

SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS COURT
March 22, 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 Clerk
Oralia Galvan, Administrative Assistant

AGENDA

1. Public Comments
No comments at this time.

INFORMATION ITEMS

2. Discuss, consider the ankle monitor Pilot Program. (Submitted by the County Judge, Eric Ramos)

Honorable Judge Eric Ramos addressed the court on the above matter, stating that he had a discussion with the Sheriff about GPS ankle monitors for inmates being released through this program. Judge Eric Ramos stated that the Sheriff's Department will be the ones to make the decision on which inmates will be released and placed on house arrest. It was discussed on who would be responsible, it was stated that the County would be responsible for the cost and would be paid out of the Technology Fund for indigent inmates and the ones able to pay would be responsible. No action taken, discussion only.

3. Presentation by Ann E. Awalt, MPA, Executive Director for Community Action Corporation of South Texas (Submitted by Judge Ramos)

April addressed the Court on the above matter in reference to programs that Community Action offers to the County (ex. roof repairs, senior meals on wheel program, South Texas Teen Leadership Program, Early Childhood Development Program). No action taken, discussion only

ACTIONS ITEMS

4. Discuss, consider and act on renewal lease agreement between Brooks County and the Community Action Corporation of South Texas.

Motion: to renew at \$1000 a month for a 5 year lease, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, 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 = 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.

5. Discuss, consider and act on Brooks County Annual Audit Presentation for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2018 by Mr. Raul Hernandez, CPA.

Raul Hernandez, CPA addressed the Court on the above matter, discussing the annual audit and reviewing several pages of the audit.

Motion: to approve the Annual Audit for fiscal year ended September 30, 2018, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, **Seconded by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2. 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.

6. Discuss, consider and act on the hiring of Raul Hernandez & Company, P.C. to conduct the Brooks County annual audit for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019.

Raul Hernandez, CPA addressed the Court on the above matter.

Motion: to hire Raul Hernandez & Company PC to conduct annual audit, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, 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 = 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.

7. Discuss, consider and act on the hiring of Raul Hernandez & Company, P.C. to conduct the Brooks County Sheriff Forfeiture Funds Audit for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019.

Raul Hernandez, CPA addressed the Court on the above matter.

Motion: to hire Raul Hernandez & PC to conduct annual audit for the Sheriff Forfeiture Fund, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, **Seconded by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2. 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.

8. Discuss, consider and act on the partial closer of County Road #228. (Submitted by Commissioner Rolando Gutierrez)

Bobby Saenz, 911 Addressing addressed the Court on the above matter on closing a portion of the county road.

Motion: to close a portion of the county road, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2, **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.

9. Discuss, consider and act on line item transfer of \$1,000.00 from #5-012-0400-8103 Part-Time to #5-012-0400-5000 Office Supplies (Submitted by Brooks County Judge)

Motion: to approve line item transfer, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2, **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.

10. Adjourn.


Motion: to adjourn at 11:12 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.

The preceding minutes beginning on page 249 and ending on page 251, of the Commissioners' Court Minutes Volume 37, read and approved in the Honorable Commissioners' Court this 10th day of May, 2019, A.D.

APPROVED:



County Judge

ATTESTED:


County Clerk