

**CALLED MEETING OF THE BREWSTER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2017 AT 10:00 A.M.
J.W. "RED" PATTILLO COMMUNITY CENTER
53633 STATE HIGHWAY 118, STUDY BUTTE, TEXAS**

The meeting was called to order by Judge Cano. A full quorum was present. The following Elected Officials were present:

ELEAZAR R. CANO	COUNTY JUDGE
BETSE ESPARZA	COMMISSIONER PCT. 1
HUGH GARRETT	COMMISSIONER PCT. 2
RUBEN ORTEGA	COMMISSIONER PCT. 3
MIKE "COACH" PALLANEZ	COMMISSIONER PCT. 4
BABETT MANN	COUNTY TREASURER

1. Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation and Pledge were led by Judge Cano.

2. Public Comment

Scott Watkins thanked the Court for having Commissioners Court down south. Angie Dean requested 2 more trash cans on Trash Can Hill. Commissioner Pallanez suggested that the Court could possibly meet after 5:00 pm for Court down south.

3. Treasurer's Office

A. General Bills / Discussion and appropriate action

Treasurer Babett Mann reported the general bills. Commissioner Ortega moved that general bills presented be approved. Commissioner Pallanez seconded the motion and passed unanimously. Commissioner Esparza abstained from all Printco invoices.

B. Financial Reports / Updates, Discussion, Review and appropriate action concerning the following:

Specified Activity Report	Payroll Reports
Cash Flow Predictions	Check Register
Budget Analysis Usage Report	Transfers
Receipt File Listings	Personnel/Overtime Reports
Cash Report	Other Financial Reports as Requested
Grants Reports	by Commissioners

No reports presented.

C. Other general administrative & procedural matters related to Treasurer's Office / Discussion and appropriate action for work of Treasurer's Office to go forward

Nothing further at this time.

4. Officials' Monthly Reports

No officials monthly report

5. Presentation by TCEQ on general process overview for on-site sewage facilities (OSSF)

Alma Duarte, Veronica Gallardo and Ken Waggoner with TCEQ, presented an overview for on-site facilities. Representatives did advise citizens that permits will have to be issued. They also did say that all rules and regulations will be looked at. Brief discussion took place on this matter with some explanations.

6. Road & Bridge Department / Community Facilities

- A. Road & Bridge Superintendent's Report, General updates on maintenance and repairs for all county roads & state of County Roads System; road materials including, fuel, supplies including usage & inventories & future needs; budgetary matters; equipment including heavy equipment, (maintenance repairs, future needs, replacement and additions), pickups, trailers and other light vehicles and accessories, and small equipment, (usage, future needs), equipment rentals; facilities (yards in Alpine, Marathon and S. County) cattle guards, fences and other means of containing livestock; safety issues and equipment; and community facilities (assistance with maintenance and other related issues); assistance to other governmental entities and emergency responders; personnel issues, (vacancies, new hires, discipline, performance, safety and other general personnel matters); permits for boring or trenching for utilities across County Roads / Discussion and appropriate action**

Superintendent Frenchie Causey was unable to attend. Reports and updates on the work that Road and Bridge has done was provided by Commissioner Ortega. Commissioner Ortega reported that they have been patching pot holes around the county and continue work on the District Courtroom.

- B. Reminder of South County Dump Day and Electronics Recycling Event on February 25, 2017, Road & Bridge Yard on FM 170, Terlingua, Texas from 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.**

Commissioner Ortega and Commissioner Garrett reminded the Court of the South County Dump Day and Recycling Event on February 25, 2017 from 9 AM – 3PM.

C. Discussion and appropriate action for general work of Road & Bridge Department to go forward

Nothing further.

7. County Emergency Management Office

A. General Report including:

Recent emergency responses; emergency planning update; recent work with cooperating emergency responders: (ESD #1, all VFD's and EMS); update on needs, programs, training, recent work with other governmental entities; equipment for emergency response and updates regarding needs, maintenance, repairs, replacement and additions; emergency management issues related to burn bans; emergency management issues related to communications & public information; emergency management issues related to County insurance coverage; personnel issues related to emergency response, exercises & drills; matters related to pending & future Homeland Security & FEMA Grants and other funding, matters related to 911 EMS in County and matters related to 911 & 911 addressing / Discussion and appropriate action

Emergency Management Coordinator David Lambrix reported a brief update on the work done throughout the County and a brief update on Sunny Glen emergency route. Lambrix provided his background and experience to those present.

B. Update by Chief Greg Henington on Terlingua Fire & EMS

Chief Greg Henington of Terlingua Fire & EMS provided the Court an update of the last year and the objectives for the 2017 Year.

Please see attached outline provided by Chief Henington.

C. Discussion and appropriate action to purchase cypher locks for Alpine Fire Station/EOC

After discussion on the purchase of cypher locks for Alpine Fire Station, Commissioner Ortega moved to approve the purchase. Commissioner Esparza seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

D. Homeland Security Multi-Jurisdictional Interoperability Communications Grant # 2949902 / Permission to spend \$80,000 to be reimbursable by Grant Funds / Discussion and appropriate action

Commissioner Ortega moved to give permission to spend \$80,000 to be reimbursed by grant funds for Multi-Jurisdictional Interoperability Communications. Commissioner Esparza seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

E. Discussion and appropriate action for general administrative work of the Emergency Management Department to go forward

Nothing further at this time.

8. Veterans Service Office

A. General Update

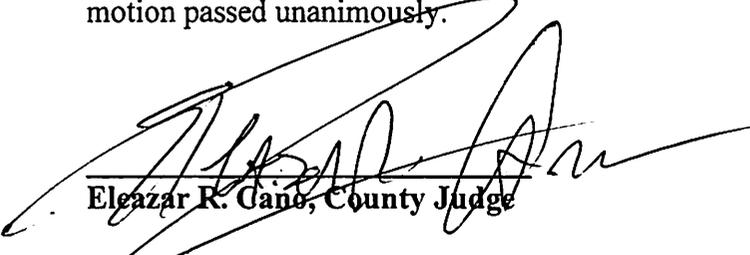
Veterans Service Officer Dennis Yancy provided a brief history of himself. He began work for Brewster County in November. Yancy provided an update of his current and future work for the Veterans. Yancy will be in Terlingua every third Thursday and in Marathon the first Thursday of the month

B. Update on VA Expenditure of Funds in Brewster County for FY2015

Verteran Service Officer Dennis Yancy reported on Expenditure of Funds for FY2015.

9. Adjourn

Cimmissioner Ortega moved to adjourn. Commissioner Pallanez seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.



Eleazar R. Cano, County Judge

ATTEST:



Berta Rios-Martinez, County Clerk