

Kleberg County Commissioners' Court Minutes



Regular Session On Monday, August 28, 2023 @ 1:30 P.M.

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this the 28th day of August, 2023 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
Alfred Issasi, Co. Auditor
Priscilla A. Cantu, Co. Treasurer
Mari Reyes, 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 Salinas led the Court in the Pledge of Allegiance of the United States and Texas.

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PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Brandon Barrera JP Pct 2- 1809 West Sage Road Kingsville, Tx 78363

- Asking the court for fairness or consideration for agenda item #12 regarding base pay for all JP clerks to be at \$15.00 an hour.

Al Higginbotham- 534 North FM 2619 Kingsville, Tx 78363

- Discussed to the court from previous meeting regarding county road on Kleberg County and North Brooks County line.
- Higginbotham does not agree with the Wright's to have county road to be taken off the map.

Elizabeth Wright- 299 County Road 233 Falfurrias, Tx 78355.

- Wright met on a previous Commissioners' Court regarding County Road to be taken off map.
- Wright Family state a lot of illegal activity occurring and is concern of the safety of all owners.
- County road has never been used and would like to keep it as a private road.
- Plat made in 1917 has no designation, seal or acceptance from the county.
- Wright has no desire to keep as an open county road.
- Will contact Commissioner Rosse and Martinez to revise the county road.

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

Bills

Baker 7 Taylor--\$332.97
Baker & Taylor--\$938.46
Galls LLC--\$312.92
Kingsville Record--\$1,434.46
Quill Corporation C6268513--\$2,759.60
Al Higginbotham--\$2,250.00
Mendoza's Pharmacy LLC--\$448.93
Envisionware, INC--\$2,495.00
Gateway Printing & Office--\$659.44
Jennifer Whittington--\$566.23
USFAT LLC--\$650.00
USFAT LLC--\$950.00
USFAT LLC--\$470.00
USFAT LLC--\$950.00
Daily Wells Communication--\$1,218.58
TMPA--\$384.00
Turcotte-Piper Mortuary--\$1,990.00
Ray Fernandez, MD, PLLC--\$5,000.00
FS Facility Services--\$345.00
Capital One, N.A.--\$1,062.52
Sames Kingsville Ford Inc--\$7,377.10

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

Budget Line-Item Transfers

Sheriff

010-560-405 to 010-560-341--\$125.00
010-560-349 to 010-560-462--\$1,237.52
010-560-348 to 010-560-462--\$372.36
010-560-359 to 010-560-462--\$344.55

Jail 512

010-512-341 to 010-512-339--\$1,329.39
010-512-453 to 010-512-391--\$1,171.60
010-512-426 to 010-512-339--\$29.94

Road & Bridge Pct.4

025-624-107 to 025-624-108--\$420.00
025-624-107 to 025-624-105--\$1,700.00

Human Services

128-632-182 to 128-632-162--\$1,120.47
128-632-182 to 128-632-195--\$807.21
128-632-182 to 128-632-203--\$252.52
128-632-330 to 128-632-203--\$165.74
128-632-488 to 128-632-497--\$38.92

Sheriff

010-560-393 to 010-560-486--\$709.12
010-560-398 to 010-560-486--\$954.46
010-560-422 to 010-560-454--\$4,415.00
010-560-422 to 010-560-343--\$2,417.00

Non-Departmental

010-409-412 to 010-409-497--\$1,391.09
010-409-486 to 010-409-411--\$1,000.00
010-409-492 to 010-409-411--\$4,815.00
010-409-492 to 010-409-411--\$5,000.00

Road & Bridge Pct.4

025-624-450 to 025-624-440--\$650.00

Pct.1, R&B/025-621
025-621-450 to 025-621-453--\$1,000.00

Constable Pct. #1
010-551-359 to 010-551-422--\$3,903.30

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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.

Budget Amendments

Mis. Exp.
010-495-497--\$17,083.37
010-695-497--\$34,308.13

Jail 512
010-512-333--\$6,946.32
010-512-339--\$495.79
010-512-486--\$1,196.00

Airport Ramp
072-622-497--\$236.06
072-622-453--\$5,503.40

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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.

Monthly Reports
District Clerk – Court Cost Account – July 2023
JP.Pct 1 – July 2023
JP Pct 3 – July 2023
JP Pct 4 – July 2022
Extension Office – July 2023

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AGENDA ITEM #5

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

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

Minutes
June 6, 2023-Special Session
June 12, 2023-Regular Session
June 20, 2023-Special Session AM
June 20, 2023- Special Session PM
June 26, 2023-Regular Session
June 30, 2023-Special Session
July 10,2023-Regular Session

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**** Judge Moved To Agenda Item #12 ****

AGENDA ITEM #12

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In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approving Base Pay For All Chief Clerk's, For All Justice Of Peace Offices, To \$15.00 An Hour.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Rosse and seconded by Commissioner Schultz moved to table agenda item and to be brought back for next workshop meeting. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

Judge Chris Lee Pct # 3 - asking the court to bring base pay at \$15.00 for his clerk.

