


**SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS COURT**  
**Friday, June 30, 2023**  
**1:30 PM**  
**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 1:43 PM 

**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,  
Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct #4.


**Absent:** Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct #3,  
Elvaray B. Silvas, County Clerk.

**Staff Present:** Missy A Saavedra, Deputy Clerk

**AGENDA**

**1. Public Comments** 

There were no public comments.

**2. Discuss, Consider and Act on transferring \$4,350.07 from 013-5-0033-9097 CDL Incentive; to 013-5-0033-8204 Workers Compensation. (Submitted by David Guerra)** 

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

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 4).

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

**3. Discuss, Consider and Act on transferring \$5,000.00 from 013-5-0033-9060 Contract Labor/solid management, \$5,000.00 from 013-5-0033-9068 Contract labor, \$10,000.00 from 013-5-0033-9514 Capital Outlay to 013-5-0033-5865 Equipment Rental.**

**(Submitted by David Guerra)** 

**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 = 4).

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

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**4. Discuss, Consider and Act on transferring \$200.00 from 011-5-0475-5550 Out of County**

**Travel to 012-5-0475-5000 Office Supplies. (Submitted by David T Garcia)** 


Honorable Judge Eric Ramos corrected the line item numbers from 011-5-0475-5550 to 012-5-0475-5550.

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

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 4).

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

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**5. Discuss, Consider and Act on transferring \$3500 from 012-5-0510-8155 (Manit. Supervisor) to 012-5-0456-8107 (part-time)** 

**Motion:** to approve line item transfer, **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 = 4).

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

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**6. Discuss, Consider and Act on transferring \$300 from 012-5-510-8155 (Manit. Supervisor) to 012-5-0550-9070 (misc.)** 


Honorable Judge Eric Ramos corrected the line item numbers from 012-5-510-8155 to 012-5-0510-8155.

**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 = 4).

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

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**7. Discuss, Consider and Act on transferring \$4,000 from 012-5-0510-8155 (Manit. Supervisor) to 012-6-0409--5410 (prof. fees)** 

Honorable Judge Eric Ramos corrected the line item numbers from 012-6-0409--5410 to 012-5-0409-5410.

**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 = 4).

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

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**8. Discuss, Consider and Act on paying Landfill engineering fees from Fund 31 (Health Sales Tax)** 

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

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 4).

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

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**9. Discuss, Consider and Act on transferring \$2400 from 012-5-0510-9070 (misc.) to 012-5-0665-5550 (Out of county travel)** 

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

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 4).

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

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**10. Budget Workshop** 

Honorable Judge Eric Ramos stated that since they were out in conference and hasn't had time to work on the budget as he thought he would be. Judge Ramos stated that the Court would be meeting weekly until the budget is adopted and that we still haven't received the certified values but think that we should have them by July 11<sup>th</sup>.

Discussed a possible COLA in November for everyone and a salary increase for elected officials; have received 2 grants and waiting on 5 more, and moving the people from the COVID grants; creating a grant department and moving Mr. Ramirez and Mr. Lopez to this department moving them to the General fund with the possibility of being paid out of a grant fund; discussed State Legislative law that passed raising the deputies salary to \$45,000 (patrol) and the Sheriff \$75,000 totaling \$60-70,000 so would need to fund this since it is the State law. Judge Ramos did mention that there is a grant to help smaller counties fund this and will be applying.

Discussed the Road and Bridge Fund on road construction/repair in adding double the monies for next year for the Commissioners'. Discussed the possibility of adding an individual to the County and District Clerk's office. Katy Salinas addressed the court in reference to the semi (pay period) and is asking if this is to be done and would like to know as soon as possible. Oralia Morales in reference to the air conditioner, on where the funds will be coming from. Judge Ramos stated that the funds will be coming from the fund balance and shouldn't affect us. It was discussed that we would be meeting next Thursday.

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**11. Adjourn.**

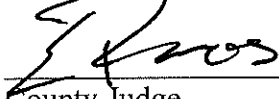
**Motion:** to adjourn the meeting at 2:06 PM, **Action:** Adjourn, **Moved by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2, **Seconded by** Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct #4. Motion passed unanimously.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 4).

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

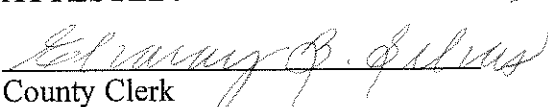
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The preceding minutes beginning on page \_\_\_\_\_ and ending on page \_\_\_\_\_, of the Commissioners' Court Minutes Volume \_\_\_\_\_, read and approved in the Honorable Commissioners' Court this 10<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2023, A.D.

APPROVED:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
County Judge



ATTESTED:

  
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County Clerk