


**SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS COURT**  
**October 15, 2019**  
**10:00 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 Special Term therein the City of Falfurrias in the 2nd floor Courtroom of the Brooks County Courthouse:

**OPEN MEETING**-Judge Eric Ramos called the meeting to order at 10: 07 AM 

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**-was led by Judge Eric Ramos

**ROLL CALL**-Judge Eric Ramos called for roll call:

**Present:** Eric Ramos, County Judge,  
Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1,  
Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2,  
Armando Olivarez, Commissioner Precinct 3,  
Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct 4,  
Elvaray B. Silvas, County Clerk (Not voting).

**Staff Present:** Missy A Saavedra, Deputy County Clerk

**Others Present:**

August Patroelj, County Auditor  
Angie Saenz, 1<sup>st</sup> Assistant County Auditor

**AGENDA**

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**1. Public Comment** 


There were no public comments said at this time.  
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**INFORMATION ITEMS**

**2. Presentation for Grant Writing Services**

Item was passed by the Court.  
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**ACTION ITEMS**

**3. Discuss consider and act on paying bills. (Submitted by County Auditor's Office)** 

**Motion:** to approve of bills, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Armando Olivarez, Commissioner Precinct 3, **Seconded by** Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1. Motion passed unanimously. **(On file)**

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

**Yes:** Armando Olivarez, Commissioner Precinct 3, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct 4, Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2.

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**4. Discuss consider and act on Approving a new subdivision name Ranchos Los Mesquites Subdivision located on FM 754 and FM 1418 West ( Submitted by Bobby Saenz)** 

Bobby Saenz addressed the Court on the above matter.

**Motion:** to approve Ranchos Los Mesquites Subdivision, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, **Seconded by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2. Motion passed unanimously.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).


**Yes:** Armando Olivarez, Commissioner Precinct 3, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct 4, Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2.

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**6. Discuss, consider and act on Los Olmos Cemetery. (Previously tabled )** 

**Motion:** to table, **Action:** Table, **Moved by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2, **Seconded by** Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1. Motion passed unanimously.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

**Yes:** Armando Olivarez, Commissioner Precinct 3, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct 4, Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2.


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**7. Discuss, consider and act on approving an amended contract with Lamar Womack & Associates for roofing & weigh station pit. (Submitted by Judge Eric Ramos)** 

**Motion:** to approve the amended contract, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Armando Olivarez, Commissioner Precinct 3, **Seconded by** Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct 4. Motion passed unanimously. **(On file)**


**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

**Yes:** Armando Olivarez, Commissioner Precinct 3, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct 4, Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2.

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**8. Discuss, consider and act on purchasing two Freightliner M2 106 dump trucks. (Submitted by County Forman David Guerra) (Previously table)**

The above item was passed by the Court. 


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**9. Discuss, consider and act on Advertising for bids to purchase two Freightliner M2 106 dump trucks. (Submitted by County Forman David Guerra)** 

**Motion:** advertise for bids, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct 4, **Seconded by** Armando Olivarez, Commissioner Precinct 3. Motion passed unanimously.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

**Yes:** Armando Olivarez, Commissioner Precinct 3, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct 4, Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2.


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**10. Discuss, consider and act on authorizing Danny Salazar to shred, bail and sell the County Fair grounds and the County Air Port all proceeds to 4-H.**  
**( Submitted by Katarina Rodriguez)** 

Katarina Rodriguez and Veronica Salazar addressed the Court stating that it would be a 70/30, with the 30 going to the 4-H.


**Motion:** to approve a 70/30 to shred, bail and sell the grass from the county fairgrounds and the county airport for a period of 1 year, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Eric Ramos, County Judge, **Seconded by** Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct 4. Motion passed unanimously.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

**Yes:** Armando Olivarez, Commissioner Precinct 3, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct 4, Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2.

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The Court went back to discuss line item #2 

Hollis Rutledge, Hollis Rutledge & Associates, Inc., addressed the Court with a short presentation. Mr. Rutledge stated that they charge a \$2,500 monthly fee and that all monies awarded from a grant would fully go to the County, there would be no administrative cost retained by them. No action taken, presentation only.

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**5. Discuss consider and act on Discuss, consider and act on hiring a grant writer for the County. (Submitted by Judge Eric Ramos)** 

Judge Ramos stated that with the two proposals made we are still short 3,600.00, will be getting together with Mr. Patroelj and see if they could locate monies to move around, or to get with eGrants and see what they could offer. Mr. Pete Trevino addressed the Court stated that he will be willing to reduce his monthly fee to \$2,000.00 a month.

**Motion:** to table and see if additional monies can be found, **Action:** Table, **Moved by** Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, **Seconded by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2. Motion passed unanimously.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

**Yes:** Armando Olivarez, Commissioner Precinct 3, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct 4, Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2.

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**11. Adjourn**

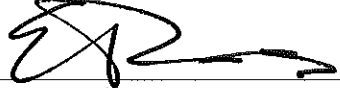
**Motion:** to adjourn at 11:07 AM, **Action:** Adjourn, **Moved by** Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, **Seconded by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2. Motion passed unanimously.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

**Yes:** Armando Olivarez, Commissioner Precinct 3, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct 4, Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2.

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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 12<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2019, A.D.

**APPROVED:**

  
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County Judge

**ATTESTED:**

  
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County Clerk