

**MINUTES OF COMMISSIONERS COURT, MOORE COUNTY, TEXAS
SPECIAL SESSION, MONDAY, JANUARY 26, 2026**

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

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT ON THIS 26TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2026 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 Vaughan was absent from the meeting.

During routine announcements and reports it was reported that all county employees have received their W-2's.

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 12, 2026. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Farni. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Farni 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 Mixon. Motion carried.

There were two bills presented for special handling:

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia to approve the payment in the amount of \$101.38 to Judge Enns, Visiting Judge. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Farni. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Farni to approve the payment in the amount of \$3,420.00 to Ambitec Inc. to be paid from District Attorney Body Armor Grant. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Mixon. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon to approve the Temporary Cash and Investments dated January 26, 2026 as presented by Coy Barton, County Auditor and the County Treasurer's Report of Cash Disbursements of the same date, be approved and duly recorded in the Commissioner's Court Minutes. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Farni. Motion carried

Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon to approve the purchase a laptop for Emergency Services for GPS monitoring on special cases where sex offenders are being monitored and will need to come to Courthouse for installation and monitoring of GPS device effective immediately.

There will be no change in salaries, and it will be reevaluated at budget time. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia to table action regarding Rural Ambulance Grant until Jeff Turner, Hospital Administrator can be contacted. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Farni. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon to approve the Ambulance Service Agreement with Moore County Hospital District and remove the \$750.00 per month in the agreement as presented with the possibility of increasing the liability limitations and give the County Judge the authority to sign on the modifications on the liability insurance. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia. Motion carried. Copy of agreement attached and made a part hereof by references.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon to approve the airport manager to move forward on painting T-Hangars and get bids and allow him to make decisions on the best bid to get hangars painted with expenditure to be paid out of the RAMP Grant. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Farni. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Farni to extend burn ban effective January 26, 2026. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia. Motion carried. Copy of burn ban attached and made a part hereof by references.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon to approve the Resolution for the JAG Grant for the District Attorney's Office. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Farni. Motion carried. Copy of resolution attached and made a part hereof by references.

Motion was made by Commissioner Farni to table discussion regarding Moore County Property (Sunray Fire Department) located in Sunray until Scott Higginbotham, County Attorney can find out what is required regarding the grant from Valero for the Sunray Fire Department. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon to approve the employment of Fernando Hernandez for maintenance effective January 22, 2026 with a starting salary of \$21.91 per hour with a .50 increase every six months for two years, plus a \$40.00 monthly cellphone allowance. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Farni. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Farni to approve a phone allowance for Lucio Botello. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Mixon. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Farni to approve changing Lucio Botello's pay from truck driver to operator at \$29.71 per hour effective January 17, 2026 with a .50 increase every six months for two years with a \$40.00 monthly cell phone allowance. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon to approve hiring an apprentice at the Road & Bridge Dept. at a starting salary not to exceed budgeted amount per hour which will be replacing an employee that has retired. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Farni. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon to allow Road & Bridge Supervisor to use surplus funds from dump truck to purchase a disk at his discretion. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Farni. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon to allow Road & Bridge Supervisor to list items as presented for auction and declare the equipment as surplus. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia. Motion carried. Copy of pictures of items attached and made a part hereof by references.

Randy Kelso, Road & Bridge Supervisor gave an update on the department. Randy asked if he was allowed to shop for supplies from out-of-town suppliers. The court advised him to shop locally if possible if the price is comparable but if not, he was directed to purchase at the best price.

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia to approve the option Randy Kelso presented for the dead end on Schuman Road at a cost of \$800.00. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Mixon. Motion carried.

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



Commissioner Precinct 1, J. Daniel Garcia



Commissioner Precinct 2, Miles Mixon

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Commissioner Precinct 3, Dee Vaughan



Commissioner Precinct 4, Colt Farni



ATTEST: Brenda McKanna, County Clerk



County Judge, Rowdy Rhoades

