

COUNTY OF HIDALGO COMMISSIONERS' COURT

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 13th day of December, 1999 after notice duly having been given, a Special Meeting of the Commissioners' Court and the Drainage District #1 Board was begun and holden in the Commissioners' Courtroom, in the County Administration Building, in the City of Edinburg, County of Hidalgo, State of Texas, with the following being members of said Court:

**HONORABLE JOSE ELOY PULIDO
COUNTY JUDGE**

**HONORABLE SYLVIA HANDY
COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 1**

**HONORABLE HECTOR (TITO) PALACIOS
COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 2**

**HONORABLE JUAN ROSEL
COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 3**

**HONORABLE OSCAR L. GARZA, JR.
COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 4**

and where the following proceedings were had to-wit:

COMMISSIONERS' COURT

The Honorable Jose Eloy Pulido, County Judge, called the Commissioners' Court meeting to order, whereupon the following proceedings were had, to-wit:

CONSENT AGENDA

ITEM 1. ROLL CALL

ITEM 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ITEM 3. PRAYER

ITEM 4. OPEN FORUM

ITEM 13. PCT.#3

A. Authorization to establish a policy to address speed limits on County Roads not to exceed 50 mph unless otherwise posted.

Commissioner Rosel came before Court to address this particular item on the speed limit. There are a number of fatalities on County Roads and the question has always asked, When the County road is not posted with a speed limit sign what is the speed limit? Is our in our assumption that the speed limit was 50 mph. I believe that I addressed that issue to Legal Council, maybe he could give us a little inside as you what happen with that 50 mph situation and then we could discuss it a little bit further their. Steve Crain, Legal Council, basically I provided a copy of the letter that I wrote to Commissioner Rosel and the transportation code specifically authorizes what the speed limit is to Commissioners Court has not set the speed limit on County Roads and as per process and how you will change it somewhere detailed on that letter to you. These are general unpaved County road. We have rural subdivisions that are also in our County roads will that include like those are County roads as well, but they're residence would that include the residential areas also. I believe we addressed was the County roads that will affect County Highways and not County roads cause they are not part of the State Road System not within a subdivision. On the letter that I submitted it phrases that Soul of Transportation quote "Provides the speed limit for passenger cars outside a Urban District and on Highway not numbered on State of the United States is 60 mph doing the day and

55 mph during night. What I like to do is that this Commissioners Court to address to set up a policy which I have not had to make this speed limit on the County roads the maximum that you could drive is 50 mph unless it's other wise posted and we have had other situation in some areas that we had address speed limit about 30 and at 40. At present there is no speed limit control other than what the state has setup, which is 60 mph and 55 mph at night and I think that some of our roads 60 is a little to high for the 24 ft. of paving and that is the maximum that we got in some County roads. We got to address the issue and let the public know, that we are not going to allow anyone to drive faster then 50 mph on our County roads. There are some things that you could do, but I recommend at this time to take no action on this item at this time. Basically the first one is advertising the jail public ballet or what action you take and the seconded is that you are going to spend some money to put out speed limit signs on these roads. Judge Pulido has some concerns on this item and there will be no action been taken at this time

NO ACTION TAKEN.