

**FRIO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES FOR  
REGULAR MEETING March 8th, 2021**

On the 8th day of March, 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 Carrizales**

**Omitting Number 18**

**Seconded by: Commissioner Asuncion**

**Voted Aye: All Motion Carried**

III. Old Business

**PRESENTATION**

**ACTION AGENDA ITEMS**

IV. General Discussion

**None**

V. Citizens To Be Heard

**None**

VI. New Business

**None**

**PRESENTATION**

(1) Ronald Rocha, Attorney at Law, Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP, requests:

Update on the delinquent fines and collection services by Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson LLP.

**Presentation done**

(2) Hon. Raul Carrizales, III, Frio County Commissioner, Precinct No. 3, requests:

Presentation by Hon. Susan Ruiz-Belding, Frio County Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 3, regarding the Texas Eviction Diversion Program for Rent Relief

**Presentation done**

## **ACTION AGENDA ITEMS**

- (1) Robert Carter, Leal & Carter, P.C., requests:

1.1 Present Frio County Juvenile Probation audited financial statements for fiscal year 2019-2020.

**Presentation done**

1.2 Take action if necessary.

**Motion by: Commissioner Graff**

**Seconded by: Commissioner Carrizales**

**Voted Aye: All Motion Carried**

- (2) Frio County Commissioners Court, requests:

Discussion with the Frio County Sheriff regarding the status of the Frio County Jail.

**Discussion Held, jail seems to making improvements with the goal to open up the jail.**

- (3) Frio County Commissioners Court, requests:

Discussion regarding the Memorandum of Understanding Between Frio County, the City of Pearsall, and the Pearsall Independent School District regarding operation and maintenance of the Pearsall Public Pool.

**Discussion was held to renew for \$23, 500**

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

Discussion regarding First Amended Frio County Cemetery Policies and Guidelines.

**Discussion was held about the price, and possibly lowering it and setting new guidelines.**

- (5) Carlos Segura, Frio County Elections Administrator, requests:

5.1 Consider/take action on passing and adopting a resolution authorizing the execution of a Joint Election Agreement and Election Ballot Service Contract between Frio County and the City of Dilley for the election on May 1, 2021, and with early voting occurring April 19, 2021 to April 27, 2021.

5.2 If resolution is passed and adopted, then authorize the Frio County Judge to execute the Joint Election Agreement and Ballot Service Agreement between Frio County and the City of Dilley.

**Motion by: Commissioner Carrizales**

**Seconded by: Commissioner Asuncion**

**Voted Aye: All Motion Carried**

- 5.3 Consider passing and adopting a resolution authorizing the execution of a Lease Agreement for the use of the Frio County's Electronic Voting Equipment with the City of Dilley for the election on May 1, 2021, and with early voting occurring April 19, 2021 to April 27, 2021.
- 5.4 If resolution is passed and adopted, then authorize the Frio County Judge to execute the lease for the use of the Electronic Voting Equipment with the City of Dilley.

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

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

- 6.1 Consider/take action on passing and adopting a resolution authorizing the execution of a Joint Election Agreement and Election Ballot Service Contract between Frio County and the City of Pearsall for the election on May 1, 2021, and with early voting occurring April 19, 2021 to April 27, 2021.
- 6.2 If resolution is passed and adopted, then authorize the Frio County Judge to execute the Joint Election Agreement and Ballot Service Agreement between Frio County and the City of Pearsall.

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

- 6.3 Consider passing and adopting a resolution authorizing the execution of a Lease Agreement for the use of the Frio County's Electronic Voting Equipment with the City of Pearsall for the election on May 1, 2021, and with early voting occurring April 19, 2021 to April 27, 2021.
- 6.4 If resolution is passed and adopted, then authorize the Frio County Judge to execute the lease for the use of the Electronic Voting Equipment with the City of Pearsall.

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

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

- 7.1 Consider / take action on approving a credit application with OTC Brands, Inc., a new vendor.
- 7.2 If the application is approved, then approve and sign a resolution authorizing Frio County Judge Arnulfo C. Luna to execute the application on behalf of Frio County.

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

- (8) 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 Deputy Gina Gonzales, Deputy Ricardo Gandara, Deputy Marcos Reyes, Jailer Juan Saucedo, Jailer Jessenia Espinosa, and Dispatcher Elizabeth Gonzales.

