Kleberg County Commissioners' Court Minutes



Regular Session On Monday, November 25, 2024 @ 1:30 P.M.

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this the 25th day of November, 2024 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
Chuck Schultz, Commissioner Pct. #2
Jerry Martinez, Commissioner Pct. #3
Marcus Salinas, Commissioner Pct. #4
Salvador "Sonny" Barrera, III, County Clerk

Also present were: Kira Talip- Sanchez, Co. Attorney Melissa Green, Co. Auditor Priscilla A. Cantu, Co. Treasurer Janie Espindola, Deputy Clerk Delma Trevino, Chief Deputy Clerk

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Enrique Arriaga Sanchez, 1220 E Ave B, Kingsville, Texas 78363 Mr. Arriaga is employed by South Texas Labs and came to by to offer their services to the county as they can offer fingerprinting, drug testing and background checks for the County. Mr. Sanchez can be reached by calling (361-219-7198 or 956-414-6495).

AGENDA ITEM #1

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

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Salinas approving to pay the bills as presented. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

Bills

Ardurra Group, Inc--\$2,250.00 B&M Supplies LLC--\$684.00 Christus Spohn Health System--\$452.73 Coastal Office Solutions Inc--\$2,791.46 Leticia Couch—\$551.66 Syvia Garza-Perez--\$460.00 Grant Works Inc -- \$84,500.00 Holt Cat--\$741.50 Donald Hubert Construction--\$187,094.33 I-Con Systems Inc--\$2,520.00 LNV Inc--\$49,116.24 McKesson Medical Surgical--\$926.41 OCLC, Inc--\$1,499.29 South Texas Restaurant Equip-\$385.08 Thomson Reuters-West--\$3,250.20 US Foodservice Inc--\$1,507.08 US Foodservice--\$2,355.38 United States Prisoner Trans--\$730.25

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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 Rosse and seconded by Commissioner Martinez to approve the budget line-item transfers as presented. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

Budget Line-Item Transfers

Kleberg Co Atty Task Force

106-546-310 to 106-546-499--\$5,000.00 106-546-393 to 106-546-499--\$5,000.00 106-546-450 to 106-546-499--\$10,000.00 106-546-348 to 106-546-499--\$5,000.00

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 Rosse and seconded by Commissioner Martinez to approve the Budget Amendments as presented. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

Budget Amendments

EDA 2 183-519-412—443,334.00

Kleberg County Attorney Task Force Operation Lone Star Grant #4382003

253-549-104--\$122,000.00 253-549-202--\$15,250.00 253-549-203--\$13,747.00 253-549-204--\$3,500.00 253-549-206--\$700.00 253-549-195--\$30,000.00 253-549-427--\$30,000.00 253-549-573--\$12,000.00 253-330-200--\$239,502.00

Sheriff lone Star Grant #4382003

253-560-104--\$116.625.60 253-560-201--\$8,921.86 253-560-202--\$34,160.64 553-560-203--\$19,149.92 253-560-204--\$2,075.93 253-560-206--\$326.55

Sheriff Lone Star Grant

254-560-575--\$56,264.25 254-560-573--\$16,000.00 254-560-499--\$12,917.84 254-560-139--\$116,625.60 254-560-201--\$8,921.86 254-560-202--\$34,160.64 254-560-203--\$19,149.92 254-560-204--\$2,075.93 254-560-206--\$326.55

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254-560-195--\$45,000.00 254-560-157--\$49,088.00 254-560-201--\$3,755.23 254-560-202--\$7,501.80 254-560-203--\$8,060.25 254-560-204--\$873.77 254-512-104--\$85.696.00 254-512-201--\$6,555.74 254-512-202--\$15,003.60 254-512-203--\$14,071.28 254-512-204--\$1,525.38 254-512-206--\$239.94 254-512-195--\$36,000.00

Sheriff

034-560-105--\$10,861.29 034-560-146--\$11,209.39 034-560-195--\$5,000.00 034-560-201--\$7,160.00 034-560-203--\$6,824.44 034-560-204--\$84.80 034-560-206--\$477.36

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AGENDA ITEM #4

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Monthly Reports.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Rosse and seconded by Commissioner Schultz 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. Commissioner Rosse did voice a request that all departments bring their reports up to date.

Monthly Reports

County Clerk Court Fee Report-May 2024
District Clerk Court Cost Fees Report-September 2024
Kleberg County Pct. 1-Monthly Report October 2024
Kleberg County Seawind Monthy Report-October 2024
Kleberg County Agrilife Extension-Monthly Report-October 2024
Kleberg County Allegiance-Monthly Report-October 2024

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AGENDA ITEM #5

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Receiving Bids For F-650 Diesel Truck For Commissioner Pct. 4.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Rosse and seconded by Commissioner Salinas to review the bid that was submitted by Cavender Grande Ford for \$108,740.00 for a F-650 Diesel Truck for Commissioner Pct. 4. Commissioner moved to accept the bid and table this matter for the time being.

