Kleberg County Commissioners' Court Minutes



Special Joint Session With City Commission Of Kingsville, Texas On Tuesday, February 18, 2020 @ 5:00 P.M.

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this the 18th day of February, 2020 the Commissioners' Court of Kleberg County, Texas, met in Joint Session with City Commission of Kingsville, at the Recreation Hall inside Dick Kleberg Park, 501 E. Escondido Santiago Park Lane Kingsville, Texas with the following present:

Kleberg County Commissioners Court:

Hon. Rudy Madrid, Co. Judge
David Rosse, Commissioner Pct. #1
Chuck Schultz, Commissioner Pct. #2
Roy Cantu, Commissioner Pct. #3
Zaragoza "Shorty" Salinas, Commissioner Pct. #4
Stephanie G. Garza, County Clerk (Not Present)

Kingsville City Commission Present:

Sam Fugate, City Mayor Edna S. Lopez, City Commissioner Hector Hinojosa, City Commissioner Diane Leubert, City Commissioner Arturo Pecos, City Commissioner

Also present were:

Kira Talip-Sanchez, Co. Attorney Melissa S. Green, Co. Auditor Connie G. Martinez, Chief Deputy DeAnna L. Esquivel, Deputy Clerk

Also present were:

Mark McLaughlin, City Manager Courtney Alvarez, City Attorney Mary Valenzuela, City Secretary

COURT WAS OPENED and called to order by Judge Madrid to consider the following agenda items, Mayor Sam Fugate gave the invocation and City Commissioner Hector Hinojosa led the Court in the Pledge of Allegiance of the United States and Texas.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

Discuss And Act On The Following Items:

1. PRESENTATION Regarding City / County Interlocal Agreements. County's EDA Grant For An Emergency Response And Training Center And Any Other Projects That Involve Both The City And The County.

The following was discussed at the Special Joint Session:

Judge Rudy Madrid spoke on –

JK Northway restoration

This has been a dream of the Sheriff

Never any money for restoration

Old City Manager spoke and presented a 10-year plan

Felt a 10-year plan was too long

Wanted to move on this immediately

EDA Supplemental Fund for project

3 Phases to apply for grant

Phase 1 – Pre-Application submitted to EDA

Phase 2 – Invitation from EDA to submit complete application

Phase 3 – Awarded or Denied

JK Northway was a great fit for this project

Multicomplex center

Regional Safety Training and Emergency Response Center

No local training facilities currently

Met with 14 surrounding Counties

We are not prepared for a natural disaster

We need to make / create a Calvary

Not only for Kleberg County but the 14 surrounding Counties

Grant awarded for 4.3 million with local match of \$1,075,000

Local match to be split evenly between the County and City

Mayor and I met with community members to be sponsors

Setting up Oversite Committee

City Commissioner, Hector Hinojosa expressed interest in being part of the Oversite Committee

Regional Public Safety Training and Emergency Operation Command Center Timeline passed out for review

Mayor Sam Fugate -

Thanks Judge Madrid and Commissioners for this opportunity

Expressed this needs to be a partnership

We need to be kept updated and find a routine

Difficult project

Money needs to be kept separate

Charlie Sosa and City Attorney, Courtney Alvarez need to be Part of this project

Judge Rudy Madrid -

Negotiations with the college regarding college rodeo circuit

Mark Hussey interested

EDC Component – Satellite Office at JK Northway

Workshops, Satellite Conferences, etc...

City Attorney, Courtney Alvarez -

City has complete control of all parks

An amendment needs to be done to the Interlocal Agreement Nothing can be done without the approval of the City as a governing body

Judge Rudy Madrid -

Our Attorney Roxanne Pais Cotroneo is here and has met with County Attorney, Kira Talip-Sanchez and City Attorney, Courtney Alverez

Attorney Roxanne Pais Cotronero –

Looking forward to working with everyone on this project I am at your disposal for whatever you need

City Commissioner Hector Hinojosa -

Who is going to be in control?

City Commissioner Diane Leubert -

We're all excited about this

Meeting here today is a really great 1st step

We don't want to miss any opportunities

Judge Rudy Madrid -

This is a unique opportunity

If we work together there's nothing, we can't do

City Attorney Courtney Alvarez -

Venue Tax has to be totally separate from EDA

Judge Rudy Madrid -

County Auditor, Melissa S. Green City Manager, Mark McLaughlin and myself (Rudy Madrid) are all working together

Mayor Sam Fugate -

Venue Tax needs to get done

City Attorney Courtney Alvarez -

Once the City understands what the project will be then we can move forward with Venue Tax. Separate and apart form JK Northway Project

City Manager Mark McLaughlin -

Highly recommend a Plan of Action and Milestones I can draft this

Judge Rudy Madrid -

Introduced George Lazaro with Fulcrum Consulting and Petra Reyna with The Reyna Network saying they had a big part in helping obtain the EDA Grant

Ray DeLosSantos is on retainer and oversees what we're doing Petra Reyna, The Reyna Network -Clarified the funds match is used first then grant funds City Commissioner Diane Leubert -Most of these Interlocal Agreements are pretty old Let's fix them and move on Next meeting is scheduled for March 17, 2020 at 5:00 P.M. to discuss the Health Department and Animal Shelter. With No Further Business At Hand To Be Considered By The Court At This Time, Adjournment Was Had. Rudy Madrid, County Judge ATTEST? Stephanie G. Garza County Clerk and Ex-Officio Member Of the Commissioners Court Kleberg County, Texas