


**REGULAR COMMISSIONERS COURT**  
**October 13, 2022**  
**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 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 3:07 PM 

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

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

**Present:** Eric Ramos, County Judge,  
Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1,  
Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

**Absent:** Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct #3,  
Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct #4,  
Elvaray B. Silvas, County Clerk.

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

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**1. Public Comments** 

Honorable Judge Eric Ramos asked for any public comments for items on the agenda:

Richard Byington, District Attorney's office in reference to an issue brought up by the Auditor's office questioning the purchasing of some assault rifles for the Constables by the Sheriff and the DA's office bought under the Seizure Fund and will be inventoried under Jim Wells County.

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**2. Approve of Regular and Special Commissioners' Court minutes.** 

Item passed by the Court, none presented.

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**3. Approve of Bills and Claims** 

**Motion:** to approve the bills and claims as presented, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2, **Seconded by** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1. Motion passed unanimously. (on file)

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 3).

**Yes:** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

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**4. Approve Monthly Reports** 

- a. Treasurer's Monthly Report
- b. Auditor's Monthly Report
- c. Tax Assessor Collector Chief Deputy Monthly Report
- d. Approve Monthly Reports by Brooks County
  - i. (Submitted by County Foreman)
  - ii. (Submitted by Brooks County Justice of the Peace Precinct 1-4)
  - iii. (Submitted by Brooks County Library Supervisor)
  - iv. (Submitted by Ruby Allen, Landfill Supervisor)

**Motion:** to approve the monthly reports as presented, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Eduardo "Eddie" 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 = 3).


**Yes:** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

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**5. Agrilife Extension Reports** 

No report turned in.

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**6. Discuss, Consider and Act on approving a Resolution for Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention month. (Submitted by Valerie Benavides, Leal Assistant)** 


Honorable Judge Eric Ramos read resolution in open Court.

**Motion:** to approve resolution, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Eduardo "Eddie" 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 = 3).

**Yes:** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

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**7. Discuss, Consider and Act on Approving the Subdivision Plat of the 954 Tabubaya Ranches. (Submitted by Quintanilla, Headley & Associates, Inc. Consulting Engineers and Land Surveyors)** 

Victor Daniec addressed the Court on the above matter.

**Motion:** to approve plat, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1, **Seconded by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2. Motion passed unanimously.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 3).

**Yes:** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

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**8. Discuss, Consider and Act on a Resolution with Texas Department of Ag to accept funds.** 

Honorable Judge Eric Ramos read resolution in open Court.

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At 3:19 PM Elvaray B. Silvas, County Clerk joined the meeting.

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Travis Pruski, Nueces River addressed the Court stating that this will be at no cost to the County, and that the County will be able to receive up to \$25,000 which could be put towards administrative cost.

**Motion:** to approve resolution, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2, **Seconded by** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1. Motion passed unanimously. **(on file)**

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 3).

**Yes:** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.


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**9. Discuss, Consider and Act on a Resolution with Nueces River Authority for assistance with the technical work of the program.** 

Honorable Judge Eric Ramos read resolution in open Court.

**Motion:** to approve resolution with Nueces River Authority, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2, **Seconded by** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1. Motion passed unanimously. **(on file)**

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 3).

**Yes:** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

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**10. Discuss, Consider and Act on a contract with Mckinstry using TIPS co-op purchasing agreement contract #21020301 for Emergency Generator Assessment and Installation.** 


Jorge Moreno, with Mckinstry addressed the Court in reference to the above matter giving a quick background of Mckinstry. Mr. Moreno stated that his assessment if approved will be done in two parts; First being the preliminary design which will cost \$10,000 and then to move forward on the assessment will cost \$8,000.00. Marissa Trevino-Utley, Lone Star addressed the Court in reference to Mr. Moreno stating that in order for us to move forward on this grant an engineer will need to do an assessment and that this fee will be written into grant. It was also discussed that this grant is a 90/10.

**Motion:** to table, **Action:** Table, **Moved by** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1, **Seconded by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

**Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Yes = 2, No = 1, Abstain = 0).

**Yes:** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.


**No:** Eric Ramos, County Judge.

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**11. Discuss, Consider and Act on purchasing 1,000 yards of caliche from Moon Rock Construction, LLC for \$10,810.00 from 013-5-0033-5826 road repairs, maintenance & supplies. (Submitted by David Guerra)** 

**Motion:** to purchase 1,000 yards of caliche from Moon Rock Construction LLC, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1, **Seconded by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2. Motion passed unanimously.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 3).

**Yes:** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.


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**12. Discuss and possible action on placing speed bumps on County Road 213 and East County Road 222. (Submitted by Rolando Gutierrez Commissioner PCT. 2)** 

Commissioner Gutierrez addressed the Court stating that he had received some calls in reference to placing speed bumps. David Guerra stated that on CR 213, they would be able to place them on the paved road not on the caliche and it was ok for CR 222.

**Motion:** to approve the placement of speed bumps, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2, **Seconded by** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1. Motion passed unanimously.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 3).

**Yes:** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.


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**13. Discuss, Consider and Act on moving a gate on County Road 107 A, Item #4 previously tabled on 9/21/2022 (Requested by David Schiel)** 

Commissioner Garza stated that he spoke to Ranch Foreman and they are currently busy and haven't had time to talk with him about the gate and asks that the Court table this item until then.

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

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 3).


**Yes:** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

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**14. Discuss, and possible action on placing speed bumps on County Road 215. (Submitted by (Horacio "JOJO" Vela)** 

**Motion:** to place speed bumps, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2, **Seconded by** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1. Motion passed unanimously.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 3).

**Yes:** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

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**15. Discuss, Consider and Act on adding \$2,500.00 to the District Court Coordinator's Salary. (Submitted by Hon. Richard Terrell)** 

Honorable Judge Eric Ramos mentioned that at budget time that Judge Terrell wanted to do an increase to the salary and that he had mentioned that he would pay it out of his budget.

**Motion:** to add \$2,500 to the District Court Coordinator, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2, **Seconded by** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1.

**Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Yes = 2, No = 1, Abstain = 0).

**Yes:** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

No: Eric Ramos, County Judge.

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**16. Discuss, Consider and Act on transferring \$2,500.00 from 012-5-0435-9083 Jimwells  
County Supplement; to 012-5-0435-8137 Court Coordinator**

**(Submitted by Hon. Richard Terrell)** 

**Motion:** to approve line item transfer, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2, **Seconded by** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1. Motion passed unanimously.

It was stated that this would take effect at the next pay period.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 3).

**Yes:** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

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**OPEN SESSION**-Passed by the Court.

**17. Discuss, Consider, and Act on Employment/Resignations/Retirements.**

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**18. Adjourn**

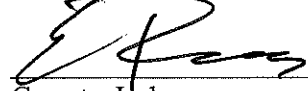
**Motion:** to adjourn at 3:42 PM, **Action:** Adjourn, **Moved by** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1, **Seconded by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2. Motion passed unanimously.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 3).

**Yes:** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

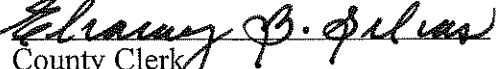
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The preceding minutes beginning on page \_\_\_\_\_ and ending on page \_\_\_\_\_, of the Commissioners' Court Minutes Volume \_\_\_\_\_, read and approved in the Honorable Commissioners' Court this 9th day of March, 2023, A.D.

**APPROVED:**

  
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County Judge



**ATTESTED:**

  
County Clerk