SOUTH PLAINS ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS HYBRID MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 11, 2026

MINUTES

Be it remembered that the Board of Directors of South Plains Association of Governments met at 10:00 A.M., Tuesday, August 11, 2026, in the SPAG Board Room, 6811 Indiana Avenue, Suite B, Lubbock, Texas.

☑ Executive Committee Members and Board Members who were present:

- ☑ Baldridge, Sharla - EC
- ☑ Betts, Tina - EC
- ☑ Braddock, Mike
- ☑ Brendle, Kevin - EC
- Bruegel, David
- ☑ Cate, Blake - EC
- Collins, Tim
- Corley, Jason
- Dalby, Mike
- Daniel, Duane
- ☑ DeLoach, Mike - EC
- ☑ Forbes, Rusty
- ☑ Greene, Darin
- Harris, Gordon
- ☑ Henry, Pat S.
- ☑ Howard, Natalie
- ☑ Lopez, Armando
- ☑ Lucke, Marty
- Martinez, Mario
- Martinez-Garcia, Christy - EC
- ☑ Meador, Jim - EC
- ☑ Mull, David
- Murillo, Tommy
- ☑ Norman, Lee
- ☑ Parrish, Curtis - EC
- Perry, Charles
- Price, Floyd - EC
- Rackler, Jordan
- ☑ Sawyer, Clinton
- ☑ Serbantez, Tony
- ☑ Shaw, Cary
- ☑ Shaw, Clifton
- ☑ Slayden, Mike
- ☑ Starnes, Charles - EC
- ☑ Stueart, Michael
- ☑ Vige, Carmen
- Wilson, Jennifer
- ☑ Ybarra, Michael
- ☑ Zinn, Lori

STAFF PRESENT:

Kelly Criswell	Valerie Velazquez
Belinda Solis	Liz Castro
Michael Madrid	Tamer Mahmoud
Monica Canales	Ashlyn Brown
GayLynn Mosher	Chelsey Baldivia
Laura Smith	Cissy Vidaurre
Nathan Campos	

CALL TO ORDER
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
PRAYER

President Mike DeLoach called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M.

B-462-26 President Mike DeLoach opened the floor to receive Public Comment from citizens to address the Board concerning an issue of interest that is posted on the agenda for the meeting. No Public Comments were received.

B-463-26 A motion was made by Michael Steuart, seconded by Tony Serbantez and unanimously approved the minutes and ratification of the actions taken at the July 14, 2026, meeting.

B-464-26 A motion was made by Jim Meador, seconded by Cliff Shaw and unanimously approved the Financial Reports for the month of June 2026.

B-465-26 Presentation by Brian Melkian, President, Lubbock Entryway on the project to create iconic gateway landmarks at Lubbock's major entrances.

B-466-26 Recognition of Ayda Martinez for her 25 Years of Service to the South Plains Association of Governments.

B-467-26 A motion was made by Jim Meador, seconded by Blake Cate and unanimously approved the proposed revisions to the SPAG Annual Membership Dues and recommended for adoption at the SPAG Annual General Assembly Meeting.

B-468-26 A motion was made by David Mull, seconded by Marty Lucke and unanimously approved to recommend approval of the FY 2027 Financial Plan to the SPAG General Assembly.

B-469-26 A motion was made by Tony Serbantez, seconded by Mike Braddock, and unanimously approved the proposed revisions to the SPAG Bylaws and recommended for adoption at the SPAG Annual General Assembly Meeting.

B-470-26 Presentation on Transportation Commuter Demand Model Project Results by Martin Lucero, Lubbock Metropolitan Planning Organization and Chelsey Baldivia, SPAG.

B-471-26 A motion was made by Blake Cate, seconded by Clinton Sawyer and unanimously approved the Memorandum of Understanding between SPAG 211 and Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) programs and Texas Tech University Department of Social Work, Lubbock, Texas.

B-472-26 A motion was made by Tina Betts, seconded by Tony Serbantez and unanimously approved the Interlocal Governmental Cooperation Contract between SPAG 211 Texas Permian Basin and Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission Area Agency on Aging (PBRPC AAA) for Outreach services.

B-473-26 A motion was made by Kevin Brendle, seconded by Marty Lucke and unanimously approved the SPAG 211 program after-hours coverage agreement.

B-474-26 A motion was made by Clinton Sawyer, seconded by Michael Steuart and unanimously approved the exploration of formation of 501c3 entity.

B-475-26 A motion was made by Blake Cate, seconded by Cliff Shaw and unanimously approved the approval of the FY2027 Salary Schedule.

B-476-26 A motion was made by Jim Meador, seconded by Tony Serbantez and unanimously approved the election of SPAG FY2027 Officers:

- President, Mayor Blake Cate, City of Anton
- 1st Vice President, Judge Curtis Parrish, Lubbock County
- 2nd Vice President, Mayor Charles Starnes, City of Plainview
- 3rd Vice President, Judge Sharla Baldridge, Hockley County
- 4th Vice President, Councilmember Christy Martinez-Garcia, City of Lubbock
- Secretary, Judge Kevin Brendle, Dickens County
- Treasurer, Mayor ProTem Michael Steuart, City of Levelland
- Immediate Past President, Judge Mike DeLoach, Lamb County

B-477-26 A motion was made by Clinton Sawyer, seconded by Mike Braddock and unanimously approved the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee (CJAC) 2026 Criminal Justice Strategic Plan.

B-478-26 A motion was made by Clinton Sawyer, seconded by Michael Steuart and unanimously approved the 2027 - 2028 Community Development Fund TxCDBG Project Priorities for the SPAG Region.

B-479-26 Staff Reports

- Chelsey Baldivia provided an update on the upcoming CDBG Funding opportunities opening in the Fall of 2026.
- Chelsey Baldivia provided an update on the SPAG Homeland Security Program and the required Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) and Emergency Support Function (ESF).
- Kelly Criswell gave an overview of the SPAG Regional Roadshow showcasing Terry County.
- Kelly Criswell announced the 59th SPAG Annual General Assembly Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, September 9th at the Science Spectrum.

Minutes Read and Approved on the 13th day of October 2026.

Blake Cate, President

Kelly Criswell, Executive Director