**Motion by: Commissioner Asuncion**

**Seconded by: Commissioner Graf**

**Voted Aye: All Motion Carried**

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

Consider / take action on opening and selecting from bids received to complete plumbing repair and replacement of (13) Acorn WC / LAV combo units (Model # 1418-2-CT/ AR/AL-BP-04M-FV-PH-1.28-PT) in "A", "K", "L", "M" & "N" tanks in the Frio County Jail. To replace (5) Acorn WS Wall Showers (Model # Penal Ware 1741-8MV-RD in the above mentioned dayrooms of each unit, to complete demolition and removal of the existing fixtures to be replaced, to install the new fixtures in the aforementioned tanks, to install W/V LAV actuators in all (13) new units, to install shower actuators in (5) new shower units, to complete all chase piping in "A" tank for (9) WC / LAV combos and (1) shower unit, to include hot and cold water connections to all new fixtures, to complete chase piping for (4) showers and (4) WC / LAV combos in "K" & "L" and "M" & "N" units (2 chases). To also complete concrete demolition and installation of new piping of lower northside shower drain in "O" tank.

**No Action**

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

Consider/take action on the acceptance of a donation of \$600.00 from the Pearsall Lions Club.

**Motion by: Commissioner Carrizales**

**Seconded by: Commissioner Graf**

**Voted Aye: All Motion Carried**

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

11.1 Review Frio County Commissioners Court minutes for November 9, 16, 30, 2020, December 7, 14, 2020, and January 1, 11, and 25, 2021.

11.2 Consider/take action on approving Frio County Commissioners Court minutes for November 9, 16, 30, 2020, December 7, 14, 2020, and January 1, 11, and 25, 2021.

**Motion by: Commissioner Graf**

**Seconded by: Commissioner Asuncion**

**Voted Aye: All Motion Carried**

(12) Hon. Pete Jasso Martinez, Frio County Treasurer, requests:

Consider/take acting on signing resolution requesting the changing of the signatories of the below accounts at Security State Bank that were accessible by Asencion Alberto DeLeon, Amy Yvette Diaz, Leslie Ann Barela:

- a. Escrow Account: 100017292
- b. Special Fee Account: 9506306

and changing the signatories on those accounts to Hon. Mike Morse, Frio County Sheriff, Jennifer Hernandez, Executive Administrative Assistant to the Frio County Sheriff, Hon. Pete Jasso Martinez, Frio County Treasurer, Rudy Alvarez, Assistant Frio County Treasurer, Crystal Marquez, Frio County Auditor and Raquel M. Mendez, Assistant Frio County Auditor.

**Motion by: Commissioner Graf**  
**Seconded by: Commissioner Carrizales**  
**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:

DEPT. NAME	ACCOUNT #	DESCRIPTION	CURRENT BUDGET	- INCREASE (DECREASE)	= ADJUSTED BUDGET
<b>100 - GENERAL FUND</b>					
100 - General Fund - Revenues	100 - 40000.4865	Miscellaneous Revenue	66,000.00	2,000.00	68,000.00
100 - Commissioner's Court	100 - 52001.5292	Miscellaneous Supplies	3,000.00	2,000.00	5,000.00

This entry is to record donated funds from prior year 19-20 to the General Fund Revenue Budget & record donated funds to be expensed out of the Commissioner's Court Budget for homeless pop

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

**Motion by: Commissioner Carrizales**  
**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:

DEPT. NAME	ACCOUNT #	DESCRIPTION	CURRENT BUDGET	- INCREASE (DECREASE)	= ADJUSTED BUDGET
<b>100 - GENERAL FUND</b>					
100 - General Fund - Revenues	100 - 40000.4865	Miscellaneous Revenue	68,000.00	600.00	68,600.00
100 - Sheriff	100 - 57207.5220	Purchases Non-Capitalized	15,000.00	600.00	15,600.00

This entry is to record donated funds to the Sheriff's Office from Pearland Lions Club donation will be deposited into General Fd. Rev Budget & record donated funds to be expensed in the Sher

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

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

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

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

DEPT. NAME	ACCOUNT #	DESCRIPTION	CURRENT BUDGET	+ INCREASE (DECREASE)	= ADJUSTED BUDGET
<b>100 - GENERAL FUND</b>					
100 - Sheriff	100 - 57207.5105	Salaries - Deputies / Deputy #11	42,431.44	(4,000.00)	38,431.44
100 - Sheriff	100 - 57207.5105	Salaries - Deputies / Deputy #15	40,587.20	(2,155.76)	38,431.44
100 - Commissioner's Court	100 - 52001.5510	Contingencies	240,965.92	6,155.76	247,121.68
*This entry is to record reduced salary expenses to Paygrade minimum in the Deputy Salaries line item in the Sheriff's Office Budget.					

