Kleberg County Commissioners' Court Minutes



Special Session On Thursday, August 22, 2024 @ 1:30 P.M.

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this the 22nd day of August, 2024 the Commissioners' Court of Kleberg County, Texas, met in Special 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(NP)
Salvador "Sonny" Barrera, III, County Clerk(NP)

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

COURT WAS OPENED and called to order by Judge 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.

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, a motion was made by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Martinez approving to pay the bills as presented. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

<u>Bills</u>

BWI Companies-\$2,556.34
Baker & Taylor--\$375.12
Baker & Taylor--\$2,625.03
Baker & Taylor--\$1,186.35
Fairmont Austin Hotel--\$506.11
ITC--\$897.50
Lumenserve, Inc--\$690.00
Matera Paper Co--\$1,584.26
Quill Corporation--\$749.95
Rudy Madrid--\$474.54
United States Prisons Trans--\$500.00
US Foodservice Inc--\$2,354.16

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

Non-Dept

010-409-402 to 010-695-497--\$15,000.00 010-409-575 to 010-695-497--\$16,817.65

Kleberg County Attorney Task Force

108-548-330 to 108-548-102--\$13,000.00 108-548-330 to 108-548-103--\$7,000.00 108-548-330 to 108-548-195--\$7,000.00 106-546-573 to 106-546-499--\$22,000.00 010-409-493 to 010-695-497--\$1,500.00

Road & Bridge Pct. 3

025-623-554 to 025-623-457--\$3,000.00 025-623-575 to 025-623-457--\$3,000.00 025-623-597 to 025-623-457--\$3,400.00

Sheriff

010-560-343 to 010-560-310--\$466.14 010-560-343 to 010-560-497--\$200.33

Tax

010-499-497 to 010-499-435--\$500.00 010-499-499 to 010-499-435--\$750.00

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 Schultz to approve the budget amendments as presented. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

Budget Amendments

Human Services

052-333-632—\$16.421.00 052-632-448--\$13,211.00 052-632-136--\$1,185.00 052-632-186--\$2,025.00

J.K. Northway

010-636-497--\$1,000.00

AGENDA ITEM #4

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approval Of A Plan Of Finance To Issue Tax Note

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Schultz with Judge Madrid doing a roll call vote of all Commissioners. Commissioner Rosse, Commissioner Martinez and Commissioner Salinas unanimously voted to accept the Plan of Finance to issue Tax Note. Mr. Tijerina is with Tijerina Financial Consultants and his firm is Kleberg County's Financial Consultants. Mr. Tijerina brought proposals to the court for them to go over. Each commissioner was given a copy of the revised tax rate analysis and preliminary repayment schedule for the proposed Tax Note, Series 2024. Robert Tijerina, is with Tijerina Financial Consultants. Mr. Tijerina's firm is the county's Financial Consultants. As the court approved his proposals it will allow his firm to work with the judge's office and other elected officials, and to come back at a later time and bring a financial approval package to the court for your consideration.

Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

AGENDA ITEM #5

Budget Workshop For TY 2024-2025

Judge Madrid and Melissa Green (Auditor) had discussion this morning in regards to the following:

The two part-time employees at the Veterans Office will be moved under the direction of David Garcia, Transportation Director. By doing this it will allow two (2) things. They will remain in the Veterans Office.

- 1. It will allow us to get a van from the State and the county will get paid by the State of Texas for this service.
- 2. I negotiated with Judge Gonzalez who is a true team player and he said he will be happy with one part-time employee for the time being. We will re-visit this next year to see where we stand.

Spoke to Auditor awhile ago about Human Resourse office as every organization has one. I have an idea I am going to purpose to all of you, Priscilla, our treasurer doesn't know about it yet. I spoke to Melissa, our auditor about it. There are persons who play a key role in this, Veronica Hare and Frances Garcia. When a new hire starts to work for the county there is not anyone to make sure that this new hire is taken to all the necessary offices that they need to go to. There is no one to make sure that all points are covered. I would like to have the employees in the Auditor's Office, Veronice Hare, Frances Garcia to share this duty. In the Navy they have what they call a Duty Officer who handles all of this when someone new come on board. This person makes sure that all bases from A to Z are covered. The employees who undertake this task will get paid a \$1.00 extra along with the \$2.00 raise they will be getting. There are 10 employees in the Auditor Office that will be eligible for this.

A new hire can begin to work any day of the week once they get clearance of their drug test. Employees who are transferring from one department to another have to wait till a new pay period begins.

Treasurer, Priscilla A. Cantu, voiced her opinion to this as to why was it that when she recently asked the court for extra pay for her two (2) employees it was not approved and now it is brought up to give \$1.00 to only the people who undertake this new task.

Judge states that ultimately Commissioner's Court can change policy.

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

Adjournment Was Had.

Rudy Madrid, County Judge

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With No Further Business At Hand To Be Considered By The Court At This Time,