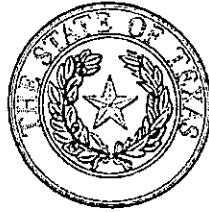


Kleberg County Commissioners' Court Minutes



Special Session On Monday, August 5, 2024, 1:30 P.M.

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this the 5th day of August, 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(NP)
Anna Ramirez, Deputy Clerk

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

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PUBLIC COMMENTS:

• **Roy Cantu, 303 Elm, Riviera, Texas 78379**

Former Commissioner Cantu came before the court today stating that he had received a call from a concerned citizen of Riviera in reference to the Volunteer Fire Department. Commissioner Cantu states there are only 2 volunteers at this time to handle calls in and around Riviera. Both of these persons are employed during the day so there is no one available out there if a fire breaks out during the week. Commissioner Cantu found a FEMA Grant called the Safer Grant. This grant provides funding for staffing, training, maintaining and also offers pay to firefighters as an incentive. People applying for this program will be fully trained as firefighters when they complete the training.

First year of grant provides 100% for staffing, training and maintaining a Fire Station. The second year provides 80% and will continue dropping until the 6th year at which time the grant stops all assistance.

Judge Madrid thanked Commissioner Cantu for his presentation and said he was going to look into this grant as the he has been wanting to upgrade the station in Riviera and to build new ones in Ricardo and Baffin Bay.

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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 Salinas and seconded by Commissioner Martinez to approve bills presented. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

Bills

A C Lawn and Garden--\$328.53
Clarissa Moreno--\$376.72
Christus Spohn Health System--\$645.41
Christus Spohn Health System--\$2,975.07

Coastal Bend Phychological--\$400.00
 Companion Life Ins Co--\$1,475.94
 Grainger--\$586.72
 Harrel-Kingsville Pharmacy--\$1,568.78
 Holt Cat--\$2,603.05
 ITC Corporation--\$699.50
 ITC Corporation--\$750.00
 ITC Corporation--\$2,168.50
 ITC Corporation--\$1,181.50
 Jerrys Heating & Air Conditioning--\$2,700.00
 Jerrys Heating & Air Conditioning--\$450.00
 Jerry's Heating & Air Conditioning--\$855.00
 Kathleen Madrid--\$377.12
 Matera Paper Co./Ferguson--\$1,226.52
 Ramos Refrigeration--\$4,963.00
 Menger Hotel--\$836.91
 Micro Marketing LLC--\$661.28
 Ponderosa Hvac & Heating--\$750.00
 Quill Corporation--\$526.96
 Quill Corporstion--\$391.47
 Quill Corporation--\$309.69
 Quill Corporation--\$455.96
 Ramirez-Salinas Funeral Home- \$3,980.00
 Raul Hernandez & Company--\$23,500.00
 Reyna Network LLC--\$3,611.11
 Rodriguez & Sons Plumbing Co--\$381.22
 Salvador 'Sonny' Barrera--\$376.72
 South Texas Restaurant Equip--\$1,222.08
 Texas College of Probate Judges--\$450.00
 Texas College of Probate Judges--\$1,350.00
 US Foodservice Inc.--\$2,393.68
 US Foodservice Inc.--\$2,163.22
 US Foodservice Inc.--\$1,940.71
 United States Prisoner Trans--\$733.75
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 United States Prisoner Trans--\$697.00
 United States Prisoner Trans--\$646.25
 United States Prisoner Trans--\$738.50
 United States Prisoner Trans--\$599.25
 United States Prisoner Trans--\$383.25
 United States Prisoner Trans--\$2,360.00
 Universal Fire & Safety Inc.--\$478.00
 Washing Equipment of Texas --\$403.00

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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 Schultz to approve the budget line-item transfers as presented. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

