

August 25, 2025

On this the 25th 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 Commissioner Hanna offered the Invocation.
- (4) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Thames and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve the minutes for August 11th, 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

Hanna 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 2025.

THEREFORE, the Commissioners' Court, in its meeting of August 25, 2025, will consider an amendment to the current budget as follows:

					Change in Department
GENERAL FUND 010					
Justice of the Peace #1	0250	Supplies/Records Management Travel	0250	-720.00	0.00
			0400	<u>720.00</u>	
County Attorney	0280	Supplies Office Expense	0250	100.00	0.00
			0370	<u>-100.00</u>	
Indigent Healthcare	0400	Ward Memorial	0671	<u>100,000.00</u>	100,000.00
Grandfalls Community Center	0520	Repairs/Maint Refunds	0420	100.00	0.00
			0730	<u>-100.00</u>	
Landscaping Department	0579	Wages, Temporary Supplies	0179	500.00	0.00
			0250	<u>-500.00</u>	
Event Center Park	0605	Supplies, Event Center Park Repairs/Maint	0250	-500.00	0.00
			0420	<u>500.00</u>	
Grandfalls Pool	0660	Equipment < 5,000 Refunds	0552	-100.00	0.00
			0730	<u>100.00</u>	
Monahans Pool	0670	Wages, Monahans Lifeguard Social Security Supplies Repairs/Maint	0181	560.00	0.00
			0235	45.00	
			0250	380.00	
			0420	<u>-985.00</u>	
Pyote Pool	0680	Wages, Pyote Lifeguards Social Security Repairs/Maint Refunds	0181	890.00	2,207.00
			0235	45.00	
			0420	22.00	
			0730	<u>1,250.00</u>	
Wickett Pool	0690	Wages, Pyote Lifeguards Social Security Supplies Telephone Refunds	0181	-240.00	-820.00
			0235	-20.00	
			0250	-510.00	
			0375	-500.00	
			0730	<u>450.00</u>	
Permanent Improvements	0850	Repairs/Bldg, Permanent Improvements	0421	<u>-100,000.00</u>	-100,000.00
Decrease to General Fund for \$1,850.00					

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND 015

Precinct 4	0004	Salary, Elected Offical	0130	-2,137.00	
		Wages, Part Time	0180	<u>750.00</u>	
					-1,387.00

Decrease to Road & Bridge Fund for \$1,387.00

PCT 1 ROADS FUND 091

Precinct 1	0001	Equipment > 5,000	0550	192,475.00	
		Wages, Part Time	0180	<u>-192,475.00</u>	
					0.00

No change to Pct 1 Roads Fund.

DATE: August 21, 2025
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 2025.

Therefore, the Commissioners' Court in its meeting of August 25, 2025, will consider an amendment to the current budget as follows:

<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Acct No.</u>	
Grants	0000-4307	25,500.00
<u>Expense</u>	<u>Acct No.</u>	
Postage	0000-0366	500.00
Maint/Software	0000-0441	25,000.00

2026 Budget
Changes to Proposed Budget

				Proposed Budget	Adjusted Budget
GENERAL FUND 010					
Revenue	0000	Ad Valorem Taxes	4100	41,622,737.18	41,353,568.69
		Salary Supplement, Co Atty	4303	23,333.00	29,167.00
Expense	0280	State Supplement	0156	23,333.00	29,167.00
ROAD & BRIDGE 015					
Revenue	0000	Ad Valorem Taxes	4100	2,427,993.00	2,412,291.51
FARM TO MARKET ROAD 017					
Revenue	0000	Ad Valorem Taxes	4100	3,810,020.31	3,788,451.09

- (6) Motion made by Commissioner Hanna, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve payment of the county's bills.
- (7) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Thames and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve officers' reports.
- (8) Review current month's financial report for the hospital. No action taken.
- (9) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Hanna and unanimously adopted by the Court approving treasurer's monthly report.
- (10) Motion made by Commissioner Hanna, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court approving deputation for the sheriff's office.
- (11) Motion made by Commissioner Hanna, seconded by Commissioner Redmon and unanimously adopted by the Court approving resolution for 2026 Indigent Defense Grant Program.
- (12) Motion made by Commissioner Hanna, seconded by Commissioner Thames and unanimously adopted by the Court approving guidelines for indigent healthcare program.
- (13) Motion made by Commissioner Thames, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court approving part time wages up to \$2,500.00 [two thousand five hundred dollars] for janitorial services at the courthouse.
- (14) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Thames and unanimously adopted by the Court acknowledging the district court's order concerning compensation for the county auditor and assistant auditors for 2026.

- (15) Motion made by Commissioner Thames, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court approving Matador Production Company request to cross CR 148 for pipeline purposes.
- (16) Motion made by Commissioner Redmon, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve contracts for secure and non-secure placement of juveniles together with other professional services contracts for the juvenile probation department.
- (17) Motion made by Commissioner Hanna, seconded by Commissioner Redmon and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve contract with West Texas Centers regarding the Ward County Mental Health Center.
- (18) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Thames and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve grant for funding of Flock Safety surveillance system.
- (19) Hear from Haley Cowley and Josh Blaneck with the Extension Office. No action taken.
- (20) Public Hearing on 2026 budget opened to the public at 9:55 a.m. No response. Hearing was closed.
- (21) Motion made by Judge Holly to adopt the 2026 budget with changes that were presented, Commissioner Nelms seconded and unanimously adopted by the Court.
- (22) Motion made by Judge Holly to set tax rate at the same level as previous year at \$0.69 per \$100 valuation, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court.
- (23) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Thames and unanimously adopted by the Court to adjourn at 10:00 a.m.