

# PERMIAN BASIN REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

## MINUTES

April 17, 2024

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

The Board of Directors of the Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission held its monthly meeting Monday, April 17, 2024, at 1:30 p.m. at the Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission at 2910 LaForce Blvd, Midland, TX 79706.

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT WERE:**

Steve Eggleston, proxy for Flora Braly, City of Andrews Mayor  
Mark Savell, proxy for Sam Jones, Andrews County Judge  
Foy O'Brien, Dawson County Judge  
Denise Swanner, City of Odessa Council (videoconference)  
Joe Hurt, Sandhills SWCD  
Cindy Therwhanger, Gaines County Judge  
Randy Johnson, Howard County Judge  
Skeet Jones, Loving County Judge  
Bryan Cox, Martin County Judge  
Sally Poteet, City of Stanton Mayor (videoconference)  
Terry Johnson, Midland County Judge (videoconference)  
Lori Blong, City of Midland Mayor  
Leo M. Hung, Reeves County Judge  
Dale Carruthers, Terrell County Judge (videoconference)  
Greg Holly, Ward County Judge  
Charles Wolf, Winkler County Judge  
Ken Hankins proxy for Senator Kevin Sparks  
Blake Vineyard proxy for Senator Ted Cruz (videoconference)  
Joel Riedel proxy for Senator John Cornyn (videoconference)

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT WERE:**

Shane Walker, Borden County Judge  
Roy Hodges, Crane County Judge  
Dustin Fawcett, Ector County Judge  
Billy Reynolds, Glasscock County Judge  
Joe Shuster, Pecos County Judge  
John Davis, City of Balmorhea Mayor  
Dusty Kilgore, Upton County Judge

#### **PBRPC STAFF PRESENT:**

PBRPC Staff: Virginia Belew – Executive Director, Alma Montes – Area Agency on Aging Director, Miranda Boler – Regional Services Director, Dana Hill – Criminal Justice Homeland Security Director, Abel Gamez – GIS Manager, Patricia Rosales – Homeland Security Planner, B. John McDaniel – Permian Basin Regional Radio System Manager, Lesli Flores – Accountant, Porfirio Herrera – Accounting Technician, Cathe Henderson – Executive Assistant/HR Manager

**GUESTS PRESENT:**

Timothy Fuentes, Stephanie Heffner – ETCOG, Jed Kitzman – T&M Line Locators, Brandon Jennings – T&M Line Locators/Texas 811

**Meeting Notes:**

Reeves County Judge, Leo Hung called meeting to order at 1:31 pm and established a quorum.

Motion was made by Judge Foy O'Brien, seconded by Judge Bryan Cox approving minutes of the previous meeting held March 18, 2024.

Motion was made by Judge Charles Wolf, seconded by Judge Cindy Therwhanger approving the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee's priorities for Criminal Justice Projects, Violence Against Women Projects, and Victims of Crime Act and School Truancy Applications for FY 2025.

**Motion carried unanimously. Resolution 2024-30**

Motion was made by Judge Charles Wolf, seconded by Judge Greg Holly to approve the Executive Director to enter into an Interlocal Agreement between Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission and Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) for the expansion of the Regional Radio Interoperability System Expansion Project. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**Resolution 2024-31**

Presentation was given by Brandon Jennings, T&M Line Locators regarding 811. Motion was made by Judge Charles Wolf, seconded by Joe Hurt recognizing April 2024 as National Safe Digging Month. **Motion carried unanimously. Resolution 2024-32**

Motion was made by Judge Charles Wolf, seconded by Joe Hurt recognizing April 2024 as Fair Housing Act Month. **Motion carried unanimously. Resolution 2024-33**

Motion was made by Joe Hurt, seconded by Mark Savell approving the Executive Director to apply for the U.S. Department of Transportation, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) Technical Assistance Grant for FY 2024-2025. **Motion carried unanimously. Resolution 2024-34**

Staff report was given regarding Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission 9-1-1 Emergency Communications Services, Howard County 9-1-1 Communication District activity.

Motion was made by Judge Bryan Cox, seconded by Judge Cindy Therwhanger to appoint Foy O'Brien, Dawson County Judge to serve on the Texas Association of Regional Councils (TARC) Board of Directors, filling the position previously held by the Honorable Joe Shuster. **Motion carried unanimously. Resolution 2024-35**

Update was heard from PBRPC Board – Finance Director Hiring Committee regarding Chief Finance Officer position. Motion was made by Judge Foy O'Brien, seconded by Joe Hurt to fill PBRPC Finance Director position. **Motion carried unanimously. Resolution 2024-36**

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Motion made by Judge Cindy Therwhanger, seconded by Judge Foy O'Brien for approval of the Finance Report for previous month(s). **Motion carried unanimously. Resolution 2024-37**

Next meeting to be set for Wednesday, May 15, 2024.

Motion was made by Judge Bryan Cox, seconded by Judge Charles Wolf to adjourn at 2:51 pm. **Motion carried unanimously.**