Kleberg County Commissioners' Court Minutes



Regular Session On Thursday, July 16, 2020 @ 1:30 P.M.

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this the 16th day of July, 2020 the Commissioners' Court of Kleberg County, Texas, met in Regular Session in the Courthouse Annex, of the Law Enforcement Center, 1500 E. King, Kingsville, Texas with the following present:

Kleberg County Commissioners Court:

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

Also present were:

Kira Talip-Sanchez (Arrived at 1:59 p.m.) Prissy A. Cantu, Co. Treasurer DeAnna L. Esquivel, Deputy Clerk

COURT WAS OPENED and called to order by Judge Madrid to consider the following agenda items, Commissioner Schultz gave the invocation and Commissioner Cantu led the Court in the Pledge of Allegiance of the United States and Texas.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None.

AGENDA ITEM #1

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approving Payment Of Bills

The above matter coming on for consideration, Commissioner Cantu questioned the bill for HOLT CAT Generator (\$2,050.61) from the Sheriff's Department. Sheriff Kirkpatrick said he has noticed a lot of bills regarding this saying they need to incorporate a maintenance agreement. Commissioner Cantu also questioned what was TMPA? Jesse Rivera, Constable Pct. 3 spoke saying TMPA stands for Texas Municipal Police Association which is legal counsel for Constables. Similar to TAC. Constables pay and are reimbursed from the County. A motion was made by Commissioner Cantu and seconded by Commissioner Schultz approving to pay the bills as presented. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

Bills

HOLT CAT -- \$2,050.61 TMPA -- \$336.00 Labatt Food Service -- \$3,689,45 Hill Country Dairies -- \$406.35 Hill Country Dairies -- \$336.49 TxDOT -- \$9,756.25 ULINE -- \$491.80 Gulf Business Printing -- \$759.96 Birdwell Computer Services -- \$881.90 Core & Main LP -- \$3,000.00 Beto's Community Store -- \$3,086.74 US FoodService Inc. -- \$1,801.26 US FoodService Inc. -- \$1,640.42 Tools Plus LLC -- \$314.15 Quill Corp. -- \$351.43 Bob Barker Co. Inc. -- \$330.13 Mendoza's Pharmacy Inc. -- \$2,301.06 Troy Charles Martinez -- \$750.00

Texas Association of Counties -- \$420.00 Christus Spohn Health System -- \$6,196.02 Coastal Dialysis -- \$2,774.28 Christus Spohn Health System -- \$401.23 Chapter 59 Forfeiture Acct. -- \$1,485.00 Creative Bus Sales Inc. -- \$145,028.00 Creative Bus Sales Inc. -- \$47,633.00 Labatt Food Service -- \$2,086.85 Hill Country Dairies -- \$704.34 Birdwell Computer Services -- \$549.99 F&D Floor Covering -- \$376.37 McCoy's -- \$420.00 Chemtex -- \$365.00 Dash Medical Gloves Inc. -- \$779.00 Universal Fire & Safety Inc. -- \$520.00 US FoodService Inc. -- \$382.12 US FoodService Inc. -- \$1,679.79 IFS Fire & Safety Inc. -- \$390.00 A-C Lawn and Garden -- \$929.98 Birdwell Computer Services -- \$649.99 Network Box USA Inc. -- \$558.33 Labatt Food Service -- \$1,928.70 Hillyard Inc. -- \$324.94 Jerry's Hearing & Air -- \$740.00 US FoodService Inc. -- \$1,813.54 USFAT LLC -- \$350.00 F&D Floor Covering -- \$632.00 Labatt Food Service -- \$2,231.60 ATCO International -- \$980.00 Birdwell Computer Services -- \$439.99 Atty. Fee Voucher Roberto D. Reyna -- \$500.00 Atty. Fee Voucher Roberto D. Reyna -- \$450.00 Ramos Refrigeration & AC -- \$3,250.00 T.J. Electric -- \$45,120.00 Santos McBain Management & Planning -- \$13,250.00 Santos McBain Management & Planning -- \$3,000.00 Roxann Pais Cotroneo, Atty. -- \$1,500.00 Roxann Pais Cotroneo, Atty. -- \$175.00 Roxann Pais Cotroneo, Atty. -- \$1,230.00 Paisano Transit -- \$16,725.00

