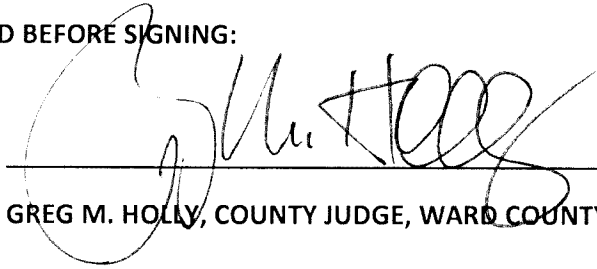
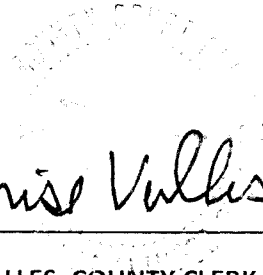
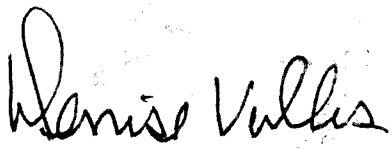


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GREG M. HOLLY, COUNTY JUDGE, WARD COUNTY, TEXAS

ATTEST:





DENISE VALLES, COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO CLERK OF COMMISSIONERS' COURT,
WARD COUNTY, TEXAS

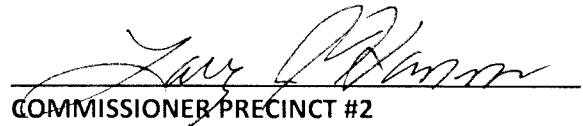
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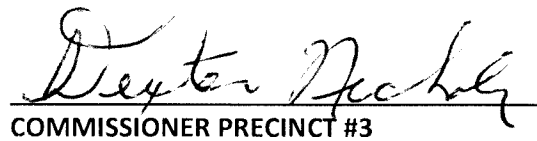
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COMMISSIONER PRECINCT #1



COMMISSIONER PRECINCT #2



COMMISSIONER PRECINCT #3



COMMISSIONER PRECINCT #4

August 14, 2023

On this the 14th day August A.D., 2023 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:

Judge 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 and Commissioners Sanchez, Hanna, Nichols and Nelms were present.
- (3) Judge Holly led the pledge and 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 24, 2023.
- (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 2023.

Motion made by Commissioner Sanchez, seconded by Commissioner Hanna and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve budget amendments for the county and hospital as follows:

HOSPITAL:		ACCOUNT	
<u>REVENUE:</u>	Donations	0000-4432	5,100.00
	Sundry	0000-4450	16,261.00
	Interest Earned	0000-4601	13,119.00
	Cost Report Settlement	0000-4701	90,620.00
<u>EXPENSE:</u>	Donations	0000-4432	5,100.00
	Consulting	0000-0466	20,000.00
	Equipment <5000	0000-0552	50,000.00
	Nursing Agency Fees	0000-0676	50,000.00

WHEREAS, an emergency has arisen, and a grave public necessity exists in the budget which could not be included in the original budget of 2023.

THEREFORE, the Commissioners' Court, in its meeting of August 14, 2023, will consider an amendment to the current budget as follows:

GENERAL FUND 010

Revenue	0000	Donations	7066	<u>3,000.00</u>
Auditor	0130	Supplies	0250	-325.00
		Equipment < 5,000	0552	<u>325.00</u>
Courthouse	0160	Equipment/Computer	0548	-6,500.00
		Equipment > 5,000	0550	<u>6,500.00</u>
District Court	0200	Salary, Court Reporter	0144	-840.00
		Longevity	0155	<u>840.00</u>
District Clerk	0220	Records Management	0271	-2,900.00
		Equipment < 5,000	0552	<u>2,900.00</u>
JP #1	0250	Salary, Staff	0136	-2,000.00
		Travel	0400	<u>2,000.00</u>
JP #2	0260	Salary, Staff	0136	-3,800.00
		Supplies	0250	500.00
		Records Mgmt	0270	-500.00
		Travel	0400	<u>3,800.00</u>
Juvenile Probation	0290	Office Renovation	0421	50,000.00
		Transfer/Juvenile Probation	7032	<u>-50,000.00</u>
Sheriff's Office	0330	Repairs/Maint	0420	-500.00
		Motorola	0442	<u>500.00</u>
Jail	0340	Repairs/Maint	0420	30,000.00
		State Prisoner Expense	0711	<u>100,000.00</u>
Senior Citizens	0430	Wages, Program Aide Temp.	0182	9,000.00
		Social Security	0235	<u>690.00</u>
Coliseum	0500	Repairs/Maint	0420	<u>23,100.00</u>

