



MINUTES

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 27th day of September, 2021, the Honorable Commissioners Court of Uvalde County, Texas convened in regular session in the Commissioners Courtroom of the Uvalde County Courthouse. 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*
Valerie Del Toro Romero, *County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of
the Commissioner's Court*

Also present were *County Treasurer* Joni Deorsam, *Tax Assessor-Collector* Rita Vertuyft, *County Auditor* Alice Chapman, *Fairplex Director* Wendy Speer, *Elections Administrator* Melissa Jones, *District Clerk* Christina Ovalle, *Road Administrator* Dee Kirkpatrick and *County Consultant* Carl Esser.

Absent: John Dodson, *County Attorney*

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

The Honorable William R. Mitchell called the meeting of September 27, 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 Bates to approve the minutes of September 13, 2021.
Seconded by Commissioner Pargas.
Motion carried (4-0).

3. Consider and act upon public hearing on proposed 2021-2022 Uvalde County Tax Rate:

The Court opened a public hearing at 10:02 AM on the proposed 2021-2022 tax rates; PROPOSED TAX RATE \$0.7400 per \$100 valuation, NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE \$0.6972 per \$100 valuation, VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE of \$0.7471 per \$100 valuation. The NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE is the tax rate for the 2021 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for the COUNTY OF UVALDE from the same properties in both the 2020 tax year and the 2021 tax year. With no public participation form requested or received and no public comments or questions, the Court closed the public hearing.

No action taken.

4. Consider and act upon adoption of 2021-2022 Uvalde County Tax Rate and take record vote:

The Court considered the proposed 2021-2022 tax rates; General Fund Maintenance & Operations Tax Rate .5300, I&S-Debt Service Tax Rate .0700, Farm to Market-Flood Maintenance & Operations Tax Rate .1400 with a 2021 Total Ad Valorem Tax Rate of .7400. Order Setting Uvalde County, Texas Tax Rate for 2021 was signed by the Court.

Motion by Commissioner Bates to adopt the proposed 2021-2022 Uvalde County Tax Rate. Seconded by Commissioner Garza.

Motion carried (5-0) with Judge Mitchell voting in favor of this motion. The vote for the record is as follows; Commissioner Yeackle-“Yea”, Commissioner Pargas-“Yea”, Commissioner Bates-“Yea”, Commissioner Garza-“Yea” and Judge Mitchell-“Yea”.

5. Consider and act upon major medical insurance presentation by agent of record Joe Jobst:

Agent of Record Joe Jobst with Employee Benefits presented to the Court a renewal presentation including Medical Market Search Analysis, Uvalde County Cost History, Uvalde County Medical Spreadsheet for the 2020-2021 fiscal year outlining the renewal, maximum liability and stop loss proposal for major medical insurance benefits for Uvalde County employees. Joe Jobst recommended a change in the Life AD&D benefit to Standard Insurance Company.

Motion by Commissioner Garza to approve the major medical insurance plan as presented by Joe Jobst.

Seconded by Commissioner Pargas.

Motion carried (4-0).

6. Consider and act upon nominees to serve on UCAD board of directors:

Pursuant to Chapter 6.03 of the Texas Property Code, nominations were considered by the Court for three positions due to expire on December 31, 2021 to serve a two year term to the Uvalde County Appraisal District Board of Directors. The County of Uvalde is entitled to 981 votes for the appointment of three members to serve for fiscal years 2022 and 2023 by written resolution adopted by the governing body listing candidates before the deadline of October 15, 2021.

Motion by Commissioner Garza to nominate J. Allen Carnes, Tony T. Moreno and Howard B. Kingsbery to the Uvalde County Appraisal Board of Directors.

Seconded by Commissioner Bates.

Motion carried (4-0).

7. Consider and act upon public hearing concerning County Clerk's Preservation and Restoration Plan of archived records for 2021-2022:

Pursuant to Local Government Code Section §118.025 a public hearing is required to consider the proposed plan for funding the County Clerk Preservation and Restoration Records Plan. The Court opened for a public hearing at 10:25 AM for presentation of the proposed 2021-2022 County Clerk Preservation and Restoration Records Plan and with no comments or questions the public hearing closed at 10:25 AM.

No action taken.

8. Consider and act upon adoption of County Clerk's Preservation and Restoration Plan:

County Clerk Valerie Del Toro Romero outlined the presentation of the proposed 2021-2022 County Clerk's Preservation and Restoration Records Plan.

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve the County Clerk's Preservation and Restoration Records Plan.

Seconded by Commissioner Garza.

Motion carried (4-0).

9. Consider and act upon public hearing concerning District Clerk's Preservation and Restoration Plan of archived records for 2021-2022:

Pursuant to Local Government Code Section §51.305 a public hearing is required to consider the proposed plan for funding the District Clerk Preservation and Restoration Records Plan. The Court opened for a public hearing at 10:27 AM for presentation of the proposed 2021-2022 District Clerk Preservation and Restoration Records Plan and with no comments or questions the public hearing closed at 10:27 AM.

No action taken.

10. Consider and act upon adoption of District Clerk's Preservation and Restoration Plan:

District Clerk Christina Ovalle outlined the presentation of the proposed 2021-2022 District Clerk Preservation and Restoration Records Plan.

Motion by Commissioner Yeackle to approve the District Clerk Preservation and Restoration Records Plan.

Seconded by Commissioner Bates.

Motion carried (4-0).

