

# MINUTES

The Uvalde County Commissioners Court met in regular session at 10 a.m. on May 26, 2009, in the Commissioners Courtroom of the Uvalde County Courthouse with the following members present:

William R. Mitchell, *County Judge*  
Randy Scheide, *Commissioner #1*  
Daniel Sanchez, *Commissioner #2*  
Jerry W. Bates, *Commissioner #3*  
Jesse R. Moreno, *Commissioner #4*  
Lucille C. Hutcherson, *County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court of Uvalde County*

Also present were *County Treasurer* Joni Deorsam, *County Sheriff* Charlie Mendeke, *County Auditor* Alice Chapman, and *County Road Administrator* Jesse Garcia.

**1. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

The Honorable William R. Mitchell called the meeting of May 29, 2009, to order; gave the invocation; led the pledge of allegiance to the United States of America and Texas flags.

**2. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- Upon motion of Commissioner Bates
- Second by Commissioner Moreno

The Court unanimously (4-0) approved the Minutes of May 11, 2009, as presented.

<i>Commissioner Scheide</i>	<i>yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Sanchez</i>	<i>yes</i>
<i>Commissioner Bates</i>	<i>yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Moreno</i>	<i>yes</i>

**3. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON AWARD OF BIDS:**

Judge Mitchell informed the Court that the bid from Planet Dodge of Humble, Texas, for two patrol vehicles, appears to be the low bidder. However, they do not have the vehicles in stock and can not estimate a time of delivery as they do not anticipate the automobile plants reopening until at least September. The HGAC bid, although higher, can deliver the vehicles immediately.

- Upon motion of Commissioner Moreno
- Second by Commissioner Sanchez

Due to the information provided by Judge Mitchell and the need for the vehicles, the Court unanimously (4-0) approved the award of the bid for two patrol cars to HGAC of Dallas, Texas. The total price being \$54864.00 for the vehicles, with partial payment to come from the Sheriff's forfeiture fund until the new budget is adopted at which time the County will seek financing through First State Bank of Uvalde for the balance owed.

<i>Commissioner Scheide</i>	<i>yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Sanchez</i>	<i>yes</i>
<i>Commissioner Bates</i>	<i>yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Moreno</i>	<i>yes</i>

**4. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A CRIMINAL JUSTICE GRANT APPLICATION TO THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION:**

- Upon motion of Commissioner Bates
- Second by Commissioner Moreno

The Court unanimously (4-0) approved a *Resolution* authorizing the submission of a grant application to the Governor's Office of Criminal Justice Division. Said application is for \$39,600.00 of grant funds to enhance Law Enforcement activities for the purchase of eleven patrol recorder mobile digital video recorders and installation of the same in eleven patrol vehicles. A copy of the resolution is attached to the minutes.

<i>Commissioner Scheide</i>	<i>yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Sanchez</i>	<i>yes</i>
<i>Commissioner Bates</i>	<i>yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Moreno</i>	<i>yes</i>

**5. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON SELECTING A NOMINEE TO FILL UVALDE COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS VACANCY:**

This agenda item was tabled until the next Commissioners Court meeting.

**6. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON RESIGNATION OF UVALDE COUNTY CONSTABLE, PCT. 1:**

- Upon motion of Commissioner Moreno
- Second by Commissioner Bates

The Court unanimously (4-0) approved the resignation of Constable, Pct 1 David McCutchen, effective May 31, 2009. A copy of said resignation is attached to these minutes.

<i>Commissioner Scheide</i>	<i>yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Sanchez</i>	<i>yes</i>
<i>Commissioner Bates</i>	<i>yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Moreno</i>	<i>yes</i>

**7. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON PRESENTATION OF HILL COUNTRY MHMR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:**

Linda J. Werlein, Executive Director of Hill Country Community MHMR Center presented the Court with an overview their activities and services in Uvalde County. No action was taken under this agenda item.

**8. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON OUTDOOR BURN BAN:**

- Upon motion of Commissioner Moreno

Commissioner Moreno's motion to leave the burn ban in effect died from lack of a second.

