

PUBLIC NOTICE

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BREWSTER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
WEDNESDAY, MAY 29, 2019, 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:

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

No action.

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

Judge Cano recognized Judge Beard for her service as county judge. He also recognized Berta Rios-Martinez, County Clerk, for being nominated for County Clerk of the Year in the State of Texas. She will get the results at the end of June.

5. Treasurer's Office

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

**Combined Statement of Revenues & Expenses
Check Register**

**Payroll Reports
Receipt File Listings**

**Personnel/Overtime Reports
Other Financial Report as Requested
by Commissioners**

**Cash Reports
Grants Reports**

No action.

B. Approve Payroll for pay period May 13, 2019 – May 26, 2019 / Discussion and appropriate action

Treasurer Morton presented the payroll for pay period May 13 – 26, 2019. Commissioner Ortega moved to approve payroll as presented. Commissioner Esparza seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

C. Accept \$56.64 donation from AEP for the Rio Grande Council of Governments Luncheon that took place on April 12, 2019 / Discussion and appropriate action

Commissioner Ortega moved to accept \$56.64 donation from AEP for the Rio Grande Council of Governments Luncheon that took place on April 12, 2019. Commissioner Pallanez seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

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

Treasurer Morton said she will be working on a revised county vehicle use policy for the court to approve at the next commissioners court meeting. She would like to add some more detail in regards to at-fault vehicle accidents in the county vehicles. Treasurer Morton said she would like to add the repercussions if that happens and is going to do more research on what other counties do for the at-fault accidents.

6. Brewster County Auditor

A. General Bills / Discussion and appropriate action

Paty Saenz presented the General Bills. Commissioner Ortega moved to approve the general bill as presented. Commissioner Pallanez seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

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

No action.

7. Officials' Monthly Reports

No action.

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 a report on the Road & Bridge Department.

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

No action.

9. Community Facilities Report

A. General Report

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

B. Discussion and appropriate action for general work of Community Facilities to go Forward

No action.

10. 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. She said the burn ban is still in effect.

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

No action.

11. Texas Association of Counties / Presentation and 6th month update on the County's HEBP Benefits Plan for FY 2019 / Discussion and appropriate action

Ernesto Martinez with Texas Association of Counties gave a presentation and a 6th month update on the County's HEBP Benefits Plan for FY 2019.

12. Texas Communities Group, LLC / Discuss and consider bid for purchase of properties held in trust by Alpine ISD and Big Bend Regional Hospital District / Discussion and appropriate action

Parcel # 10183 - \$15,000.00

Commissioner Ortega moved to approve the bid of \$15,000 for parcel #10183 as stated. Commissioner Pallanez seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

13. Brewster County Sheriff's Office / Discussion and appropriate action to add and recognize Brewster County Sheriff's Office as a Primary Public Safety Answering point

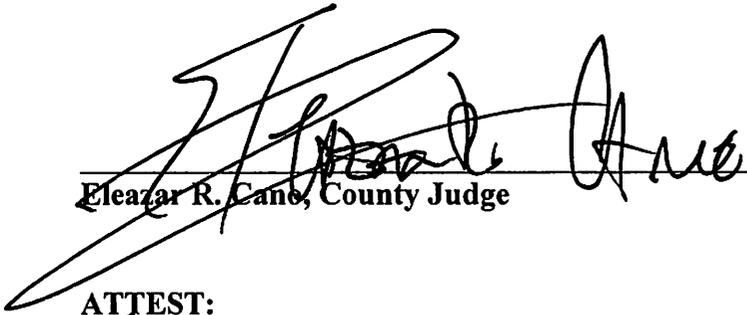
Marisa Quintanilla, Regional Services Director for the Rio Grande Council of Governments, requested approval to add and recognize Brewster County Sheriff's Office as a Primary Public Safety Answering Point. Commissioner Ortega moved to add and recognize Brewster County Sheriff's Office as a Primary Public Safety Answering Point. Commissioner Pallanez seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously. Marisa Quintanilla said she will go before the city council next Tuesday, June 4, 2019, to recognize the Brewster County Sheriff's as PSAP. Judge Cano read the Resolution into record.

14. Schedule next Commissioners Court Regular Meeting on June 12, 2019, at 9:00 A.M.

Judge Cano said the next Commissioners Court Regular Meeting will be June 12, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. Commissioner Ortega mentioned he will be out of town for a COG meeting June 12, 2019. Judge Cano also mentioned we will have a Special Meeting June 19th and 26th.

15. 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