

REGULAR COMMISSIONERS COURT


May 8, 2018

9:00 A.M.

2ND FLOOR COURTROOM

BROOKS COUNTY COURTHOUSE

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this day, the Honorable Commissioners' Court of Brooks County, Texas met in Regular 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 9:00 AM 

PLEDGE OF ALLEGANCE -was led by County Judge Imelda Barrera

ROLL CALL – Judge Imelda Barrera called for roll call:

Present: Imelda Barrera, County Judge,
Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1,
Vincent Vargas, Commissioner Precinct 2,
Jose Antonio "Tony" Martinez, Commissioner Precinct 4,
Elvaray B. Silvas, County Clerk (Not voting).

Absent: Armando Olivarez, Commissioner Precinct 3.

Staff Present:

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

Others Present:

Rodney Belasquez, Internal Auditor

1. Public Comments 

There were no public comments made at this time.

AGENDA


11. Discuss and approve line item transfer of \$1,120.00 from 12-05-0554-5230 Supplies in the amount of \$100.00, from 12-05-0554-5515 Radio Maint. & Repairs in the amount of \$570.00, from 12-05-0554-550 Out of Co Travel in the amount of \$300.00 and from 12-05-0554-9070 Miscellaneous in the amount of \$150.00 to 12-05-0554-5105 Gas & Oil Exp.

(Submitted by Frank Huerta, Constable Precinct #3) 

Motion: to approve line item transfer, **Action:** Approve, **Moved** by Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, **Seconded** by Vincent Vargas, Commissioner Precinct 2. Motion passed unanimously. **(On file)**

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

Yes: Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Imelda Barrera, County Judge, Jose Antonio "Tony" Martinez, Commissioner Precinct 4, Vincent Vargas, Commissioner Precinct 2.


13. Discuss, consider, and act on award of Small Purchase construction contract for sewer line construction and first-time sewer yard service lines on County Roads 202 and 203 for the TxCDBG 7215075 grant, contingent on approval of Performance Statement Modification #2 from the Texas Department of Agriculture. (Submitted by Jeff Carrillo, GrantWorks) 

Hector Castillo, LNV Engineering addressed the Court on the above matter.

Motion: to award construction contract to Hoover Construction Company, at no cost to the County, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Jose Antonio "Tony" Martinez, Commissioner Precinct 4, **Seconded by** Vincent Vargas, Commissioner Precinct 2. Motion passed unanimously.

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

Yes: Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Imelda Barrera, County Judge, Jose Antonio "Tony" Martinez, Commissioner Precinct 4, Vincent Vargas, Commissioner Precinct 2.


9. Discuss, Consider and Act on considering counsel for Brooks County in an Opioid Litigation and approving an employment contract with the Law Office of Ramon Garcia. (Submitted by Ramon Garcia) 

Orlando Garcia with the Law Office of Ramon Garcia addressed the Court on the above matter with a short presentation.

Motion: to table for the County Attorney to review contract, **Action:** Table, **Moved by** Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, **Seconded by** Jose Antonio "Tony" Martinez, Commissioner Precinct 4. Motion passed unanimously.

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

Yes: Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Imelda Barrera, County Judge, Jose Antonio "Tony" Martinez, Commissioner Precinct 4, Vincent Vargas, Commissioner Precinct 2.


10. Discuss, Consider and Act in providing assistance to the Falfurrias Volunteer Fire Department and allowing them the usage of the J.M. Alaniz Fairgrounds for their Annual Bar-B-Que on June 9, 2018. (Submitted by Benny Ramirez, Fire Chief) 

Benny Ramirez, Fire Chief addressed the Court on the above matter.

Motion: to approve, **Action:** Approve, **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: Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Imelda Barrera, County Judge, Jose Antonio "Tony" Martinez, Commissioner Precinct 4, Vincent Vargas, Commissioner Precinct 2.

2. Approve of Regular and Special Commissioners Court minutes. (April 10, 2018, April 25, 2018 and April 30, 2018) 

Motion: to approve the minutes as presented, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, **Seconded by** Jose Antonio "Tony" Martinez, Commissioner Precinct 4. Motion passed unanimously.

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

Yes: Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Imelda Barrera, County Judge, Jose Antonio "Tony" Martinez, Commissioner Precinct 4, Vincent Vargas, Commissioner Precinct 2.

3. Approve of Bills and Claims. 

Motion: to approve the bills and claims as presented, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, **Seconded by** Vincent Vargas, Commissioner Precinct 2. Motion passed unanimously. **(On file)**

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

Yes: Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Imelda Barrera, County Judge, Jose Antonio "Tony" Martinez, Commissioner Precinct 4, Vincent Vargas, Commissioner Precinct 2.