AGENDA ITEM #2

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Budget Line Item Transfers

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Cantu to approve the budget line item transfers as presented. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

Budget Line Item Transfers

<u>Juvenile Probation Dept.</u> 017-570-426 to 017-570-491 -- \$836.00 017-570-427 to 017-570-491 -- \$866.00 017-570-490 to 017-570-491 -- \$2,857.96 017-570-426 to 017-570-424 -- \$600.00

Road & Bridge Pct. 3 025-623-486 to 025-623-423 -- \$300.00 025-623-399 to 025-623-454 -- \$500.00

<u>Maintenance</u> 010-510-544 to 010-510-350 -- \$2,500.00 010-510-440 to 010-510-350 -- \$3,400.00

<u>SeaWind</u> 010-661-464 to 010-661-420 -- \$1,000.00 010-661-456 to 010-661-420 -- \$314.31

<u>D.A.'s Office</u> 042-476-413 to 042-476-390 -- \$1,000.00

<u>Jail 512</u> 010-512-174 to 010-512-195 -- \$8,500.00

<u>Sheriff</u> 010-560-427 to 010-560-354 -- \$745.00 010-560-314 to 010-560-354 -- \$2,200.00 010-560-314 to 010-560-499 -- \$387.00 010-560-343 to 010-560-499 -- \$2,888.00

<u>Human Services</u> 058-636-427 to 058-636-185 -- \$2,116.00 058-636-427 to 058-636-202 -- \$1,400.00 058-636-427 to 058-636-203 -- \$500.00

<u>Human Services</u> 059-645-181 to 059-645-185 -- \$1,300.00 059-645-181 to 059-645-333 -- \$14,500.00

Sheriff
010-560-427 to 010-560-348 -- \$2,780.00
010-560-427 to 010-560-486 -- \$807.00
010-560-343 to 010-560-392 -- \$1,230.00
010-560-359 to 010-560-422 -- \$3,000.00
010-560-343 to 010-560-422 -- \$100.00

AGENDA ITEM #3

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approving Budget Amendments

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Cantu to approve the budget amendments as presented. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

Budget Amendments

<u>Human Services</u> 059-643-459 -- \$100.00 059-643-450 -- \$100.00 059-643-333 -- \$20,000.00

<u>Juvenile Probation Dept.</u> 017-336-570 -- \$12,059.00 017-570-491 -- \$12,059.00

<u>Human Services</u> 052-333-632 -- \$45,320.00 052-632-186 -- \$9,988.00 052-632-417 -- \$35,332.00

<u>VFD</u> 010-545-575 -- \$20,764.15

Golf Course 016-664-497 -- \$104.00

AGENDA ITEM #4

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Change Of Status For Employees

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Cantu approving status changes for the following employees:

Florinda Falcon Dianna Mendiola Estela Trevino Justice Payne-Tyson Juan Garcia Jr. Ruby Mendez Lopez Stephen Thompson Raul Gonzalez Estefana Mechell Jasmine L. Lara Devyn Garza Cristian Gonzalez Diego Garcia	Secretary Sheriff Deputy Juv. Prob. Officer Juv. Prob. Officer Equip. Operator Deputy Clerk Temp/Extra Help Maintenance Deputy Clerk Deputy Tax Collector Detention Officer Detention Officer Sheriff Deputy	Task Force Sheriff Dept. Juvenile Probation Juvenile Probation Pct. 4 District Clerk Sheriff Dept. SeaWind County Clerk Tax Office Sheriff Dept. Sheriff Dept. Sheriff Dept. Sheriff Dept.	Dismiss Transfer New Hire Resign Longevity Longevity New Hire Longevity Longevity Longevity Longevity Longevity Longevity Longevity Longevity Longevity
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Timothy Camarillo	Sergeant CID	Sheriff Dept.	Longevity
David Farias	Temp/Extra Help	Sheriff Dept.	New Hire
Tre'Veon Hawkins	Detention Officer	Sheriff Dept.	New Hire
Javier Gonzalez Jr.	Detention Officer	Sheriff Dept.	New Hire
Kelly Chapa	Detention Officer	Sheriff Dept.	New Hire
Jonathan Jimenez	Sheriff Deputy	Sheriff Dept.	Longevity

Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

AGENDA ITEM #5

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Monthly Reports

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Cantu to adopt the Order receiving the monthly reports as presented and file them for public record. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

Monthly Reports

Commissioner's Court Financial Report – May 2020

Tax Office – June 2020

District Clerk – Fee Account – June 2020

District Clerk – Court Cost Account – June 2020

District Clerk – Court Cost Account – June 17, 2020

JP Pct. 2 – May 2020

JP Pct. 2 – June 2020

SeaWind RV Resort – June 2020

Kleberg County Airport – June 2020

Texas A&M Extension Office – July 2020

AGENDA ITEM #6

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Minutes From Previous Meetings

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Cantu and seconded by Commissioner Schultz accepting and approving minutes from previous meetings. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

Minutes

May 26, 2020 – Regular Session June 2, 2020 – Budget Workshop June 3, 2020 – Budget Workshop June 4, 2020 – Budget Workshop June 8, 2020 – Regular Session June 22, 2020 – Regular Session June 24, 2020 – Special Session June 29, 2020 – Special Session

AGENDA ITEM #7

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Awarding Bids For Solid Waste Collection Services

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Cantu and seconded by Commissioner Schultz awarding the bid to Absolute Waste for Solid Waste Collection Services. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

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In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Receiving Proposals For Kaufer-Hubert Park Pavilion

The above matter coming on for consideration, Commissioner Cantu opened the 1 proposal received from Graveley's Construction for Kaufer-Hubert Park Pavilion. **No action taken.**

AGENDA ITEM #9

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Awarding Proposal For Kaufer-Hubert Park Pavilion

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Cantu and seconded by Commissioner Schultz awarding the proposal for Kaufer-Hubert Park Pavilion to Graveley's Construction in the amount of \$553,800.00. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

Agenda Items 10 & 11 Were Discussed And Voted On As One

AGENDA ITEM #10

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Receiving Proposals For The CDBG Hazard Mitigation Planning Program Grant

AGENDA ITEM #11

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Awarding Proposal For The CDBG Hazard Mitigation Planning Program Grant

The above matters coming on for consideration, Commissioner Cantu opened and received the only proposal for the CDBG Hazard Mitigation Planning Program Grant from Grant Works. A motion was made by Commissioner Cantu and seconded by Commissioner Schultz awarding the CDBG Hazard Mitigation Planning Program Grant to Grant Works. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

AGENDA ITEM #12

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Presentation By Big Fish Consulting Regarding Pending Invoices

The above matter coming on for consideration, as per Frances Garcia, Executive Secretary received an e-mail from Big Fish Consulting saying they spoke to the County Auditor and everything should be updated. **No action taken.**

AGENDA ITEM #13

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Acceptance Of Grant Award, In The Amount Of \$212,378.00, From TxDOT County Transportation Infrastructure Fund Grant Program

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Judge Madrid accepting the grant award in the amount of \$212,378.00, from TxDOT County Transportation Infrastructure Fund Grant Program with a 10% fund match to be done in-kind. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approval Of Contract For Dispatch Services – Padre Island National Seashore For The Sheriff's Department

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Judge Madrid and seconded by Commissioner Schultz approving Contract for Dispatch Services – Padre Island National Seashore for the Sheriff's Department. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

AGENDA ITEM #15

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Accepting The Rural Volunteer Fire Department Assistance Program Grant, Which Was Awarded In The Amount \$20,000.00, For The Fire And Rescue Equipment, With A 20% Match From The County

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Cantu and seconded by Commissioner Schultz accepting the Rural Volunteer Fire Department Assistance Program Grant, which was awarded in the amount of \$20,000.00, for Fire and Rescue Equipment, with a 20% match from the county. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

AGENDA ITEM #16

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Declaring Surplus/Salvage Equipment For Justice Of The Peace Pct. 3 Office

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Judge Madrid approving surplus/salvage equipment for Justice of The Peace Pct. 3 Office. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered. (Detailed list of surplus/salvage equipment located in folder, tab #16)

