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

Regular Commissioners Meeting: June 10, 2025, at 9:30 A.M. Brewster County Courthouse, Commissioners Courtroom 201 W. ave. E Alpine, Texas 79830

AGENDA

1. Call to Order

Judge Henington called the meeting to order at 9:32 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 by Jonathan Portillo with Grace Christian Fellowship

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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 May 27, 2025

Commissioner Morrow moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Commissioners Court meeting of May 27, 2025. Commissioner Westermann 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. Recognition & Announcements

Rain in Terlingua.

7. County Judge Report

A. Review, discuss and take any needed action related to county stand-by generators

Judge Henington presented a general update report on the county generators.

Judge Henington presented the weather alarm and payment to the radio station of \$200 with a generator. The County pays to maintain the generator and pay the radio station \$200. It's for weather emergency alerts. This will be revisited in another meeting after discussion with the National Weather Services.

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

Rick Stephens, Ward 5 City Council Member, presented an update from the City of Alpine.

11. Presentation by Jake Garrett from Central Appraisal District of Brewster County; discussion only, no action required

Jake Garrett, Central Appraisal District, present

9. Review, discuss and take possible action on County Road Map - 1st Review

Kayse Muratori, 911 GIS Coordinator, presented a general update on the County Road Map.

12. Kayse Muratori, 9-1-1 GIS Coordinator:

A. Review, discuss and take appropriate action on adding all 120 Big Bend National Park (BBNP) hiking trails to the Master Street Addressing Guide (MSAG) database:

1. Trail data provided by the National Park Service

Kayse Muratori, 911 GIS Coordinator, presented adding all 120 Big Bend National Park (BBNP) hiking trails. Judge Henington moved to approve the proposed trails of Big Bend National Park as presented. Commissioner Ortega seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0.

B. Review, discuss and take appropriate action to add the following roadway to the MSAG:

1. CESARIA CREEK ROAD; located off AGUA FRIA ROAD

Kayse Muratori, 911 GIS Coordinator, presented the naming of the roadway to CESARIA CREEK ROAD. Commissioner Colando moved to approve the name CESARIA CREEK ROAD as presented. Commissioner Ortega seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0.

C. Program Updates; Discussion only

Kayse Muratori, 911 GIS Coordinator, presented a general update.

8. Brewster County Project List

Judge Henington presented an update on the Brewster County Project List. Judge Henington added a new propane tank at the Val Beard at an estimated cost of \$3,800. Judge Henington moved to approve the purchase of a new propane tank as presented. Commissioner Morrow seconded the motion; motion passed 4-0. Commissioner Ortega abstained.

13. Review, discuss and take possible action to declare the following items as salvage and eligible for online auction sale

- A. 1962 GMC 4000
- B. 2009 Ford F250
- C. 2014 Chevrolet 2500 HD

Commissioner Ortega moved to approve agenda item 13 (a), (b), and (c) are declared salvage and eligible for online auction. Commissioner Morrow seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0.

D. 2003 Peterbilt

Tabled.

14. Review, discuss and take possible action to approve a resolution on the New World Screwworm Fly

A. Resolution

Commissioner Morrow presented an update on the New World Screwworm Fly. Commissioner Morrow read the resolution into the minutes. Commissioner Ortega moved to approve as presented. Commissioner Colando seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0.

15. Review, discuss and take possible action on South Hackberry Road Easement

A. Survey

Commissioner Morrow presented the South Hackberry Road Easement. Commissioner Colando moved to table the agenda item. Commissioner Morrow seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0..

16. Road & Bridge Department

A. Superintendent's Report

Commissioner Ortega presented a general report for the Road & Bridge Department on behalf of Superintendent Johnny Salcido.

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

None.

17. Emergency Management Department

A. General Report - Emergency Management Coordinator

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

18. Treasurer's Office

A. Financial Reports / Updates

No reports.

- B. Review, discuss and take action regarding Fiscal Year 2026 health insurance rates for Brewster County Table.
- C. Review, discuss and take action on policy regarding use of county vehicles for commuting Malynda Richardson, County Comptroller, presented a policy regarding use of county vehicles for commuting. The only employees that have a vehicle for commuting are James Etchinson, EMC, Johnny Valencia, Maintenance Director, and Tony Romas, Juvenile Probation. Judge Henington moved to approve Follow the commuting only policy create a form and revision of policy itself. morrow.

D. Review, discuss and take possible action regarding duplication of life insurance policies for county employees

Judge Henington presented a double life insurance policy for the county employees. Blue Cross Blue Shield offers life insurance that costs the county about \$14,000 a year. Retirement offers a life insurance policy. Judge Henington motioned to discontinue the BCBS premium and pension plan and keep the retirement life insurance policy. Commissioner Colando suggested holding discussion until Blue Cross Blue Shield representatives can answer all questions. Judge Henington withdrew his motion.

E. Discussion, review, and appropriate action related to financial administration and policies None.

19. Brewster County Comptroller

A. Review, discuss and take action on items related to:

1. Payment of Expenses

Comptroller Richardson presented the payment of expenses report with two packets. Judge Henington moved to approve the Payment of Expenses as presented. Commissioner Ortega seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0.

2. Line-Item Adjustments

3. Budget Adjustments

Comptroller Richardson presented the line-item adjustments and budget adjustments. Judge Henington moved to approve the line-items as presented. Commissioner Morrow seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0.

B. Financial Reports / Updates

None.

C. Review, discuss and take action related to the approval of a Dell Financial Services financing lease for 5 new computer packages

Judge Henington presented the financial lease for five new computer packages. Commissioner Morrow moved to approve the financing lease as presented. Commissioner Ortega seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0.

D. Discussion, review, and take action related to financial administration and policies

Judge Henington addressed the new purchase ordering system. Per LGC 113.901, the county does not have an auditor and the County Judge must sign off on all purchase orders.

20. 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 report for Brewster County Tourism.

B. Review, discuss and take appropriate action to approve contract for Road Trippin Big Bend National Park 2025

Executive Alvarez presented a contract for Road Trippin Big Bend National Park 2025 advertising. Commissioner Colando moved to approve the contract as presented. Commissioner Morrow seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0.

C. Review, discuss and take appropriate action to approve contract for Big Bend Blues on the Green Promotion 2025 CBS Austin

Previously approved in past meetings.

21. 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.

22. Schedule next Regular Commissioners Court Meeting on June 24, 2025, at 9:30 A.M.

Judge Henington announced the next regular meeting of the Commissioners Court on June 24, 2025 at 9:30 AM in Alpine, TX.

23. Adjourn

Commissioner Ortega moved to adjourn. Commissioner Colando seconded the motion; motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 12:05 PM.

Greg P. Henington Brewster County Judge Sarah Vasquez

Judge 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).

Approved by Brewster County Commissioners Court

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