5. Approve Auditor's Monthly Report. 

Rodney Belasquez, Internal Auditor addressed the Court on the above matter

Motion: to approve the monthly report, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, **Seconded by** Jose Antonio "Tony" Martinez, Commissioner Precinct 4. Motion passed unanimously. **(On file)**

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

Yes: Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Imelda Barrera, County Judge, Jose Antonio "Tony" Martinez, Commissioner Precinct 4, Vincent Vargas, Commissioner Precinct 2.

6. Approve County Foreman's Monthly Report. 

Motion: to approve the monthly report, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Jose Antonio "Tony" Martinez, Commissioner Precinct 4, **by** Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1. Motion passed unanimously. **(On file)**

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

Yes: Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Imelda Barrera, County Judge, Jose Antonio "Tony" Martinez, Commissioner Precinct 4, Vincent Vargas, Commissioner Precinct 2.


4. Approve Treasurer's Monthly Report. 

Horacio Villarreal, County Treasurer addressed the Court on the above matter.

Motion: to approve the monthly report, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Jose Antonio "Tony" Martinez, Commissioner Precinct 4, **Seconded by** Vincent Vargas, Commissioner Precinct 2. Motion passed unanimously. **(On file)**

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

Yes: Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Imelda Barrera, County Judge, Jose Antonio "Tony" Martinez, Commissioner Precinct 4, Vincent Vargas, Commissioner Precinct 2.


12. Discuss and approve line item transfer of \$59.50 from 012-5-0455-5000 Office Supplies to 012-5-0455-9068 Contract Labor. (Submitted by Adela Quintanilla, JP Pct#1) 

Motion: to approve line item transfer, **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: Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Imelda Barrera, County Judge, Jose Antonio "Tony" Martinez, Commissioner Precinct 4, Vincent Vargas, Commissioner Precinct 2.

15. Discussion and Approval to authorize the First National Bank in Falfurrias to amend the Irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit Number BC-08-01, payable to the TCEQ on behalf of the Brooks County Landfill, for the new aggregate amount of \$130,196.76 for year 2017. This reflects an additional amount of \$2,302.10 due to the TCEQ Annual


Inflation Factor. (Submitted by Alan Hernandez, Landfill Manager) 

Alan Hernandez, Landfill Manager addressed the Court on the above matter.

Motion: to approve, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, **Seconded by** Vincent Vargas, Commissioner Precinct 2. Motion passed unanimously. **(On file)**

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

Yes: Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Imelda Barrera, County Judge, Jose Antonio "Tony" Martinez, Commissioner Precinct 4, Vincent Vargas, Commissioner Precinct 2.

14. Open, Discuss, Consider and possibly approve or reject previously received bids for ambulance service. (Submitted by Commissioner Garza) 

Honorable Judge Barrera read the contract with AirMed stated that since we didn't extend or renew, the contract automatically renewed itself. It was discussed to go out for new bids.

Motion: to reject the bids and rebid, **Action:** Approve, **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: Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Imelda Barrera, County Judge, Jose Antonio "Tony" Martinez, Commissioner Precinct 4, Vincent Vargas, Commissioner Precinct 2.


7. Approve Tax Assessor Collector Chief Deputy Monthly Report. 

Terri A. Silvas, Chief Deputy addressed the Court on the above matter.

Motion: to approve the monthly report, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, **Seconded by** Vincent Vargas, Commissioner Precinct 2. Motion passed unanimously. **(On file)**

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

Yes: Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Imelda Barrera, County Judge, Jose Antonio "Tony" Martinez, Commissioner Precinct 4, Vincent Vargas, Commissioner Precinct 2.

8. Approve Monthly Reports by Brooks County.
(Submitted by Brooks County Justice of the Peace Precinct 1-4)
(Submitted by Brooks County Library, Angelica Regalado) 

Motion: to approve the monthly reports, **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: Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Imelda Barrera, County Judge, Jose Antonio "Tony" Martinez, Commissioner Precinct 4, Vincent Vargas, Commissioner Precinct 2.

16. Adjourn

Motion: to adjourn the meeting at 9:53 AM, **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: Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Imelda Barrera, County Judge, Jose Antonio "Tony" Martinez, Commissioner Precinct 4, Vincent Vargas, Commissioner Precinct 2.

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 22nd day of June, 2018, A.D.

APPROVED:



~~Imelda Barrera~~, County Judge

Eric Ramos

ATTESTED:


Elvaray B. Silvas, County Clerk