Budget Line-Item Transfers

010-497-310 to 010-497-497--\$764.70
 059-645-333 to 059-645-339--\$3,368.10
 128-632-454 to 128-632-354--\$950.00
 010-512-450 to 010-512-353--\$2,560.00
 106-546-310 to 106-546-573--\$3,000.00
 106-546-341 to 106-546-573--\$4,000.00
 108-548-330 to 108-548-195--\$8,000.00
 010-409-493 to 010-409-401--\$23,500.00
 025-624-550 to 025-624-499--\$800.00
 010-560-435 to 010-560-454--\$970.20
 010-560-453 to 010-560-454--\$544.86
 010-499-499 to 010-499-497--\$1,250.00

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 Martinez to approve the budget amendments as presented. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered. If needed monies can be used from reserves. Monies for these will come from reserves.

Budget Amendments

County Clerk at Law

010-427-408--\$10,000.00
010-427-407--\$10,000.00

County Judge

010-400-408--\$2,500.00

Gomesa

079-661-457--\$99,267.00

J.K. Northway

010-636-451--\$1,500.00

Jail

010-512-428--\$14,134.00
010-512-341--\$180.00
010-512-454--\$350.00
010-512-343--\$857.00
010-512-462--\$16,102.18
010-512-497--\$306.44
010-512-642--\$489.50
010-512-350--\$23.52

Kleberg Sheriff Office

034-512-497--\$54,447.13

KSO Chapter 59 – Revenues

034-352-300--\$98,796.74
034-360-034--\$5.96

KSO Federal Drug Fund-Revenues

111-360-111--\$0.71

KSO Impound Wrecker
(aka Towing & Storage)

035-512-497--\$9,175.24

KSO Impound Wrecker—Revenues
(aka Towing & Storage)

035-352-302--\$2,200.00
035-360-035--\$0.91

Padre Island Expenses

010-662-454--\$3,700.00

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AGENDA ITEM #4

Presentation by Zelina Zavala, from the Texas A&M Agrilife Extension Office, Regarding Upcoming Downtown Kingsville 5K and 1K

Ms. Zelina Zavala appeared before Commissioners Court today with the Texas A&M Agrilife Extension Office. Ms. Zavala's Department will be hosting a 5K and 1K event on Friday, August 16, 2024 at the Maggie Salinas Pavilion, 206 E. Yoakum. The 1K will begin at 7PM and the 5K at 7:20PM. Ms. Zavala is requesting assistance as follows:

- Hosting water station at the west entrance of the courthouse at the corner of 11th Street at Kleberg Street. As there is construction going on at this time in the area another site will be proposed.
- Will need to use the metal barricades from JK Northway.
- Assistance with marketing this event.

Texas A&M Agrilife assists both Kleberg and Kenedy Counties in promoting healthy living. Along with the 1K and 5K events there will also be entertainment, health screenings, healthy food treats and they will be promoting physical activity.

Ms. Zavala asked if it would be possible to have on display the Mobile Health Unit for the public.

Judge Madrid said he will speak to Maintenance Director Ray De La Garza and Sheriff Richard Kirkpatrick in assisting with her needs for this event.

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Commissioner Jerry Martinez left Commissioners' Court Meeting at 1:55PM.

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AGENDA ITEM #5

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approval To Adopt Subdivision Regulations With Addendums, And Set The Fee(s)

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Salinas and seconded by Commissioner Rosse approving to adopt Subdivision Regulations with changes new Addendums and set the fee(s). Roads are to be built to County of Kleberg specifications. Land owners will need to take care of roads for up to 5 years, at which time Kleberg County can decide to take over maintenance of roads. All half (1/2) acre tracts and one (1) acre tracts must have septic tanks and water wells. Developer will be responsible for drilling a water well, have the water tested and guarantee for 30 years. City of Kingsville Health Inspector Emilio Garcia has been out inspecting new additions to ensure that all regulations are being followed. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