Judge Madrid informed Judge Lee Road and Bridge is in different funding will need to have a budget workshop to discuss Pct 3 budget.

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***** Moved Back To Agenda Item #6 *****

AGENDA ITEM #6

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Presentation By Coastal Bend Wellness Foundation.

Aaron Delgadillo and Maria Perez made a presentation to the court of the Sister Elizabeth Wellness Foundation as to offer to the public.

- The clinic offers medical screenings, mental evaluations and other health matters.
- Recovery support
- Is currently under a grant program

Judge Madrid will need to set up meeting and reach out to the County Attorney, JP's, District Attorney and local services.

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AGENDA ITEM #7

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In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Receiving Bids For EMS Services.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Rosse and seconded by Commissioner Martinez authorizing on receiving bids for EMS services. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

Allegiance- Dan Gillispe-

- Option 1- \$20,000 yearly for two 24/7 MIC Units for Kleberg County.
- Option 2- \$1,680,000 yearly for 2 MIC units Kleberg, 1 MIC unit for Kenedy County.
- Option 3- \$480,000 yearly for one 24/7 MIC Units for Kleberg, Jim Wells, Alice, Nueces, Premont and Brooks Counties.
- 5-year contract guarantee.

City Ambulance Service-

- Option 1- \$450,000 per unit for 1.5-mile radius
- Option 2- \$750,000 per unit for 2.5-mile radius
- 3 or 5-year contract.

Medicare EMS- David De Los Santos McAllen, Tx

- Option 1- \$150,000 per month for 3 MIC units up to intensive care for Riviera/ Kleberg area.
- Option 2- \$100,000 per month for 2 MIC unit for Riviera, Kleberg and Sarita area.
- Option 3- \$50,000 per month for 1 MIC unit
- 5-year contract.

Skyline EMS- Johnny Cordero Mission, Tx

- Option 1- \$1,080,000.00 million for 2 MIC units for a 1-year contract.
- Option 2- \$1.6 million for 3 MIC units.
- Option 3- \$540,000 for 1 MIC unit for 1 year contract.
- A three- year contract.

******* Agenda Item Tabled To Be Reviewed By Pointed Committee *******

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AGENDA ITEM #8

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Receiving Bids For Electrical Service Provider.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Judge Madrid and seconded by Commissioner Schultz on receiving bids for Electrical Service Provider and have Judge Madrid appoint a committee to review bids. Upon vote Commissioner Rosse abstained due to conflict of interest. The motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

Big Fish NEC- William Castillo Vice President of Sales

- Option 1- 1.07434 per kwh .06 lowest and currently at 6.5 kwh.
- Option 2- 0.07277 per kwh currently at 8.89 kwh at 2 years.
- Option 3- .07117 per kwh at 3 years.
- Option 4- .07034 per kwh at 4 years.

Reliant NRG- Monica Vance

- .09790 per kwh

Spartant- Micah Vange

- 7.0-7.5 per kwh
- Willing to negotiate price per kwh.

*******Judge Madrid, Commissioner Salinas And County Auditor Appointed To Review Bids On Wednesday At 2:00 P.M At The County Courthouse. Meeting Will Reset For Thursday August 31, 2023 At 1:30 P.M. *******

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AGENDA ITEM #9

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Membership To Coastal Bend Community Organizations Active In Disaster.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Judge and seconded by Commissioner Salinas authorizing Judge Madrid and Frances Garcia as members to Coastal Bend Community Organizations Active in Disaster. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

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AGENDA ITEM #10

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approval To Lift The Burn Ban.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Martinez and seconded by Commissioner Salinas decline to lift the burn ban. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

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AGENDA ITEM #11

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approval Of Lumen Serve Service Agreement For New Radio Tower Lighting And Annual Maintenance Services. The Monthly Amount Will Be Paid With Lease Payments Being Collected.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Salinas and seconded by Commissioner Martinez approving of Lumen Serve service agreement for new radio tower lighting and annual maintenance services. The monthly amount will be paid with lease payments being collected. Remaining monies are to be covered by Chapter 59 funds. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

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AGENDA ITEM #13

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approval Of Payment To Edge Endeavors, In The Amount Of \$4,364.90, For Work At The Courthouse Annex.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Martinez and seconded by Commissioner Salinas approving of payment to Edge Endeavors, in the amount of \$4,364.90, for work at the courthouse annex. Monies are to come from ARPA. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

