

**MINUTES OF COMMISSIONERS COURT, MOORE COUNTY, TEXAS
SPECIAL SESSION, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2025**

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

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT ON THIS 22ND DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2025, 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; Dee Vaughan, Commissioner Precinct 3; Colt Farni, Commissioner Precinct 4 and Brenda McKanna, County Clerk.

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

During routine announcements and reports B.J. Ballard with Ballard Plumbing presented an infrastructure of the courthouse and some of the problems with leaks. He stated in the last three years the water line feeding into the courthouse has had to be repaired 2-3 times. He presented a proposal of what the county could do to alleviate possible future leaks or possible flooding in the basements of the courthouse. He stated he was called due to wet ceiling tiles in the basement which is leaking from a fire suppression line which he could not repair. This item will be placed on the next agenda to allow the project to go out for RFP's.

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

Judge Rhoades declared the meeting open for a public hearing at 9:19 A.M. regarding the proposed 2025 tax rate for Amarillo College Moore County Campus. There was no public comment. Judge Rhoades declared the public hearing closed at 9:20 A.M. and opened Commissioners Court for routine business.

Motion was made by Commissioner Vaughan to move that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.05 per \$100 which is effectively a 0.42% increase in the tax rate. "This tax rate will raise more taxes for maintenance and operations than last year's tax rate. The tax rate will effectively be raised by 0.42% and will raise taxes for maintenance and operations on a \$100,000 home by approximately \$0.21." Motion was seconded by Commissioner Farni. Motion carried. Copy of tax rate increase attached and made a part hereof by references.

Brady Elmore with American National Leasing presented different options and benefits of the ANLC Lease-Purchase Program regarding leasing equipment for various county departments. Copy of presentation attached and made a part hereof by references.

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia to approve declaring a computer and printer from the tax office as salvage. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Vaughan. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Farni to approve donating a computer and printer to the Dumas Noon Lion's Club. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon to approve the Audit Engagement Letter for September 30, 2025 with Doshier, Pickens & Frances LLC. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Farni. Motion carried. Copy of letter attached and made a part hereof by references.

Motion was made by Commissioner Vaughan to approve Contract LGS04-00121 for the Moore County Attorney addendum 3, a non-exclusive license and service agreement for the purchase of an LGS license at a cost of \$100.00 per month. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Farni. Copy of addendum attached and made a part hereof by references.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon to approve a Resolution Supporting the Future Interstate Highway Formula Program. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Farni. Motion carried. Copy of resolution attached and made a part hereof by references.

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia to approve a Resolution Supporting Future Interstate Designation for Heartland Expressway, Theodore Roosevelt Expressway and a Portion of Ports-To-Plains High Priority and Numbering Future Interstate Segments. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Vaughan. Motion carried. Copy of resolution attached and made a part hereof by references.

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia to approve a resolution supporting Future Interstate Feasibility Study for Heartland Expressway, Theodore Roosevelt Expressway, and a portion of Ports-To-Plains High Priority Corridors. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Farni. Motion carried. Copy of resolution attached and made a part hereof by references.

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia to approve the Panhandle Area Public Defenders Interlocal Agreement with COLA. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Vaughan. Motion carried. Copy of agreement attached and made a part hereof by references.

Motion was made by Commissioner Farni to approve the purchase of a command trailer in the amount of \$86,653.00 for Emergency Management Services to be purchased after October 1, 2025. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Mixon. Motion carried. Commissioner Vaughan Voted "No".

Motion was made by Commissioner Farni to approve an agreement with Tango Tango in the amount of \$3,000.00 annually for Emergency Management Services with expenditure to be paid out of volunteer program funds after October 1, 2025. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia to approve the annual payment of \$4,673.00 for the Nordic Backup with expenditure to be paid through the Data Process budget for the District Attorney's Office. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Farni. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Farni to approve a Resolution for IJIA Funds and a letter of intent for Moore County Airport layout plan and airspace study. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia. Motion carried. Copy of resolution attached and made a part hereof by references.

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia to approve the 2026 Commissioners' Court and Holiday Schedule Calendar. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Mixon. Motion carried. Copy of calendar attached and made a part hereof by references.

Motion was made by Commissioner Farni to approve the Revize Web Services Sales Agreement in the amount of \$11,925.00. 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 an update on the department. Raymond stated he has some issues with Texas Northwestern RR pumping water into county bar ditch. There was a discussion regarding the size of culverts that need to be placed in the ditch. The court asked Raymond to find where the fiber optic cables are in the ditch and once, they have been located the decision can be made regarding the size and depth of the culverts.

At 10:22 AM motion was made by Commissioner Farni to enter in Executive Session according to Govt. Code, Sec. 551.074 to discuss personnel matters regarding Road & Bridge Supervisor. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Mixon. Motion carried.

At 10:55 AM motion was made by Commissioner Farni to reconvene in open session. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Mixon. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Vaughan to retain the current applications received for consideration and continue to seek additional applications and to take "No Action" regarding Road & Bridge Supervisor personnel. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia Motion carried.

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

- *JD Garcia* -

Commissioner Precinct 1, J. Daniel Garcia

Miles Mixon

Commissioner Precinct 2, Miles Mixon

Dee Vaughan

Commissioner Precinct 3, Dee Vaughan

Colt Farni

Commissioner Precinct 4, Colt Farni

Brenda McKanna

ATTEST: Brenda McKanna, County Clerk

Rowdy Rhoades

County Judge, Rowdy Rhoades