AGENDA ITEM #17

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Presentation By John T. Hubert, Or Proxy, Regarding Commissioners' Court Approval Of A \$2,500.00 Donation To The Kingsville Amateur Boxing Club, Inc. From The District Attorney's Office Chapter 59 Asset Forfeiture Fund For The Education And Prevention Of Drug Abuse. The Kingsville Amateur Boxing Club, Inc. Offers Area Youth An Alternative To The Streets And Offers Them An Opportunity To Build Their Self-Esteem, And Develop Discipline Through Daily Training And Classroom Education

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Cantu and seconded by Commissioner Schultz approving a \$2,500.00 donation from District Attorney John T. Hubert to the Kingsville Amateur Boxing Club, Inc. from the District Attorney's Office Chapter 59 Asset Forfeiture Fund for the education and prevention of drug abuse. The Kingsville Amateur Boxing club, Inc. offers area youth an alternative to the streets and offers them an opportunity to build their self-esteem and develop discipline through daily training and classroom education. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

AGENDA ITEM #18

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Dissolving The Memorandum Of
Understanding Between Kleberg County Attorney's Specialized Crimes &
Narcotics Task Force And Kleberg County Commissioner Pct. 3 For The Return
Of A 2003 Dodge Ram (Vin#5500)

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Cantu approving to dissolve the Memorandum of Understanding between Kleberg County Attorney's Specialized Crimes & Narcotics Task Force and Kleberg County Commissioner Pct. 3 for the return of a 2003 Dodge Ram (Vin#5500). Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

AGENDA ITEM #19

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approval To Allow County Judge To Apply With USDA Community Facilities Direct Loan And Grant Program For Improvements To The Kleberg County Airport

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Cantu approving to allow County Judge to apply with USDA Community Facilities Direct Loan and Grant Program for improvements to the Kleberg County Airport. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

AGENDA ITEM #20

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Employee Rights For Paid Sick Leave And Expanded Family And Medical Leave Under The Families First Coronavirus Response Act

The above matter coming on for consideration, Prissy A. Cantu, County Treasurer addressed Commissioners' Court regarding the Employee Rights For Paid Sick Leave And Expanded Family And Medical Leave Under The Families First Coronavirus Response Act saying each employee is allowed 80 hours between April 1 – December 31, 2020. There are 6 qualifying reasons related to COVID-19 that these hours can be used for. The Treasurer's Office is keeping a tally of everyone's time. Stephanie G. Garza, County Clerk said she has an employee asking if more that 40 hours can be carried over? Prissy A. Cantu said she also has that question. Judge Madrid addressed the concern saying the County Attorney needs to be consulted to see if Commissioners' Court can vote on this? He went on to say he will support it and for it to be put on the next agenda. **No action taken.**

AGENDA ITEM #21

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approval Of Change Order No. 2 For Kaufer-Hubert Memorial Park Boat Ramp Improvements Project, In The Amount Of \$31,750.00

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Cantu and seconded by Commissioner Schultz approving Change Order No. 2 for Kaufer-Hubert Memorial Park Boat Ramp Improvements Project, in the amount pf \$31,750.00. Money to come from GOMESA. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

AGENDA ITEM #22

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approval Of Interlocal Cooperation Agreement Between Kleberg County Sheriff's Office, Nueces County, Kenedy County And Port Mansfield Water District For Law Enforcement Services

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Judge Madrid and seconded by Commissioner Cantu approving the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between Kleberg County Sheriff's Office, Nueces County, Kenedy County and Port Mansfield Water District for Law Enforcement Services. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approval Of Memorandum Of Understanding Between The Kleberg County Attorney's Specialized Task Force And Kleberg County For A Cadillac Escalade

The above matter coming on for consideration, Judge Madrid expressed he wanted to make sure this is done correctly before it's voted on and asked the County Attorney to look into it. **No action taken.**

AGENDA ITEM #24

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Funding Of Warrant Officer Position(s) For The Kleberg County Attorney's Office With The Money To Come From Kleberg County Attorney's Chapter 59 Asset Forfeiture Funds

