

**MINUTES OF COMMISSIONERS COURT, MOORE COUNTY, TEXAS
SPECIAL SESSION, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2023**

**STATE OF TEXAS }
COUNTY OF MOORE }**

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT ON THIS 27TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2023 there came to be held a Special Session of Commissioners Court of Moore County, Texas in the Commissioner's Courtroom of the Courthouse in Dumas, Texas. The following persons were present to wit: Rowdy Rhoades, County Judge; Daniel Garcia, Commissioner Precinct 1; Miles Mixon, Commissioner Precinct 2; ; Colt Farni, Commissioner Precinct 4 and Brenda McKanna, County Clerk.

Court having been opened according to law the following proceedings were had to wit:

Commissioner Dee Vaughan was absent from the meeting.

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of January 23, 2023. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Mixon. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Farni to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 13, 2023. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon that the bills as presented by Kara Milligan, County Treasurer, be approved for payment and the County Treasurer is hereby directed to issue warrant-checks thereof. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Farni. Motion carried.

There was one bill presented for special handling:

Motion was made by Commissioner Farni to approve the payment to Time Keeping Systems in the amount of \$946.43 with expenditure to be paid from the SCAAP Grant. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon to appoint Doshier, Pickens & Francis, LLC as the outside auditors effective March 1, 2023. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Farni. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia to approve the budget amendment in the amount of \$45,520.00 for software conversion for the County Treasurer's Office to be paid out of capital outlay. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Farni. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia to approve the payment to Plains Internet in the amount of \$500,000.00 from a budget amendment of \$361,085.05 in General Admin Communications with the remaining funds to be paid from American Rescue Funds. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Mixon. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Farni to approve a budget amendment for the Veteran's Service Officer to transfer \$250.00 from travel line item to office supplies line item for the purchase of adobe pro software. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia. Motion carried.

Bill Pinkham from Perdue Brandon presented a report on property tax collections. Bill stated in Moore County 98.2% of the base tax roll is collected by the Tax Office before any delinquent taxes are turned over for collections. Copy of presentation attached and made a part hereof by references.

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia to approve a Resolution to recognize and support seeking Federal support for an update to the 1982 Six-State High Plains-Ogallala Aquifer Regional Resources Study. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Farni. Motion carried. Copy of Resolution attached and made a part hereof by references.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon to allow Kara Milligan, County Treasurer and Coy Barton, Auditor to determine where the funds from the applications for subdivisions will be deposited. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Farni. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Farni to accept the subdivision application from Willis & Sons for Blue Mesa Subdivision and deposit the \$1,000.00 application fee as directed. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Mixon. Motion carried. Copy of application attached and made apart hereof by references.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon to keep the current per parcel rate for the 2023 collections for the Tax Office. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia. Motion carried. Parcel costs attached and made apart hereof by references.

Tommy Brooks presented new TDEM rules for the Texas Division of Emergency Management. He reported the new rules will basically take away the local control of emergency management. Judge Rhoades encouraged the court to reach out to Kevin Sparks and Four Price to voice their opposition to the proposed rules. Copy of rules attached and made a part hereof by references.

Motion was made by Commissioner Farni to approve the purchase of a stair lift for the EOC in the amount of \$5,548.50 with expenditure to be paid from Pre-Trial Diversion Funds. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia to table any action until the next meeting in regards to a personal bonding office and or a pre-trial services office. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Farni. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon to approve the purchase of a computer for the District Clerk's Office at a cost of \$1,583.98 with expenditure to paid from District Clerk's Archive Tech Fund. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Farni. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon to approve the airport restaurant contract between W.R. Investments LLC dba All Points Café with the lease set at \$750.00 per month. Motion was

seconded by Commissioner Garcia. Motion carried. Copy of contract attached and made a part hereof by references.

Erin Lands Anchondo, District Attorney presented a full exemption racial profiling report. Copy of exemption attached and made a part hereof by references.

Brandon Jones, Lieutenant Sheriff's Deputy presented the Sheriff's Office racial profiling report. Copy of report attached and made a part hereof by references.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon to approve the employment of Savannah Cortes as a corrections officer with a salary of \$23.64 per hour with a .50 increase every six months for one year effective February 6, 2023. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon to approve the employment of Janette Soto as a corrections officer with a salary of \$23.64 per hour with a .50 increase every six months for one year effective February 24, 2023. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Farni. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia to approve the employment of Vanessa Avila as a telecommunications officer with a salary of \$22.72 per hour with a .50 increase every six months for one year effective February 6, 2023. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Mixon. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon to amend the motion to approve the employments of Savannah Cortes, Janette Soto and Vanessa Avila to cover all necessary expenses related to the positions. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Farni to approve the Property Fraud Alert Service Agreement between Fidlar Technologies and Moore County Clerk's Office with a one-time fee of \$5,000.00 for licensing, setup and collateral fee with an annual maintenance and support fee of \$1,500.00 per year with expenditure to be paid from County Clerk's Records Management Fund. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Mixon. Motion carried. Copy of agreement attached and made a part hereof by references.

Raymond Tate, Road & Bridge Supervisor gave a report on the department. Raymond stated the water truck repairs have been completed. He will be sending three people to a seminar to get their license for spraying weeds etc. and the \$40.00 training fee has been waived.

Raymond reported the road project is going well. Commissioner Garcia stated they are doing a great job on the roads.

It appears there is no other business to come before the court. Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia. Motion carried.

THE ABOVE AND FOREGOING MINUTES HAVING BEEN READ AND APPROVED, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT THEY BE AND ARE HEREBY APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

J. Daniel Garcia
Commissioner Precinct 1, J. Daniel Garcia
ABSENT

Commissioner Precinct 3, Dee Vaughan

Brenda McKanna
AFFEST: Brenda McKanna, County Clerk

Miles Mixon
Commissioner Precinct 2, Miles Mixon

Colt Farni
Commissioner Precinct 4, Colt Farni

Rowdy Rhoades
County Judge, Rowdy Rhoades

