August 15, 2017 Budget Workshop

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the 15th day of August, A.D., 2017 there was held a Budget Workshop of the Honorable Commissioners' Court of Willacy County, Texas at the County Judge's Office, 576 West Main, in the City of Raymondville, Texas for the purpose of transacting the following agenda:

- 1. Call to Order.
- 2. Roll Call / Establishment of Quorum.
- 3. Budget Workshop.
- 4. Adjourn.

THE COURT MET:

PRESENT:

Aurelio Guerra, Jr., County Judge,

Eliberto Guerra, Commissioner, Precinct 1,

Oscar De Luna, Commissioner, Precinct 2, ABSENT

Henry De La Paz, Commissioner, Precinct 3,

Eduardo Gonzales, Commissioner, Precinct 4, ABSENT Annette Hinojosa, County Attorney, ABSENT

Rebeca Saenz, County Auditor's Assistant,

Terry Flores, County Clerk,

WHEREUPON, the Court was opened to the following proceedings were had to wit:

PERSONS VISITING THE COURT:

No one signed in the sign in sheet.

- 1. Call to Order Chairman Aurelio Guerra, Jr.
- 2. Roll Call/Establishment of Quorum Commissioners De Luna and Gonzales ABSENT

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> Agenda # 3 IN REGARDS TO BUDGET WORKSHOP

Chairman Guerra, proceeds with the Budget Workshop. Discussion continues on reference to the Budget for the following departments:

Reber Library:

Discussion starts with Rose Sanchez, Reber Librarian on reference to Account Number 105 on supplies asking for some more, but seems to be fine with what she has. So, it will stay the same. Account Number 192 on Community Involvement Mrs. Sanchez had added \$400.00 on her own last year. Also, requesting a salary increase for Mary Villanueva and a part-time position for Ana Padron due to that the program she is hired through will be expiring. Account Number 390 on Books requesting an increase from \$14,000.00 to \$18,000.00.

County Treasurer's Office:

Discussion starts with Ruben Cavazos, County Treasurer on reference to Account Number 385 to increase by \$900.00 to purchase a computer. Also, on the copier he pays half of the amount and the Commissioners divided their part into four amounts. The Veteran's Office and Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 use it, but don't pay for it. County Treasurer is requesting for the copy machine amount to be split up into seven (7) ways, which he's part will be \$854.00.

Some extra duties in the County Treasurer's Office is working on the County Policy Manual, Insurance, Incident Report, Bank Reconciliation (should be done in his office, not at the Auditor's Office). Also, requesting that he gets payroll back, gave the County Judge and the Commissioners the Law and the Attorney General's Opinion. Mr. Cavazos is also asking for an additional full-time employee and an upgrade cloud for his office.

Veteran's Office:

Discussion starts with Alex Figueroa, County Veteran's Officer with the Rental Amount of \$3,415.44 asks to be divided by Treasurer's Office, Veteran's Office, Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 and the Commissioners' Office. Also, on Account Number 200 on Repairs/Maintenance an increase to \$800.00 from \$588.00. Account Number 115 on Gas to leave the same as is and same for supplies. Mr. Figueroa is also asking for a raise increase for himself.

District Clerk's Office:

Discussion starts with Isabel Adame, District Clerk's Office by stating she has no requests, nor changes.

County Extension Office:

Discussion starts with Matthew Rodriguez, Extension Agent by requesting \$60.00 increase for operating supplies, \$65.00 increase for office supplies and \$30.00 increase Assn. Dues Account.

Juvenile Probation Office:

Discussion starts with Raul Garza, Juvenile Probation Officer by stating to cut position from budget \$14,000.00 (another Juvenile Position), to make up what the State cut. Mr. Garza states would like go into a different phone system like the one we have. A residential reduction to \$35,000.00 from \$40,000.00 and a vehicle request for this year's current budget, not for the next coming year.

Elections Department:

Discussion starts with Mary Hope Barrera, Elections Administrator on reference to Account Number 025 to increase by \$2,000.00, Account Number 205 for Technology/Maintenance to \$1,000.00, Account Number 210 for Rental to increase to \$1,850.00 and Account Number 245 to increase to \$2,000.00 with a total of \$6,850.00.

Constable Precinct 1:

Discussion starts with Carlos Ibarra, Constable Precinct 1 by stating no increase to his budget.

Constable Precinct 5:

Discussion starts with Antonio Trevino, Constable Precinct 5 by requesting a vest an estimated amount of \$700.00-\$800.00, a radar and emergency lighting.

Constable Precinct 3:

Discussion starts with Ben Vera, Constable Precinct 3 by requesting a radar.

Constable Precinct 4:

Discussion starts with Albert Garza, Constable Precinct 4 by having no requests, only a radar for Albert Oviedo, Reserved Deputy.

Motion was made by Commissioner De La Paz, seconded by Commissioner Guerra that Court Adjourn. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra and De La Paz voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

There being no further action,

Court Adjourned.