


SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS COURT
October 19, 2021
10:00 AM
2nd FLOOR COURTROOM
BROOKS COUNTY COURTHOUSE

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this day, the Honorable Commissioners' Court of Brooks County, Texas met in Special Term therein the City of Falfurrias in the 2nd floor Courtroom of the Brooks County Courthouse:

OPEN MEETING -Judge Eric Ramos opened the meeting at 10:15 AM 

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE-was led by Judge Eric Ramos

ROLL CALL-Judge Eric Ramos called for roll call:

Present: Eric Ramos, County Judge,
Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1,
Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2,
Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct #3,
Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct #4,
Elvaray B. Silvas, County Clerk (Not voting).

Staff Present: Missy A. Saavedra, Deputy Clerk

AGENDA

1. Public Comments 

No public comments were said at this time

2. Approve of Regular and Special Commissioners' Court minutes.

08/13/2021, 08/17/2021, 08/24/2021, 09/07/2021, 09/09/2021, 09/23/2021, 09/24/2021, 09/30/2021

Motion: to approve of the minutes as presented by the County Clerk, **Action:** Approve, **Moved** by Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2, **Seconded** by Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1. Motion passed unanimously.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct #4, Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct #3, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

3. Discuss, Consider and Act on COMPUTER/NETWORK SERVICES AGREEMENT with Ogan Networking Solutions. 

Adam Ogan, IT addressed the Court on the above matter with a quick briefing of the work performed previously and what he is currently working on.

Motion: to approve agreement with Ogan Networking Solutions , **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1, **Seconded by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2. Motion passed unanimously. **(on file)**

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct #4, Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct #3, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

4. Discuss, Consider and Act on Approving Bid for Airport Grant. 

Honorable Judge Eric Ramos stated that there were two bids submitted and that Bond Cosby had recommended to go with the bid from Pappas. It was also discussed that this grant match will be paid from the Brooks County ranch group.

Motion: to approve Pappas, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct #4, **Seconded by** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1. Motion passed unanimously. **(on file)**

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct #4, Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct #3, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

Motion: to rescind, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2, **Seconded by** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1. Motion passed.

Vote: Motion failed (**summary:** Yes = 2, No = 3, Abstain = 0).

Yes: Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.


No: Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct #4, Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct #3.

5. Discuss, Consider and Act on approving 2022 Holiday Schedule 

Motion: to approve the 2022 Holiday Schedule, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2, **Seconded by** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1. Motion passed unanimously. **(on file)**

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct #4, Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct #3, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.


6. Discuss, Consider and Act on approving 2022 Brooks County Resolution Indigent Defense Grant Program. 

Honorable Judge Eric Ramos read resolution in open Court.


Motion: to approve the 2022 Brooks County Resolution Indigent Defense Grant Program, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2, **Seconded by** Eric Ramos, County Judge. Motion passed unanimously. **(on file)**

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).


Yes: Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct #4, Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct #3, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

7. Discuss, Consider and Act on Salaries beginning January 2023 for Consolidated Elected officials. 

The Court discussed the above matter, Honorable Judge Eric Ramos stated that even though this discussion is not written in stone but have a summary of what the salaries will be. Judge Ramos stated that the Justice of the Peace be paid \$45,000.00 and the District/County Clerk be paid \$55,000.00. Item passed for the moment to get clarification if the Court can meet in Executive Session.

8. Discuss, Consider and Act on MOU for Emergency Management Coordinator and COVID - 19 Pandemic Services with Ruben Ramirez 


Honorable Judge Eric Ramos addressed the Court on the above matter with a short explanation of the above matter. It was discussed to pay the salary of the coordinator of \$30,000 and the \$14,500 of the part-time salary, which would be reimbursable to the County. Item passed for the moment.

9. Discuss, Consider and Act on transferring \$1,500.00 from 012-5-0650-8105 Office Clerks, to 012-5-0650-8107 Part-Time (New Account) 

Motion: to approve line item transfer, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1, **Seconded by** Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct #4. Motion passed unanimously.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct #4, Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct #3, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

10. Discuss, Consider and Act on transferring \$1,100.00 form 012-5-0409-5417 Grant Matching, to 012-5-0500-9040 Election Exp. 

Motion: to approve line item transfer, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2, **Seconded by** Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct #4. Motion passed unanimously.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct #4, Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct #3, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

11. Discus CACOST Project updates 

A. Walking Park

B. Wellness Center

Judge Ramos stated that in tomorrow's paper, a bid is being advertised for the walking park that is completely funded by CACOST, all besides the property which is owned by the County.

Honorable Judge Eric Ramos informed the Court that the Wellness Center operated by CACOST, at the old Dr. Tinnell location have been providing Adult Counseling and will now be offering Adolescent Counseling services.

The Court went back to discuss Item # 8.

Honorable Judge Eric Ramos read MOU in open Court.

Motion: to approve MOU, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct #4, **Seconded by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2. Motion passed unanimously. **(on file)**

Vote: Motion passed (**summary:** Yes = 4, No = 0, Abstain = 1).

Yes: Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct #4, Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct #3, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

Abstain: Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1.

The Court went back to discuss line item #7

It was discussed to continue discussing or bring back for discussion. After further discussion;

Motion: to approve \$50,000 for JP's/ District/County Clerk, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Eric Ramos, County Judge, **None seconded.** Motion died due to lack of second.

Motion: to table, **Action:** Table, **Moved by** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1, **Seconded by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2. Motion passed unanimously.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct #4, Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct #3, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

EXECUTIVE SESSION-Item passed by the Court

12. Discuss Employment/Resignations/Retirements and other Personnel Issues.

OPEN SESSION -Item passed by the Court

13. Discuss, consider and act on Employment/Resignations/Retirements.

14. Adjourn 


Motion: to adjourn the meeting at 11:15 AM, **Action:** Adjourn, **Moved by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2, **Seconded by** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1. Motion passed unanimously.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct #4, Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct #3, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

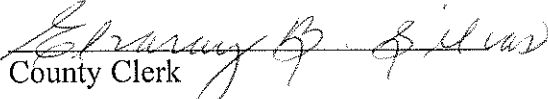
The preceding minutes beginning on page _____ and ending on page _____, of the Commissioners' Court Minutes Volume _____, read and approved in the Honorable Commissioners' Court this 16th day of November, 2021, A.D.

APPROVED:



County Judge

ATTESTED:



County Clerk