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AGENDA ITEM #6

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approval Of A Financial Advisory Contract With Tijerina Financial Consulting As The County's Financial Advisor.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Salinas approving a Financial Advisory Contract with Robert Tijerina of TFC (Tijerina Financial Consulting, LLC). as Kleberg County's Financial Advisor. Before budget for next Fiscal Year is voted on Judge Madrid would appreciate if Mr. Tijerina and his group could look over the budget and advise if anything should be changed. As Judge Madrid stated roads in Ricardo and Riviera are a high priority Mr. Tijerina said that a Bond Referendum might be in order, also having a Bond Election to cover just the roads would also take care of the funding for this project. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

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AGENDA ITEM #7

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approval Of Resolutuion By The Commissioners' Court Of Kleberg County, Texas Providing For The Redemption Of Certain Currently Outstanding And Other Matters Related Thereto.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Salinas approving Resolution by The Commissioners Court of Kleberg County, Texas providing for the redemption of certain currently outstanding and other matters related thereto. Judge Madrid explained to Mr. Tijerina that as an error had been made by the Tax Assessor-Collector in placing monies in an incorrect column the county is not going to be having the money available to place in reserves for future use. As the money was placed in a debt column the money can only be used to pay outstanding existing debts. Mr. Tijerina will look into the debts Kleberg County has and make suggestions as to which debts could be paid out. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

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AGENDA ITEM #8

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approval Of A Plan of Finance To Issue Tax Notes.

****NO ACTION TAKEN****

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AGENDA ITEM #9

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approval Of To Set Up A P-Card System And Set The Guidelines.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Rosse approving Kleberg County Auditor Melissa Green work on setting up guidelines to for using a P-Card. In the past the county had used one but there were too many issues when employees used it but did not present receipts to auditor to balance the charges out. Kleberg County has one credit card they use for travel expenses at this time. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously.

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AGENDA ITEM #10

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approval Of Payment To Edge Endeavors, In The Amount Of \$4,326.89, For Repairs To The Weight Station.

****NO ACTION TAKEN----

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AGENDA ITEM #11

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approval Of Payment, For The Sandbags, And Pay From ARPA Funds Instead Of Road & Bridge.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Salinas and seconded by Commissioner Schultz approving payment for the sandbags and this is to be paid from ARPA Funds instead of Road & Bridge. Upon vote the motion carried unanimously carried and so ordered.

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AGENDA ITEM #12

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approval Of A Donation, In The Amount of \$5,000, To The Dream Come True Foundation – South

******NO ACTION TAKEN, TABLED UNTIL NEXT WEEK******

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AGENDA ITEM #13 S

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Ratifying Approval of Supplemental Award For OPSG FY 21 Grant #3193007.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Salinas ratifying approval of Supplemental Award for OPSG FY 21 Grant #3193007. This is a frag request as per Sheriff Kirkpatrick. Monies are still available in grant that previously paid for license plate readers. As there is still money available extra license plate readers will be bought. Upon vote the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

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AGENDA ITEM #14

Presentation Of Grant Opportunities Offered By The EPA Community Change Program

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Salinas approving presentation of Grant Opportunities offered by The EPA Community Change Program. Commissioner Schultz called Mr. George Lazaro on his cell phone and placed the call on speaker so everyone could listen to the call. Mr. Lazaro explained that there was a \$20 Million dollar grant with "no" matches. The deadline to file for this grant is November 24, 2024. A public hearing needs to be held in regards to this grant. This grant is available for counties that are 150 miles from the border and Kleberg County qualifies due to this. This grant will assist with water improvements, block allocations, bringing mobile homes over 10 years old up to standards. Not many communities know of this. Upon vote the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

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AGENDA ITEM #15

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approval Of A Resolution To Submit A Grant Application To The EPA Community Change Program.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Salinas approving a Resolution to submit a Grant Application to the EPA Community Change Program. Upon vote the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

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AGENDA ITEM #16

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Authoring The County Judge To Publish A Notice For Public Hearing For The EPA Community Change Program.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Salinas approving County Judge Rudy Madrid publish a notice for a Public Hearing for the EPA Community Change Program. Upon vote the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

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AGENDA ITEM #17

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Authorizing The County Judge To Advertise For A RFQ, For Engineering Services For The EPA Community Change Program.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Salinas approving County Judge Rudy Madrid to advertise for a RFQ for Engineering Services for the EPA Community Change Program. Upon vote the motion was carried unanimously and so ordered.

