

**May 27, 2025**

On this the 27<sup>th</sup> day of May 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:

<b>Greg Holly</b>	<b>County Judge</b>
<b>Guy Thames</b>	<b>Commissioner Precinct No. 1</b>
<b>Larry Hanna</b>	<b>Commissioner Precinct No. 2</b>
<b>Billy Redmon</b>	<b>Commissioner Precinct No. 3</b>
<b>Eddie Nelms</b>	<b>Commissioner Precinct No. 4</b>

- (1) Judge Holly called the meeting to order.
- (2) Determination of a Quorum – Judge Holly, Commissioner Thames, Hanna, Redmon and Nelms were present.
- (3) Kinzley Dutcher and Kora Canales led the pledge and Judge Holly offered the Invocation.
- (4) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Thames and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve the minutes for May 12<sup>th</sup>, 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 May 27, 2025, will consider an amendment to the current budget as follows:

					Change in Department
<b>GENERAL FUND 010</b>					
Juvenile Probation	0290	Repairs/Maint	0420	-125.00	
		Equipment < 5,000	0552	<u>125.00</u>	0.00
Sheriff	0330	Cell Phone	0374	320.00	
		Vehicle Maint/Fuel/ACO	0781	<u>-320.00</u>	0.00
Grandfalls Pool	0660	Repairs/Maint	0420	<u>5,000.00</u>	5,000.00
Permanent Improvements	0850	Repairs/Bldg, Permanent Improvements	0421	<u>-5,000.00</u>	-5,000.00

No change to General Fund Expense

#### ROAD & BRIDGE FUND 015

All Precincts	0010	Utility, Water	0416	1,000.00	
		Landfill Fees	0755	<u>-1,000.00</u>	0.00

No change to Road & Bridge Fund

#### DA FORFEITURE FUND 026

Expense	0000	Supplies	0250	5,000.00	
		Repair/Maint	0420	1,000.00	
		Equipment > 5,000	0550	<u>50,257.37</u>	56,257.37

Increase to DA Forfeiture Fund expense for \$ 56,257.37

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 May 27, 2025 will consider an amendment to the current budget as follows:

<u>Expense</u>	<u>Acct No.</u>	
Maint/Agreements	0000-0442	( 60,000.00)
Maint/Software	0000-0441	60,000.00

- (6) Motion made by Commissioner Hanna, seconded by Commissioner Thames and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve payment of the county's bills.
- (7) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Hanna and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve officers' reports.
- (8) Review current month's financial reports for the hospital. No action taken.
- (9) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Redmon and unanimously adopted by the Court approving treasurer's monthly report.
- (10) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Thames and unanimously adopted by the Court acknowledging appointment of assistant auditor.
- (11) Motion made by Commissioner Hanna, seconded by Commissioner Thames and unanimously adopted by the Court approving contract with Westlaw for online legal research.
- (12) Motion made by Commissioner Thames, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court approving contract with Pritchard & Abbot, Inc. for tax collection software.
- (13) Motion made by Commissioner Hanna, seconded by Commissioner Redmon and unanimously adopted by the Court approving contract with REMS AV for upgrades to the audio-visual system in the district courtroom.
- (14) Hear report from extension office. No action taken.
- (15) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Thames and unanimously adopted by the Court to adjourn at 10:00 a.m.