## Kleberg County Commissioners' Court Minutes



## Public Hearing On Monday, November 25, 2024, 5:30 P.M.

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this the 25<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2024 the Commissioners' Court of Kleberg County, Texas, met in Public Hearing 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 (NP)
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(NP)

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

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

**Public Comments:** 

NONE

Discuss And Act On The Following Items:

Public Hearing concerning the completion of TxCOCDBG Project No. CFC21-0479

Public Scope

Install 5,013 linear feet of 12" transmission line, valves, related pavement repair and associated appurtenances along CR 1030 in Ricardo Colonia. Install one new booster pump system with chlorination building, automatic generator switch, and associated electrical controls and upgrades at Riviera WCID Water Treatment.

- Construction Completion Date: 11/12/2024
- A. Open Hearing:
- **B.** Commissioner's Court Member's Comments

Commissioner Salinas: No comment Commissioner Martinez: No comment

Commissioner Schultz: Another improvement for County

Commissioner Rosse: No comment

## C. Public Comments

Toby Yaklin: Mr. Yaklin is with the President of the Riviera WCID. Mr. Yaklin likes what has been done but states computer boxes need an air conditioning unit to keep them from overheating and that a new building needs to be built to house them to take care of this issue. This type of pump that was requested has breakers that trip it out like computers. They put electronic computers that stay out in the weather. We have one right now that it's a metal box, the sun gets hot and it fries the computer. I spent \$4,500.00 just to built a box to put it in and put in an air conditioner to cool it.

Commissioner Rosse stated to Mr. Yaklin, you like what has been done but you want a new building.

Mr. Yaklin stated that they still had funds to finish the project. It was discussed when they were hired and then with Hubert when project was started. There is not reason why it was not all put together.

Commissioner Rosse asked Hector Caceres with Andurra Engineering Co. to come up to the podium and speak on this matter as they are the engineering firm on this project.

Hector Caceres with Andurra states that there is only \$48,000.00 left for pumps and that they are ready for use. The \$48K to \$50K left closing out this county is eligible for the next round of grants with the application due date is December 9, 2024. Mr. Caceres further state he knows the pumps are rated for outdoors and that Mr. Hubert had given them a price of \$50K. We are closing this one out so the county can apply for the next round of grants.

Commissioner Rosse asked, "so you are saying there is not enough money left for what Toby Yaklin is saying?

Mr. Caceres said there was but then the county would not be eligible for the next round of grants.

Commissioner Rosse asked if this project would still be on the radar to which Mr. Caceres replied "yes."

Commissioner Schultz asked if that meant that we would be getting back the \$50K? Mr. Caceres replied yes but you would pay less match. I know you gave It back but you are applying for a \$750K grant.

Commissioner Rosse asked how come they had run out of time to cover that building Mr. Yaklin was talking about, if there was \$50K to cover that? Mr. Caceres replied the delay again was the pumps which they received in November as Mr. Hubert did not get them a price until late October and by that time the company was looking at closing out that project.

Commissioner Rosse stated that he was going to go to bat for Riviera and we needed to get that on the next grant. We need to make sure that that in the next round we have money to finish that project. Commissioner Rosse said he has an outdoor water well and he has to keep everything covered and closed up otherwise the weather will beat it up. I understand what WICD is talking about. You need to make sure that this is put on the grant. Let's do it right on the next round.

## Public Hearing Adjourned at 5:43 P.M.

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

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With No Further Business At Hand To Be Considered By The Court At This Time, Adjournment Was Had. Public Hearing Adjourned at 5:43 P.M												
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