



## MINUTES

The Uvalde County Commissioners Court met in regular session at 10:00 a.m. on September 26, 2011, in the Commissioners Courtroom of the Uvalde County Courthouse with the following members present:

William R. Mitchell, *County Judge*  
Randy Scheide, *Commissioner #1*  
Mariano Pargas Jr., *Commissioner #2*  
Jerry W. Bates, *Commissioner #3*  
Raul T. Flores, *Commissioner #4*  
John P. Dodson, *County Attorney*  
Ramona Esquivel Hobbs, *County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court*

Also present were *County Treasurer* Joni Deorsam, *Auditor* Alice Chapman, *Tax Assessor-Collector* Maggie Del Toro 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 September 26, 2011, 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 SEPTEMBER 12, 2011 MINUTES:

- Upon motion of Commissioner Bates.
- Second by Commissioner Pargas.

The Court (4-0) approved the Minutes of September 12, 2011.

<i>Commissioner Scheide</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Flores</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Commissioner Pargas</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Bates</i>	<i>Yes</i>

### 3. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON ADOPTING 2011-2012 GENERAL FUND TAX RATE:

- Proposed General Fund Tax Rate: \$0.4900 per \$100.00 valuation.
- Interest and sinking proposed tax rate: \$0.1462 per \$100.00 valuation.
- Total proposed tax rate \$0.7629.

- Upon motion of Commissioner Scheide.
- Second by Commissioner Bates.

The Court (4-0) approved adoption of the 2011-2012 General Fund Tax rate. (Copy attached)

<i>Commissioner Scheide</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Flores</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Commissioner Pargas</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Bates</i>	<i>Yes</i>

**4. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON ADOPTING 2011-2012 FARM MARKET ROAD-FLOOD TAX RATE:**

- Proposed Farm Market Road-Flood Tax Rate: \$0.1267 per \$100.00 valuation.
- Current tax rate \$0.1267 to remain.
- Upon motion of Commissioner Scheide.
- Second by Commissioner Bates.

The Court (4-0) approved adoption of the 2011-2012 Farm Market Road-Flood Tax rate.

<i>Commissioner Scheide</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Flores</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Commissioner Pargas</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Bates</i>	<i>Yes</i>

**5. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON ADOPTING (GOVERNMENTAL ACCOUNTING STANDARDS BOARD)GASB 54 FUND BALANCE POLICY:**

- Proposed policy presented by Auditor Alice Chapman, with recommendation.
- Upon motion of Commissioner Pargas.
- Second by Commissioner Scheide.

The Court (4-0) approved adopting GASB 54 Fund Balance Policy. (Copy attached.)

<i>Commissioner Scheide</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Flores</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Commissioner Pargas</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Bates</i>	<i>Yes</i>

**6. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON ADOPTING RESOLUTION RELOCATING EARLY VOTING LOCATION TO THE COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM OF THE UVALDE COURTHOUSE:**

- Due to the renovation of the civic center, it is necessary to find a location to conduct Early Voting. (Early voting begins October 24 and ends on November 1, 2011.)
- Upon motion of Commissioner Bates.
- Second by Commissioner Pargas.

The Court (4-0) approved adoption of the resolution to relocate early voting location to the Commissioners Courtroom. (Copy attached)

<i>Commissioner Scheide</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Flores</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Commissioner Pargas</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Bates</i>	<i>Yes</i>

**7. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON MAJOR MEDICAL INSURANCE PRESENTATION BY AGENT JOE JOBST:**

- Presentation by agent of record, Joe Jobst, reference employee major medical insurance.
- Recommendation: Group and Pension, to remain, as administrator.  
CIGNA, network provider.  
IHC Risk, carrier.
- Upon motion of Commissioner Scheide.

- Second by Commissioner Bates.

The Court (4-0) approved recommendation of major medical insurance presented by Joe Jobst. (Copy attached.)

<i>Commissioner Scheide</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Flores</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Commissioner Pargas</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Bates</i>	<i>Yes</i>

**8. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON AWARDING PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES CONTRACT FOR COLONIA PROJECT (BID 2011-08):**

- Presentation by Carl Esser.
- Proposals/Bids received: Jones and Carter Engineering  
Garcia & Wright Engineering  
Southwest Engineering  
Amistad Consulting Services
- Recommendation by Carl Esser: Jones & Carter Engineering
- Upon motion of Commissioner Pargas.
- Second by Commissioner Flores.

The Court (4-0) approved awarding Professional Engineering Services contract for Colonia Project to Jones & Carter Engineering. (Copy attached.)

