

**MINUTES OF COMMISSIONER COURT, MOORE COUNTY, TEXAS
REGULAR SESSION, MONDAY, AUGUST 8, 2022**

STATE OF TEXAS }
COUNTY OF MOORE }

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT ON THIS 8th DAY OF AUGUST, 2022 there came to be held a Regular Session of Commissioners Court of Moore County, Texas in the Commissioners Courtroom in 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; Dee Vaughan, Commissioner Precinct 3; Lynn Cartrite, Commissioner Precinct 4; and County Clerk, Brenda McKanna

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

Commissioner Garcia presented his Certificate of Completion for the V.G. Young 2022 North and East Annual Conference. Copy of certificated attached and made a part hereof by references

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

There were two bills presented for special handling for approval:
Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia to approve the payment to Valero in the amount of \$5,64710 for asphalt. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cartrite. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia to approve the payment to Castillo Ventures in the amount of \$109,386.46. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Mixon. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Cartrite to approve the Temporary Cash Investments dated August 8, 2022 as presented and the County Treasurer's Report of Cash Disbursements of the same date and duly recorded in the Commissioners Court Minutes. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Mixon. Motion carried. Copies of the Report and Temporary Cash Investments are attached and made a part hereof by references.

Josh Butler, representative of Butler Benefits presented proposals for healthcare insurance for 2022-2023. He stated Blue Cross submitted a competitive proposal along with United Healthcare. He stated he was able to negotiate United Healthcare down to a 9.4% increase if the county would agree to give them the dental insurance. There would be an increase of \$159,840.00 with United Healthcare. If the county decides to go with Blue Cross the increase would cost the county \$70,636.16 which would be a 6.89% increase.
Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon to approve Blue Cross Blue Shield along with TASC as the Cobra administrator for the county health insurance coverage. Motion was seconded by

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

Motion was made by Commissioner Cartrite to approve the Rodeo Arena sub-lease for the 2022 Cowboy Classic Rodeo. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Vaughan. Motion carried. Copy of agreement attached and made a part hereof by references.

Motion was made by Commissioner Cartrite to approve the contract between BI Incorporated and Moore County for the Scram Monitors and the GPS Monitoring. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Mixon. Motion carried. Copy of contract attached and made a part hereof by references.

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Remote Com and Emergency Management (EOC). Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cartrite. Motion carried. Copy of memorandum attached and made a part hereof by references.

Motion was made by Commissioner Vaughan to approve to approve a \$10.00 optional motor vehicle registration fee for the calendar year 2023. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Mixon. Motion carried. Copy of fees attached and made a part hereof by references.

Motion was made by Commissioner Vaughan to approve transferring \$5,000.00 from the tax office supplies line item to the postage line item. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Mixon. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon to declare the old community building chairs as salvage. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon to approve the phone system for the Extension office in the amount of \$158.37 per month. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cartrite. Motion carried. Copy of quote attached and made a part hereof by references.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon to approve the use of slurry at the airport in the amount of \$60,000.00 with expenditure to be paid from the RAMP Grant. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Vaughan to approve the contract with T.J. Steel for grass at the airport. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Mixon. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Vaughan to allow Brandon Cox to secure a water line for a hangar at the airport for the Texas Forrest Service that will locate four aircraft at the airport and the funding will be decided at a later time. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cartrite. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Cartrite to approve the Sheriff's Dept. trade of 45mm ammunition for the purchase of 3 Glock 17 handguns and one short barreled rifle to Erwin's Pawn. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Mixon. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia to approve the reappointment of Janis Robinson to the Texas Panhandle Centers Board. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cartrite. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Cartrite to approve the reappointment of Jay Goodwin and Gary Bain to the Palo Duro Water District Board. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Vaughan to approve a Resolution regarding FM 722 and FM 2589. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia. Motion carried. Copy of Resolution attached and made a part hereof by references.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon to approve the purchase of a new motor grader in the amount of \$174,424.61. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cartrite. Motion carried. Copy of bid attached and made a part hereof by references.

Motion was made by Commissioner Vaughan to approve the county to haul dirt for the City of Dumas from the East Landfill to the South Landfill contingent upon the development of an Interlocal Agreement being prepared with the understanding that it does not interfere with the work on the county roads. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia. Motion carried.

Raymond Tate, Road & Bridge Supervisor gave a report on the activities of the department. Raymond presented a quote in the amount of \$12,605.00 for work on the water line going to the Road & Bridge Dept. He was instructed to place this amount in his budget and get an additional bid from Robertson Drilling. He stated the cost of the emulsion he used to seal coat will cost \$131,000.00 and the county will be reimbursed by the CTIF Grant.

Arturo Ortega, County Auditor presented the second draft of the budget. He stated this year's budget request are approximately \$478,000.00 more than last year. The draft he presented does not include any cost-of-living increases or new employees. Each Election Official and Department Heads appeared before the court to present their budget request. The court directed Mr. Ortega to make changes to the budget as requested and appear at the next meeting with the third draft.

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

Miles Mixon
Commissioner Precinct 2, Miles Mixon

~ Absent ~
Commissioner Precinct 3, Dee Vaughan

Lynn Cartrite
Commissioner Precinct 4, Lynn Cartrite

Brenda McKanna
ATTEST: Brenda McKanna, County Clerk

Rowdy Rhoades
County Judge, Rowdy Rhoades

