

**SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS COURT**  
**September 25, 2025**  
**9:00 AM**  
**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 opened the meeting at 9:25 AM

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

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

**Present:** Eric Ramos, County Judge,  
Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2,  
Nora Salinas, Commissioner Precinct #3,  
Aaron Trevino, Commissioner Precinct #4.

**Absent:** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1,  
Elvaray B. Silvas, County & District Clerk.

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

**AGENDA**

**1. Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

**2. Approve Bills**

**Motion:** to accept the bills, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Nora Salinas, Commissioner Precinct #3, **Seconded by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2. Motion passed unanimously. **(on file)**

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

**Yes:** Aaron Trevino, Commissioner Precinct #4, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Nora Salinas, Commissioner Precinct #3, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

**10. Discuss, Consider and Act on approving the participation in a grant awarded to the Nueces River Authority to create new FEMA Flood Maps for the Northern portion of Brooks County.**

Honorable Judge Eric Ramos addressed the Court on the above matter, informing the Court that this grant comes from the Texas Water Board and requires a county match. That Brooks County's total match would be \$126,347.00 and we can't afford that, not in one lump sum.

That the Nueces River Authority has applied for a non-interest loan for ten years and we would pay 12,634.70 per year.

Travis Pruski with the Nueces River Authority who appeared through Zoom addressed the Court stating that maps are outdated, and that this grant has already been awarded and that 14 of 31 counties have already opted in. Mr. Pruski stated that this should start on May 1, 2026.

**Motion:** to participate, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Nora Salinas, Commissioner Precinct #3, **Seconded by** Aaron Trevino, Commissioner Precinct #4. Motion passed unanimously.

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

**Yes:** Aaron Trevino, Commissioner Precinct #4, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Nora Salinas, Commissioner Precinct #3, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

Elvaray B. Silvas, County and District Clerk joined the meeting at this time.

**3. Discuss, Consider and Act on a Resolution, Nomination of Appraisal District Board of Directors 2026-2027.**

**Motion:** to nominate Commissioner Gutierrez, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Nora Salinas, Commissioner Precinct #3, **Seconded by** Aaron Trevino, Commissioner Precinct #4. Motion passed unanimously. **(on file)**

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

**Yes:** Aaron Trevino, Commissioner Precinct #4, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Nora Salinas, Commissioner Precinct #3, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

**Motion:** to nominate Judge Roland Garza, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Aaron Trevino, Commissioner Precinct #4, **Seconded by** Nora Salinas, Commissioner Precinct #3. Motion passed unanimously.

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

**Yes:** Aaron Trevino, Commissioner Precinct #4, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Nora Salinas, Commissioner Precinct #3, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2. **(on file)**

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**4. Discuss, Consider and Act on the 2026 Sheriff and Constable fees. (Submitted by District/County Clerk Elvaray Silvas)**

**Motion:** to accept the fees to stay the same as presented, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Nora Salinas, Commissioner Precinct #3, **Seconded by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2. Motion passed unanimously.

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

**Yes:** Aaron Trevino, Commissioner Precinct #4, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Nora Salinas, Commissioner Precinct #3, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

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**5. Discuss, Consider and Act on an MOU with Val Verde County. (Submitted by Sheriff's Office.)**

**Motion:** to table till the next meeting, **Action:** Table, **Moved by** Nora Salinas, Commissioner Precinct #3, **Seconded by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2. Motion passed unanimously.

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

**Yes:** Aaron Trevino, Commissioner Precinct #4, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Nora Salinas, Commissioner Precinct #3, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

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**6. Discuss, Consider and Act on a Resolution FY 2026 Operation Lonestar.**

**Motion:** to approve, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Aaron Trevino, 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 = 4).

**Yes:** Aaron Trevino, Commissioner Precinct #4, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Nora Salinas, Commissioner Precinct #3, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

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**7. Discuss, Consider and Act on a policy to streamline ordering on Amazon.**

Judge Eric Ramos addressed the Court in reference to looking in ordering through Amazon would need to create a membership, shipping is free just a suggestion to think about.

**Motion:** to table, **Action:** Table, **Moved by** Aaron Trevino, Commissioner Precinct #4, **Seconded by** Nora Salinas, Commissioner Precinct #3. Motion passed unanimously.

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

**Yes:** Aaron Trevino, Commissioner Precinct #4, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Nora Salinas, Commissioner Precinct #3, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

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**8. Discussion of Brooks County Landfill policy regarding closing the back area.**

The Court discussed the above item, due to complaints on the closing of the back area of the landfill and that the City has seen increase on illegal dumping due to this closure. Ruby Allen addressed the Court stating that they have been closed for 10 days due to rainouts, bees, sinkholes and that it is unsafe and unstable. It was suggested to continue doing what they are doing on the advising of the closure due to the unsafe conditions and come up with a solution on how to address this issue and review a rough draft on a liability form to present to David T. No action taken discussion only.

