

MAY 09, 2002

A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KINGSVILLE, TEXAS WAS HELD THURSDAY, MAY 09, 2002 AT 7:30 P.M. IN THE HONORABLE ROBERT H. ALCORN COMMISSION CHAMBERS AT CITY HALL, 200 EAST KLEBERG AVENUE.

CITY COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:

Stanley Laskowski, City Commissioner
 Rene "Mr. V" Villarreal, City Commissioner
 Filemon "Phil" Esquivel, Jr., Mayor
 Arturo Pecos, City Commissioner
 Al Garcia, City Commissioner

Horacio (Hoss) Castillo, City Commissioner-elect
 Charles E. Wilson, City Commissioner-elect

CITY STAFF PRESENT:

Hector M. Hinojosa, City Manager
 Diana F. Valadez, City Secretary
 Ruben Perez, City Attorney
 Courtney Alvarez, Assistant City Attorney
 Mary Valenzuela, Executive Secretary
 Corando Garza, Assistant City Manager / Fire Chief
 Coeta Montgomery, Director of Personnel
 Caron Vela, Accountant
 Vilma Castillo, Director of Collections
 Sammy Maldonado, Utilities Superintendent
 Macario Mayorga, Water Construction Supervisor
 Stanley Fees, City Engineer
 Dianne Leubert, Solid Waste Superintendent

I. PRELIMINARY PROCEEDINGS.

OPEN MEETING:

Mrs. Charles Wilson led the Commission and members of the audience in an invocation. Immediately thereafter, Mr. Filemon Esquivel, Sr., led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S) – REQUIRED BY LAW.

There were no minutes available for approval.

II. PUBLIC HEARING – (REQUIRED BY LAW).

1. None.

III. PETITIONS, GRIEVANCES, AND PRESENTATIONS.

1. None.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS.

1. COMMENTS ON ALL AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS.

Mayor Filemon "Phil" Esquivel, Jr., thanked both Commissioner's Villarreal and Laskowski for all of their hard work during the last two years.

Commissioner Arturo Pecos and Al Garcia also thanked Commissioner's Rene "Mr. V" Villarreal and Stanley Laskowski for their service.

Commissioner Villarreal stated that it has been an honor and pleasure for him to serve the last two years as a City Commissioner. He thanked all the individuals that supported him and that participated in the election.

Commissioner Laskowski thanked the citizens of Kingsville for allowing him to serve on the Commission the last two years. He asked that the newly elected Commission continue to support the employees of the City of Kingsville and to give them the tools necessary to perform their duties. Commissioner Laskowski stated that he felt that all of the decisions he made during his tenure as a City Commissioner were made in the best interest of this City.

V. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION BY COMMISSIONERS.

1. SWEARING-IN AND OFFICIAL OATH OF NEWLY ELECTED MAYOR. (CITY COMMISSION).

Mr. Hector M. Hinojosa, City Manager, stated that the Honorable Mario Delgado, Kleberg County Justice of the Peace of Precinct #1 was present to swear-in Mayor Filemon "Phil" Esquivel, Jr.

Judge Delgado proceeded to administer the Statement of Officer and the Official Oath to Mayor Esquivel.

2. SWEARING-IN AND OFFICIAL OATH OF NEWLY ELECTED CITY COMMISSIONERS. (CITY COMMISSION).

Mr. Hinojosa stated that the Honorable Ezequiel DeLaPaz, Kleberg County Justice of the Peace of Precinct #4 was present to swear-in Horacio (Hoss) Castillo.

Judge DeLaPaz proceeded to administer the Statement of Officer and the Official Oath to Commissioner Castillo.

Mr. Hinojosa then stated that Judge Delgado would swear-in the remaining three members of the City Commission.

Judge Delgado proceeded to administer the Statement of Officer and the Official Oath to Commissioner's Arturo Pecos, Charles E. Wilson, and Al Garcia.

3. CITY MANAGERS' REPORT. (CITY MANAGER).

Commissioner Castillo stated that his intentions are to do the best for the citizens of Kingsville and to move the City in the right direction. He thanked all the citizens that voted for him.

Commissioner Pecos thanked his family and all the citizens that voted for him. He stated that he was ready to work and move the City forward in the next two years.

Commissioner Wilson also thanked all the individuals that took the time to go and vote. He also thanked his family and his parents for making him a better person.

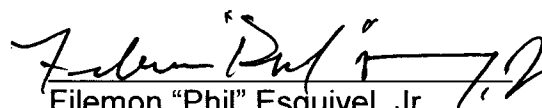
Commissioner Garcia thanked everyone for being present this evening. He stated that there are a lot of issues that remained unfinished from his last term and this Commission would be tasked to complete. He stated that he was ready to work the next two years.

Mayor Esquivel stated that being Mayor has been a valuable experience for him. He stated that the Commission needs to focus on education and economic development. He stated that all the citizens benefit if the tax base is increased.

Mr. Hinojosa then invited everyone present to attend the reception in the first floor lobby.

VI. ADJOURNMENT.

The meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.


Filemon "Phil" Esquivel, Jr.,
Mayor

ATTEST:

Diana F. Valadez,
City Secretary