Bass & Magee, L.L.P. regarding the status of construction matters regarding the Camino Real Work Force Center with Sandoval Contracting and the bridge construction project at CR 2410 and CR 3314 with ONO Contracting.

**MOTION: COMMISSIONER CARRIZALES**

**SECOND: COMMISSIONER CANO**

**MOTION PASSED**

(13) Frio County Commissioners Court, requests:

Receive in person from the following county officials the following reports as mandated by law:

13.1 Presentation by Frio County Treasurer of detailed report as mandated by Section 114.026, Local Government (“Code”) (this report is to be presented at each **regular term of commissioners court).**

13.2 Frio County Treasurer to exhibit the books and accounts of that office for the inspection of the commissioners court (**to be done at each regular term of commissioners court).**

13.3 Consider/take action on authorizing the execution by Frio County Commissioners Court (the Judge and each commissioner) of an affidavit stating the requirements of the treasurer’s report have been met as mandated by section 114.026 of the Code.

13.4 Consider/take action on execution of an order of the commissioners court approving the county treasurer’s report and order their publication in the Frio-Nueces Current as mandated by Section 114.026 of the Code or publication on the county’s website.

**MOTION: COMMISSIONER CARRIZALES**

**SECOND: COMMISSIONER CANO**

**MOTION PASSED**

(14) Frio County Commissioners Court requests:

Presentation, pursuant to Section 114.044 of the Local Government Code, by:

1. Frio County District Clerk;

2. Frio County Clerk

3. Frio County Treasurer

4. Frio County Attorney

5. Frio County Judge

6. Frio County Sheriff

7. Frio County Auditor

8. Frio County Justice of the Peace

9. Frio County Constables

**(who collects or handles any money for the use of the county) of all fines imposed, judgments rendered and collected, and all jury fees collected by the respected courts in favor of or for the use of the county and at that time when the reports are presented to present receipts vouchers that show disposition of the money, fines or judgments.**

After examination by the commissioners court as to the correctness of the reports, consider/action on directing the county clerk to enter information in county finance records as mandated by Section 114.044 of the Code.

**ALL EXCEPT CONSTABLE 1**

**MOTION: COMMISSIONER CARRIZALES**

**SECOND: COMMISSIONER CANO**

**MOTION PASSED**

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

**REVIEWED AND SIGNED**

(16) Allow bills payable

**MOTION: COMMISSIONER CARRIZALES**

**SECOND: COMMISSIONER CANO**

**MOTION PASSED**

(17) Adjourn

**MOTION: COMMISSIONER CARRIZALES**

**SECOND: COMMISSIONER MARTINEZ**

**MOTION PASSED**