

PUBLIC NOTICE

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BREWSTER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
THURSDAY, AUGUST 16, 2018, 9:00 A.M.
BREWSTER COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM
ALPINE, TEXAS**

Judge Cano called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m., the following Elected Officials were present:

Eleazar R. Cano	County Judge
Betse Esparza	Commissioner Pct. 1
Hugh Garrett	Commissioner Pct. 2
Mike "Coach" Pallanez	Commissioner Pct. 4
Betty Jo Rooney	County Tax Assessor
Babett Martin	County Treasurer

**PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED 2019
BREWSTER COUNTY BUDGET**

1. Review of 2019 Proposed Budget

Judge Cano and Commissioners reviewed the 2019 Proposed Budget. Judge Cano said there were minor changes in the budget, which was filed on July 31, 2018.

2. Public Comment regarding 2019 Proposed Budget

No public comment.

3. Discussion among member of Commissioners Court and Public

Judge Cano and Commissioners discussed the proposed tax rate.

NOTE: This budget will raise more total property taxes than last year's budget by \$287,970, (8.73%), and of that amount, \$50,002, is tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year.

Commissioner Garrett moved to adjourn the Public Hearing of Proposed 2019 Brewster County Budget. Commissioner Pallanez seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

1. Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation and Pledge were led by Judge Cano.

Larry Crawford, owner and operator of Hammerfest Forge Metal Studio, gave a presentation on the courtroom emblem.

2. Minutes / additions / corrections / approval

Commissioner Garrett moved to approve the Minutes for July 25th, 26th and 30th, 2018, as reviewed. Commissioner Esparza seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

3. Matters concerning adoption of 2019 Budget

A. Review of Elected Officials Salaries as proposed by Commissioners Court on July 11, 2018 and Published Notices on July 19, 2018

Judge Cano and Commissioners reviewed the Elected Officials salaries as proposed by Commissioners Court on July 11, 2018 and Published Notices on July 19, 2018. Judge Cano said there was no change on salaries for the Elected Officials.

B. Discuss and vote to set salaries of elected county and precinct officers and in the 2019 Budget / Discussion and appropriate action

Commissioner Esparza moved to approve to set the salaries for elected county employees and precinct officers in the 2019 budget. Commissioner Garrett seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

C. Discuss and vote to set salaries of all employees in the 2019 Budget / Discussion and appropriate action

Judge Cano and Commissioners discussed salaries for all employees in the 2019 budget. Commissioner Garrett moved to approve the salaries of all employees in the 2019 budget as presented. Commissioner Pallanez seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

D. Discuss and vote to set expenses and other allowances of all elected county and precinct officers and employees in the 2019 Budget / Discussion and appropriate action

Commissioner Garrett moved to set the expenses and other allowances of all elected county and precinct officers and employees as indicated in the 2019 budget. Commissioner Esparza seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

E. Adoption, Amendment or other appropriate action concerning 2019 Budget / Discussion and appropriate action (Adopt budget or schedule 2nd budget hearing)

Judge Cano and Commissioners reviewed the 2019 budget. Commissioner Garrett moved to adopt the 2019 Brewster County Budget as presented by the treasurer.

Commissioner Pallanez seconded the motion; motion approved 3 – 1 with Commissioner Esparza opposing. The recorded votes were Eleazar R. Cano – For, Ruben Ortega – Absent, Mike “Coach” Pallanez – For, Hugh Garrett – For, and Betse Esparza – Against.

Commissioner Garrett moved to ratify the property tax increase reflected in the 2019 Brewster County Budget. Commissioner Esparza seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

4. Matters concerning adoption of 2018 Tax Rate

A. Discuss tax rate and vote on proposed tax rate

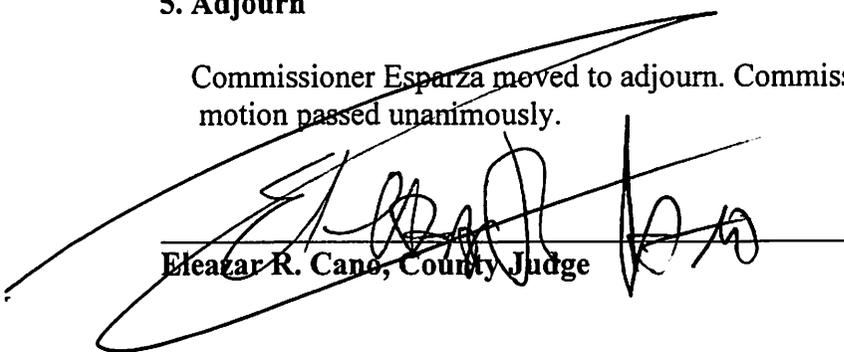
Judge Cano reviewed the proposed tax rate. Commissioner Garrett moved to approve the proposed tax rate of .38640 for the 2018 tax rate. Commissioner Esparza seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

B. Administrative Matters related to the Setting Tax Rate including notices and other matters related to scheduling of 1st and 2nd Hearing on Tax Rate and Adoption of the Tax Rate / Discussion and appropriate action

Judge Cano scheduled the 1st and 2nd Hearing to consider the proposed tax rate of .38640. The 1st Tax Rate Hearing will be September 5, 2018. The 2nd Tax Rate Hearing is September 11, 2018. The scheduled vote for tax rate adoption is September 19. Commissioner Garrett moved to set the Tax Rate calendar including notices and other matters related to scheduling with the date of 1st Hearing September 5, 2018, 2nd Hearing on September 11, 2018 and the meeting on September 19, 2018 to adopt the Tax Rate. Commissioner Esparza seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

5. Adjourn

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



Eleazar R. Cano, County Judge

ATTEST:



Berta Rios-Martinez, County Clerk