

PUBLIC NOTICE

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BREWSTER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2017, AT 9:00 A.M.
BREWSTER COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM
ALPINE, TEXAS**

Judge Cano called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m., the following Elected Officials were present:

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| Eleazar R. Cano | County Judge |
| Betse Esparza | Commissioner Pct. 1 |
| Ruben Ortega | Commissioner Pct. 3 |
| Mike "Coach" Pallanez | Commissioner Pct. 4 |
| Babett Mann | County Treasurer |
| Berta Rios-Martinez | County Clerk |

1. Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation and Pledge were led by Judge Cano.

2. Public Comment - Comments are limited to 3 minutes per person. Pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act, the Court is limited in its ability to respond to comments

Oscar Cobos and Walt Pyle commented on some issues concerning debris in the creeks between the city and the county.

3. Minutes /additions / corrections / approval

Commissioner Ortega moved to approve the Minutes as amended for September 26, 2017 and October 5, 2017 as presented. Commissioner Esparza seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

4. Recognitions & Announcements

Commissioner Ortega announced he attended a COG meeting in Fort Davis and announced the county will be receiving grant money for the Solid Waste which will be announced on October 20, 2017 at El Paso.

5. Treasurer's Office

A. General Bills / Discussion and appropriate action

Treasurer Mann announced the General Bills will be recorded by the auditor. Paty Saenz presented the general bills and walk-ins. Commissioner Ortega moved to approve the general bills as presented as well as walk-ins presented and abstained from 56048. Commissioner Pallanez seconded the motion;

motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Esparza abstained from Printco invoice #22552.

B. Financial Reports / Updates, discussion, review and appropriate action concerning the following:

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| 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 by Commissioners |
| Grants Reports | |

Treasurer Mann presented and discussed the Financial Reports for September 2017.

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

No action

6. Brewster County Auditor / Monthly Reports

No action

7. Officials' Monthly Reports

Berta Rios-Martinez, County Clerk, presented the Officials' Monthly Reports. Commissioner Esparza read the Officials' Monthly Reports. Commissioner Ortega moved to approve as read. Commissioner Pallanez seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

8. Commissioner Precinct 4 / Amendment for paving the parking lot on the North side of the Alpine Public Library which was approved on August 22, 2017, by Commissioners Court / Discussion and appropriate action

Commissioner Pallanez gave an update on the project for Alpine Public Library. He requested for the county to provide labor for the base work and paving at no cost to the library. Frenchie Causey gave a brief report on the project as far as helping the library. Commissioner Ortega moved to approve the project. Commissioner Pallanez seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

9. 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

Frenchie Causey, Superintendent of Road & Bridge Department gave a report on the R & B Department. Judge Cano mentioned they will be posting speed limit signs in Sunny Glenn.

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

No action

10. 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

David Lambrix gave an update on the EMC. He mentioned he will not be attending the meeting on November 8, 2017. He will be in Van Horn for a meeting.

B. CASI & Original Terlingua International Championship Chili Cook-offs / Update on Mass Gathering Permits for Chili Cook-offs / Discussion and appropriate action

David Lambrix gave an update on the Mass Gathering Permits for Chili Cook offs. Commissioner Ortega moved to approve the order grant permits to both CASI & Original Terlingua International Championship Chili Cook-offs. Commissioner Pallanez seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

C. Approve X80 – Black Camera Kit, X80 Echo – Wireless Motion Sensor & Repeater with External Sensor Kit, & 12 Volt 9 Amp-Hour Sealed Lead Acid Rechargeable Battery for X Series from Buyboard Vendors / Discussion and appropriate action

David Lambrix gave a brief discussion on the X80- Black Camera Kit. Commissioner Ortega moved to approve the request as stated by David Lambrix in the amount of \$6,670.94. Commissioner Esparza seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

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

Judge Cano mentioned there will be regular requests and other proposed purchases that they're going to make throughout the rest of the fall and spring from the \$500,000.00 EPT Donation including the water truck for the R & B Department.

