


SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS COURT
March 7, 2018
3:00 P.M.
2ND FLOOR COURTROOM
BROOKS COUNTY COURTHOUSE

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this day, the Honorable Commissioners' Court of Brooks County, Texas met in Special Term therein the City of Falfurrias in the 2nd floor Courtroom of the Brooks County Courthouse:

OPEN MEETING-Judge Imelda Barrera called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM 

PLEDGE OF ALLEGANCE -was led by Judge Imelda Barrera

ROLL CALL – Judge Imelda Barrera called for roll call:

Present: Imelda Barrera, County Judge,
Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1,
Armando Olivarez, Commissioner Precinct 3,
Jose Antonio "Tony" Martinez, Commissioner Precinct 4.

Absent: Vincent Vargas, Commissioner Precinct 2, Elvaray B. Silvas, County Clerk.

Staff Present:

Chaya Garza, Administrative Assistant
Missy A. Saavedra, Deputy Clerk

Others Present:

August Patroelj, County Auditor
Rodney Belasquez, Internal Auditor

1. Public Comments 

Sheriff Benny Martinez addressed the Court on a 500 gallon gasoline tank that he is wanting to transfer from the constable impound yard and placing it at the Encino sub-station for the usage of fuel for the Sheriff's Department, Constable Department or anyone with the County to utilize it.

AGENDA

2. Discuss, Consider and Act on Commercial Account Right of Entry Agreement with Time Warner Cable Texas, LLC and Brooks County, Texas for county building located at 1400

S. St. Mary's St. (Previously tabled on the Special February 26, 2018 Meeting) 

Motion: to approve the right of entry agreement, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, **Seconded by** Armando Olivarez, Commissioner Precinct 3. Motion passed unanimously. **(On File)**

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 4).

Yes: Armando Olivarez, Commissioner Precinct 3, Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Imelda Barrera, County Judge, Jose Antonio "Tony" Martinez, Commissioner Precinct 4.

3. Discuss, Consider and Approve the proposal from South Texas Communications for new console for Brooks County Dispatch. (Submitted by Commander Jorge Esparza, Sheriff's Department)

Commander Jorge Esparza and Sheriff Benny Martinez addressed the Court on the above matter.

Commander Esparza stated that they have been revamping their communication systems but are still having software and communications issues. The new system will allow them to have the capability to communicate with all entities. Commander Esparza informed the Court that they are currently having issues with dispatching the Falfurrias Fire Department. He also stated that the new console will cost \$272,672.23. He stated that it will not be going thru the general fund, but through private grantors, or other grants or thru our special funding that we have. Commander Esparza stated that Sheriff's Department wants to let the Court know, that because we are trying to get it financed, they have anywhere from \$45,000 to \$50,000.00 that they can secure grants from but with this contract it has to be a 7 year contract. If for some reason that they can't make their yearly funding it will fall back on the County. It was also that maintenance and upgrades are included.

At 3:05 PM County Clerk, Elvaray B. Silvas joined the meeting.

Sheriff Martinez stated that monies for payment would be either through private funding, federal funding or Chapter 59.

Motion: to approve proposal for a 7 year term, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Jose Antonio "Tony" Martinez, Commissioner Precinct 4, **Seconded by** Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1. Motion passed unanimously. (**On file**)

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 4).

Yes: Armando Olivarez, Commissioner Precinct 3, Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Imelda Barrera, County Judge, Jose Antonio "Tony" Martinez, Commissioner Precinct 4.

4. Adjourn

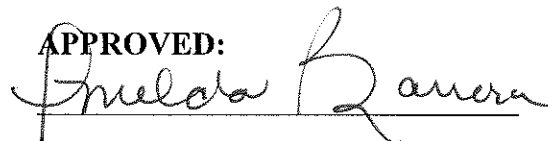
Motion: to adjourn at 3:13 pm, **Action:** Adjourn, **Moved by** Jose Antonio "Tony" Martinez, Commissioner Precinct 4, **Seconded by** Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1. Motion passed unanimously.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 4).

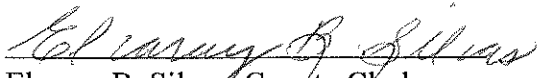
Yes: Armando Olivarez, Commissioner Precinct 3, Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Imelda Barrera, County Judge, Jose Antonio "Tony" Martinez, Commissioner Precinct 4.

The preceding minutes beginning on page _____ and ending on page _____, of the Commissioners' Court Minutes Volume _____, read and approved in the Honorable Commissioners' Court this 23rd day of March, 2018, A.D.

APPROVED:


Imelda Barrera, County Judge

ATTESTED:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Elvaray B. Silva". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Elvaray B. Silva, County Clerk