



MINUTES

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 14th day of June, 2021, the Honorable Commissioners Court of Uvalde County, Texas convened in regular session via video conferencing utilizing Zoom. The following members were in attendance:

William R. Mitchell, *County Judge*
John Yeackle, *Commissioner Pct. #1*
Mariano Pargas, *Commissioner Pct. #2*
Jerry W. Bates, *Commissioner Pct. #3*
Ronnie Garza, *Commissioner Pct. #4*
John Dodson, *County Attorney*
Valerie Del Toro Romero, *County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of
the Commissioner's Court*

Also connected to video conference utilizing Zoom were: *County Treasurer* Joni Deorsam, *County Auditor* Alice Chapman, *Tax Assessor Collector* Rita Vertuyft, *Sheriff* Ruben Nolasco, *Road Administrator* Dee Kirkpatrick, *Fairplex Director* Wendy Speer, *SWART Director* Sarah Cook and Julye Keeble with *Uvalde Leader News*.

Absent: None

1. Consider and act upon call to order, invocation and pledge of allegiance:

The Honorable William R. Mitchell called the meeting of June 14, 2021 to order at 10:00 AM followed with the invocation, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag and Texas Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Consider and act upon approval of minutes:

Motion by Commissioner Pargas to approve the minutes of May 24, 2021.
Seconded by Commissioner Yeackle.
Motion carried (4-0).

3. Consider and act upon interlocal agreement with Southwest Area Regional Transit District (SWART) to provide transportation services to undocumented immigrants released in Uvalde County from the custody of the United States Border Patrol:

The Court considered an interlocal agreement between the County of Uvalde and Southwest Area Regional Transit District (SWART) for the purpose of providing transportation to San Antonio, Texas to undocumented immigrants released from the custody of the United States Border Patrol at a rate of \$277.81 per day Monday through Friday and a rate of \$337.43 per

day for services required on Saturday, Sunday and Holidays. This interlocal agreement is based on a month to month renewal and at the same price as previously approved by the Court on May 20, 2019 with the exception of reduced seating for a nineteen passenger bus down to a maximum of seven passengers per trip due to Covid-19 best practices and social distancing guidelines. The City of Uvalde and County of Uvalde are to be billed separately in two equal amounts and the county will pay for these services from the Covid-19 Relief Fund unless border crisis funding becomes available at a later date.

Motion by Commissioner Pargas to approve the continuation of the interlocal agreement between the County of Uvalde and SWART for transportation services.

Seconded by Commissioner Bates.

Motion carried (4-0).

4. Consider and act upon approval of Texas Association of Counties Cyber Training Report:

County Auditor Alice Chapman requested approval of the Texas Association of Counties 2021 Cybersecurity Awareness Training Certificates of Completion for the County of Uvalde employees and elected officials, coordinated by Assistant Auditor M'Liss Braker, in accordance with Texas Government Code, Section 2054.5191 and certified Uvalde County's 100% participation and completion in compliance with code requirements.

Motion by Commissioner Yeackle to approve the report of the 2021 Cybersecurity Awareness Training certificates of completion.

Seconded by Commissioner Pargas.

Motion carried (4-0).

5. Consider and act upon acknowledging receipt of American Rescue Plan 2021 funds:

The Court considered and acknowledged the receipt of the American Rescue Plan 2021 funds in the amount of \$2,597,063.00. The criteria set forth by the federal government is to be reviewed to determine the recommendations, limitations and expectations for the use of these funds. A plan and budget is to be presented to Commissioners Court for final approval.

Motion by Commissioner Garza to acknowledge receipt of the American Rescue Plan 2021 funding.

Seconded by Commissioner Bates.

Motion carried (4-0).

6. Consider and act upon bond of reserve deputy constable precinct one, Patrick Swanner:

The Court considered and approved an official bond and oath issued by Western Surety Company for Reserve Deputy Constable, Pct. 1 Patrick Baylor Swanner in the amount of \$2,000.00 bound unto Constable, Pct. 1 Johnny J. Field issued on January 4, 2021.

Motion by Commissioner Pargas to approve official bond and oath of Reserve Deputy Constable, Pct. 1.

Seconded by Commissioner Yeackle.

Motion carried (4-0).

7. Consider and act upon Road Administrators report:

Road Administrator Dee Kirkpatrick informed the Court that the Road Department worked on trimming and hauling brush, blading roads, patching potholes, replacing mailboxes on County Road 369 and assisted Commissioner Bates and Commissioner Pargas with successful cleanup efforts in Knippa and Uvalde Estates.

No action taken.

8. Consider and act upon line item budget amendments:

County Auditor Alice Chapman presented and outlined proposed line item budget amendments to the Court for consideration and approval on the purchase of jail radios.

Motion by Commissioner Pargas to approve the line item budget amendments as presented to the Court for jail radios.

Seconded by Commissioner Yeackle.

Motion carried (4-0). Exhibit A

9. Consider and act upon payment of bills:

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve payment of bills.

Seconded by Commissioner Yeackle.

Motion carried (4-0).

10. Consider and act upon payroll approval:

Motion by Commissioner Garza to approve payroll.

Seconded by Commissioner Pargas.

Motion carried (4-0).

11. Consider and act upon approval of monthly reports:

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve payroll.

Seconded by Commissioner Yeackle.

Motion carried (4-0).

12. Consider and act upon approval of resolutions/proclamations:

The Court approved resolutions in honor of the memory of the following individuals:

Jose "Joe" Esparza †
William Luther Magee †
Guadalupe Martinez †
Amalia Reyes †
Olga Vasquez †

With no further business, the meeting of June 14, 2021 was adjourned.
Exhibits identified under a specific agenda item are included as supporting documentation of the action taken by the Uvalde County Commissioners Court and are placed after the minutes and before the last page titled Commissioners Court Order.

COMMISSIONERS COURT ORDER

On this the 28th day of June, 2021, came to be heard the Uvalde County Commissioners Court Minutes of June 14, 2021 as prepared by the Clerk of the Court.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED the foregoing be recorded and entered for record in the UVALDE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES, as required by law. (ORDER 03-12-12)

APPROVED BY: _____
William R. Mitchell, County Judge

John Yeackle, Commissioner Pct. #1

Mariano Pargas, Jr., Commissioner Pct. #2

Jerry W. Bates, Commissioner Pct. #3

Ronnie Garza, Commissioner Pct. #4

(SEAL)

ATTEST: _____
Valerie Del Toro Romero, County Clerk and
Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court
of Uvalde County, Texas