

September 23, 2024

On this the 23rd day of September 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:

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| 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 offered the Invocation.
- (4) Motion made by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve the minutes for September 9, 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:

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| <u>Revenue:</u> | Account Number | |
| Sundry | 0000-4450 | 33,000.00 |
| Interest Earned | 0000-4601 | 50,000.00 |
| <u>Expense:</u> | | |
| 340B Pharmacy Program | 0000-0253 | 42,000.00 |
| Equipment < 5,000 | 0000-0552 | 25,000.00 |
| Medicare/Medicaid Repay | 0000-0988 | 16,000.00 |

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 September 23, 2024, will consider an amendment to the current budget as follows:

| | | | | | Change in Department |
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| GENERAL FUND 010 | | | | | |
| Information Technology | 0120 | Salary-IT Assistant | 0136 | <u>-15,270.00</u> | -15,270.00 |
| Courthouse Annex | 0165 | Supplies | 0250 | 750.00 | |
| | | Repairs/Maint | 0420 | <u>-750.00</u> | 0.00 |
| Sundry | 0170 | Insurance Premium | 0455 | 35.00 | |
| | | Ward Co Apprasial District | 0515 | 2,700.00 | |
| | | Sundry | 0735 | <u>-2,735.00</u> | 0.00 |
| Juvenile Probation | 0290 | Supplies | 0250 | 50.00 | |
| | | Repairs/Maint | 0420 | <u>-50.00</u> | 0.00 |
| Sheriff | 0330 | Equipment > 5,000 | 0550 | 5,250.00 | |
| | | Equipment < 5,000 | 0552 | <u>-5,250.00</u> | 0.00 |
| Jail Expense | 0340 | Repairs/Maint | 0420 | <u>20,000.00</u> | 20,000.00 |
| Senior Citizens Center | 0430 | Repairs/Maint | 0420 | <u>2,500.00</u> | 2,500.00 |
| Coliseum/Arena | 0500 | Supplies | 0250 | -1,000.00 | |
| | | Repairs/Maint | 0420 | <u>1,000.00</u> | 0.00 |
| Barstow Community Center | 0510 | Repairs/Maint | 0420 | 1,500.00 | |
| | | Vehicle/Maint | 0780 | <u>-1,500.00</u> | 0.00 |
| Pyote Community Center | 0540 | Supplies | 0250 | -100.00 | |
| | | Repairs/Maint | 0420 | <u>-150.00</u> | -250.00 |
| Wickett Community Center | 0560 | Supplies | 0250 | 100.00 | |
| | | Repairs/Maint | 0420 | <u>150.00</u> | 250.00 |
| Event Center Park | 0605 | Repairs/Maint | 0420 | <u>2,000.00</u> | 2,000.00 |
| Pyote Park | 0610 | Supplies, Pyote Park | 0250 | -150.00 | |
| | | Repairs/Maint | 0420 | <u>150.00</u> | 0.00 |
| Agri-Extension Agent | 0800 | Salary, Staff | 0136 | <u>15,270.00</u> | 15,270.00 |
| Permanent Improvements | 0850 | Repairs/Bldg, Permanent Improvements | 0421 | <u>-38,500.00</u> | -38,500.00 |

Decrease to General Fund expense of \$14,000.00

JURY FUND 011

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| Expense | 0000 | Grand Jurors | 0325 | <u>4,000.00</u> | 4,000.00 |
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Increase to Jury Fund expense of \$4,000.00

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES FUND 012

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| Expense | 0000 | Longevity | 0155 | <u>10,000.00</u> | 10,000.00 |
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Increase to EMS expense of \$10,000.00

PCT 1 ROADS FUND 091

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| Expense | 0000 | Equipment > 5,000 | 0550 | 63,635.00 | |
| | | Road Repairs & Equipment | 0790 | <u>-63,635.00</u> | 0.00 |

No change to Pct 1 Road Fund expenses

PCT 4 ROADS FUND 094

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| Expense | 0000 | Equipment > 5,000 | 0550 | 263,755.00 | |
| | | Road Repairs & Equipment | 0790 | <u>-263,755.00</u> | 0.00 |

No change to Pct 4 Road Fund expenses

- (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 Sanchez 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 Sanchez, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court approving treasurer's monthly report.
- (10) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Nichols and unanimously adopted by the Court approving deputation and oath of Joshua Ryan Crawford at the sheriff's office.
- (11) Motion made by Commissioner Hanna, seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve agreement with AirMedCare Network for payroll deduction.
- (12) Motion made by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court awarding bids for ballpark renovation to A L Concrete for concrete [\$345,762], Llano Estacado Construction for steel [\$478,000], Gay & Son Masonry for masonry [\$347,653]. Kbar Electric for electrical [\$704,000] and Llano Estacado Construction for bleachers [\$133,885]
- (13) Motion made by Judge Holly, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court to select Burns Architecture, LLC based upon demonstrated competence and qualifications for the negotiation of a contract for services to renovate the senior citizens center, and to establish the following as a committee for the project: Judge Holly, Commissioner Hanna, Clay Gardner, Carleigh Ennis and Lena Calixto.
- (14) Public Hearing on proposed Tax Abatement Guidelines and Criteria. The Court received public comment and then the hearing was closed.
- (15) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Nichols and unanimously adopted by the Court to adopt Tax Abatement Guidelines and Criteria.

- (16) Public hearing on proposed CPV Basin Ranch Energy Center Reinvestment Zone #1. No response, hearing closed.
- (17) Motion made by Commissioner Hanna, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court to create CPV Basin Ranch Energy Center Reinvestment Zone #1.
- (18) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Nichols and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve tax abatement agreement with CPV Basin Ranch, LLC.
- (19) Motion made by Commissioner Sanchez, seconded by Commissioner Hanna and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve tax abatement agreement with CPV Basin Ranch Capture, LLC.
- (20) Motion made by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court to adjourn 10:05 a.m.