Court recessed at 10:09 a.m.

Court reconvened at 10:21 a.m.

Commissioner Pallanez did not attend the remainder of the meeting.

11. Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service / Recommendation from Rebel Royall, District Extension Administrator, District 6, to accept of Kloey Cargill as the new Texas A&M AgriLife County Extension Agent, AgriLife and Natural Resources / Discussion and appropriate action

Rebell Royall, District Extension Administrator, District 6, recommended to accept Kloey Cargill as the new Texas A&M AgriLife County Extension Agent. Commissioner Ortega moved to approve the recommendation by Rebell Royall to employ Kloey Cargill as our new Brewster, Jeff Davis County Extension Agent. Commissioner Esparza seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

12. Sheriff's Office

A. Request to trade a county vehicle to purchase a new vehicle from Asset Forfeiture Account and one vehicle form impound account / Discussion and appropriate action

Sheriff Ronny Dodson, requested to trade a county vehicle to purchase a new

vehicle from Forfeiture Account and the Impound account. Commissioner Ortega moved to approve permission for Sheriff Ronny Dodson to purchase a sedan out of the Forfeiture Account and impound account. Commissioner Esparza seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

B. 2018 Sheriff's and Constable Fees / Discussion and appropriate action

Berta Rios-Martinez, County Clerk and Sheriff Ronny Dodson discussed the fees, which will remain the same; No changes. Commissioner Ortega moved to keep the Sheriff's and Constable fees the same. Commissioner Esparza seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

13. RCI / Discuss and consider RCI's Proposal to Scan and Tag Update Fixed Asset Management Program (FAMP) / Discussion and appropriate action

Judge Cano gave a brief discussion on RCI. He mentioned to pass #13 pending further research.

14. County Credit Cards / Policy recommendation from external auditor / Discussion and appropriate action

Judge Cano and Treva Watson, County Auditor, both gave a brief discussion on the County Credit Cards. Treva Watson recommended to discontinue the use of the cards.

15. Approval of Contract for acquisition of West Texas Food Bank property on Hwy 90 / Discussion and appropriate action

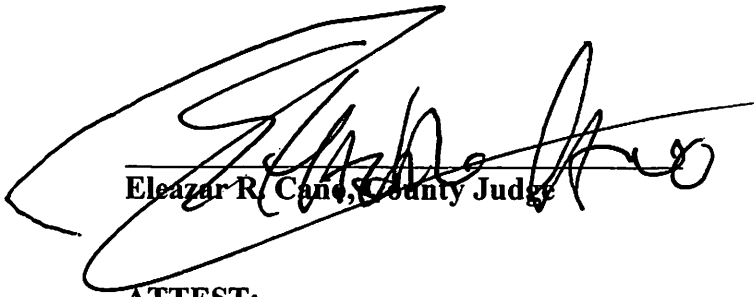
Judge Cano mentioned it's still in the process. He also mentioned Bob Steele is helping out with the contract writing agreement. Bob Steele will be here for the next Commissioners Court meeting with the final proposed document to formally take possession of the property which is where the AgriLife Extension Office will be located.

16. Schedule next Regular Commissioners Court Meeting on October 25, 2017, at 9:00 A.M.

Judge Cano informed the court of a Called Meeting on Wednesday, October 18, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. The next Regular Commissioner Court Meeting is October 25, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.

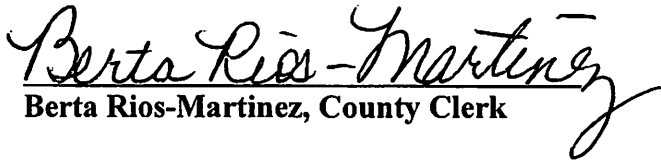
17. Adjourn

Commissioner Ortega moved to adjourn. Commissioner Esparza seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.



Eleazar R. Cano, County Judge

ATTEST:



Berta Rios-Martinez, County Clerk