

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**EMERGENCY MEETING DUE TO THE CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) EPIDEMIC  
OF THE BREWSTER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 2020 at 9:30 A.M.  
BREWSTER COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM  
ALPINE, TEXAS**

**Pursuant to Section 551.045, Government Code, the Brewster County Commissioners Court will convene in an emergency meeting to consider Appointment of Local Health Authority in response to Coronavirus (COVID-19) Epidemic**

**Judge Cano called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m., the following Elected Officials were present:**

<b>Eleazar R. Cano</b>	<b>County Judge</b>
<b>Betse Esparza</b>	<b>Commissioner Pct. 1</b>
<b>Sara Allen Colando</b>	<b>Commissioner Pct. 2</b>
<b>Ruben Ortega</b>	<b>Commissioner Pct. 3</b>
<b>Mike "Coach" Pallanez</b>	<b>Commissioner Pct. 4</b>
<b>Berta Rios-Martinez</b>	<b>County Clerk</b>

**1. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance**

Invocation and Pledge were led by Judge Cano.

**2. Public Comment – Comments are limited to 5 minutes per person. Pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act, the Court is limited in its ability to respond to comments**

Karen Lissen from South County thanked Judge Cano and commissioners for keeping Brewster County safe during this COVID-19 pandemic.

**3. Deliberate and take action to appoint a physician as health authority for Brewster County to administer state and local laws relating to public health in Brewster County, Pursuant to Chapter 121 of the Texas Health & Safety Code / Discussion and appropriate action.**

Commissioner Ortega moved to approve the designation of Dr. Ekta Escovar as our appointed health authority for Brewster County. Commissioner Colando seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

Judge Cano swore Dr. Ekta Escovar as our appointed health authority for Brewster County.

**4. Adjourn**

Commissioner Ortega moved to adjourn. Commissioner Esparza seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 9:56 AM.



Eleazar R. Cano, County Judge

ATTEST:

*Berta Rios-Martinez*  
Berta Rios-Martinez, County Clerk