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AGENDA ITEM #6

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Authorizing The County Judge Or Other Authorized Official, To Execute The Settlement Participation And Release Forms Regarding Settlement Offers From Kroger In The Matter of Texas Opioid Multi-District Litigation For The County In The Matter Of County Of Kleberg vs Purdue Pharma, LP., Et Al MDL PRETRIAL CAUSE NO. 2019-49074, In The 152nd District Court Of Harris County, Texas; County Of Kleberg vs. Purdue Pharma LP, Et Al, Cause No. 19-356-D. 105th District Court, Kleberg County, Texas.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Rosse and seconded by Commissioner Martinez to continue at a later time on authorizing the County Judge or other authorized official to execute the settlement participation and release forms regarding settlement offers from Kroger in the matter of Texas Opioid Multi-District Litigation for the county in the matter of County of Kleberg vs Purdue Pharma, LP., et al MDL PRETRIAL CAUSE NO. 2019-49074, in the 152nd District Court of Harris County, Texas; County of Kleberg vs. Purdue Pharma LP, et al, Cause No. 2019-356D, 105th District Court, Kleberg County, Texas. At this time as no monetary values have been set, this will continue at a later time. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously, and so ordered.

AGENDA ITEM #7

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Accepting And Approving The November 5, 2024 General Election Canvass Report From The County Clerk

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Salinas to approve the November 5, 2024 General Election Canvass Report from The County Clerk. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously, and so ordered.

AGENDA ITEM #8

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approval Of Renewal Of A New Xerox Copier Lease Agreement For The Extension Office.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Rosse and seconded by Commissioner Salinas approving the renewal of a new Xerox Copier Lease agreement for the Extension Office. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously, and so ordered.

AGENDA ITEM #9

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Acceptance Of Grant Award From The Office Of The Governor Criminal Justice Division, For Body Camera Program, In The Amount Of \$40,065.00, Grant #5091901.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Martinez to approve accepting a Grant Award from the Office of the Governor Criminal Justice Division, for Body Camera Program, in the amount of \$40,065.00. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously, and so ordered.

AGENDA ITEM #10

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Authorizing The Purchase Of A Used Pneumatic Roller Not To Exceed \$40,000.00.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Rosse and seconded by Commissioner Martinez authorizing the purchase of a used pneumatic roller not to exceed \$40,000.00. Commissioner Rosse said he found a company in the valley that have two (2) of them, one for \$32,000.00 and another one for \$34,000.00. Commissioner Rosse states he will negotiate with the company to see if they will lower the price. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously, and so ordered.

AGENDA ITEM #11

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approval To Pay G&S Property Services, In The Amount Of \$68,180.00 For Hauling Services.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Salinas to approve payment to G&S Property Services, in the amount of \$68,180.00 for hauling services. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously, and so ordered.

AGENDA ITEM #12

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approval To Pay G&S Property Services, In The Amount Of \$28,980.00, For Work At Sea Wind RV Park.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Salinas to approve payment to G&S Property Services, in the amount of \$28,980.00, for work at Sea Wind RV Park. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

AGENDA ITEM #13

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approval For Priscilla Cantu, County Treasurer, To Participate In The A&M University Certified Public Manager Program, Beginning January 2025, At A Cost Of \$4,865.00.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Rosse and seconded by Commissioner Martinez approving Priscilla Cantu, County Treasurer, to participate in the A&M University Certified Public Manager Program, Beginning January 2025, at a cost of \$4,865.00. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

AGENDA ITEM #14

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approval For Kleberg County To Enter Into A Contract With John Charles Lemon, From Lemon & Gonzalez & Lemon LLP, For Professional Legal Services.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Salinas to approve for Kleberg County to enter into a contract with John Charles Lemon, from Lemon & Gonzalez LLP, for professional services. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously, and so ordered.

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In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Agreement With Volunteer Fire Department.

GOING INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 1:50 P.M.

AGENDA ITEM #16

Adjourn Into Executive Session Under Texas Govt. Code 551.071 Regarding Legal Matter.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Martinez and seconded by Commissioner Schultz to approve on allowing the Kleberg County Sheriff's Department to utilize over SB 22 monies to purchase one (1) Ford Explorer with all Emergency Lighting Equipment, Duty Weapons and Tasers with all Duty Gear. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

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AGENDA ITEM #17

Return To Open Session And Act On The Appropriate Action As Deemed Necessary.

Potential legal matter for pins ordered from Lucy Camarillo by Pct. 1 Constable William Hack in the amount of \$830.09. Motion to pay was made by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Salinas.

Kleberg County will be assuming Volunteer Fire Department. New Contract with Volunteer Fire Department being drawn up and all members will be notified as to when contact is ready. All Volunteer Fire Department members will need to be present at meeting when contract is presented. County Attorney has been in contact with TAC on this matter. Upon vote, motion carried by a vote of 4-1, with Commissioner Rosse voting against the measure.

Pursuant to the authority granted under Government Code, Chapter 551, the Commissioners Court may convene a closed session to discuss any of the above agenda items. Immediately before any closed session, the specific section or sections of Government Code, Chapter 551 that provides statutory authority will be announced.

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

- City Commissioners Norma Alvarez, Leo Alaron, Hector Hinojosa voted against renewing Kingsville City Manager Mark McLaughlin's contract. Mr. McLaughlin has resigned from his position to take a position elsewhere.
- December 4, 2024 is the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at the new Kleberg County Economic Development and Training Center and also at the Regional Operations Center. The Reception will be from 6 PM – 8 PM.
- Public Meeting will be held later today at 5:30 PM.

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With No Further Business At Hand To Be Considered By The Court At This Time, Adjournment Was Had.

ATTEST:

Rudy Madrid, County Judge

ALL A BOTT Salvador "Sonny" Barrera, III
County Clerk
Kleberg County, Texas

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