



MINUTES

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 23rd of October, 2023, 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 (via zoom)*
Mariano Pargas, *Commissioner Pct. #2*
Jerry W. Bates, *Commissioner Pct. #3*
Ronnie Garza, *Commissioner Pct. #4*
Donna M. Williams, *County Clerk and Clerk of
the Commissioners Court*

Also present were: *County Treasurer* Joni Deorsam, *County Tax-Assessor Collector* Rita Verstuyft, *County Auditor* Alice Chapman, and *County Road Administrator* Dee Kirkpatrick

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 October 23, 2023 to order at 10:00 AM, followed with the invocation, led the Pledge of Allegiance, and the Texas Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Consider and act upon approval of minutes:

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve the Minutes of October 10, 2023, as presented.
Motion seconded by Commissioner Pargas.
Motion unanimously carried (4-0). (See Attached)

3. Consider and act upon presentation of Hill Country River Region:

Erica Sagebeil, Executive Director of the Texas Hill Country River Region gave a presentation/update concerning activities and plans the organization has.
Public Participant Diana O. Karau requested to get measureable outcomes.

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve the presentation of Hill Country River Region.
Motion seconded by Commissioner Garza.
Motion unanimously carried (4-0). (See Attached)

4. Consider and act upon resolution in support of SB 22 grant application:

SB22 allows for certain prosecutors and certain law enforcement agencies to apply for financial assistance through grant assistance. Qualifying applications will need approval from the Court for submission to the state. County Auditor Alice Chapman outlined SB22 to the Court.

Motion by Commissioner Pargas to approve the resolution in support of SB 22 grant application.
Motion seconded by Commissioner Bates.
Motion unanimously carried (4-0). (See Attached)

5. Consider and act upon approval of election judges:

The Early Voting Judge approved by the Court at the last meeting indicated a desire not to serve. Therefore, a replacement needed approval by the Court. Uvalde County Elections Administrator Melissa Jones recommended the Court to approve Diana Olvedo- Karau.

Uvalde County Republican Chair Rhonda Vigil and Public Participant Diana Olvedo-Karau addressed the Court with their concerns regarding the election process in Uvalde County.

Motion by Commissioner Garza to approve Olvedo-Karau, as recommended by Election Admin.
Motion seconded by Commissioner Pargas.
Motion unanimously carried (4-0). (See Attached)

6. Consider and act upon approval of 2024 Uvalde County holiday schedule:

Motion by Commissioner Garza to approve 2024 Uvalde County holiday schedule.
Motion seconded by Commissioner Pargas.
Motion unanimously carried (4-0). (See Attached)

7. Consider and act upon Road Administrators Report:

Report by Road Administrator Dee Kirkpatrick.
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Motion by Commissioner Bates to accept Road Administrators Report.
Motion seconded by Commissioner Pargas.
Motion unanimously carried (4-0). (See Attached)

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

None presented. No action on this agenda item.

9. Consider and act upon approval of monthly reports:

Monthly reports that are on file for review in the County Clerk's office were presented to the court for consideration and approval.

Motion by Commissioner Garza to approve monthly reports.
Motion seconded by Commissioner Bates.
Motion unanimously carried (4-0). (See Attached)

10. Consider and act upon payment of bills:

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve payment of bills.
Motion seconded by Commissioner Pargas.
Motion unanimously carried (4-0). (See Attached)

11. Consider and act upon payroll approval:

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve payroll.
Motion seconded by Commissioner Garza.
Motion unanimously carried (4-0). (See Attached)

12. Consider and act upon resolutions/proclamations:

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

Juan M. De La Rosa †
Edwin R. Dulin, Jr. †
Stephen M. Kerbow †
Israel M. Martinez †
Maria Eutimia Ramos †
Nancy King Ham Rutledge †
Bobbie Jo Tanksley †
Dora Chapa Terrazas †
Evelyn K. Zalman †

With no further business, the meeting of October 23, 2023 was adjourned at 10:32 AM. Exhibits identified under a specific agenda item are included as supporting documentation of the actions taken by the Uvalde County Commissioners Court, and are placed after the minutes and before the page titled Commissioners Court Order.