

**MINUTES OF COMMISSIONERS COURT, MOORE COUNTY, TEXAS  
SPECIAL SESSION, MONDAY, JANUARY 24, 2022**

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

**BE IT REMEMBERED THAT ON THIS 24<sup>TH</sup> OF JANUARY, 2022** 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; Lynn Cartrite, Commissioner Precinct 4 and Teresa Henry, Deputy Clerk

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

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During routine announcements and reports Jerry Moore addressed the court in regards to the redistricting and him being moved from Precinct 101 to Precinct 401. He received his voter registration card and the card showed he was still in Precinct 101. He made contact with the Tax Assessor and County Clerk. Judge Rhoades stated the court was aware that the voters did not get changed and the Tax Assessor Collector, Chris Rivera has been instructed to make this a priority and get the voters redistricted as needed. Mr. Moore suggested the court invite the residents that redistricting affected and explain to them why the changes had to be made.

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Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 10, 2022. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Mixon. Motion carried.

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Motion was made by Commissioner Cartrite that the bills 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 Garcia. Motion carried

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Scott Higginbotham, County Attorney, Tim Salley, Public Defender, Brandon Brown, District Attorney Investigator and Brandon Jones, Lieutenant Deputy Sheriff were present for the discussion in regards to the Public Defender's Contract with Tim Salley. Commissioner Cartrite expressed concern in regards to how many inmates are being housed out of county. Tim Salley stated one of the reasons there are so many still being housed in Childress is they don't have a seperate room for the Public Defender to communicate with the inmates. Scott Higginbotham stated there are several reasons for the out of county holds. He stated due to transition of the District Attorney and the fact of new legislation in regards to no PR Bonds in assault cases. Brandon Jones stated the Sheriff's Dept. will communicate with Childress on a solution to establish a reliable form of communication with inmates and their attorney. Since March Tim Salley has been appointed to 754 defendants and the contract is up to 700. Tim stated he will not invoice the county for the overage. It was decided that the Court will revisit this issue again in 2 months.

Motion was made by Commissioner Cartrite to approve the purchase of federal signal message boards for EOC in the amount of \$14,861.00 with expenditure to paid from budgeted funds. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia. Motion carried.

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Motion was made by Commissioner Cartrite to accept the 2021 Moore County Racial Profiling report from the Sheriff's Dept. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Mixon. Motion carried. Copy of report attached and made a part hereof by references.

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Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia to approve the continuation of the Investigator JAG Grant #3883004 for Moore County Sheriff's Dept. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Mixon. Motion carried.

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Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia to approve the Interlocal Agreement with Regional Public Defender for Capital Cases for the year 2022-2023. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cartrite. Motion carried. Copy of Agreement attached and made a part hereof by references.

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Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon to approve the purchase of a drug refrigerator in the amount of \$4,378.62 from Henry Schein for the Moore County Public Health Authority with expenditure to paid out of the American Rescue Plan Funds. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cartrite. Motion carried.

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Motion was made by Commissioner Cartrite to approve the County Treasurer using American Rescue Funds to pay for the conversion for the new cloud-based software in the amount of \$45,520.00. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia. Motion carried.

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Motion was made by Commissioner Cartrite to approve the Moore County Covid Testing Policy pending the approval of the County Attorney. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Mixon. Motion carried. Copy of Policy attached and made a part hereof by references.

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Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon to extend the burn ban. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cartrite. Motion carried. Copy of extension of burn ban attached and made a part hereof by references.

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Dallas Green, Road & Bridge Supervisor gave a report on the department. Dallas stated the reclaimer can be rented at a cost of \$4,525.00 per month from United Rental or from Kirby Smith at a cost of \$5,160.00 per month. Commissioners Garcia and Cartrite stated they would like for the county to do the road project instead of hiring it out. Commissioner Vaughan stated he would like to see the county doing as much as they can but he's not sure they can do it all. Commissioner Garcia asked Dallas if the department could feasibly do four miles of road in one year and Dallas stated they should be able to do that. It was stated the court needs to decide if they should go out for C.O.'s or have the Road & Bridge Dept. to do the road project. Commissioner Garcia stated they need to move forward with the road project and wants the Road & Bridge Dept. to know that it will be all hands-on deck for this road project.

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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.

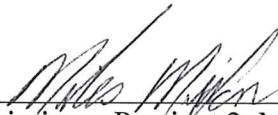
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THE ABOVE AND FOREGOING MINUTES HAVING BEEN READ AND  
APPROVED, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT THEY BE AND ARE HEREBY  
APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

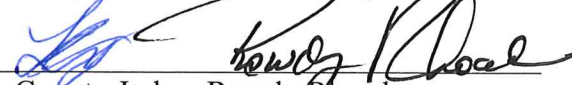
  
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Commissioner Precinct 1, J. Daniel Garcia

  
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Commissioner Precinct 3, Dee Vaughan

  
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ATTEST: Brenda McKanna, County Clerk

  
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Commissioner Precinct 2, Miles Mixon

  
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Commissioner Precinct 4, Lynn Cartrite

  
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County Judge, Rowdy Rhoades

