



## MINUTES

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2021, 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, *Sheriff* Ruben Nolasco, *Tax Assessor-Collector* Rita Vertuyft, *County Auditor* Alice Chapman, *Elections Administrator* Melissa Jones and *Road Administrator* Dee Kirkpatrick.

Absent: John Dodson, *County Attorney*

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

The Honorable William R. Mitchell called the meeting of September 13, 2021 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 August 23, 2021.  
Seconded by Commissioner Pargas.  
Motion carried (4-0).

### **3. Consider and act upon approving employment of County Extension Agent-Ag/Natural Resources:**

District Extension Administrator Michael V. Hayes appeared before the Court to introduce Dr. Noel Troxclair as the finalist for the position of Uvalde County AgriLife Extension Agent-AG/Natural Resources.

Motion by Commissioner Pargas to accept the employment of Dr. Noel Troxclair as the Texas A&M AgriLife Uvalde County Extension Agent.  
Seconded by Commissioner Bates.  
Motion carried (4-0).

**4. Consider and act upon adopting optional road and bridge fee:**

Pursuant to Texas Transportation Code, Section 502.401 the Commissioners Court of a county, by order, may impose an additional Road/Bridge fee not to exceed \$10 for registering a vehicle in the county. Revenue must be credited to the county road and bridge fund.

Motion by Commissioner Pargas to adopt the optional \$10 Road/Bridge fee.

Seconded by Commissioner Bates.

Motion carried (4-0).

**5. Consider and act upon adopting optional school crossing fee:**

Pursuant to Texas Transportation Code, Section 502.403, the Court considered the imposition of a Child Safety Fee not to exceed \$1.50 for registering a vehicle in the county. Revenue must be used to enhance child safety.

Motion by Commissioner Garza not to adopt the optional school crossing fee.

Seconded by Commissioner Bates.

Motion carried (4-0).

**6. Consider and act upon lease agreement for Justice of the Peace, Pct. 2 office space:**

The Court considered a lease agreement with Michael Story for the office space in Sabinal for the Justice of the Peace, Pct. 2 Bobby G. McIntosh in the amount of \$1,100.00 per month for a period of twelve months beginning October 1, 2021 and ending on September 30, 2022.

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve lease agreement with Michael Story.

Seconded by Commissioner Garza.

Motion carried (4-0).

**7. Consider and act upon lease agreement for Justice of the Peace, Pct. 3 office space:**

The Court considered a lease agreement with Sterling Boyce for the office space in Utopia for the Justice of the Peace, Pct. 3 Ernie Moore in the amount of \$800.00 per month for a period of twelve months beginning October 1, 2021 and ending on September 30, 2022.

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve lease agreement with Sterling Boyce.

Seconded by Commissioner Yeackle.

Motion carried (4-0).

**8. Consider and act upon lease agreement for County Attorney office space:**

The Court considered lease agreement with John P. Dodson and wife, Kyla J. Dodson for the office space of the Uvalde County Attorney John P. Dodson in the amount of \$1,657.90 per month for a period of twelve months beginning October 1, 2021 and ending on September 30, 2022.

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve lease agreement with John P. Dodson and wife, Kyla J. Dodson.

Seconded by Commissioner Pargas.

Motion carried (4-0).

**9. Consider and act upon award of county morgue bid:**

The Court considered two bids/proposals for "Bid No. 2021-01 County Morgue" for a term of one year beginning October 1, 2021 and ending on September 30, 2022 for per pauper burial submitted by Hillcrest Memorial Funeral Home with a fee in the amount of \$650.00 per case and Rushing Estes Knowles Mortuary, Inc in the amount of \$0 zero dollars.

Motion by Commissioner Bates to award the county morgue bid to Rushing Estes Knowles Mortuary, Inc.

Seconded by Commissioner Yeackle.

Motion carried (4-0).

Copies of bids/proposals may be obtained from the office of the Uvalde County Judge.

**10. Consider and act upon award of bid for use of land at US 83 and CR 350:**

The Court considered a bid/proposal received from River Rim Resort for the lease of 1.54 acres owned by the County of Uvalde located at the intersection of Highway 83 and County Road 350 at a rate in the amount of \$1,100.00 per year for a period of a twelve months beginning on October 1, 2021 and ending on September 30, 2022.

