



MINUTES

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 11th day of April, 2022, 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 Verstuyft, *County Auditor* Alice Chapman, *Elections Administrator* Melissa Jones, *County Consultant* Carl Esser and *Road Administrator* Dee Kirkpatrick.

Absent: *County Attorney* John Dodson

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

The Honorable William R. Mitchell Uvalde County Judge called the meeting of April 11, 2022 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 March 28, 2022.
Seconded by Commissioner Pargas.
Motion carried (4-0).

3. Consider and act upon certifying Texas Hill Country River Region budget:

The office of the Uvalde County Judge received notification that Texas Hill Country River Region would not be able to attend this meeting. This agenda item will be considered at a later date.
No action taken.

4. Consider and act upon resolution prohibiting discharge of wastewater in area creeks, streams and rivers:

The Court considered a resolution in support of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality rule change prohibiting the authorization of treated domestic wastewater pollutants discharged into any creek and stream located within the drainage area of the Frio, Sabinal or Nueces River.

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve the resolution prohibiting wastewater discharge into the Frio, Sabinal or Nueces River.

Seconded by Commissioner Garza.

Motion carried (4-0).

5. Consider and act upon request to consolidate polling precincts for May 7 elections:

Elections Administrator Melissa Jones requested the Courts approval of the consolidation of voting precincts 1, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12 and 13 to vote in the Cactus Room at the Willie De Leon Civic Center located at 300 East Main Street, Uvalde, Texas 78801 and approval of Order of Special Election to be held on May 7, 2022 for the Constitutional Amendment Election and the joint City/School Elections.

Motion by Commissioner Garza to approve the voting precincts 1, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12 and 13 consolidation to vote in the Cactus Room at the Willie De Leon Civic Center and approval of Order of Special Election to be held on May 7, 2022.

Seconded by Commissioner Bates.

Motion carried (4-0).

6. Consider and act upon quotes for renovations to 524 East Nopal building:

County Consultant Carl Esser requested approval from the Court for renovation quotes to the District Attorney's office building located at 524 East Nopal Street. The quotes include; Painting submitted by NR Painting in the amount of \$2,100.00, Carpenter Installations submitted by Circle T Services in the amount of \$16,000.00, Floor Installation submitted by Circle T Services in the amount of \$15,000.00, Plumbing submitted by Coyote Plumbing in the amount of \$12,500.00 and Electrical submitted by Enrique Gallardo in the amount of \$14,995.36. All expenses are to be paid from Operation Lone Star Grant funding. Copies of all bids/proposals may be obtained from the office of the Uvalde County Judge William R. Mitchell.

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve all quotes as presented for renovations to the District Attorney's office building located at 524 East Nopal Street.

Seconded by Commissioner Garza.

Motion carried (4-0).

7. Consider and act upon award of bids:

County Consultant Carl Esser outlined to the Court the sole bid received for the purchase of four (4) 2022 Chevrolet Blazer vehicles from Cavender Auto Country for the District Attorney's Office in the total amount of \$141,133.57 for all four vehicles to be paid from Operation Lone Star Grant funding. Copies of all bids/proposals may be obtained from the office of the Uvalde County Judge William R. Mitchell.

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve award of bid to Cavender Auto Country.

Seconded by Commissioner Garza.

Motion carried (4-0).

8. Consider and act upon resolution in support of Community Project Funding request:

County Consultant Carl Esser requested consideration and approval from the Court on a resolution for submission of the fiscal year 2023 Community Project Funding Request to Congressman Tony Gonzales for funding under the Homeland Security Department Federal Emergency Management Agency, Emergency Operations Center Grants in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 for a new Emergency Operations Center facility for Uvalde County, Texas.

Motion by Commissioner Garza to approve resolution in support of Community Project Funding request.

Seconded by Commissioner Pargas.

Motion carried (4-0).

9. Consider and act upon Road Administrators Report:

Road Administrator Dee Kirkpatrick informed the Court that the Road Department bladed and patched roads throughout the county, watered the trees and grass on the county owned building at 524 East Nopal Street, hauled old equipment for auction. Mr. Kirkpatrick clarified agenda item #7 of the minutes dated March 28, 2022 on the award and purchase of a 20 ton road department trailer. The recommended trailer approved for purchase was not a Buy Board bid and was less expensive than the actual two (2) Buy Board proposals submitted for consideration.

Motion by Commissioner Pargas to approve the clarification and purchase of the 20 ton road department trailer as presented.

Seconded by Commissioner Bates.

Motion carried (4-0).

10. Consider and act upon line-item budget amendments:

County Auditor Alice Chapman outlined the line item budget amendments presented to the Court for consideration and approval.

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

Seconded by Commissioner Garza.

Motion carried (4-0). Exhibit A

11. Consider and act upon payment of bills:

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve payment of bills.
Seconded by Commissioner Yeackle.
Motion carried (4-0).

12. Consider and act upon payroll approval:

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve payroll.
Seconded by Commissioner Pargas.
Motion carried (4-0).

13. Consider and act upon 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 Garza.
Motion carried (4-0).

14. Consider and act upon resolutions/proclamations:

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

James Lee Hensarling †
Ines Roberto “Robert” Reyes †
Mary Jo Rodriguez †
Santos V. Ruiz, Jr. †
Beverly Streib †
Irene Young Triplett †

15. Executive Session (permitted by Section 551.071 Texas Government Code):

The Court entered into Executive Session (As permitted by Section 551.071, Texas Government Code) at 10:29 AM.

16. Convene in open session and take action, if any:

The Court reconvened into regular session at 10:37 AM after discussion of a possible lawsuit and pending litigation due to a fleet vehicle accident.
No action taken.

With no further business, the meeting of April 11, 2022 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 25th day of April, 2022, came to be heard the Uvalde County Commissioners Court Minutes of April 11, 2022 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