

REGULAR SESSION-BOARD OF QUAY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

**March 9, 2026
9:00 A.M.**

BE IT REMEMBERED THE HONORABLE BOARD OF QUAY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS met in regular session the 9th day of March 2026 at 9:00 a.m. in the Quay County Commission Chambers, Tucumcari, New Mexico, for the purpose of taking care of any business that may come before them.

PRESENT & PRESIDING:

Jerri Rush, Chairwoman
Brian Fortner, Member
Dallas Dowell, Member
Veronica Manley, County Clerk
Angela Gonzales, County Manager

OTHERS PRESENT:

Samantha Salas, Quay County Finance Director
Felicia Griggs, Quay County Administrative Assistant
Ron Warnick, Eastern New Mexico News
Quade Fury, Quay County Road Supervisor
Dennis Garcia, Quay County Sheriff
Lucas Bugg, Quay County Fire Marshall
Theresa Lafferty, Quay County Treasurer
Bill Kardokus, Quay County Emergency Manager
Rico Marano, Quay County DWI Coordinator
Ellen White, Interim County Manager
Ben White, Bank of Tucumcari
James Masters, Public Health Division Southeast Region Director
Adrian Jones, Quay County Grant/Asset Manager
Annie McCauley, Rawhide Days
Kelly Jo Parkey, Rawhide Days
Robert Hockaday, President of EDC
Bobby Hockaday, resident
Vickie Gutierrez, Hospital Chief Executive/Chief Nurse Executive/Chief Nurse
Charlene Liles, Dispatch
Stephan Farmer, Resident
Gary E Westberry Sr, Tucumcari Tuesday
Michele Leary, Tucumcari Tuesday
Toni Wilson, Tucumcari Tuesday
Annie Seymour, Tucumcari Tuesday
Joann Thompson, Tucumcari Tuesday

Chairwoman Rush called the meeting to order.

Brian Fortner led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A MOTION was made by Brian Fortner SECONDED by Dallas Dowell to approve February 23, 2026 regular session minutes. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Dowell voting "aye" and Fortner voting "aye".

A MOTION was made by Dallas Dowell to move Adrian Jones to 2nd on the agenda, SECONDED by Brian Fortner to approve Agenda as amended. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Fortner voting "aye" and Dowell voting "aye".

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Toni Wilson, Tucumcari Tuesday asked commissioners if they could have someone mow the lot by the hospital after they pick up trash. Angela Gonzales, County Manager will have the lot mowed.

NEW BUSINESS:

James Masters, Public Health Division Southeast Region Director gave a presentation of types of Public Health Services offered.

Adrian Jones, Quay County Grant/Asset Manager requested approval of Sale of Quay School Property. A resolution will be presented at the next meeting to begin the process to sell the property.

Annie McCauley and Kelly Jo Parkey, Rawhide Day Jackpot presented Rawhide Day Jackpot.

Robert Hockaday, President of EDC gave and update on the status of EDC.

Hockaday gave a presentation of his company Tucumcari Bioenergy Developing.

Vickie Gutierrez, Hospital Chief Executive/Chief Nurse Executive/Chief Nurse presented the year end 2025 Hospital report. A copy is attached.

Dennis Garcia, Quay County Sheriff requested approval of LEPP FY 27. A MOTION was made by Brian Fortner, SECONDED by Dallas Dowell to approve LEPP. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Fortner voting "aye" and Dowell voting "aye". A copy is attached.

Lucas Bugg, Quay County Fire Marshal and Charlene Liles, Dispatch gave a final update on the relocation project.

Lucas Bugg, Quay County Fire Marshal Requested Approval of PERA Report for Bard-Endee Fire District and District 1 Fire Department Quay. A MOTION was made by Dallas Dowell, SECONDED by Brian Fortner to approve resolution. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Fortner voting "aye" and Dowell voting "aye". Copies are attached.

Quade Fury, Quay County Road Supervisor Fury presented the following items for approval:

Request Approval of Letter for 2026-2027 NMDOT Local Government Road Fund Program. A MOTION was made by Brian Fortner, SECONDED by Dallas Dowell to approve letter. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Fortner voting "aye" and Dowell voting "aye". A copy is attached.

Request Approval of Letter for 2026-2027 NMDOT Local Government Road Fund Program for Quay Road AL and Quay Road AG. A MOTION was made by Brian Fortner, SECONDED by Dallas Dowell to approve Letter. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Fortner voting "aye" and Dowell voting "aye". Copies are attached..

Request Approval of Resolution #31 Sponsorship for a Transportation Project Fund and Project Match Quay Road 63 Phase 2. A MOTION was made by Dallas Dowell, SECONDED by Brian Fortner to approve resolution. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Fortner voting "aye" and Dowell voting "aye". A copy is attached.

Request Approval of Resolution #32 Sponsorship for a Transportation Project Fund and Project Match Quay Road AR Phase 2. A MOTION was made by Dallas Dowell, SECONDED by Brian Fortner to approve resolution. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Fortner voting "aye" and Dowell voting "aye". A copy is attached.

Fury presented the blade report. A copy is attached.

Fury presented the Road update. A copy is attached.

Samantha Salas, Quay County Finance Director, presented the Accounts Payable. A MOTION was made by Brian Fortner, SECONDED by Dallas Dowell to approve the Accounts Payable Report. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Dowell voting "aye" and Fortner voting "aye".

Jerri Rush, Quay County Chairwoman Requested Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement Regarding the Operation of the Coalition. A MOTION was made by Jerri Rush, SECONDED by Brian Fortner to approve the agreement. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Dowell voting "aye" and Fortner voting "aye". A copy is attached.

Angela Gonzales, Quay County Manager presented the Manager Report:

- Mesalands Community College gave free gym membership for Quay County Sheriff and employees, Dispatch, firefighters and Quay County Detention Center employees.
- IT issues last week. Hoping to have a contract to present for next meeting for an IT provider.

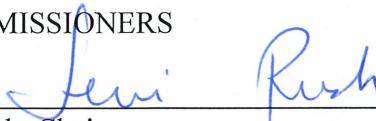
Commissioner's Comments: NONE

The Commissioners left the meeting to tour county roads. Time noted 10:25am.


There being no further business, a MOTION was made by Brian Fortner SECONDED by Dallas Dowell to adjourn. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Fortner voting "aye" and Dowell voting "aye". Time noted 11:30 am

Respectfully submitted by Veronica Manley, County Clerk.

BOARD OF QUAY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS



 Jerri Rush, Chairwoman



 Brian Fortner, Commissioner



 Dallas Dowell, Commissioner



ATTEST:


 Veronica Manley, County Clerk