BREWSTER COUNTY Commissioners Court

JIM WESTERMANN Commissioner, Pct. 1

RUBEN ORTEGACommissioner, Pct. 3



SARA COLANDO Commissioner, Pct. 2

MO MORROW Commissioner, Pct. 4

GREG P. HENINGTON County Judge

Regular Commissioners Meeting: August 26, 2025, at 9:30 AM

Brewster County Courthouse, Commissioners Court Room 201 W. Ave. E Alpine, Texas 79830

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Invocation
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance

To discuss and Take Action as Appropriate

PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED 2026 BREWSTER COUNTY BUDGET

- 1. Review of FY 2026 Proposed Budget
- 2. Public Comment regarding FY 2026 Proposed Budget
- 3. Discussion among Members of Commissioners Court and Public
- 4. Adjourn

PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING TAX YEAR 2025 TAX RATE AND RELATED MATTERS

1. Public Hearing regarding the Proposed Tax Year 2025 Tax Rate

A. Maintenance & Operation 0.352263 Interest & Sinking 0.017744

- B. Public Comment regarding 2025 Tax Rate
- C. Discussion among Members of Commissioners Court and Public
- 2. Adjourn

Regular Commissioners Court Meeting Agenda

- 1. Matters concerning adoption of FY 2026 Budget
 - A. Discussion and Adoption or other appropriate action concerning FY 2026 Budget, including, Elected Officials, employee salaries, expenses and other allowances
 - B. Discussion and action to ratify increase in property tax revenue
- 2. Matters concerning adoption of Tax Year 2025 Tax Rate
 - A. Discussion and appropriate action to set the Tax Year 2025 Maintenance and Operation tax rate
 - B. Discussion and appropriate action to set the Tax Year 2025 Interest and Sinking tax rate
 - C. Adopt Tax Rate Order
- 3. Discussion and appropriate action to set alternate hearing and/or adoption dates if necessary
- 4. Review, discuss and take necessary action to approve previous meeting minutes
 - A. Commissioners Court Meeting of August 12, 2025
- 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
- 6. Report from City of Alpine representative; discussion only, no action required
- 7. Recognition & Announcements
- 8. Review, discuss and take action to approve Cynthia Cox as the Brewster

County Elections Administrator as recommended by the Brewster County Election Commission

A. Cynthia Cox Resume

9. Elections Department

- A. Review, discuss and take appropriate action on approving the Amended Order of Election for November 4, 2025
- B. Review, discuss and take appropriate action on approving the Notice of Consolidated Precinct for Precinct 2 and Precinct 8
- C. Review, discuss and take appropriate action to approve the Notice of Consolidated Precinct for Precinct 5, Precinct 6, and Precinct 7

10. County Judge Report & Action Items

- A. Review, discuss and take possible action regarding the updating of Brewster County Subdivision Regulations
- B. Review, discuss and take appropriate action on the Proposed Commissioner Court Meetings / Holiday Calendar for FY 2025-2026
- C. Review, discuss and take action to establish a "rainy day" fund in the amount of \$150,000 from General Fund Surplus
- D. Review, discuss and take action to transfer \$300,000 from LATCF fund to Road & Bridge fund.

11. Brewster County Project List

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

- A. Review, discuss and take appropriate action on adding the following existing county roadways to the MSAG database:
 - 1. CINNABAR ROAD; located between FM 170 & ALLEN LANE
 - 2. TRES PALMAS; located off AGUA FRIA ROAD
 - 3. Big Bend National Park (BBNP) roadway FOSSIL DISCOVERY ROAD; located off PARK ROUTE 11
 - 4. B.B.N.P. roadway RGV CAMPGROUND ROAD; located off BERKLEY COTTAGE ROAD
- B. Program Updates / Discussion Only
- 13. Review, discuss and take possible action regarding Sheriff's & Constable Fees for FY 2026
 - A. Sheriff and Constable Fee Schedule FY 2026

- 14. Review, discuss and take action regarding easement on County Property
 - A. Easement
- 15. Road & Bridge Department
 - A. Superintendent's Report
 - B. Review, discuss and take appropriate action for general work/ permits/ contract of Road & Bridge Department
 - C. Review, discuss and take possible action to purchase and/or finance 2025 Caterpillar 140SW Motor Grader
- **16. Emergency Management Department**
 - A. General Report Emergency Management Coordinator
 - B. Review, discuss and take possible action to renew or modify the Brewster County Burn Ban from August 29, 2025, through October 13, 2025
- 17. Treasurer's Office
 - A. Financial Reports / Updates
 - B. Discussion, review, and appropriate action related to financial administration and policies
- 18. Brewster County Comptroller
 - A. Review, discuss and take action on items related to:
 - 1. Payment of Expenses
 - 2. Budget / Line-Item Adjustments
 - B. Financial Reports / Updates
 - C. Discussion, review, and appropriate action related to financial administration and policies
- 19. Brewster County Tourism
 - A. Report from Robert Alvarez, Executive Director: General update, travel shows, marketing, finances, visitation status, project reports and issues
- 20. 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.

- 21. Schedule next Regular Commissioners Court Meeting on September 09, 2025, at 9:30 A.M.
- 22. Adjourn

Greg P. Henington Brewster County Judge

ATTEST:

At 9.40 o'clock M
Date Pugust 22 2025

SARAH VASQUEZ

County Clerk, Brewster County, TX

By Deputy

Sarah Vasquaz

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 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).