

August 11, 2025

On this the 11th day of August A.D., 2025 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
Guy Thames	Commissioner Precinct No. 1
Larry Hanna	Commissioner Precinct No. 2
Billy Redmon	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 Thames, Hanna, Nelms and Redmon were present.
- (3) Judge Holly led the pledge and offered the Invocation.
- (4) Motion made by Commissioner Hanna, seconded by Commissioner Thames and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve the minutes for July 28th, 2025.
- (5) WHEREAS, an emergency has arisen and a grave public necessity exists in the budgets of The GENERAL FUND, ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND, FARM TO MARKET ROAD FUND, COUNTY ATTORNEY CHECK FEES FUND, SHERIFF FORFEITURE FUND, D.A. FORFEITURE FUND, D.A. SEIZURE FUND, COUNTY CLERK, RM&P FUND, D.A. RESTITUTION 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 2025.

Motion made by Commissioner Thames, seconded by Commissioner

Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve budget

amendments for the county 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 2025.

THEREFORE, the Commissioners' Court, in its meeting of August 11, 2025, will consider an amendment to the current budget as follows:

					Change in Department
GENERAL FUND 010					
Jail Expense	0340	Inmate Housing	0704	3,000.00	
		State Prisoner Expense	0711	<u>-3,000.00</u>	0.00
Landscaping Department	0579	Wages, Temporary	0179	<u>-1,850.00</u>	-1,850.00
Monahans Ball Parks	0580	Utility, Electric	0418	<u>5,000.00</u>	5,000.00
Grandfalls Pool	0660	Telephone	0375	-500.00	
		Repairs/Maint	0420	50.00	
		Refunds	0730	<u>450.00</u>	0.00
Pyote Pool	0680	Wages, Pyote Lifeguards	0181	2,300.00	
		Social Security	0235	200.00	
		Telephone	0375	-500.00	
		Refunds	0730	<u>-500.00</u>	1,500.00
Wickett Pool	0690	Supplies	0250	-1,000.00	
		Refunds	0730	<u>-500.00</u>	-1,500.00
Permanent Improvements	0850	Repairs/Bldg, Permanent Improvements	0421	-10,600.00	
		Community Center	0572	<u>5,600.00</u>	-5,000.00
Decrease to General Fund for \$1,850.00					

DA FORFEITURE FUND 026

Expense	0000	Overtime Wages	0170	-4,950.00	
		Auto Allowance	0210	-2,000.00	
		Supplies	0250	3,500.00	
		Telephone	0375	-4,000.00	
		Repairs/Maint	0420	7,000.00	
		Equipment > 5,000	0550	300.00	
		Vehicle Maint/Fuel	0780	<u>150.00</u>	0.00
Border Prosecution	0071	Salary, BPU Asst. District Atty	0132	-47,240.00	
		Salary, BPU Investigator	0133	1,400.00	
		Salary, BPU Discovery Clerk	0136	-20,000.00	
		Salary, BPU Legal Assistant	0137	1,550.00	
		Longevity	0155	-1,500.00	
		Auto Allowance	0210	-1,098.00	
		Social Security	0235	-2,000.00	
		Retirement	0238	-3,500.00	
		Software	0441	<u>72,388.00</u>	0.00

No change to DA Forfeiture Fund expense.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND 015

Precinct 4	0004	Wages, Part Time	0180	<u>1,850.00</u>	1,850.00
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Increase to Road & Bridge Fund for \$1,850.00

- (6) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Hanna and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve payment of the county's bills.
- (7) Motion made by Commissioner Hanna, seconded by Commissioner Thames and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve officers' reports.
- (8) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Thames and unanimously adopted by the Court approving deputation for the sheriff's office.
- (9) Motion made by Commissioner Thames, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court acknowledging appointment of assistant auditor.
- (10) Motion made by Commissioner Redmon, seconded by Commissioner Hanna and unanimously adopted by the Court approving oath of Assistant District Attorney.
- (11) Motion made by Commissioner Hanna, seconded by Commissioner Thames and unanimously adopted by the Court approving list of presiding and alternate judges for elections.
- (12) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Hanna and unanimously adopted by the Court approving order of special election.
- (13) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Thames and unanimously adopted by the Court approving 2026 vehicle registration fees, with no changes from prior year.
- (14) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Hanna and unanimously adopted by the Court to propose a tax rate of \$0.69 [sixty-nine cents] per \$100.00 [one hundred dollars] valuation.

- (15) Motion made by Judge Holly, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court to schedule public hearing on 2026 budget on August 25, 2025 at 9:30 a.m.
- (16) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Hanna and unanimously adopted by the Court to adjourn at 10:03 a.m.