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AGENDA ITEM #18

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Authorizing The County Judge To Advertise For Professional Management Services, For EPA Community Change Program.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Salinas approving on authorizing County Judge Rudy Madrid to advertise for Professional Management Services for EPA Community Change Program. Upon vote the motion was carried unanimously and so ordered.

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AGENDA ITEM #19

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approving The Democrat And Republican List Of Election Workers That Will Work In The November 5,2024 General Election.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Rosse and seconded by Commissioner Salinas approving the Democrat and Republican List of Election Workers that will work in the November 5, 2024 General Election. Upon vote the motion was carried unanimously and so ordered.

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AGENDA ITEM #20

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approval Of The Brooklyn Plat, Located At The Northeast Corner Of The Intersection Of County Road 1060 and County Road 2180.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Rosse and seconded by Commissioner Schultz approving the Brooklyn Plat located at the Northeast corner of the intersection of County Road 1060 and County Road 2180. Lot #1 has access to both county roads. All lots will have access to County Road 2180. Upon vote the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

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AGENDA ITEM #21

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approval Of Payment To T. J. Electric, In The Amount Of \$44,372.80 For Work At The Riviera Pier Pavilion.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Salinas approving payment to T.J. Electric in the amount of \$44,372.80 for work at the Riviera Pier Pavilion. Upon vote the motion carried unanimously and so ordered. Payment will be paid from Gomesa Fund.

AGENDA ITEM #22

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approval Of Payment To Chimps Tint, Glass & Detail, In The Amount Of \$15,000.00, For Work Done At EOC Building

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Salinas approving payment to Chimps Tint, Glass & Detail in the amount of \$15,000.00 for the work done at EOC Building. Upon vote the motion carried unanimously and so ordered. This will be paid out of EDA Funds if available, if not they will be paid from Reserves Fund.

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AGENDA ITEM #23

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approval To Renew Valerie Moya, From The District Attorney's Office, Notary Bond.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Rosse and seconded by Commissioner Salinas approving to renew Valerie Moya from the District Attorney's Office, Notary Bond. Upon vote the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

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AGENDA ITEM #24

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approval For The District Attorney To Make A Donation To The Brush County Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA), In The Amount Of \$1,000.00 For Their Annual Color Run 5K Walk/Run, On Saturday, August 10, 2024, at TAMUK Starting at 8:00 a.m. The Donation Will Come From The District Attorney's Asset Forfeiture Funds.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Rosse and seconded by Commissioner Schultz approving District Attorney to make a donation to the Brush County Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) in the amount of \$1,000.00 for the Annual Color Run 5K Walk/Run on Saturday, August 10, 2024 at TAMUK starting at 8:00 a.m. The donation will come from the District Attorney's Asset Forfeiture Fund. Upon vote the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.


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

- Received letter of resignation from Roxann Pais Cotroneo, Special Legal Counsel for Kleberg County effective August, 16, 2024 at 12:00 p.m.

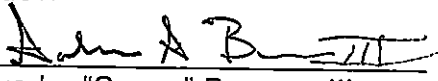
Pursuant to the authority granted under Government Code, Chapter 551, the Commissioner's Court may convene a closed session to discuss any of the above agenda items. Immediately before any closed session, the specific sections of Government Code, Chapter 551 that provide statutory authority will be announced.

With No Further Business At Hand To Be Considered By The Court At This Time, Adjournment Was Had. Meeting was adjourned at 2:48PM.



Rudy Madrid, County Judge

ATTEST:



Salvador "Sonny" Barrera, III
County Clerk
Kleberg County, Texas

