

PUBLIC NOTICE

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BREWSTER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2019, AT 9:00 A.M.
BREWSTER COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM
ALPINE, TEXAS**

Judge Cano called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m., the following Elected Officials were present:

Eleazar R. Cano	County Judge
Betse Esparza	Commissioner Pct. 1
Sara Allen Colando	Commissioner Pct. 2
Ruben Ortega	Commissioner Pct. 3
Mike "Coach" Pallanez	Commissioner Pct. 4
Julie Morton	County Treasurer
Berta Rios-Martinez	County Clerk

1. Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation and Pledge were led by Judge Cano.

2. Minutes / additions / corrections / approval

Commissioner Pallanez moved to approve the Minutes for January 16, 2019. Commissioner Ortega seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

3. Public Comment – Comments are limited to 5 minutes per person. Pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act, the Court is limited in its ability to respond to comments

No public comment.

4. Recognitions & Announcements / Recognize Big Bend Livestock Show Association, 4-H, F.F.A., and Texas Agri-life Extension Service for show held on January 11th & 12th, 2019

Kloey Cargill Painter recognized Gage Choate and Tristyn Galindo. They participated in the Big Bend Livestock Show on January 11th & 12th, 2019. She also mentioned other students who participated in the Livestock Show. Mrs. Painter said Tristyn Galindo won the Showmanship Award.

5. Sheriff's Office / County Overtime / Discussion and analysis on current overtime expenditures vs the budgeted amounts in the 2019 Budget / Discussion and appropriate action

Judge Cano gave a brief discussion on the county overtime and invited Rollie Ford from TAC to give his opinion in the overtime expenditures. Sheriff Dodson gave an update on the county

overtime.

6. Treasurer's Office

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

**Combined Statement of Revenues & Expenses
Check Register
Personnel/Overtime Reports
Other Financial Report as Requested
by Commissioners**

**Payroll Reports
Receipt File Listings
Cash Reports
Grants Reports**

Julie Morton, County Treasurer, gave an update on the Financial Reports for December. Commissioner Ortega moved to approve the Financial Reports as presented. Commissioner Pallanez seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

B. Approve Payroll for pay period January 7, 2019 – January 18, 2019 / Discussion and appropriate action

Treasurer Morton presented the Payroll for pay period January 7 – 18, 2019. Commissioner Ortega moved to approve as presented. Commissioner Esparza seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

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.

Court recessed at 10:21 a.m.

Court reconvened at 10:32 a.m.

7. Brewster County Auditor

A. General Bills / Discussion and appropriate action

Paty Saenz presented the General Bills. Commissioner Ortega moved to approve the general bills and walk-ins as presented. Commissioner Esparza seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Esparza abstained from Printco.

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

Treva Watson, County Auditor, presented budget amendments for three departments. She asked the court to approve. Commissioner Ortega moved to approve transfers made by Ms. Watson. Commissioner Pallanez seconded the motion; motion passed

unanimously.

7. Officials' Monthly Reports

Judge Cano read the Officials' Monthly Reports into record. Commissioner Ortega moved to approve as read. Commissioner Pallanez seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

8. Road & Bridge Department / Community Facilities

A. Road & Bridge Superintendent's Report

General updates on maintenance and repairs for all county roads; road materials including, fuel, supplies including usage & inventories & future needs; 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) and community facilities (assistance with maintenance and other related issues); assistance to other governmental entities and emergency responders; personnel issues, (vacancies, new hires, performance and safety); permits for boring or trenching for utilities across County Roads

Superintendent Causey gave an update on the Road & Bridge Department. He said he hired a part-time employee.

B. Community Facilities Report

Judge Cano gave a brief report on the Community Facilities on behalf of Johnny Valencia.

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

No action.

9. Emergency Management Department

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; burn bans, emergency management issues related to public and private

insurance coverage, personnel issues related to emergency response, matters related to pending & future Homeland Security & FEMA Grants / Discussion and appropriate action

Stephanie Elmore gave an update on the Emergency Management Department.

B. Discussion and appropriate action for work of Emergency Management Department to go forward

No action.

10. Elections Administrator

A. Approval of Contract for Services and Fee Schedule for Alpine Independent School District and City of Alpine / Discussion and appropriate action

Lora Nussbaum, Elections Administrator, requested approval of Contract for Services and Fee Schedule for Alpine Independent School District and City of Alpine. Commissioner Ortega moved to approve the Contract for Services and Fee Schedule for Alpine Independent School District and City of Alpine. Commissioner Esparza seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

B. SoS/DIR Election Assessment forms and information / Information only

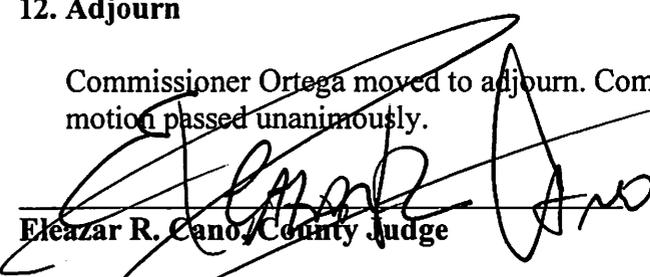
Lora Nussbaum gave a brief presentation on the SOS/ DIR Election Assessment forms and information.

11. Schedule next Regular Commissioners Court Meeting on February 6, 2019 at 9:00 A.M.

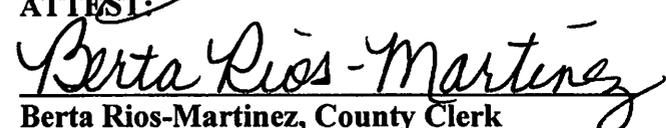
Judge Cano said the next Regular Commissioners Court Meeting will be February 6, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. He said after the meeting he will head to Austin for Brewster County Day at the Capitol.

12. Adjourn

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


Eleazar R. Cano, County Judge

ATTEST:


Berta Rios-Martinez, County Clerk