



MINUTES

The Uvalde County Commissioners Court met in regular session at 10:00 a.m. on March 24, 2014, in the Commissioners Courtroom of the Uvalde County Courthouse with the following members present:

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

Also present were *County Attorney John Dodson, County Auditor Alice Chapman, County Treasurer Joni Deorsam, and Road Administrator Jesse Garcia.*

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

The Honorable William R. Mitchell called the meeting of March 24, 2014, 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 OF MARCH 10 AND 13, 2014:

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

The Court (4-0) approved the Minutes of March 10 and 13, 2014.

<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 PRESENTATION AND ADOPTION OF INDEPENDENT AUDIT BY BEYER & CO., CPA:

- Presentation by Wayne Beyer of Beyer and Company, CPA, Independent Auditor:
 - a. Overview of audit for fiscal year ending September 30, 2013.
 - b. Review of Financial Statements, Grants, Revenue, and Economic Development Funds.
 - c. Recommendation to accept and adopt the independent audit.
- Upon motion of Commissioner Bates.
- Second by Commissioner Flores.

The Court (4-0) accepted and approved the adoption of Independent Audit by Beyer & Co., CPA. (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 PRESENTATION BY EL PROGRESO CLUB:

- Presentation by Virginia Davis:
 - a. 10th year anniversary of new library building and upcoming National Library Week.
 - b. Introduction of El Progreso Club President, Roberta Walden:
 1. Recognition of funding of \$112,000.00 approved by Commissioners Court.
 2. Demonstration of library website on i-phone.
 3. Invitation to luncheon on April 14, 2014.
- No action required on agenda item. (Copy attached.)

5. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING THE COUNTY CLERK'S PRESERVATION AND RESTORATION OF ARCHIVED RECORDS PLAN FOR 2014-2015:

- Public Hearing floor opened at 10:24, no public comments.
- Public Hearing closed at 10:25
- No action required on agenda item. (Annual requirement.)

6. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON ADOPTION OF COUNTY CLERK'S PRESERVATION AND RESTORATION OF ARCHIVED RECORDS PLAN FOR 2014-2015:

- Presentation by County Clerk Ramona Esquivel Hobbs:
 1. Overview of restoring books of the early years of Uvalde County.
 2. Demonstration of the process by vendor Lance Gonzales with Cogniserv.
- Upon motion of Commissioner Bates.
- Second by Commissioner Pargas.

The Court (4-0) approved the adoption of County Clerk's preservation and restoration of archived records plan 2014-2015. (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 AWARD OF BIDS:

- Presentation by Wendy Speers (Bid No. 2014-01 Fairplex Pylon Sign):
 1. Revised pricing from Comet Signs, LLC. Proposal \$99,989.00.
 2. Removed Stonework replaced with Aluminum plating.
 3. Business advertising space/ 10 year period: Committed: AEP, First State Bank of Uvalde and Hondo National Bank.
- Upon motion of Commissioner Flores to proceed with purchase of sign.
- Second by Commissioner Pargas.

The Court (4-0) approved purchase of Fairplex Pylon Sign. (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 GRANTING OF ELECTRICAL EASEMENT REQUESTED BY BANDERA ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE:

- Utility easement (Work Order: 291361) overhead electric line to serve Utopia Water Supply Corp.
- County Attorney Dodson reviewed the request of Bandera Electric Cooperative, Inc. for Utility Easement and Covenant of Access.
- Recommendation of County Attorney Dodson, Bandera Electric Cooperative Inc. to provide specifics on length of easement and proceed with granting of easement.
- Upon motion of Commissioner Bates.
- Second by Commissioner Pargas.

The Court (4-0) approved granting of electrical easement requested by Bandera Electric Cooperative, to include the recommendation of the County Attorney. (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 RESIGNATION OF COUNTY AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCE AGENT:

- Letter of resignation from Agent Chet Smith.
- Upon motion of Commissioner Bates.
- Second by Commissioner Pargas.

The Court (4-0) accepted the letter of resignation of County Agriculture and Natural Resource Agent. (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>

10. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON RECEIPT OF DONATION FROM MARCY BOALES TO UVALDE COUNTY NUTRITION CENTER:

- Donation of \$75.00 from Marcy Boales in memory of her father, Rex Rucker, to the Uvalde County Nutrition Center.
- Upon motion of Commissioner Bates.
- Second by Commissioner Scheide.

The Court (4-0) accepted receipt of donation from Marcy Boales to Uvalde County Nutrition Center. (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>

11. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON ROAD ADMINISTRATORS REPORT:

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

12. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON LINE-ITEM BUDGET AMENDMENTS

- None presented, no action required on agenda item.

13. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON PAYMENT OF BILLS:

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

The Court (4-0) approved the bills, 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>

14. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON APPROVAL OF MONTHLY REPORTS:

- Monthly reports, as presented:
 County Treasurer: *County Clerk and Compliance Office deposits March 3-14, 2014.*
 County Auditor: *Compliance Office and County Clerk Audit Period February 2014.*
 County Clerk Office: *March 3-7, 10-14, 2014.*
 Compliance Office: *March 3-7, 10-14, 2014.*
 Sheriff's Office: *Commit/Release Report March 3-10, 10-17, 2014; Inmate Charge Roster March 10 and 17, 2014; Compliance Report March 3-10, 10-17, 2014.*
 J.P. #1: *March 1-7, 10-14, 2014.*
 J.P. #2: *March 1-7, 8-14, 2014.*
 J.P. #3: *March 3-7, 10-14, 17-21, 2014.*
 J.P. #4: *March 3-7, 2014.*
 J.P. #6: *March 1-7, 10-14, 2014.*

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

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>

15. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON PAYROLL APPROVAL:

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

The Court (4-0) approved the payroll for payment.

<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>

16. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:

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

Shannon Joe Brockman
 Manuel Martinez Jr.
 Merlyn Schneider
 Esperanza V. Rendon
 Kathleen Sanchez Aguero

17. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- Consultation with Attorney (permitted by 551.071, Texas Government Code)
- Update on EAA litigation
- 10:55 Time session started.
- 11:22 Time session adjourned.

18. CONVENE IN REGULAR SESSION AND TAKE ACTION, IF ANY:

- No action taken on Edward Aquifer Litigation.

With no further business, the meeting of March 24, 2014 adjourned.

COMMISSIONERS COURT ORDER

On this, the _____ day of _____, 2014, came to be heard the Uvalde County Commissioners Court Minutes of _____, 2014, 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 03-24-14)

APPROVED BY: _____

William R. Mitchell, County Judge

Randy Scheide, Commissioner #1

Mariano Pargas, Jr., Commissioner #2

Jerry W. Bates, Commissioner #3

Raul T. Flores, Commissioner #4

(SEAL)

ATTEST: _____

Ramona Esquivel Hobbs, County Clerk
And Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court of Uvalde County, Texas