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AGENDA ITEM #14

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approval Of Payment To Edge Endeavors, In The Amount Of \$9,650.95, For Work At The Courthouse Annex.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Martinez and seconded by Commissioner Salinas approving of payment to Edge Endeavors in the amount of \$9,650.95, for work at the courthouse annex. 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 Payment To Edge Endeavors, In The Amount Of \$47,571.52, For Work At The Kaufer-Hubert Sea Wall Fencing.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Martinez approving of payment to Edge Endeavors in the amount of \$47,571.52, for work at the Kaufer-Hubert Sea wall fencing. Monies are to come from GOMESA Funds. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

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AGENDA ITEM #16

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approving A Donation, In The Amount Of \$700.00, To Kingsville Crime Stoppers "Once Upon A Crime" Fundraiser, From The Kleberg County Attorney's Chapter 59 Funds.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Rosse and seconded by Commissioner Martinez approving a donation, in the amount of \$700.00, to Kingsville Crime Stoppers "Once Upon A Crime" Fundraiser, form the Kleberg County Attorney's Chapter 59 Funds. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

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AGENDA ITEM #17

***** Combined With Agenda Item #18 *****

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approving A Donation, In The Amount Of \$2,500.00, To Kingsville Parks & Recreation Healthy Family, From The Kleberg County Attorney's Chapter 59 Funds.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Rosse and seconded by Commissioner Martinez approving a donation, in the amount of \$2,500.00, to Kingsville Parks & Recreation Healthy Family, from the Kleberg County Attorney's Chapter 59 Funds. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

AGENDA ITEM #18

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approving A Donation, In the Amount Of \$200.00, To Keep Kingsville Beautiful 2023 Festival De La Loteria, From The Kleberg County Attorney's Chapter 59 Funds.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Rosse and seconded by Commissioner Salinas approving a donation, in the amount of \$200.00, to keep Kingsville Beautiful 2023 Festival De La Loteria, from the Kleberg County Attorney's Chapter 59 funds. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

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AGENDA ITEM #19

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approval Of Payment To Raul Hernandez & Company, P.C., In The Amount Of \$10,500.00, For Work On The FY 2021-2022 Audit.

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AGENDA ITEM #20

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approving The Order Of Election For The November 7, 2023 General Election.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Salinas and seconded by Commissioner Martinez approving the order of election for the November 7, 2023 General Election. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

AGENDA ITEM #21

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approving the Notice Of Election For The November 7, 2023 General Election.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Salinas and seconded by Commissioner Martinez approving the notice of election for the November 7, 2023 General Election. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

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AGENDA ITEM #22

**In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Approving The Order
Appointing Election Officials.**

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Salinas approving the order appointing election judges. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

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AGENDA ITEM #23

**In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Authorizing The County Judge
To Advertise For A Licensed Electrical Contractor For Kleberg County.**

**** NO ACTION ****

*** Will need to get with TAC for legal guidance ***

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AGENDA ITEM #24

**In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Request From Purple Door To
Have A Candlelight Vigil, On The Courthouse Grounds, On October 18, 2023 At
6:00 p.m. For Domestic Violence Awareness Month.**

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Rosse and seconded by Commissioner Martinez authorizing The Purple Door to have a candlelight vigil on the courthouse grounds on October 18, 2023 at 6:00 P.M for Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

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AGENDA ITEM #25

**In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Authorizing The County
Attorney, To Send A Letter To Dr. Jose Ugarte, Giving 30 Day Notice To Terminate
The Contract For Medical Services At The Jail.**

****NO ACTION****

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AGENDA ITEM #26

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

**** Meeting Adjourned At 3:47 P.M *****

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AGENDA ITEM #27

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

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AGENDA ITEM #28

**Adjourn Into Executive Session Under Texas Govt. Code 551.074
Regarding Personnel Matters At The Sheriff's Office.**

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AGENDA ITEM #29

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

**** Meeting returned back open session at 4:06 P.M ****

*** County Attorney to follow up TAC Claim ***

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

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August 31, 2023 Continuance From Previous Commissioner Court Meeting Agenda Item # 8.

COURT WAS OPENED and called to order by Commissioner Rosse to consider the following agenda item #8, Commissioner Martinez gave the invocation and Commissioner Salinas led the Court in the Pledge of Allegiance of the United States and Texas.

Present in the court:

Commissioner Rosse, Commissioner Martinez, Commissioner Salinas, County Auditor Alfred Issasi and County Clerk Deputy Mari Reyes

AGENDA ITEM #8

In The Matter Of Discussing And Acting On Receiving Bids For Electrical Service Provider.

The above matter coming on for consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Martinez and seconded by Commissioner Salinas receiving bid from APG& E and awarding a 3-year contract at .06923 contingent upon points included in the contract. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously and so ordered.

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

ATTEST:



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



Rudy Madrid, County Judge

