

PERMIAN BASIN REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

MINUTES

September 15, 2021

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

The Board of Directors of the Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission held its monthly meeting with Teleconference option on Wednesday, September 15, 2021, at 1:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the PBRPC, located at 2910 LaForce Boulevard, Midland International Airport, Midland Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT WERE:

Steve Eggleston, proxy for Flora Braly, City of Andrews Mayor
Charlie Falcon, Andrews County Judge
Ross Sharp, Borden County Judge (videoconference)
Foy O'Brien, Dawson County Judge
Denise Swanner, City of Odessa Council
Rick Dollahan, City of Seagraves Mayor
Tom Keyes, Gaines County Judge
Billy Reynolds, Glasscock County Judge
Kathryn Wiseman, Howard County Judge (videoconference)
Skeet Jones, Loving County Judge (videoconference)
Bryan Cox, Martin County Judge
Robert Donnelly, proxy for Terry Johnson, Midland County Judge (videoconference)
Chris Alexander, City of Fort Stockton Mayor (videoconference)
Dale Carruthers, Terrell County Judge
Dusty Kilgore, Upton County Judge
Greg Holly, Ward County Judge
Charles Wolf, Winkler County Judge (videoconference)

MEMBERS ABSENT WERE:

Roy Hodges, Crane County Judge
Debi Hayes, Ector County Judge
Joe Hurt, Sandhills Water District
Patrick Payton, Midland Mayor
Joe Shuster, Pecos County Judge
Leo M. Hung, Reeves County Judge
Tom Craddick, District 82, Texas Representative
Kel Seliger, District 31, Senator
Brooks Landgraf, District 81, Texas Representative
Dustin Burrows, District 83, Texas Representative

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PBRPC STAFF PRESENT:

PBRPC Staff: Virginia Belew – Executive Director, Alma Montes – Area Agency on Aging Director, Dana Hill – Criminal Justice Department Director, Todd Mistrot – Regional Services Director, Kala Hardy – Chief Financial Officer, Cathe Henderson – Administrative/HR Manager, Hridoy Haq – Regional Services Program Manager, Miranda Rice – Regional Services Program Specialist.

GUESTS PRESENT

Chad Williams – Big Spring Police Department, Cameron Walker - PBMPPO, Brian Gordan – Big Spring Police Department, Brian King - Texas Attorney General's Office, Sarah Leon - Texas Attorney General's Office.

The videoconference connection was established and Chairman and Martin County Judge, Bryan Cox called meeting to order, roll call was completed, a quorum was established; followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion was made by Judge Foy O'Brien, seconded by Judge Tom Keyes to approve the minutes of the previous meeting held August 11, 2021. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Heard presentation from Brian King and Sarah Leon from the Texas Attorney General's Office regarding the opioid settlement and the implications for local governments. (PDF of PowerPoint attached)

Motion was made by Judge Tom Keyes, seconded by Judge Dusty Kilgore to authorize the Executive Director to apply for additional funds for fiscal year 2021-2022, from the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs FY 2020 Community Development Block Grant, COVID CARES, Texas Emergency Mortgage Assistance Program. **Motion carried unanimously. RESOLUTION #2021-44.**

Heard update from Virginia Belew regarding the Law Enforcement Academy. The LEA will be using Midland College to conduct classes beginning January 2022. Several Sheriff's offices will be assisting the LEA move to the new location prior to classes beginning. The driving course will continue to be held in Howard County. The shooting range will continue to be in Midland County. They are still looking for property to be donated for a permanent location. PSP is assisting the LEA in purchasing new equipment.

Motion was made by Judge Dusty Kilgore, seconded by Judge Charlie Falcon to extend FY 2021 contract, project activities and the funds received from U.S. Department of Agriculture, Solid Waste Management Technical Assistance to FY 2022. **Motion carried unanimously. RESOLUTION #2021-45.**

Heard report from Judge Dale Carruthers from Terrell County regarding border issues and local/state government coordination efforts.

Judge Greg Holly recommended revision of the wording in Article VI, last paragraph to more accurately reflect members needed to be present to hold a quorum for meeting business. Old wording was

"A majority of the total voting members present of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business. When a quorum is present at

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any meeting, the majority vote of the voting members present shall decide any question under consideration. However, a two-thirds vote of the Board is required when deciding the use of the Business Elite Savings Account invested funds.”

The new wording to be proposed at the 2021 General Membership at October annual meeting will be

“For purposes of determining a quorum at any meeting, an active voting member shall be defined as any voting member who is present for the meeting or who has attended, personally or by proxy, at least one (1) of the three (3) most recent meetings of the Board. The presence of a majority of the total active voting members of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business. When a quorum is present at any meeting, the majority vote of the voting members present shall decide any question under consideration. However, a two-thirds vote of the voting members present is required when deciding the use of the Business Elite Savings Account.”

Revision should be presented at next board meeting for presentation at 2021 General Membership meeting in October. Motion was made by Judge Dusty Kilgore, seconded by Judge Charlie Falcon for presentation to move forward. **Motion carried unanimously. RESOLUTION #2021-46.**

Motion was made by Judge Dusty Kilgore, seconded by Councilmember Denise Swanner to approve new PBRPC Capital Asset Policy. **Motion carried unanimously. RESOLUTION #2021-47.**

Motion was made by Judge Greg Holly, seconded by Mayor Rick Dollahan to approve the PBRPC Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Strategic Work Program and Operating Budget. **Motion carried unanimously. RESOLUTION #2021-48.**

Presentation was made by Kala Hardy to transfer Prosperity Bank trust department account funds to the investment plan. Board members discussed additional options. Kala will continue with research of additional investments opportunities and present to the Board at next meeting.

Motion was made by Judge Foy O’Brien, seconded by Judge Greg Holly to approve the financial reports for the month of August 2021. **Motion carried unanimously. RESOLUTION #2021-50.**

Motion was made by Councilmember Denise Swanner, seconded by Judge Dale Carruthers for the Annual Meeting to be set for October 20, 2021, meeting to follow if needed. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Motion was made by Judge Charlie Falcon, seconded by Judge Dale Carruthers to adjourn. **Motion carried unanimously.**