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**9. Discuss, Consider and Act on creating a policy regarding the City of Falfurrias' access to the Brooks County Landfill.**

**Motion:** to table line item #9, **Action:** Table, **Moved by** Nora Salinas, Commissioner Precinct #3, **Seconded by** Aaron Trevino, Commissioner Precinct #4. Motion passed unanimously.

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

**Yes:** Aaron Trevino, Commissioner Precinct #4, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Nora Salinas, Commissioner Precinct #3, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

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**11. Discuss, Consider and act on transferring \$4,500.00 from line item 012-5-0411-9070 Sheriff misc. tasers), to line item 012-5-409-9021 Gen/Public officials liability.**

**Motion:** to approve, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Nora Salinas, Commissioner Precinct #3, **Seconded by** Aaron Trevino, Commissioner Precinct #4. Motion passed unanimously.

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

**Yes:** Aaron Trevino, Commissioner Precinct #4, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Nora Salinas, Commissioner Precinct #3, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

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**12. Discuss, Consider and Act on transferring \$12,000.00 00 from line item 012-5-0411-9070 Sheriff misc. tasers), to line item 012-5-0409-9022 Auto Liability.**

**Motion:** to transfer, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Aaron Trevino, Commissioner Precinct #4, **Seconded by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2. Motion passed unanimously.

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

**Yes:** Aaron Trevino, Commissioner Precinct #4, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Nora Salinas, Commissioner Precinct #3, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

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**13. Discuss, Consider and Act on transferring \$5,000.00 00 from line item 012-5-0411-9070 Sheriff misc. tasers), to line item 012-5-0409-9023 Law enforcement liability.**

**Motion:** to accept the transfer, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Nora Salinas, Commissioner Precinct #3, **Seconded by** Aaron Trevino, Commissioner Precinct #4. Motion passed unanimously.

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

**Yes:** Aaron Trevino, Commissioner Precinct #4, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Nora Salinas, Commissioner Precinct #3, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

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**14. Discuss, Consider and Act on transferring \$1,385.00 from line item 012-5-0409-9066 Civil Defense, to line item 012-5-0409-5505 Internet Exp.**

**Motion:** to approve, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Aaron Trevino, Commissioner Precinct #4, **Seconded by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2. Motion passed unanimously.

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

**Yes:** Aaron Trevino, Commissioner Precinct #4, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Nora Salinas, Commissioner Precinct #3, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

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**15. Discuss, Consider and Act on transferring \$360.00 from line item 012-5-0409-9066 Civil Defense, to line item 012-5-0409-5020 Postage.**

**Motion:** to approve, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Aaron Trevino, Commissioner Precinct #4, **Seconded by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2. Motion passed unanimously.

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

**Yes:** Aaron Trevino, Commissioner Precinct #4, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Nora Salinas, Commissioner Precinct #3, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

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**16. Discuss, Consider and Act on transferring \$2,305.00 from line item 012-5-0409-9066 Civil Defense, to line item 012-5-0409-9500 Technology.**

County Auditor Higinio Garcia informed the Court that a new invoice had been submitted and would need to increase the amount of the transfer by \$1,900. It was discussed to increase the amount of \$2,305.00 to \$4,305.00

**Motion:** to accept, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Eric Ramos, County Judge, **None seconded.** Motion passed unanimously.

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

**Yes:** Aaron Trevino, Commissioner Precinct #4, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Nora Salinas, Commissioner Precinct #3, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

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**17. Discuss, Consider and Act on transferring \$325.00 from line item 020-5-0043-5203 Repairs maint. buildings, to line item 020-5-0043-5483.**

**Motion:** to accept the transfer, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Aaron Trevino, Commissioner Precinct #4, **Seconded by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2. Motion passed unanimously.

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

**Yes:** Aaron Trevino, Commissioner Precinct #4, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Nora Salinas, Commissioner Precinct #3, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

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**18. Discuss, Consider and Act on transferring \$1,725.00 from line item 012-5-0043-9070 Misc. to line item 020-5-0043-5483.**

**Motion:** to accept the transfer, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Nora Salinas, Commissioner Precinct #3, **Seconded by** Aaron Trevino, Commissioner Precinct #4. Motion passed unanimously.

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

**Yes:** Aaron Trevino, Commissioner Precinct #4, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Nora Salinas, Commissioner Precinct #3, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

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**EXUCUTIVE SESSION**-nothing for the executive session

19. Discuss Employment/Resignations/Retirements and other Personnel Issues.

**OPEN SESSION**-item passed by the Court

20. Discuss, Consider, and Act on Employment/Resignations/Retirements.

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**21. Adjourn**

**Motion:** to adjourn the meeting at 10:50 AM, **Action:** Adjourn, **Moved by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2, **Seconded by** Nora Salinas, Commissioner Precinct #3. Motion passed unanimously.

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

**Yes:** Aaron Trevino, Commissioner Precinct #4, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Nora Salinas, Commissioner Precinct #3, 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 28th day of January, 2026, A.D.

APPROVED:

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County Judge



ATTESTED:

  
County Clerk