August 12, 2024

On this the 12th day of August 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	County Judge
Tino Sanchez	Commissioner Precinct No. 1
Larry Hanna	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, Commissioner Sanchez, Hanna, Nichols, and Nelms were present.
- (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 July 22, 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 and hospital as follows:

WHEREAS, an emergency has arisen, and a grave public necessity exists in the budget which could not be included in the original budget of 2024.

THEREFORE, the Commissioners' Court, in its meeting of August 12, 2024, will consider an amendment to the current budget as follows:

Change in Department

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GENERAL FUND OF	U				
Courthouse Annex	0165	Longevity Wages, Part Time	0155 0179	150.00 -150.00	0.00
Sundry	0170	PBRPC Sundry	0484 0735	200.00	0.00
District Clerk	0220	Supplies Records Management	0250 0270	500.00 -500.00	0.00
Sheriff	0330	Uniforms Donation Expense	0285 0763	800.00 -1,400.00	-600.00
Jail Expense	0340	Uniforms	0285	600.00	600.00
Barstow Community Center	0510	Utilities Utility, Electric Repairs/Maint Vehicle Maint/Fuel	0415 0418 0420 0780	1,000.00 -1,000.00 1,100.00 -1,100.00	0.00
Grandfalls Community Center	0520	Repairs/Maint Fuel	0420 0775	100.00 -100.00	0.00
Pyote Community Center	0540	Refund	0730	350.00	350.00
Golf Course	0570	Equipment > 5,000 Equipment Leases	0550 0625	2,005.09 -2,005.09	0.00
Recreation Department	0575	Utilities Utility, Water Utility, Gas	0415 0416 0417	-250.00 -250.00 500.00	0.00
Landscaping Department	0579	Wages, Temporary	0179	2,925.00	2,925.00
Monhans Ball Parks	0580	Repairs/Maint	0420	1,000.00	1,000.00
Pyote Park	0610	Repairs/Maint/Supplies Fertilizer	0420 0760	1,610.00 -1,000.00	610.00

Wickett Park	0620	Fertilizer	0760	-1,000.00	-1,000.00
Monahans Pool	0670	Repairs/Maint Equipment < 5,000	0420 0552	400.00 -400.00	0.00
Pyote Pool	0680	Wages, Pyote Lifeguards Social Security Supplies Refunds	0181 0235 0250 0730	170.00 15.00 -610.00 -350.00	-775,00
Wickett Pool	0690	Wages, Wickett Lifeguards Social Security	0181 0235	-1,510.00 -15.00	-1,525.00
Barstow Library	0700	Wages, Part Time	0180	-2,010.00	-2,010.00
Decrease to General fund expenses in the amount of \$ 425.00.					
ROAD AND BRIDGE 015					
Precinct 1	0001	Wages, Part Time	0180	2,010.00	2,010.00
Precinct 4	0004	Wages, Part Time	0180	-1,585.00	-1,585.00

Increase to Road and Bridge fund expense in the amount of \$ 425.00

DATE:

August 8, 2024

TO:

Greg Holly, County Judge

FROM:

Leticia C. Rodriguez

RE:

Budget Amendment

Whereas, an emergency has arisen, and a grave public necessity exists in the budget of the Hospital Operating Fund, which necessity is due to unforeseen conditions, which could not be included in the original budget for the year 2024.

Therefore, the Commissioners' Court in its meeting of August 12, 2024 will consider an amendment to the current budget as follows:

Revenue Grants	Acct No. 0000-4307	31,500.00
Expense Audit License/Fees Rental/Equipment	Acet No. 0000-0460 0000-0487 0000-0632	25,000.00 1,500.00 5,000.00

- (6) Motion made by Commissioner Hanna, seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve payment of the county's bills.
- (7) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Nichols 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 to approve new part-time position for Mental Health Counselor at the Sandhills Family Clinic and part-time positions for physical therapy assistants at the hospital.
- (9) Motion made by Commissioner Hanna, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court approving bond and oath for the county clerk.
- (10) Motion made by Commissioner Sanchez, seconded by Commissioner Nichols and unanimously adopted by the Court acknowledging the district court's order concerning compensation for the county auditor and assistant auditors for 2025.
- (11) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Hanna and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve guidelines for indigent healthcare program.
- (12) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Nichols and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve Brazos Delaware Gas request to cross CR128 for pipeline purposes.
- (13) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Hanna and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve agreement with Winkler County regarding housing of Ward County inmates.
- (14) Motion made by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve change order for seal coating of roads in Precinct 3 [CTIF].

- (15) Motion made by Commissioner Hanna, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court approving reallocation of funds within jail construction project [PCCO#001].
- (16) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Nichols and unanimously adopted by the Court approving 2025 vehicle registration fees.
- (17) Consider approving for filing plats of Arrowhead and Paloma Blanca subdivisions. No action taken.
- (18) Discuss Competitive Power Ventures, Inc. application for tax abatement. No action taken.
- (19) Motion made by Judge Holly, seconded by Commissioner Hanna and unanimously adopted by the Court to vote for a proposed tax rate of \$0.69 [sixty-nine cents] per \$100 .00 [one hundred dollars] valuation tax rate.
- (20) Motion made by Judge Holly, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court to schedule a public hearing on tax increase for August 26, 2024, at 9:30 a.m.
- (21) Motion made by Judge Holly, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court to schedule a public hearing on 2025 Budget for August 26, 2024, at 9:30 a.m.
- (22) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Nichols and unanimously adopted by the Court to adjourn 10:30 a.m.