

**MINUTES  
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION  
OCTOBER 14, 2020  
FLORENCE, TX**

The Public Safety Commission met in Florence, Texas on October 14, 2020. Attending the meeting were Chairman Steven Mach, Commissioners Nelda Blair, Steve Stodghill and Dale Wainwright. Limited DPS staff members and guests were also present.

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mach at 1:02 p.m. Proper notice had been posted.

**INVOCATION**

Invocation was given by Chaplain Ferman Carpenter.

**PLEDGES**

Pledge of Allegiance to the US Flag and Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag were led by Corporal Joey Van Gundy.

**EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION AND VARIOUS AWARD PRESENTATIONS. NO  
SUBSTANTIVE AGENCY ACTION IS ANTICIPATED.**

**Service Awards**

James Brazil – 30 years  
Elaine Dilligard – 30 years  
Freeman Martin – 30 years  
Heather Parker – 30 years  
Barry Thornton – 30 years  
John Vigil – 30 years  
Roberto Davis – 35 years  
Lora Beshears – 40 years  
Jeffrey Sones – 45 years

**Javier Arana Top Trooper Awards**

Corporal Shana Clark  
Trooper Aaron Jones

**Purple Heart**

Trooper Charles Pryor

**Medal of Valor**

Trooper Melina Justiss

Trooper Justin Basso

**Lifesaving Award**

Texas Ranger Captain Wayne Matthews

Trooper Matthew Strube

Trooper Sean Smith

Trooper Matthew Beard

Sergeant Phillip Davis

Trooper Brent Taylor

Lieutenant Pilot Robert Messenger, Jr.

Sergeant Kolton Kendall

Sergeant Aaron Frazier

Trooper James Shoemaker

**Director's Award**

Police Officer Wesley Davis

Game Warden Trent Marker

Game Warden Cane Shumaker

**Unit Citation**

Criminal Investigations Division Squad 1A3

**ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

Read and approved this 10<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2020.

Steven P. Mach  
Chairman