March 11, 2024

On this the 11th day March A.D., 2024 at 9:30 o'clock A.M. came to be had a Regular Meeting of the Commissioners' Court of Ward County, Texas, held in the Commissioners' Courtroom in the County Courthouse of said County in the Town of Monahans with the following members present:

Greg Holly
Tino Sanchez
Commissioner Precinct No. 1
Absent
Commissioner Precinct No. 2
Dexter Nichols
Commissioner Precinct No. 3
Eddie Nelms
Commissioner Precinct No. 4

- (1) Judge Holly called the meeting to order.
- (2) Determination of a Quorum Judge Holly, Commissioners Sanchez, Nichols and Nelms were present. Commissioner Hanna was absent.
- (3) Judge Holly led the pledge and Commissioner Nichols offered the Invocation.
- (4) Motion made by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve the minutes for February 26, 2024.
- (5) WHEREAS, an emergency has arisen and a grave public necessity exits in the budgets of The GENERAL FUND, ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND, FARM TO MARKET ROAD FUND, COUNTY ATTORNEY CHECK FEES FUND, SHERIFF FORTEITURE FUND, D.A. FORTFEITURE FUND, D.A. SEIZURE FUND, COUNTY CLERK, RM&P FUND, D.A. RESTITUITION FUND, HOSPITAL MEDICAL BENEFITS FUND, WARD COUNTY EMPLOYEE MEDICAL BENEFITS FUND and the HOSPITAL OPERATING FUND, which could not be included in the original budget of 2024.

Motion made by Commissioner Sanchez, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve budget amendments for the county as follows:

					Change in Department
GENERAL FUND 010					
Facilities Superintendent	0155	Repairs/Maint	0420	1,000.00	1,000.00
Sheriff State Supplement SB22	0331	Vehicle Firearms/Safety Equipment	0551 0580	3,574.08 -3,574.08	0.00
Golf Course	0570	Course Improvements Equipment > 5,000 Netting	0432 0550 0564	-20,000.00 20,000.00 25,000.00	25,000.00
Monahans Ball Parks Revenue	0000	Transfer/Building Construction	7063	75,000.00	_0,000.00
Expense	0580	Ball Park Reno	0565	75,000.00	75,000.00
Barstow Park	0590	Park Improvements	0432	21,094.50	21,094.50
Permanent Improvements	0850	Repairs/Bldg, Permanent Improvement	ei 0421	-26,000.00	-26,000.00
Increase to General fund revenue for \$75,000 and an increase to expenses in the amount of \$ 96,094.50.					
BUILDING CONSTRUCTION/ RENOVATION FUND 063					
Expense	0000	Transfer to General	7010	75,000.00	

Increase to Building Construction/Renovation Fund expense for \$75,000.

- (6) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Nichols and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve payment of the county's bills.
- (7) Motion made by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve officers' reports.
- (8) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Nichols and unanimously adopted by the Court approving outdoor burn ban.
- (9) Motion made by Commissioner Sanchez, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court approving education hours for the County Clerk.
- (10) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and unanimously adopted by the Court granting exemption from bidding and approving repairs to golf course netting.
- (11) Motion made by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court granting exemption from bidding and approving agreement with Beyond Engineering and Testing for construction testing and observation services at the new sheriff's office and jail.
- (12) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Nichols and unanimously adopted by the Court approving grant agreement with comptroller for salary assistance grant in the sheriff's office.
- (13) Motion made by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and unanimously adopted by the Court approving request for additional funds [\$75,000] for renovations to the ballparks.
- (14) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Nichols and unanimously adopted by the Court to enact regulations for electioneering on county property.

- (15) Motion made by Judge Holly, seconded by Commissioner Nichols and unanimously adopted by the Court to award bid for freon to Roy Bean, in the amount of \$100.00.
- (16) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and unanimously adopted by the Court to acknowledge canvass of the election returns for March 5,2024 primary elections.
- (17) Motion made by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and unanimously adopted by the Court to adjourn at 10:10 a.m.