

**MINUTES OF COMMISSIONERS COURT, MOORE COUNTY, TEXAS  
SPECIAL SESSION, FEBRUARY 25, 2019**

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

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT ON THIS 25<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2019 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; Lynn Cartrite, Commissioner Precinct 4; and Brenda McKanna, County Clerk.

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

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Commissioner Vaughan was absent from the meeting.

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During routine announcement and reports representatives from Plains Internet and Clint Glazner were present to discuss an opportunity to get fiber optics to the library. It was stated there is a program USAC that aids school and libraries in getting phones and internet. It was stated this would be a good time for the librarian to apply for the funds to get fiber optics to the library. The grant would be 80/20 match with an approximate cost of \$92,000.00 and the county's portion would be around \$20,000.00. Deborah Skinner, Librarian will begin the grant process and Plains Internet stated it could be 6-12 months before the grant was approved.

Clint updated the court in regards to Windows 7 which Microsoft will no longer support as of January 2020. Clint will be looking at all of the county computers to see if the hardware is current enough to support Windows 10. He stated the District Clerk's main computer is approaching 7 years old and she would like to request permission to go ahead and replace the computer with the funds to be paid out of her District Clerk Records Management Fund. This item will be placed on the next agenda for approval.

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Motion was made by Commissioner Cartrite that the bills be paid as presented by James Allen, County Auditor, be approved for payment and the County Treasurer is hereby directed to issue warrant-checks thereof. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Mixon. Motion carried.

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Morgan Hightower, Chief Deputy Sheriff presented the departments Racial Profiling Report for the year 2018. Copy of report attached and made a part hereof by references.

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Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia to approve the employment of Anthony Gray as a deputy for the Sheriff's Department effective February 14, 2019 with a starting salary of \$25.28 per hour with a .50 increase every six months for one year and a \$100.00 per month clothing allowance. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cartrite. Motion carried.

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Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia to approve the employment of James Underwood as a maintenance worker effective February 11, 2019 with a starting salary of \$17.81 with a .50 increase every six months for one year and a \$40.00 per month phone allowance. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Mixon. Motion carried.

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Pam Cox, County Treasurer discussed the possibility of signing an extension of the depository contract with Happy State Bank instead of going out for bid. The court did not have a problem with the Pam signing an extension.

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The court acknowledged the road cross permit for Hartley Farms to cross North County Line Road with a water line. Copy of permit attached and made a person hereof by references.

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Motion was made by Commissioner Cartrite to approve the purchase of a road widening attachment for the Road & Bridge Dept. at a cost of \$3,854.00 plus shipping with the expenditure to be paid out of the Lateral Road Fund. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia. Motion carried.

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Travis Smith, Road & Bridge Supervisor gave a report on the department. Morgan Hightower, Chief Deputy stated the department has received several calls in regards to JBS employees parking in the bar ditches on Trails End Road. He has visited with JBS and they stated they don't have enough parking for the employees. There are No Parking Signs posted at this time but he suggested the county hold public hearings in regards to not parking in the bar ditches. After the public hearings the department will issue warnings to the violators at first then will start issuing citations and if the problem continues they will have the vehicles towed at the owners expense. This item will be placed on the agenda for public hearings.

Travis presented a list of equipment that is on the buyback program. Travis stated they are working on the signs for FFA Lane and Light Plant Road. He stated the permit for the caliche pit should be completed by June or July.

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It appearing that there was no other business to come before the Court at this time, motion was made by Commissioner Garcia that the meeting stand adjourned. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Mixon. Motion carried.

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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

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Commissioner Precinct 3, Dee Vaughan

Brenda McKanna  
ATTEST: Brenda McKanna, County Clerk

Miles Mixon  
Commissioner Precinct 2, Miles Mixon

Lynn Cartrite  
Commissioner Precinct 4, Lynn Cartrite

- Absent -  
County Judge, Rowdy Rhoades