- Upon motion of Commissioner Bates
- Second by Commissioner Scheide

The Court approved (3-1) lifting the outdoor burn ban. A copy of the *Order Resending the Burn Ban* is attached to these minutes.

<i>Commissioner Scheide</i>	<i>yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Sanchez</i>	<i>yes</i>
<i>Commissioner Bates</i>	<i>yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Moreno</i>	<i>no</i>

**9. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON ROAD ADMINISTRATORS REPORT:**

County Road Administrator Jesse Garcia gave the Court the following activity report, with no action taken.

- Seal coating project on CR #348 complete
- Started seal coating project in the Tanglewood and Leona Subdivisions
- Routine maintenance

**10. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON LINE-ITEM BUDGET AMENDMENTS:**

The County Auditor did not present the Court with line-item budget amendments.

**11. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON APPROVAL OF MONTHLY REPORTS:**

- Upon motion of Commissioner Moreno
- Second by Commissioner Bates

The Court unanimously (4-0) approved the following reports as presented.

Compliance Office: *May 1-8, 2009; May 11-15, 2009; May 18-22, 2009*

County Auditor: *April, 2009*

County Clerk: *April 24-29, 2009; April 30, 2009; April, 2009 (bond); April, 2009; May 1-7, 2009; May 8-14, 2009*

Jail: *May 12, 2009; May 18, 2009 (2); May 11-18, 2009 (2)*

JP #1: *April 27-30, 2009; May 1-9, 2009; May 11-15, 2009*

JP #2: *May 1-8, 2009; May 9-15, 2009*

JP #3: *May 1-8, 2009; May 9-15, 2009*

JP #4: *May 1-8, 2009; May 11-15, 2009*

JP #6: *April 20-30, 2009; May 4-8, 2009; May 11-15, 2009; May 18-22, 2009*

<i>Commissioner Scheide</i>	<i>yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Sanchez</i>	<i>yes</i>
<i>Commissioner Bates</i>	<i>yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Moreno</i>	<i>yes</i>

**12. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON PAYMENT OF BILLS:**

- Upon motion of Commissioner Bates
- Second by Commissioner Sanchez

The Court unanimously (4-0) approved the payment of bills, as presented. A copy of said bills is attached to these minutes.

Commissioner Moreno questioned the Auditor about the travel line item for two constables.

<i>Commissioner Scheide</i>	<i>yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Sanchez</i>	<i>yes</i>
<i>Commissioner Bates</i>	<i>yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Moreno</i>	<i>yes</i>

**13. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON PAYROLL APPROVAL:**

- Upon motion of Commissioner Moreno
- Second by Commissioner Bates

The Court unanimously (4-0) approved the payroll. A copy of said payroll for this period was not available for recording with these minutes.

<i>Commissioner Scheide</i>	<i>yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Sanchez</i>	<i>yes</i>
<i>Commissioner Bates</i>	<i>yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Moreno</i>	<i>yes</i>

**14. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:**

The Court approved resolutions in honor of the following, with the meeting being closed in their memory.

Sylvia Lara  
 Ruby Horner  
 Evaristo A. Gonzales, Jr.

**15. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON APPROVAL OF SCHEMATIC DESIGN OF PROPOSED JAIL FACILITY:**

- Upon motion of Commissioner Bates
- Second by Commissioner Sanchez

The Court unanimously (4-0) approved the schematic design of the proposed jail, as present by Architect John Graves. A copy of the same is attached to these minutes.

The Court was informed that on May 28, 2009 the County Judge, Sheriff, and Architect will travel to Austin to present the design to the Commission on Jail Standards.

*Commissioner Scheide*    *yes*  
*Commissioner Bates*    *yes*

*Commissioner Sanchez*    *yes*  
*Commissioner Moreno*    *yes*

**16. EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

- a. Deliberation with Attorney regarding real property (TGC 551.072)  
The Court did not enter executive session.

**17. RE-CONVENE IN REGUALR SESSION AND TAKE ACTION, IF ANY:**

The Court did not enter executive session.

With no further business, the meeting of May 26, 2009 was adjourned.

