

December 9, 2024

On this the 9th day of December A.D., 2024 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
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, Commissioner Sanchez, Hanna, Nichols, and Nelms were present.
- (3) Judge Holly led the pledge and Commissioner Hanna offered the Invocation.
- (4) Motion made by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve the minutes for November 25, 2024.
- (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 2024.

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:

Revenue:

Account Number

340B Pharmacy Program	0000-0253	50,000.00
Transfer/IGT/UPL Sweep	0000-7072	40,000.00

Expense:

Repairs/Maintenance	0000-0420	50,000.00
Transfer/IGT Funds	0000-7072	40,000.00

WHEREAS, an emergency has arisen, and a grave public necessity exists in the budget which could not be included in the original budget of 2024.

THEREFORE, the Commissioners' Court, in its meeting of December 9, 2024, will consider an amendment to the current budget as follows:

					Change in Department
GENERAL FUND 010					
Information Technology	0120	Salary-IT Assistant	0136	<u>-12,300.00</u>	-12,300.00
Facilities Superintendent	0155	Longevity	0155	<u>100.00</u>	100.00
Courthouse Annex	0165	Longevity	0155	20.00	
		Supplies	0250	1,500.00	
		Repairs/Maint	0420	<u>-1,520.00</u>	
Sundry	0170	Attorney Fees	0290	-450.00	
		Employee Recognition	0495	<u>450.00</u>	
District Court Expense	0200	Salary, Court Reporter	0144	-4,000.00	
		Salary, Court Administration	0145	400.00	
		Salary, Administrative Assistant	0146	300.00	
		Travel, Administrator	0403	<u>-700.00</u>	
District Clerk	0220	Supplies	0250	100.00	
		Record Management	0270	<u>-100.00</u>	
Justice of the Peace #2	0260	Equipment < 5,000	0552	960.00	960.00
Constable #1	0310	Supplies	0250	-200.00	
		Vehicle Maint/Fuel	0780	<u>200.00</u>	
Sheriff	0330	Salary, Chief Deputy	0139	6,100.00	
		Salary, Captain	0143	-52,200.00	
		Overtime Wages	0170	46,000.00	
		Overtime Longevity	0171	100.00	
		Uniforms	0285	1,500.00	
		Donation Expense	0763	<u>-1,500.00</u>	
Jail Expense	0340	Overtime Wages	0170	12,000.00	
		Overtime Longevity	0171	200.00	
		Repairs/Maint	0420	<u>20,000.00</u>	
Senior Citizen Center	0430	Repairs/Maint	0420	<u>1,500.00</u>	1,500.00
Barstow Community Center	0510	Utility, Electric	0418	500.00	
		Repairs/Maint	0420	<u>-500.00</u>	
Grandfalls Community Center	0520	Utilities	0415	100.00	
		Utility, Electric	0418	<u>-100.00</u>	
Ward County Event Center	0535	Supplies	0250	-500.00	
		Repairs/Maint	0420	500.00	
		Equipment > 5,000	0550	<u>32,800.00</u>	

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Pyote Community Center	0540	Utilities	0415	150.00	
		Utility, Electric	0418	<u>-150.00</u>	0.00
Recreation Department	0575	Utility, Gas	0417	700.00	
		Repairs/Maint	0420	<u>-700.00</u>	0.00
Landscaping Department	0579	Supplies	0250	-1,500.00	
		Landscape Expense	0761	<u>-1,300.00</u>	-2,800.00
Event Center Park	0605	Equipment < 5,000	0552	<u>2,800.00</u>	2,800.00
Pyote Park	0610	Refunds	0730	<u>150.00</u>	150.00
Wickett Park	0620	Refunds	0730	<u>-150.00</u>	-150.00
Ward County Museum Comple	0780	Utility, Gas	0417	150.00	
		Utility, Electric	0418	<u>-150.00</u>	0.00
4-H Rifle Barn	0820	Utility, Electric	0418	150.00	
		Repairs/Maint	0420	<u>-150.00</u>	0.00
Permanent Improvements	0850	Repairs/Bldg, Permanent Improvements	0421	<u>-55,260.00</u>	-55,260.00

Decrease to General Fund expense of \$4,000.00

JURY FUND 011

Expense	0000	Court Cost	0300	<u>4,000.00</u>	4,000.00
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Increase to Jury Fund expense of \$4,000.00

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE 012

Expense	0000	Repairs/Maint	0420	250.00	
		Vehicle Maint	0785	<u>-250.00</u>	0.00

No change to Emergency Medical Service Fund

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND 015

Precinct 4	0004	Supplies	0250	-1,050.00	
		Uniforms	0285	<u>1,050.00</u>	0.00

No change to Road & Bridge Fund

WMH IGT SWEEP ACCOUNT 072

Revenue	0000	Transfer/Hospital	7070	36,000.00	
Expense	0000	IGT Sweep Account	0695	<u>36,000.00</u>	0.00

Increase Revenue and Expense for 36,000.00

PCT 3 ROADS FUND 093

Expense	0000	Equipment > 5,000	0550	197,175.00	
		Road Repairs & Equipment	0790	<u>-197,175.00</u>	0.00
No change to Pct 3 Roads Fund					

- (6) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Nichols and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve payment of the county's bills.
- (7) Motion made by Commissioner Hanna, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve officers' reports.
- (8) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Nichols and unanimously adopted by the Court approving outdoor burn ban.
- (9) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Nichols and unanimously adopted by the Court approving fireworks ban.
- (10) Motion made by Commissioner Hanna, seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and unanimously adopted by the Court approving continuing education for Tax Assessor-Collector.
- (11) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Hanna and unanimously adopted by the Court acknowledging donation from Continental Resources to the sheriff's office.
- (12) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Hanna and unanimously adopted by the Court acknowledging donation from Monahans Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram to the sheriff's office
- (13) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Nichols and unanimously adopted by the Court approving Treasurer's investment policy.
- (14) Retiring Commissioners Dexter Nichols and Tino Sanchez were recognized by the Court for their service. No action taken.
- (15) Motion made by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court to adjourn 9:45 a.m.