Wickett CC	0560	Salary, Wickett CC Refunds	0136 0730	-200.00 <u>200.00</u>
Monahans B/P	0580	Wages, Temporary Repairs/Maint	0179 0420	-100.00 <u>100.00</u>
Grandfalls Pool	0660	Wages, Lifeguards Supplies Repairs/Maint	0181 0250 0420	-400.00 -400.00 <u>800.00</u>
Monahans Pool	0670	Wages, Lifeguards Social Security Supplies Repairs/Maint	0181 0235 0250 0420	5,800.00 450.00 -200.00 <u>200.00</u>
Pyote Pool	0680	Supplies Repairs/Maint	0250 0420	800.00 <u>-800.00</u>
Wickett Pool	0690	Supplies Repairs/Maint	0250 0420	800.00 <u>-800.00</u>
Library	0720	Donation Expense	0763	<u>3,000.00</u>
Extension Office	0800	Salary, Ag Agent Social Security	0132 0235	-14,800.00 <u>-1,140.00</u>
Permanent Improv.	0850	Repairs/Bldg	0421	<u>-153,100.00</u>

No change to General Fund expenses.

JURY FUND 011

Expenses	0000	Regional Public Defender	0299	<u>1,130.00</u>
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Increase to Jury Fund expenses in the amount of \$1,130.00.

EMS FUND 012

Expenses	0000	Advanced Data	0511	-5,000.00
		Equipment < 5,000	0552	<u>5,000.00</u>

No change to EMS Fund expenses.

ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND 015

Precinct 4	0004	Salary, Staff	0136	-10,000.00
		Wages, Part Time	0180	<u>10,000.00</u>

No change to Road and Bridge expenses.

PCT 1 ROADS FUND 091

Expenses	0000	Equipment > 5,000	0550	142,600.00
		Road Repairs	0790	<u>-142,600.00</u>

No change to Pct 1 Roads Fund expenses.

PCT 3 ROADS FUND 093

Expenses	0000	Equipment > 5,000	0550	23,760.00
		Road Repairs	0790	<u>-23,760.00</u>

No change to Pct 3 Roads Fund expenses.

PCT 4 ROADS FUND 094

Expenses	0000	Equipment > 5,000	0550	53,280.00
		Road Repairs	0790	<u>-53,280.00</u>

No change to Pct 4 Roads Fund expenses.

- (6) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve payment of the county's bills.
- (7) Motion made by Commissioner Hanna, seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve officers' reports.
- (8) Motion made by Commissioner Hanna, seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve full-time position and increase in rate of pay for sleep tech at the hospital.
- (9) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Nichols and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve anonymous donation for employee appreciation at the hospital.
- (10) Motion made by Commissioner Hanna, seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and unanimously adopted by the Court approving guidelines for indigent healthcare program.
- (11) Motion made by Commissioner Sanchez, seconded by Commissioner Hanna and unanimously adopted by the Court acknowledging audit for Juvenile Probation Account.
- (12) Motion made by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court approving deputation, oaths and bonds in the County Treasurer's office.
- (13) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Hanna and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve TexPool resolution amending authorized representatives.
- (14) Motion made by Commissioner Sanchez, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve sheriff's and constable's fees for 2024.
- (15) Motion made by Commissioner Sanchez, seconded by Commissioner Hanna and unanimously adopted by the Court approving contract with West Texas Centers for mental health services in the jail.

- (16) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Nichols and unanimously adopted by the Court approving contract with West Texas Centers for mental health evaluations and expert testimony.
- (17) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and unanimously adopted by the Court approving change order for roads grant (TIF).
- (18) Motion made by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court establishing 2024 vehicle registration fees.
- (19) Motion made by Commissioner Hanna, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court to accept resignation of County Attorney, effective August 31, 2023.
- (20) Motion made by Judge Holly, seconded by Commissioner Nelms to propose a Tax Rate of \$0.62 per \$100 valuation. Results: 5 For / 0 Against. Unanimously adopted.
- (21) Motion made by Judge Holly, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court to schedule Public Hearing on Tax Increase on Monday, August 28, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.
- (22) Motion made by Judge Holly, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court to schedule Public Hearing on 2024 Budget on Monday, August 28, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.
- (23) Motion made by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court to adjourn at 10:15 a.m.