<i>Commissioner Scheide</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Flores</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Commissioner Pargas</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Bates</i>	<i>Yes</i>

**9. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON AWARDING PROFESSIONAL ADMINISTRATION SERVICES CONTRACT FOR COLONIA PROJECT (BID 2011-09):**

- One Proposal received from Esser and Company.
- Upon motion of Commissioner Bates.
- Second by Commissioner Flores.

The Court (4-0) approved awarding Professional Administration Service contract for Colonia Project to Esser and Company.

<i>Commissioner Scheide</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Flores</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Commissioner Pargas</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Bates</i>	<i>Yes</i>

**10. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON NOTICE OF INTENT REGARDING HOG OUT COUNTY GRANT PROGRAM:**

- Presentation of grant program by Carl Esser.
- Upon motion of Commissioner Bates.
- Second by Commissioner Pargas.

The Court (4-0) approved Notice of intent to participate in Hog Out County Grant Program.

<i>Commissioner Scheide</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Flores</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Commissioner Pargas</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Bates</i>	<i>Yes</i>

**11. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON SETTING FEES PAID TO PETIT JURORS:**

- Presentation by Auditor, Alice Chapman, with recommendation.

- District Court: Petit Juror: \$28.00 for service beginning the second day.  
Grand Jurors: \$40.00 per day of service.

- Upon motion of Commissioner Scheide.
- Second by Commissioner Bates.

The Court (4-0) approved adopting resolution setting fees paid to Petit Jurors.

<i>Commissioner Scheide</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Flores</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Commissioner Pargas</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Bates</i>	<i>Yes</i>

**12. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON AWARD OF EDA HIGHWAY 90 ROW CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT:**

- Presentation by Carl Esser.
- Bids opened and reviewed:
 

KIVA, Inc.	\$405,849.48
QRO MEX	\$298,436.10
Alvin E. Stock	\$299,526.78
Hoover Construction	\$341,103.28

- Bids did not include installation of gas line.
- Recommendation: Reject bids and rebid project to include gas line installation.
- Upon motion of Commissioner Bates.
- Second by Commissioner Flores

The Court (4-0) approved rejecting bids of EDA Highway 90 ROW Construction Contract and rebid project.

<i>Commissioner Scheide</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Flores</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Commissioner Pargas</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Bates</i>	<i>Yes</i>

**13. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON ACKNOWLEDGING CONTINUING EDUCATION OBTAINED BY COUNTY CLERK'S STAFF:**

- Certificates to be included in Commissioners Court Minutes. (Copies attached.)
- No action required on agenda item.

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

- Presentation by Road Administrator Jesse Garcia, report submitted. (Copy attached.)
- No action required on agenda item.

**15. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON LINE ITEM BUDGET AMENDMENTS:**

- No line item budget amendments were presented to the Court for approval.

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

- Monthly reports, as presented:
  - County Auditor: *Monthly Report for August 2011.*
  - County Treasurer: *Indebtedness Report for Month of August 2011.*
  - County Clerk Receipts: *August 15-31, 2011.*
  - Compliance Office Receipts: *August 11-30, 2011.*
  - County Clerk Report: *September 5-9, September 12-16, 2011.*
  - Compliance Office Report: *September 5-12, September 12-16, 2011.*

Sheriff's Office Reporting: *Inmate Charge Roster: September 19, 2011.*  
*Release and Commit Audit Reports: September 13-19, 2011.*

JP #1: *September 1-9, September 12-16, 2011.*

JP #2: *September 1-9, 2011.*

JP #3: *September 1-9, September 12-16, 2011.*

JP #4: *September 1-9, 2011.*

JP #6: *September 1-9, September 12-16, 2011.*

- Upon motion by Commissioner Bates.
- Second by Commissioner Pargas.

The Court (4-0) approved the Monthly Reports submitted by the County Clerk's office.

<i>Commissioner Scheide</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Flores</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Commissioner Pargas</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Bates</i>	<i>Yes</i>

#### **17. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON PAYMENT OF BILLS:**

- Upon motion of Commissioner Bates.
- Second by Commissioner Pargas.

The Court (4-0) approved the bills for payment, as presented. Copies of the same are attached.

<i>Commissioner Scheide</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Flores</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Commissioner Pargas</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Bates</i>	<i>Yes</i>

#### **18. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON PAYROLL APPROVAL**

- Upon motion of Commissioner Bates.
- Second by Commissioner Pargas.

The Court (4-0) approved the payroll.

<i>Commissioner Scheide</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Flores</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Commissioner Pargas</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Bates</i>	<i>Yes</i>

#### **19. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:**

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

Linda M. Garcia  
Lon Rushing Jr.  
James Meyer  
John Freeman

With no further business, the meeting of September 26, 2011 adjourned.