

Zapata Co. WCID  
Regular Board Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, March 25, 2026

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Zapata County Water Control & Improvement District (Highway 16E) convened on March 25, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. at the office of the District, pursuant to notice duly given as required by law.

1. Call Meeting to Order. A quorum being present, President Ramiro Ramirez, Jr., called the meeting to order and presided.
2. Roll Call. Directors present when the meeting was called to order were: Ramiro Ramirez, Jr., Jesse Porras, Sergio Lozano, and Gabriela De Los Santos. Also present were: Mireya Bustamante, Office Manager, Veronica Bustamante Office Assistant, and absent was Santiago Hernandez.
3. Certification of Meeting Notice. It was determined that the notice of the date, place, and time of meeting was posted in accordance with Texas Government Code 551.043.
4. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance. Ramiro Ramirez, Jr. led the Board in the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.
5. Public comment: No one appeared. No comment was received in any form prior to the meeting.
6. Minutes: The minutes of the February 25, 2026, Regular Board meeting were read, reviewed, and discussed. The motion was made by Sergio Lozano, seconded by Gabriela De Los Santos, to approve the minutes of the February 25, 2026, regular Board meeting. Following a discussion, the motion was carried unanimously.
7. Field Supervisor's Report. – An oral report was given by Juan Delgado, field supervisor.
8. Attorney's Report. – A report was presented and discussed.
9. District Engineer's Report – A report was presented and discussed.
10. Booster Station Projects:
  - 10.1. La Mota Booster Station Upgrade. Engineer Gonzalez presented a progress report. Project substantially completed and operational. Tanks tested, disinfected, and placed into service. Engineer to provide a punch list for final closeout.
  - 10.2. Bustamante Booster Station Upgrade. Bustamante Booster Station has been completed and is operational.
  - 10.3. Flores Booster Station-construction. Approximately 90% complete. Remaining items include roofing, doors, fence adjustments, yard cleanup, generator testing, and electrical service. Contractor will submit final invoice upon completion

- 10.4. Salomeneno Booster Station-Decommissioning, The Board was informed that contract changes for the Salomoneno station demolition project are being prepared and will be sent to Mr. Dossett for review and execution.
11. Salomeneno Loop / Interconnect Project.
  - 11.1 Jennings Tract. Engineer preparing itemized change order breakdown for legal review.
  - 11.2 The Board was informed that ROW mapping for the easement for the L-Bar-L-Bar-L and Jennings ranch has been prepared and provided to Mr. Dossett for easement acquisition preparation.
12. Service Request: Consider and take action on request of Henry C. Schmidt Jr. LLC that the District service its 2,542.94 acre tract outside of the District. It was noted that in order to be serviced by the District the subject property would have to be annexed, but since the property does not adjoin the District it cannot be annexed. However, Schmidt advises that La Duquesa Ltd., the owner of a property sandwiched between the District boundary and the Schmidt property wants service, is willing to be annexed, and is willing to grant a right-of-way for a waterline to across its property, and that the Nosers, who own the property in the District sandwiched between the La Duquesa Ltd property and the District's main water line are willing to grant a right-of-way for a waterline across their property. The Board discussed water service considerations for the Henry C. Schmit Jr. LLC property and surrounding properties. Assuming annexation of the La Duquesa Ltd property, two options were presented: (1) construct a district water line from the main water line to the La Duquesa and Schmidt properties, or (2) install the meters at the District's main line and require each property owner to construct individual lines between the meters and their respective properties. It was noted that the owners of properties that adjoin the La Duquesa and Schmidt properties might want service also. The Board will consider the Engineer's recommendations at the next Board meeting.
13. Grants: The District's engineer noted that Zapata County Water Works pumps and treats the District's water at ZCWW's plant at the River, and delivers the District's water to the District at a meter located at the intersection of Highway 16 and 20<sup>th</sup> Street. The engineer discussed the feasibility of a secondary plant which would be funded by grants. Following the discussion, then Board was of the opinion that action on this item should be deferred to the next Board meeting.
14. Financial Reports: The reports for February 2026 were presented, reviewed, and discussed.
15. Payables accounts and payroll checks paid for the month of February 2026 were discussed and reviewed. Payments were approved and presented.
16. Communications: None
17. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn was made by Sergio Lozano and seconded by Gabriela

De Los Santos. It was noted that the next regular Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 29, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. There being no further business, the meeting Was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Jesse A. Porras for Mr. Ramirez  
Ramiro Ramirez, Jr., President

Jesse A. Porras  
Jesse A. Porras, Secretary

4-29-2026  
Date Approved