

**BREWSTER COUNTY  
COMMISSIONERS COURT**

**JIM WESTERMANN**  
Commissioner, Pct.1

**RUBEN ORTEGA**  
Commissioner, Pct. 3



**SARA COLANDO**  
Commissioner, Pct. 2

**MO MORROW**  
Commissioner, Pct.4

**GREG P. HENINGTON**  
County Judge

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**Regular Commissioners Meeting: March 25, 2025, at 9:30 A.M.**

**Brewster County Courthouse, Commissioners Courtroom  
201 West Avenue E, Alpine, Texas 79830**

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**AGENDA**

**1. Call to Order**

Judge Henington called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.; the following Elected Officials were present:

Greg Henington	County Judge
Jim Westermann	Commissioner Pct. 1
Sara Allen Colando	Commissioner Pct. 2
Ruben Ortega	Commissioner Pct. 3
William "Mo" Morrow	Commissioner Pct. 4
Sarah Vasquez	County Clerk

**2. Invocation**

Invocation by Judge Henington.

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge were led by Judge Henington.

**4. Review, discuss and take necessary action to approve previous meeting minutes**

**A. Commissioners Court Meeting of March 11, 2025**

Commissioner Ortega moved to approve the minutes of the Commissioners Court Meeting of March 11, 2025.

Commissioner Colando seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0.

**5. Public Comment - Comments are limited to 5 minutes per person. Members of the public are also welcome to participate in public comment by calling 432-244-6663**

None.

**6. Report from City of Alpine representative; discussion only, no action required**

None.

**7. Recognition & Announcements**

None.

**8. County Judge Report - for informational purposes only**

No update.

**9. Brewster County Project List**

**A. Project Allocation Tracker Report**

Judge Henington presented an update on the Brewster County Project List.

**B. Discuss and take action to consider tree trimming and removal at Marathon Post Park in the amount of \$40,400**

Commissioner Ortega moved to approve the tree trimming and removal at Marathon Post Park. Commissioner Morrow seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0

**C. Discuss and take action to approve up to \$25,000 for the replacement of windows in the Red Patillo Community Center - Study Butte**

Commissioner Ortega moved to approve the replacement windows in the Red Pattillo Community Center. Commissioner Colando seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0.

**10. Review, discuss and take possible action regarding comments by DJ Hensley regarding Marathon topics**

Della Hensley, founder of Marathon Animal Shelter, presented a report on the shelter's activities and future needs.

**11. Discuss and take action to approve an Interlocal Agreement between Brewster, Jeff Davis, Culberson, Hudspeth and Presidio counties related to the funding and management of an administrative position for the 394th District Court**

**A. Proposed Interlocal Agreement - Counties of Brewster, Jeff Davis, Culberson, Hudspeth and Presidio - 394th District Court**

Commissioner Ortega moved to approve the Interlocal Agreement between the counties of Brewster, Jeff Davis, Culberson, Hudspeth, and Presidio. Commissioner Westermann seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0.

**12. Discuss and take action to approve a line item adjustment in the 83rd District Attorney's budget for \$35,000. The \$35,000 will be paid to Lynch, Chappell & Alsup for legal fees of 83rd District Attorney Ori White from unexpended 2024 Budgeted Funds; Final approval is subject to all counties within the 83rd District**

Commissioner Morrow moved to approve the line item adjustment for the 83rd District Attorney budget. Commissioner Ortega seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0.

**13. Review, discuss and take appropriate action on approving the following Grant Application Resolutions:**

**B. Stonegarden FY 2024**

Jaclyn Nunley, Grant Administrator and Jail Administrator, presented the Stonegarden FY2025 grant application resolution. Commissioner Ortega moved to approve the Stonegarden FY2025 grant application resolution. Commissioner Morrow seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0.

**A. MultiJurisdictional FY 2026**

Ms. Nunley presented the MultiJurisdictional FY2026 grant resolution. Judge Henington moved to approve. Commissioner Colando seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0.

**C. Body Camera FY 2026**

Ms. Nunley presented the Body Camera FY2026 grant application resolution. Commissioner Ortega moved to approve as presented. Commissioner Colando seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0.

**D. Operation Lone Star FY 2026**

Ms. Nunley presented the Operation Lone Star FY2026 grant application resolution. Commissioner Ortega moved to approve as presented. Commissioner Morrow seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0.

**14. Road & Bridge Department**

**A. Superintendent's Report**

Superintendent Johnny Salcido presented a general report for the Road & Bridge Department.