Motion by Commissioner Bates to award the bid/proposal of the Highway 83/CR 350 Intersection to River Rim Resort.

Seconded by Commissioner Garza.

Motion carried (4-0).

Copies of bids/proposals may be obtained from the office of the Uvalde County Judge.

**11. Consider and act upon resolution adopting county commissioners single member voting precinct:**

The 2020 United States Census data indicates Uvalde County Commissioners Precincts do not comply with the constitutional one person one vote rule. The Court considered four commissioner precinct redistricting plan (Plan A, Plan B, Plan B Modified and Plan D) proposals with no more than 10% top to bottom deviation as presented by county consultant Rolando Rios and Associates.

Motion by Commissioner Bates to adopt Plan A as the new voting precincts for use by Uvalde County in all elections after this date.

Seconded by Commissioner Pargas.

Motion carried (3-2) with Commissioner Yeackle and Commissioner Garza voting against this motion and Judge Mitchell voting in favor of this motion.

**12. Consider and act upon Road Administrators Report:**

Road Administrator Dee Kirkpatrick informed the Court that the Road Department worked on blading roads, cutting and mowing right of ways, patching roads and replacing missing road signs throughout the county.

No action taken.

**13. Consider and act upon line item budget amendments:**

The county auditor submitted proposed line item budget amendments to the Court for consideration and approval.

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

Seconded by Commissioner Pargas.

Motion carried (4-0). Exhibit A

**14. Consider and act upon payroll approval:**

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

**15. Consider and act upon approval of monthly reports:**

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

**16. Consider and act upon payment of bills:**

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

**17. Consider and act upon resolutions/proclamations:**

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

Charles Bataglia †  
Susana Canales †  
Rachel Cano †  
Maria Zamora Gardea †  
Jordy Gonzales †  
Harold Henkel †  
Richard Hinojosa †  
Martin Morales †  
Carlos Ramos †  
Israel Saiz †  
Michael Swift †  
Joe Melendez Torres †  
Alberta "Penny" Wimberly †  
Lois M. Yeackle †  
Sheriff Robert Ynclan †

With no further business, the meeting of September 13, 2021, 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.



COUNTY OF UVALDE  
FYE 09/30/2022

COMMISSIONERS COURT MEETING

SEPTEMBER 13 2021



TRANSFERS AND/OR AMENDMENTS

LINE ITEM	TYPE OF ACCOUNT	NAME OF ACCOUNT	CURRENT BUDGET	AMENDED BUDGET	INCREASE DECREASE	TRANSFER FROM AMENDED	Comment
010-479-797	EXPENSE	CA SALARY - LEGAL ASSISTANT (RB)	\$ 44,684.88	\$ 41,684.88	\$ (3,000.00)	NA	KEY IN ERROR
010-512-797	EXPENSE	MAINTENANCE OLD JAIL (HL) (RG)	\$ 3,389.76	\$ 3,559.20	\$ 169.44	REVENUE OFFSET	KEY IN ERROR
010-571-709	EXPENSE	JAIL SALARY -POD OFFICER	\$ 33,803.00	\$ 35,492.88	\$ 1,689.88	REVENUE OFFSET	KEY IN ERROR
010-571-961	EXPENSE	JAIL SALARY -POD OFFICER	\$ 33,803.00	\$ 35,492.88	\$ 1,689.88	REVENUE OFFSET	KEY IN ERROR
010-335-310	REVENUE	JAIL RECORDS SEARCH	\$ 100.00	\$ 649.00	\$ 549.00	REVENUE ADJMT	

FILED

This 13 day of September A.D. 2021

at 9:50 o'clock A M

VALERIE DEL TORO ROMERO

County Clerk, Uvalde County, Texas

By: Valerie Del Toro Romero  
Uvalde County Clerk

**COMMISSIONERS COURT ORDER**

On this the 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2021, came to be heard the Uvalde County Commissioners Court Minutes of September 13, 2021 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. Mitcheli, County Judge

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John Yeackle, Commissioner Pct. #1

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Mariano Pargas, Jr., Commissioner Pct. #2

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Jerry W. Bates, Commissioner Pct. #3

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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