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

**No Action**

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

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

DEPT. NAME	ACCOUNT #	DESCRIPTION	CURRENT BUDGET	+ INCREASE (DECREASE)	= ADJUSTED BUDGET
<b>202 - WIC PROGRAM FUND</b>					
202 - Intergovernmental Revenue	202 - 40000.4350	Intergovernmental Revenues	235,332.00	126,211.00	361,543.00
202 - Personal Services	202 - 50000.5101	Salaries - Nurse Director	53,670.00	3,220.20	56,890.20
202 - Personal Services	202 - 50000.5115	Salaries - Assistants	67,560.00	3,396.08	70,956.08
202 - Personal Services	202 - 50000.5131	Payroll Taxes	10,375.70	506.15	10,881.85
202 - Personal Services	202 - 50000.5151	County Retirement Contribution	12,871.29	627.88	13,499.17
202 - Personal Services	202 - 50000.5156	County Retirement Supplement	528.96	25.80	554.76
202 - Personal Services	202 - 50000.5161	Workers Compensation Insurance	745.97	36.39	782.36
202 - Personal Services	202 - 50000.5171	Unemployment Insurance	1,057.91	51.61	1,109.52
202 - Supplies	202 - 50000.5210	Medical Supplies	4,000.00	21,000.00	25,000.00
202 - Supplies	202 - 50000.5220	Purchases Non-Capitalized	4,000.00	5,246.89	9,246.89
202 - Supplies	202 - 50000.5291	Miscellaneous Supplies	10,000.00	5,100.00	15,100.00
202 - Services	202 - 50000.5444	Telephone / Communication	2,400.00	1,000.00	3,400.00
202 - Services	202 - 50000.5495	Other Services	8,017.00	86,000.00	94,017.00
*This entry is to record revenue and increase expenditures for WIC funds received into current budget, this is to reflect the HSC Contract No. 445000803700001.					

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

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

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

Consider / take action on approving one purchasing card to be utilized by Frio County Commissioner Asuncion to temporarily place homeless Frio residents in an emergency housing solution, as referred by local supportive services and/or law enforcement, for transition to the Alamo Area Council of Governments (AACOG) Emergency Solutions Grant Program.

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

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

Discussion regarding support of the creation of the Middle Rio Grande Regional Mobility Authority.

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

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

19.1 Discussion regarding continued requirement of the wearing of facemasks by all individuals conducting business within the courthouse.

19.2 Consider/take action on approving an Order rescinding the Frio County Commissioners Court Order approved March 23, 2020 approving the rules and guidelines governing the management of the COVID-19 outbreak and the leave policies enacted therein.

**No Action**

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

Update regarding renovation of county owned property located at 1796 IH 35 East, Pearsall, Texas 78061.

**No Action**

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

Consider / take action on selecting winning bids from bids received for qualified firms to provide Records Management, Classification, and Destruction Services for Frio County Records.

**No Action**

(22) Hurley's Funeral Home, requests:

Consider/take action on approving the county to pay for the indigent cremation for Janice Renee Gladem.

**Motion by: Commissioner Carrizales**

**Seconded by: Commissioner Graf**

**Voted Aye: All Motion Carried**

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

23.1 Consider/take action on approving and adopting resolutions granting permits to Trinity Operating (USG), LLC to lay bore, construct and maintain one (1) 4" pipeline operated at 900 PSI on County Road 4728 right-of-way for a total permit fee of \$500.00.

23.2 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.

**No Action**

(24) Ernie Luna requests

Consider/take action on waiving the fees associated with reserving the Fireman's Park (pit area only) on March 28, 2021, to hold a BBQ Fundraiser for Girls Softball Team.

**Motion by: Commissioner Carrizales**

**Seconded by: Commissioner Asuncion**

**Voted Aye: All (Save for Judge Luna) Motion Carried**

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

Consider/take action on using the salary of the former jail administrator of \$50,583.77 in order to pay one field deputy at 42,000 then add 2821.90 to Lt. Longoria's salary to match the other Lt. Myer, then use 1561.87 for SGT. Calvillo's salary which would leave 3900.00 to be divided among between 7 dispatchers and 1 maintenance person this one-time merit pay would be 525.00 for each. The 525.00 for the dispatchers and maintenance person was based on them having the lowest paid positions in the Sheriff's Office. Breakdown as follows:

**Motion by: Commissioner Carrizales**

**Seconded by: Commissioner Graf**

**Voted Aye: All Motion Carried**



**Voted Aye: All**

**Motion Carried**

(27) 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.

**Motion by: Commissioner Carrizales**

**Seconded by: Commissioner Graf**

**Voted Aye: All                      Motion Carried**

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

**Documents presented and signed**

(29) Allow bills payable

**Motion by: Commissioner Graf**

**Seconded by: Commissioner Carrizales**

**Voted Aye: All                      Motion Carried**

(30) Adjourn

**Motion by: Commissioner Carrizales**

**Seconded by: Commissioner Asuncion**

**Voted Aye: All                      Motion Carried**