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AUDIO
The meeting was called to order by Judge Kevin Benton
Invocation led by Bob Langford
The Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to the Texas Flag

#26-162-PUBLIC COMMENTS

No one spoke

#26-163-CONSENT AGENDA
APPROVAL OF MINUTES for the 08/10/26 Regular Meeting
MONTHLY REPORTS
PAY CLAIMS
APPROVAL OF PAYROLL
TREASURER'S MONTHLY REPORT

Motion by Commissioner Murphey and seconded by Commissioner Mayfield to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

All Voted For
Motion Carried

#26-164-BUDGET WORKSHOP
No one spoke

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#26-165-ADOPT BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Motion by Commissioner Langford and seconded by Commissioner Murphey to adopt budget for Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

All Voted For
Motion Carried

#26-166-ADOPT TAX RATE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Motion by Commissioner Langford and seconded by Commissioner Murphey to adopt tax rate of .4961 with increase of 2.2% for Fiscal Year 2026.

Commissioner Darden-For
Commissioner Mayfield-For
Commissioner Murphey-For
Commissioner Langford-For
County Judge Benton-For

All Voted For
Motion Carried

#26-167-DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACCUMULATED COMP TIME IN THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND JAIL; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Judge Benton informed the court that the current accumulated comp time for the Sheriff's Office and Jail came to $72,928.22 and could progress before amount was paid off.

Motion by Commissioner Langford and seconded by Commissioner Murphey to approve to take $80,000.00 from contingency to comp time line-item to pay off accumulated comp time for Sheriff's Office and Jail.

All Voted For
Motion Carried

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#26-168-DISCUSS AND CONSIDER END OF THE BUDGET YEAR CONTINGENCY FUNDS BALANCE AND REQUESTED EXPENDITURES; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Judge Benton stated that there was $522,735.00 in contingency. After taking $80,000.00 for the Sheriff and Jail comp time that was ordered in Court Order #26-167, there will be $442,735.00 left.

Motion by Commissioner Langford and seconded by Commissioner Darden to give all twelve fire departments and three ambulance services $15,000.00 each, totaling $225,000.00.

All Voted For
Motion Carried

Motion by Commissioner Langford and seconded by Commissioner Murphey to give $5,000.00 each to the three Libraries and $5,000.00 each to the three Economic Development Corporation's and $30,000.00 to the Child Welfare Board.

All Voted For
‘ Motion Carried

Motion by Commissioner Langford and seconded by Commissioner Murphey to give the remaining contingency balance towards the County's retirement fund (TDCRS).

All Voted For
Motion Carried

#26-169-DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACCEPTING DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S 2023, 2024, 2025 CHAPTER 59 ASSET FORFEITURE REPORTS AND AUTHORIZE KATIE BOGGEMAN TO SIGN; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Motion by Commissioner Murphey and seconded by Commissioner Langford to accept District Attorney's 2023, 2024 and 2025 Chapter 59 Asset Forfeiture Reports and give Katie Boggeman authorization to sign.

All Voted For
Motion Carried

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#26-170-DISCUSS AND CONSIDER TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLE IMPOSITION OF OPTIONAL FEES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2027; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Motion by Commissioner Langford and seconded by Commissioner Darden to approve the Texas Department of Motor Vehicle Imposition of Optional Fees which include County Road & Bridge Fee not to exceed $10.00 and Child Safety Fee not to exceed $1.50 for calendar year 2027.

All Voted For
Motion Carried

#26-171-DISCUSS AND CONSIDER HB 3834 CYBERSECURITY AND AI TRAINING CERTIFICATION FOR STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS ONLINE COMPLIANCE REPORT FOR 2026; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Motion by Commissioner Murphey and seconded by Commissioner Darden to approve IT Director Jessica Moster to submit online our 100% compliant report for HB 3834 Cybersecurity and AI Training Certification.

All Voted For
Motion Carried

#26-172-DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVING INTERLOCAL COOPERATION CONTRACT BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY (DPS) AND THE COUNTY COURT OF MONTAGUE COUNTY; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Motion by Commissioner Langford and seconded by Commissioner Murphey to approve Interlocal Cooperation Contract between the Department of Public Safety (DPS) and the County Court of Montague County.

All Voted For
Motion Carried

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#26-173-DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVING INTERLOCAL COOPERATION CONTRACT BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY (DPS) AND THE DISTRICT COURT OF MONTAGUE COUNTY; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Motion by Commissioner Murphey and seconded by Commissioner Darden to approve Interlocal Cooperation Contract between the Department of Public Safety (DPS) and the District Court of Montague County.

All Voted For
Motion Carried

#26-174-DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVING FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE TO INITIATE AN APPLICATION FOR SHERIFF IMMIGRATION LAW ENFORCEMENT GRANT PROGRAM SENATE BILL 8; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Motion by Commissioner Langford and seconded by Commissioner Darden to approve for the Sheriff's Office to initiate an application for Sheriff Immigration Law Enforcement Grant Program Senate Bill 8 with the grant being $80,000.00 for general use.

All Voted For
Motion Carried

#26-175-DISCUSS AND CONSIDER DISTRIBUTION OF STATE GRANT BILL HB 3000; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Motion by Commissioner Murphey and seconded by Commissioner Mayfield to approve the funds to purchase an ambulance from the grant (HB 3000) that the County will own and assign to the City of Bowie. The next application will be put in for the City of Nocona on October 1, 2026.

All Voted For
Motion Carried

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#26-176-DISCUSS AND CONSIDER USING THE REAL ESTATE STATION LLC, AGENT DENISE THURMAN, TO SELL 5.9 ACRES, ON THE CORNER OF US 82 AND SH 59, THAT WAS PURCHASED FROM TXDOT; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Motion from Commissioner Langford and seconded by Commissioner Murphey to approve using the Real Estate Station LLC, Agent Denise Thurman, to sell 5.9 acres, on the corner of US 82 and SH 59, that was purchased from TXDOT.

All Voted For
Motion Carried

Adjourn @ 9:35 a.m.

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