



Republic of the Philippines
Province of Oriental Mindoro
Municipality of Roxas

OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF ROXAS, ORIENTAL MINDORO HELD ON 16 SEPTEMBER 1996, AT THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN SESSION HALL.

Present:

Vice Mayor Jesus M. Dinapilis	- Presiding Officer
Kagawad Cesar T. Entico	- Member
Kagawad Ferdinand V. Talena	- Member
Kagawad Angeles D. Bautista	- Member
Kagawad Ramil O. Dinapilis	- Member
Kagawad Jesus S. Dela Cruz	- Member
Kagawad Ramulfo C. Bernal	- Member
Kagawad Honesto O. Taytay	- Member
Kagawad Eduardo G. Villamin	- Member, ABC President
Kagawad Randy P. Valencia	- Member, SK Chairman

Absent:

Kagawad Juanito A. Bacay, Jr. - Member,

RESOLUTION NO. 098
Series of 1996

RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THE NATIONAL FOOD AUTHORITY TO INCREASE THE SUBSIDIZED PRICE OF PALAY NATIONWIDE FROM ₱8.00 PER KILO TO ₱10.00 PER KILO.

WHEREAS, the price of palay in the local market from January up to the present ranges from ₱6.50 to ₱8.00 per kilo;

WHEREAS, this present trend of palay business greatly affects the living condition of marginal farmers who spend a considerable amount for agricultural inputs like fertilizers, pesticides, insecticides, molluscides and the like, the prices of which increase from time to time with the recurring oil price increases thus our poor farmers find it difficult to adjust their meager income to the prices of basic commodities, which also accelerate with the oil issue;

WHEREAS, rat infestation and natural calamities decrease the farm produce aggravating the situation so that a great majority of the marginal farmers of this locality become helpless in recovering losses incurred, many resorting to entering agreements with loan sharks that eventually hook them, oftentimes, permanently to cling to such usurious practice;

WHEREAS, palay traders and businessmen pose a major competition to the National Food Authority in the purchase of palay in this municipality giving a price ₱1 to ₱2 per kilo higher than the National Food Authority and which makes an attractive bait to most farmers;

WHEREAS, this scheme is very disadvantageous to consumers inasmuch as in lean months, hoarding by rice traders and businessmen is inevitable, the price of rice being controlled and which even farmer-producers, having no more stocks left have no choice, but to procure the staple food from these businessmen;

WHEREAS, to avert this rice crisis brought about by the palay issue the National Food Authority imports rice which at times are not all consumed due to fumigation, and later turns unfit for human consumption, the government also suffers a marked degree of losses due to spillage in mishandling, eventually such move contributes to a more confused state of palay problem;

WHEREAS, this august body is of the opinion that increasing the subsidized price of palay from ₱8.00 to ₱10.00 per kilo by the National Food Authority will be of more and lasting benefit to farmers, ensuring them of protection against unconscientious traders and businessmen in the sale of their palay and consequently from usurers and will provide the NFA warehouse with a stock of palay that can be distributed to Bigasang Bayan especially on cases or in times of calamity; and

WHEREAS, the members of this body unanimously agreed to address this problem of increase in subsidized price of palay nationwide from ₱8.00 per kilo to ₱10.00 per kilo to the National Food Authority for their perusal and favorable action for the welfare of a great majority of farmers and their families in the whole country.

NOW THEREFORE, on motion of Kagawad Eduardo G. Villamin and unanimously seconded by all -

BE IT RESOLVED to respectfully request as it hereby requests the National Food Authority to increase the subsidized price of palay nationwide from ₱8.00 per kilo to ₱10.00 per kilo.

RESOLVED FURTHER to send copies of this resolution the Hon. Administrator, National Food Authority, Matinyas Bldg., E. Rodriguez Avenue, Quezon City for his perusal and favorable action for the well-being of the farmers and their families nationwide in their struggle to attain a better and improved way of life.

RESOLVED FINALLY to send copies of this request the Honorable Secretary, Department of Agriculture, Manila for funding support to this need of our farmers, the Honorable Sangguniang Panlalawigan and the Provincial Manager, NFA, both of Calapan, Oriental Mindoro and all the Sangguniang Bayan of this province, for their information and necessary support to this resolution.

Unanimously approved.

Adopted: 16 September 1996

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

[Signature]
VIOLETA P. FUERTES
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

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JESUS M. DIMAPILIS
Municipal Vice Mayor/
Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

[Signature]
GELACIO I. LASON
Municipal Mayor

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