**B. Review, discuss and take appropriate action for general work/ permits/ contract of Road & Bridge Department**

Superintendent Salcido asked for dates for Brewster County Cleanup Day: Terlingua on April 5th, Marathon on April 26th, and Alpine on May 3rd.

**15. Emergency Management Department**

**A. General Report - Emergency Management Coordinator**

James Etchinson, Emergency Management Coordinator, presented a general report update on the Emergency Management Department.

**16. Treasurer's Office**

**A. Financial Reports / Updates**

Julie Morton, County Treasurer, presented the February 2025 Monthly financial report. Judge Henington moved to approve the report as presented. Commissioner Morrow seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0.

**B. Discussion, review, and appropriate action related to financial administration and policies**

Treasurer Morton announced the AFLAC representative is in the Val Beard conference room, for employees to opt in or out of supplemental insurance.

**17. Brewster County Comptroller**

**A. General Bills / Discussion and appropriate action regarding to**

Malynda Richardson, County Comptroller, presented the general bills. Commissioner Colando moved to approve the general bills as presented. Commissioner Westermann seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0.

**1. Budget Amendments**

**Discuss and take action regarding budget amendment for a \$39,650.64 invoice from Shane O'Neal, Attorney for 394th District Court**

Comptroller Richardson presented a Budget Amendment for a \$39,650.64 invoice from Shane O'Neal. Judge Henington moved to approve the Budget Amendment as presented. Commissioner Colando moved to approve general bills as presented. Commissioner Morrow seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0.

**2. Line-Item Adjustments**

None.

**B. Financial Reports / Updates**

Comptroller Richardson advised the Commissioners Court that there will be a two week period during the accounting software transition that no checks will be cut, expected to fall between April 22 and May 6.

**C. Discussion, review, and appropriate action related to financial administration and policies**

None.

**18. Brewster County Tourism**

**A. Report from Robert Alvarez, Executive Director:**

**General update, travel shows, marketing, finances, visitation status, project reports and issues**

Robert Alvarez, Executive Director, presented a general update for Brewster County Tourism. The next meeting of the Brewster County Tourism Council is scheduled for May 7th in Lajitas, at 11:30 AM.

**B. Review, discuss and take appropriate action to approve contract for GoTexan**

Commissioner Ortega moved to approve the GoTexan contract. Commissioner Colando seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0.

**C. Review, discuss and take appropriate action to approve contract for Herrman Global**

Judge Henington moved to approve the Herrman Global contract. Commissioner Ortega seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0.

**19. Closed meeting of Commissioners Court, if necessary**

If, during the course of the meeting covered by the notice, the Commissioners Court needs to meet in executive session, then such closed or executive meeting or session, pursuant to Chapter 551, Government Code of Texas, will be held by the Commissioners Court on the date, hour, and place given in the notice or as soon after the commencement of the meeting covered by this notice as the Court may conveniently meet in such closed or executive meeting or session convening and concerning any and all subjects and for any and all purposes permitted by Chapter 551 of said Government Code.

If necessary, following any closed or executive meeting the Commissioners Court will convene in open session to take any final action, decision, or vote on any matter deliberated in closed meeting which has properly been noticed in compliance with Chapter 551 Government Code of Texas.

None.

**20. Schedule next Regular Commissioners Court Meeting on April 08, 2025, at 9:30 A.M.**

Judge Henington announced the next Regular Commissioners Court Meeting on April 8, 2025, at 9:30 AM.

**21. Adjourn**

Commissioner Oretga moved to adjourn. Commissioner Colando seconded the motion; motion passed 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 10:53 AM.



**Greg P. Henington**  
Brewster County Judge



**Sarah Vasquez**  
Brewster County Clerk

**PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING:** The Brewster County Commissioners Court reserves the right to conduct an executive/closed meeting session to discuss and deliberate any of the items listed on the agenda instrument posted for this meeting, as permitted by law, including all applicable open meeting exceptions recognized by Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code ("Chapter 551," the Texas Open Meetings Act), or other applicable statute, including without limitation the following Chapter 551 exceptions: §§ 551.071 and 551.129 (consultation with attorney); § 551.072 (deliberation regarding real property); § 551.0725 (deliberation regarding contract being negotiated); § 551.073 (deliberation regarding prospective gift); § 551.074 (deliberation regarding personnel matters); § 551.0745 (deliberation regarding personnel matters affecting county advisory board); § 551.076 (deliberation regarding security devices or security audits); § 551.0785 (deliberations involving medical or psychiatric records of individuals); and § 551.087 (deliberation regarding economic development negotiations).

