MINUTES READ AND APPROVED BEFORE SIGNING:	
GREG M. HOLLY, COUN	ITY JUDGE, WARD COUNTY, TEXAS
ATTEST: Valles	
DENISE VALLES, COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO CLERI WARD COUNTY, TEXAS	
STATEMENT OF	APPORVAL
DATE MINUTES APPROVED 10-232023	
FOR COMMISSIONERS' COURT ON 10-10-2023	
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October 10, 2023

On this the 10th day October 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
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 Commissioner Hanna offered the Invocation.
- (4) Motion made by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve the minutes for September 25, 2023.
- (5) WHEREAS, an emergency has arisen and a grave public necessity exits in the budgets of The GENERAL FUND, ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND, FARM TO MARKET ROAD FUND, COUNTY ATTORNEY CHECK FEES FUND, SHERIFF FORTEITURE FUND, D.A. FORTFEITURE FUND, D.A. SEIZURE FUND, COUNTY CLERK, RM&P FUND, D.A. RESTITUITION 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	
REVENUE:	Sundry	0000-4450	97,000.00
EXPENSE:	Purchased Services	0000-0698	97,000.00

The Commissioners' Court, in its meeting of October 10,2023, will consider an amendment to the current budget as follows:

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GENERAL FUND 010

Indigent Legal Care	0230	Attorneys-CPS Attorneys-Junvenile Court	0291 0297	-2,000.00 2,000.00	0.00
District Attorney	0270	Supplies, District Attorney Travel	0250 0270	135.00 -135.00	0.00
Juvenile Probation	0290	External Contracts Transfer/Juvenile Probation	0705 7032	5,000.00 -5,000.00	0.00
Sheriff	0330	Unifrorms Motorola	0285 0442	-100.00 100.00	0.00
Indigent Health Care	0400	Ward Memorial	0671	75,000.00	75,000.00
Senior Citizens Center	0430	Repairs/Maint	0420	4,000.00	4,000.00
Ward County Event Center	0535	Utility, Gas Maint/Equipment Refunds	0417 0440 0730	4,000.00 30,000.00 -4,000.00	30,000.00
Pyote Community Center	0540	Utitlites Utitlites, Electric	0415 0418	1,000.00 -1,000.00	0.00
Monahans Pool	0670	Wages, Monahans Lifeguards Repairs/Maintenance	0181 0420	-500.00 500.00	0.00
Monahans Library	0720	Repairs/Maintenance Maint/Automation	0420 0446	500.00 -500.00	0.00
Permanent Improvements	0850	Repairs/Bldg., Permanent Improvements	0421	-109,000.00	-109,000.00

No change to General Fund Expenses.

EMS 012

EMS 0000 Supplies 0250 2,000.00 Uniforms 0285 2,000.00 Advanced Data Contract 0511 -4,000.00

No change to EMS Fund expenses.

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- (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 Cour to approve resolution for 2024 Indigent Defense Grant Program.
- (9) Motion made by Commissioner Sanchez, seconded by Commissioner Hanna and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve oaths and bond for County Auditor and Assistant County Auditors.
- (10) Motion made by Commissioner Sanchez, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court approving deputation of Jennifer Terrazas for the sheriff's office.
- (11) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Nichols and unanimously adopted by the Court nominating candidates Vicki Heflin and Camilla Blum for the appraisal district's board of directors.
- (12) Motion made by Commissioner Hanna, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court acknowledging audit for the Ward County Tax Assessor-Collector Tax Account, Escrow Account and TxDMV Inventory.
- (13) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Hanna and unanimously adopted by the Court approving tax roll tax year 2023.
- (14) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Nichols and unanimously adopted by the Court approving change order No. 3 for roads grant (CTIF).
- (15) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Nichols and unanimously adopted by the Court acknowledging 2022 county audit.
- (16) Public hearing on adoption of \$10.00 Records Archive Fee in county clerk's office.
 No response.

- (17) Motion made by Commissioner, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court adopting \$10.00 Records Archive Fee in the county clerk's office.
- (18) Public hearing on reducing the speed limit on a portion of CR 148. Juliet Beebe pled to the Commissioner's Court to reduce the speed limit to at least 25 mph along CR148.
- (19) Motion made by Commissioner Sanchez, seconded by Commissioner Nelms to reduce the speed limit to 25 mph beginning at the intersection of CR146 and CR148 continuing for 1 (one) mile west on CR148.
- (20) Motion made by Commissioner Sanchez, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve \$750,000.00 budget for community center construction and renovations in Barstow.
- (21) Motion made by Commissioner Nelms, seconded by Commissioner Nichols and unanimously adopted by the court approving purchase of playground equipment for Barstow park.
- (22) Discussion regarding upcoming election cycle. No action taken.
- (23) Motion made by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Nelms and unanimously adopted by the Court to adjourn at 10:23 a.m.