11. Consider and act upon County Road 416 Low Water Crossing Project:

County Consultant Carl Esser and Engineer Clay Livingston with TRC Engineers requested approval of a plan for demolition and repair of a portion of the structure surrounding the five culverts on County Road 416 low water crossing project to submit to FEMA for review and grant approval. The County of Uvalde is required to match 25% of \$1,000,045.00 with the option that there is no obligation for the Court to proceed.

Motion by Commissioner Garza to approve plan to submit to FEMA.

Seconded by Commissioner Yeackle.

Motion carried (4-0).

12. Consider and act upon accepting FY 2022 Border Prosecution Unit Grant:

County Consultant Carl Esser outlined the Statement of Grant Award, requirements, conditions and responsibilities for the Border Prosecution Grant #2538110 in the amount of \$759,516.22 with a start date of September 1, 2021 and end date of August 31, 2023. The two year grant does not require a cash or in kind match from the county.

Motion by Commissioner Bates to accept award of Border Prosecution Unit Grant.

Seconded by Commissioner Pargas.

Motion carried (4-0).

13. Consider and act upon accepting FY 2022 Local Border Security Program Grant:

County Consultant Carl Esser outlined the Statement of Grant Award, requirements, conditions and responsibilities for the Local Border Security Program Grant #2991107 in the amount of \$21,000.00 with a start date of September 1, 2021 and end date of August 31, 2022. The one year grant does not require a cash or in kind match from the county.

Motion by Commissioner Pargas to accept award of the Local Border Security Program Grant.

Seconded by Commissioner Yeackle.

Motion carried (4-0).

14. Consider and act upon form A1024 Sec 3 goals for TxCDBG Contracts 7218145, 7218155, 7220015:

County Consultant Carl Esser outlined the proposed TxCDBG Policy Issuance 20-01 definitions and requirements, Section 3 Concepts, Section 3 Business, Section 3 Worker, Targeted Section 3 Worker, Recordkeeping and Section 3 Service Area Map in Uvalde County. As a condition of grant funding, Uvalde County must comply with Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968. To the greatest extent feasible, grant recipients must direct economic opportunities generated by TxCDBG funds to low and very low income persons.

Motion by Commissioner Garza to approve the Section 3 Goals for TxCDBG contracts.

Seconded by Commissioner Bates.

Motion carried (4-0).

15. Consider and act upon Road Administrators Report:

Road Administrator Dee Kirkpatrick informed the Court that the Road Department worked on spraying the Crider Dam Spillway, sprayed the Speer Dam, bladed roads, patched pot holes, installed curve signs and sprayed five dams and the upper part of the Crider Spillway on the Willingham Dam.

No action taken.

16. Consider and act upon line item budget amendments:

The county auditor submitted proposed line item budget amendments to the Court for consideration and approval.

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve the line item budget amendments as presented to the Court.

Seconded by Commissioner Pargas.

Motion carried (4-0). Exhibit A

17. Consider and act upon approval of monthly reports:

Monthly reports on file for review in the office of the Uvalde County Clerk were presented to the Court for consideration and approval.

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve monthly reports.

Seconded by Commissioner Yeackle.

Motion carried (4-0).

18. Consider and act upon payment of bills:

Motion by Commissioner Garza to approve payment of bills.

Seconded by Commissioner Bates.

Motion carried (4-0).

19. Consider and act upon payroll approval:

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve payroll.

Seconded by Commissioner Pargas.

Motion carried (4-0).

20. Consider and act upon resolutions/proclamations:

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

Jeremy Atkinson †
Antonio "Tony" Briseno †
Santiago Contreras †
Alta S. Day †
Thomas Lee "Bo" Farr †
Elvira Medina †
Roberto Rodriguez †

With no further business, the meeting of September 27, 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.



COUNTY OF UVALDE
 FYE 09/30/2021

COMMISSIONERS COURT MEETING

September 27, 2021

TRANSFERS AND/OR AMENDMENTS

LINE ITEM	TYPE OF ACCOUNT	NAME OF ACCOUNT	CURRENT BUDGET	AMENDED BUDGET	INCREASE DECREASE	TRANSFER FROM AMENDED	Comment
010-539-939	EXPENSE	BOB COOK PCT 3	\$ 1,102.85	\$ 1,980.00	\$ 877.15	010-420-446	original budget \$500
010-561-605	EXPENSE	DEPUTY	\$ 47,795.00	\$ 7,965.76	\$ (39,829.24)	NA	eliminated extra line item 11/20
010-561-430	EXPENSE	HEALTH INSURANCE	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 138,000.00	\$ (12,000.00)	NA	eliminated extra line item 11/20
010-401-939	EXPENSE	COMMISSIONERS SEMINARS/TRAVEL	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 3,702.76	\$ 1,202.76	010-420-446	
010-403-335	EXPENSE	CTY CLK EQUIPMENT	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 9,000.00	010-403-592	
010-556-939	EXPENSE	CONSTABLE 6 TRAVEL SEMINARS	\$ 1,010.85	\$ 1,500.55	\$ 489.70	010-420-446	
010-575-570	EXPENSE	UCSO INMATE MEDICAL	\$ 250,000.00	\$ 600,000.00	\$ 350,000.00	010-200-999	CODED TO RESERVES
011-611-800	EXPENSE	UVALDE ESTATES PROJECT RAB	\$ -	\$ 772.51	\$ 772.51	011-611-795	
024-500-793	EXPENSE	DCT TRMP PART TIME	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	024-500-019	

COMMISSIONERS COURT ORDER

On this the 12th day of October, 2021, came to be heard the Uvalde County Commissioners Court Minutes of September 27, 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