

MINUTES

The Uvalde County Commissioners Court met in regular session at 10:00 a.m. on September 28, 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*
Lucille C. Hutcherson, *County Clerk and E-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court*

ABSENT: Jesse R. Moreno, *Commissioner #4*

Also present were *County Treasurer* Joni Deorsam, *County Tax Assessor-Collector* Maggie Del Toro, *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 September 28, 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 Sanchez

The Court unanimously (3-0) approved the Minutes of September 14, 2009, as corrected.

Commissioner Scheide *yes*
Commissioner Bates *yes*

Commissioner Sanchez *yes*

3. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON ADOPTING 2009-2010 GENERAL FUND TAX RATE:

County Auditor Alice Chapman recommended that the following Order be adopted by the Court:

ORDER SETTING UVALDE COUNTY, TEXAS TAX RATE FOR 2009

Whereas, it is necessary for the Uvalde County Commissioners Court to increase the tax levy in order to provide funds with which to meet the budget requirements of the County and to pay the expenses necessarily incurred in connection with the services provided by the County to Uvalde County residents.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT:

That there is hereby levied and shall be assessed and collected for 2009 an ad valorem tax of \$.7162 per \$100 assessed valuation on all taxable property within the county as shown on the final approved 2009 tax rolls.

THIS RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAX REVENUE FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS AND DEBT SERVICE THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE.

That this tax rate is adopted in the following components:

General Fund Maintenance/Operating Expense Tax Rate	.4395
Farm Market-Flood Maintenance/Operating Expense Tax Rate	.1267
I & S Rate for 2009 Series Certificates of Obligations	.1500
2009 Total Ad Valorem Tax Rate	\$.7162

That for comparison purposes, a \$100,000 home (not allowing for exemptions), paid \$566.20 to Uvalde County in 2008. In 2009 the same house, at the same value (not allowing for exemptions), will pay \$716.20 to Uvalde County.

That the Uvalde County Appraisal District is hereby authorized and directed to prepare 2009 tax statements and transmit same to the owners of taxable property within the County on or before October 1, 2009, or as soon thereafter as possible.

- Upon motion of Commissioner Scheide
- Second by Commissioner Sanchez

The Court unanimously (4-0) approved the General Fund property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$.4395, which is effectively .00733% increase in the General Fund maintenance and operations tax rate. And the debt service property tax rate of \$.1500 be assessed and adopted. A copy of said Order 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>Judge Mitchell</i>	<i>yes</i>

4. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON ADOPTING 2009-2010 FARM MARKET ROAD-FLOOD TAX RATE:

- Upon motion of Commissioner Scheide
- Second by Commissioner Sanchez

The Court unanimously (4-0) approved the Farm to Market/Flood property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$.1267, which is effectively .00795% increase in the Farm to Market/Flood maintenance and operations tax rate.

<i>Commissioner Scheide</i>	<i>yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Sanchez</i>	<i>yes</i>
<i>Commissioner Bates</i>	<i>yes</i>	<i>Judge Mitchell</i>	<i>yes</i>

5. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING THE DISTRICT CLERK'S PRESERVATION AND RESTORATION OF ARCHIVED RECORDS PLAN FOR 2009-2010:

The County Auditor presented the District Clerk's Preservation and Restoration of Archived Records Plan for 2009-2010. No public comments were made under this agenda item.

6. CONSIDER ANAD ACT UPON DISTRICT CLERK'S PRESERVATION AND RESTORATION OF ARCHIVED RECORDS PLAN FOR 2009-2010:

- Upon motion of Commissioner Scheide
- Second by Commissioner Sanchez

The Court unanimously (3-0) approved the District Clerk's Preservation and Restoration of

Archived Records Plan for 2009-2010, as presented. A copy of the same is attached to these minutes.

Commissioner Scheide *yes*
Commissioner Bates *yes*

Commissioner Sanchez *yes*

7. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON RESOLUTION SUPPORTING SOLID WASTE GRANT APPLICATION:

- Upon motion of Commissioner Bates
- Second by Commissioner Sanchez

The Court unanimously (3-0) approved a Resolution supporting a solid waste grant application for Utopia Recycles to be submitted to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. The County will serve as the applicant for the grant and the County Judge is authorized to execute needed documents. A copy of the Resolution is attached to these minutes.

Commissioner Scheide *yes*
Commissioner Bates *yes*

Commissioner Sanchez *yes*

8. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON AUTHORIZING OF COUNTY SURPLUS ITEMS:

Architect John Graves informed the Court of the inspection of proposed jail site and the need for removal of horse stalls prior to construction. Mr. Graves also recommended that the removal of said stalls be in two stages.

- Upon motion of Commissioner Bates
- Second by Commissioner Sanchez

The Court unanimously (3-0) approved the recommendation of Mr. Graves to advertise for sealed proposals for removal of horse stalls at the proposed jail site.

Commissioner Scheide *yes*
Commissioner Bates *yes*

Commissioner Sanchez *yes*

9. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON CONTRACT WITH BANDERA COUNTY TO HOUSE UVALDE COUNTY INMATES:

- Upon motion of Commissioner Sanchez
- Second by Commissioner Bates

The Court unanimously (3-0) approved a contract with Bandera County to house Uvalde County inmates, as recommended by Sheriff Mendeke. A copy of said contract is attached to these minutes.

Commissioner Scheide *yes*
Commissioner Bates *yes*

Commissioner Sanchez *yes*

10. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON ROAD ADMINISTRATORS REPORT:

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

- Blading roads
- Mowing in Uvalde Estates
- Routine maintenance

11. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON LINE ITEM BUDGET AMENDMENTS:

The County Auditor did not present any line item budget amendments to the Court for approval.

12. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON APPROVAL OF MONTHLY REPORTS:

- Upon motion of Commissioner Bates
- Second by Commissioner Sanchez

The Court unanimously (3-0) approved the following monthly reports, as presented.

County Auditor: *August, 2009*

County Clerk: *September 1-3, 2009; September 4-10, 2009; September 11-17, 2009*

Compliance: *September 14-19, 2009*

Jail: *September 14, 2009; September 21, 2009; September 21-28, 2009*

JP #1: *September 9-11, 2009*

JP #2: *September 12-18, 2009*

JP #3: *September 1-4, 2009*

JP #4: *September 7-11, 2009; September 14-18, 2009*

JP #6: *September 7-11, 2009; September 14-18, 2009; September 21-25, 2009*

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

13. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON PAYMENT OF BILLS:

- Upon motion of Commissioner Bates
- Second by Commissioner Scheide

The Court unanimously (3-0) approved the payment of bills, as presented. A copy of the same are 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>		

14. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON PAYROLL APPROVAL:

- Upon motion of Commissioner Sanchez
- Second by Commissioner Bates

The Court unanimously (3-0) 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>		

15. CONSIDER AND ACT UPON RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:

The Court approved a resolution in honor of the following, with the meeting being closed in their memory. Members of the Court did not cast a vote under this agenda item.

Betty Kirkpatrick

With no further business, the meeting of September 28, 2009 was adjourned.