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Cantu approving funding for a Warrant Officer Position(s) for the Kleberg County Attorney's Office with the money to come from Kleberg County Attorney's Chapter 59 Asset Forfeiture Funds. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

AGENDA ITEM #25

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Turning Veteran Memorial Drive Into A One Way Street Heading West

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Judge Madrid approving to turn Veteran Memorial Drive into a one-way street heading west. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

AGENDA ITEM #26

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Allowing County Judge, Or His Designee, To Approve Purchase Orders Without Having To Go To Commissioners' Court, To Be Ratified At A Later Date

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Judge Madrid and seconded by Commissioner Schultz approving to allow County Judge, or his designee, to approve purchase orders without having to go to Commissioners' Court and will be ratified at a later date. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

AGENDA ITEM #27

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approval On Purchasing Mobile

Data/Video Conferencing Platform And Infectious Disease/Social Distancing

Software For The Kleberg County Sheriff's Office. The Total Cost Is \$116,800.00.

The Cost Of The Project To Be Paid Through Coronavirus Relief Funds (CARES

ACT) Allocated To Kleberg County

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Cantu and seconded by Commissioner Schultz approving the purchasing of Mobile Data/Video Conferencing Platform and Infectious Disease/Social Distancing Software for the Kleberg County Sheriff's Office. The total cost is \$116,800.00. The cost of the project to be paid through Coronavirus Relief Funds (CARES ACT) allocated to Kleberg County. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Adding A 2008 Dodge Truck (Vin #7731) To The Insurance For Use By Kleberg County Sheriff's Office

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Judge Madrid approving to add a 2008 Dodge Truck (Vin# 7731) to the insurance for use by Kleberg County Sheriff's Office. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

AGENDA ITEM #29

In The Matter Of Discussing And Considering Approval Of An Advertisement For Requests For Qualifications For Services Related To The CDBG Mitigation (MIT) Program Funded By The Texas General Land Office

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Cantu and seconded by Commissioner Schultz approving to advertise for requests for qualifications for services related to the CDBG Mitigation (MIT) Program funded by the Texas General Land Office. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

AGENDA ITEM #30

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On COVID-19 Updates

The above matter coming on for consideration, Judge Madrid gave the following updates:

35 more positive cases as of yesterday 07/15/2020 for Kleberg County

I am stressing precaution

Limit travel

Cut down on number of family members going into the stores

Watch out for the elderly

Shop & eat locally to help our economy and local businesses

Do not go to Corpus if you don't need to

Beaches are a big concern

Effective immediately through August 1st at 6:00 a.m. North Padre Island adjacent to Corpus Beach is officially closed

Baffin Bay and Loyola Beach are not affected

Numbers continue to go up

COVID-19 is everywhere - college, NAS Kingsville, City, etc...

Everyone has had some type of exposure

Mask Order in affect – mandatory in all businesses

If you see any non-compliance going on - call KPD or Health Department

Commissioner Salinas is out ill. Our hearts and prayers go out to him. He is an outstanding person who has been essential during this time always helping in any way he can.

Commissioner Schultz-

Everyone needs to use caution and stay safe Wash hands & sanitize Keep your distance from others

Judge Madrid -

Mayor Fugate and I are against any schools opening until this is over. Don't put kids at risk
No child will be left behind

I will be speaking with the Regional Health Director, Dr. Prot to obtain a written letter/evaluation recommending not to send our children to school.

No action taken on update.

 Conduct Any Other Business Necessary For The Proper Functioning Of County Business

Judge Madrid -

Applied for a Rural Development Grant for \$350,000.00 Awarded \$175,000.00 Huge victory for Kleberg County Will use money to outfit facility at J.K. Northway Our EDC Volunteer, Carlos Ramirez needs an office 1 area available at the Pete De La Garza Building

Stephanie G. Garza, County Clerk -

Made a decision to close my office to the public.
With the General Election coming up in November I need my staff well.
Tax Office / Motor Vehicle is also closed to the public
All forms are available outside our doors in the hall

Chief Deputy Garza -

Sheriff's Office has sanitizer available if anyone needs it

Judge Madrid -

Thanks go out to the Maintenance Department they are ensuring the safety of employees and customers.

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