

February 10, 2025

On this the 10th day of February 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, Redmon and Nelms were present.
- (3) Judge Holly led the pledge and Commissioner Thames offered the Invocation.
- (4) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Thames and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve the minutes for January 27^h, 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 Hanna, 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 February 10, 2025, will consider an amendment to the current budget as follows:

					Change in Department
GENERAL FUND 010					
Sundry	0170	PBRPC	0484	<u>200.00</u>	200.00
County Attorney	0280	Supplies	0250	<u>-410.00</u>	0.00
		Equipment < 5,000	0552	<u>410.00</u>	
Sheriff	0330	Repeater Upgrade	0567	<u>4,821.00</u>	4,821.00
Permanent Improvements	0850	Repairs/Bldg., Permanent Improvemer	0421	<u>-200.00</u>	-200.00

Increase to General Fund expense for \$4,821.00

BUILDING CONSTRUCTION/RENOVATION FUND 063

Expense	0000	Law Enforcement Center	0558	<u>6,000,000.00</u>	6,000,000.00
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Increase to Building Construction/Renovation Fund expense for \$4,062,436.73

PCT 4 ROADS FUND 094

Expense	0000	Equipment > 5,000	0550	<u>196,830.00</u>	0.00
		Road Repairs & Equipment	0790	<u>-196,830.00</u>	

No change to Pct 4 Roads Fund expense

MED/SURG RENOVATION 073

Expense	0000	Renovations	0566	<u>6,480,490.38</u>	6,480,490.38
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Increase to Med/Surg Renovation expense for \$6,480,490.38

- (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 Thames, seconded by Commissioner Hanna 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 to seek bids for the county depository contract and the depository for the registry funds held by the county and district clerks.
- (9) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Hanna and unanimously adopted by the Court approving contract with AirMedCare for air ambulance service.
- (10) Motion made by Commissioner Thames, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court approving change order for additional work on CR160 [CTIF].
- (11) Consider approving agreement with Texas Gas Service Company for gas pipeline construction at the new sheriff's office and jail. No action taken.
- (12) Motion made by Commissioner Thames, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court approving revised fee schedule for the golf course.
- (13) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Thames and unanimously adopted by the Court to establish 2025 grievance committee as follows:

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| 1. Frances Carter | 7. Natalie Jaquez | 13. Troy Lynn Ross | 19. Rebecca Ann Marquez |
| 2. Sheen Marie Squires | 8. Mario Flores Tavaréz | 14. Auden Calderon | 20. Brenda Gail Dunnam |
| 3. Hanna Elizabeth Herra | 9. Abel Rene Rodriguez | 15. Larry Todd Hunt | 21. Aurora Miguelita Sanchez |
| 4. Tania Patricia Hernandez | 10. Clifton Lee Armistead | 16. Montanna Rey Methvin | 22. Jasmine Ponce |
| 5. Sarah Alaine Flores | 11. Jerry Edward Bledsoe | 17. Jason Michael Vanek | 23. Saul Auden Armendariz |
| 6. Zachary Ryan Butler | 12. Charlotte B Bradford | 18. Ronald Dean Looney | 24. Barry Craig Calahan |

- (14) Motion made by Commissioner Thames, seconded by Commissioner Hanna and unanimously adopted by the Court granting petition for the creation of Ward County Hospital District and the levy of annual property taxes for hospital purposes at a rate not to exceed seventy-five cents (\$0.75) on each \$100 valuation of all taxable property in the district, and ordering an election for May 3, 2025 at regular polling places, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., with early voting on April 22, 2025 to April 25, 2025 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and April 28, 2025 to April 29, 2025 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Ward County Courthouse in the county clerk's office.
- (15) Motion made by Commissioner Thames, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court to adjourn at 10:10 a.m