


SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS COURT

May 26, 2020

1:30 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 a Regular Term therein the City of Falfurrias in the 2nd floor Courtroom of the Brooks County Courthouse:

OPEN MEETING- Judge Eric Ramos opened the meeting at 1:33 PM 

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

1. Public Comments

There were no public comments said at this time.

2. Approve of Bills and Claims.


(Submitted by County Auditor's Office)

Motion: to approve the bills and claims as presented, **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 = 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.

3. Discuss, consider and act on awarding contractor bid for the Brooks County


Sheriff's Office Roof Project. (Submitted by Albert Soto) 

Leonel Aguilar, RGO LLC a contractor who provided a bid for sheriff's roof project addressed the Court in reference to any question the Court may have.

Motion: to accept the bid from ARIGO LLC, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct 4, **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.

4. Discuss, consider and act on modifying or rescinding the curfew for Brooks County citizens. (Submitted by CJ Eric Ramos.) 

Judge Ramos addressed the Court on the above matter and Commissioner Williams and Commissioner Garza, Commissioner Gutierrez addressed their concerns. Philo Salinas addressed his concerns to the Court in reference to the curfew. **Motion:** to lift the curfew, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct 4, **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.


5. Discuss, consider and act on transferring \$10,000.00 from 012-5-0435-5484 (District) Court Appointed Attorney-Criminal; to 012-5-0430-5484 (County) Court Appointed Attorney-Criminal. (Re-submitted by BC Judge Eric Ramos after consultation with TAC Attorney.) 

Motion: to approve line item transfer from the District Judges office to the County Court upon the completion of the Audit , **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, **Seconded by** Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct 4. Motion passed unanimously.

Vote: Motion passed (**summary:** Yes = 4, No = 1, Abstain = 0).

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


No: Eric Ramos, County Judge.

6. Discuss, consider and act on approving a donation from the Williams companies, INC to the Brooks County Emergency Management in the amount of \$1,000 to place it in line item 012-5-0630-8129. (Submitted by Emergency Management Coordinator Lamar Villarreal) 

Motion: to approve donation from Williams Companies, Inc., not salary related, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, **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.

7. Discuss, consider and act on transferring \$463.44 from 101-5-0053-5865 Equipment Rental to 101-5-0053-8205 Unemployment Insurance. 
(Submitted by Landfill Supervisor Ruby Allen.)

Judge Ramos expressed his condolences for the passing of Ruby Allen's brother.

Motion: to approve line item transfer, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct 4, **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.

8. Budget Workshop: Status Report and Discussion 

Judge Ramos stated that he has already cut \$250,000.000 and is looking to get to three hundred, and cutting 25% from the Auditors and District Judge's office just like every department, but needs to figure out with the Auditors cuts, in placing funds into a line item to where it cannot be touched with the possibility of replenishing some of that fund (if it's even possible, but will look into it). Discussed that they will meeting next week to discuss this line item again.

9. Adjourn.


Motion: to adjourn the meeting at 2:58 PM, **Action:** Adjourn, **Moved by** Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, **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.

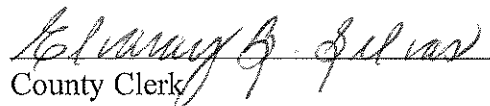
The preceding minutes beginning on page _____ and ending on page _____, of the Commissioners' Court Minutes Volume _____, read and approved in the Honorable Commissioners' Court this 4th day of June, 2020, A.D.

APPROVED:



County Judge

ATTESTED:



County Clerk