

REGULAR SESSION-BOARD OF QUAY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

June 29, 2026

9:00 A.M.

BE IT REMEMBERED THE HONORABLE BOARD OF QUAY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS met in regular session the 29th day of June 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
Ben White, Bank of Tucumcari
Lucas Bugg, Quay County Fire Marshall
Adrian Jones, Quay County Grant /Asset Manager
Dennis Garcia, Quay County Sheriff
Steve Farmer, La Casa Verde
Isabelle Arnold, Executive Director RLEDC
Joseph Otero, Sheriff Deputy
Jamie Lauders, Quay County Emergency Regional Director
Bill Kardokus, Quay County Emergency Manager
Sky Devore, Devore Aragon LLC
Frank Rusk, Landowner
Warren Frost, Quay County Attorney
Quay County Little League All Star Teams and Parents

Chairwoman Rush called the meeting to order.

Jerri Rush led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A MOTION was made by Brian Fortner SECONDED by Dallas Dowell to approve June 8, 2026 regular session minutes. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Dowell voting "aye" and Fortner voting "aye".

A MOTION was made by Dallas Dowell, SECONDED by Brian Fortner to table item #7 from agenda. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Fortner voting "aye" and Dowell voting "aye".

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Chairwoman Rush presented certificates of Appreciation to Quay County Little League All Star Softball Minors team and Quay County Little League Junior Softball team that are headed to State in Los Lunas NM on July 10, 2026. Quay County Little League baseball minor team are headed to Albuquerque on July 10, 2026, to state.

NEW BUSINESS:

Sky Devore, Devore Aragon, LLC Requested Approval of Government Relations Agreements (Sky Devore). A MOTION was made by Brian Fortner, SECONDED by Dallas Dowell to approve agreements. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Fortner voting "aye" and Dowell voting "aye". A copy is attached.

Frank Rusk, Landowner Requested Approval of Closing of Quay Road 49, 51, I and H. Warren Frost, Quay County Attorney, advised the Commission they would have to delegate 3 visitors appointed by the County Manager before they are able to close the road. A MOTION was made by Brian Fortner, SECONDED by Dallas Dowell to table the closing of road as they are following procedure to close road. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Fortner voting "aye" and Dowell voting "aye".

Quade Fury, Quay County Road Supervisor gave a Road Update:

- Road Department employees attended the NMC Rodeo with James Hammer winning 1st place on the backhoe competition.
- Completed micro sealing on Quay Road Z in Logan.
- Crews began mowing.
- Quay Road AH Bridge will receive signage next week.

Lucas Bugg, Quay County Fire Marshal requested approval Requested Approval to Lift Burn Ban. A MOTION was made by Dallas Dowell, SECONDED by Brian Fortner to approve lift burn ban. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Fortner voting "aye" and Dowell voting "aye".

Adrian Jones, Quay County Grant/Asset Manager Requested Approval of Resolution No. 53 Certification of the Quay County Fiscal Year 2026 Capital Asset Inventory. A MOTION was made by Brian Fortner, SECONDED by Dallas Dowell to approve the resolution. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Dowell voting "aye" and Fortner voting "aye". A copy is attached.

Samantha Salas, Quay County Finance Director requested approval of the following items:

- Requested approval of Resolution NO. 50 Budgetary Increase to Hospital Improvements. A MOTION was made by Dallas Dowell, SECONDED by Brian Fortner to approve the resolution. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Dowell voting "aye" and Fortner voting "aye". A copy is attached.
- Requested approval of Resolution NO. 51 Budgetary Increase to Emergency Communications. A MOTION was made by Brian Fortner, SECONDED by Dallas Dowell to approve the resolution. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Dowell voting "aye" and Fortner voting "aye". A copy is attached.
- Requested approval of Resolution NO. 52 Budgetary Increase to Debt Service. A MOTION was made by Brian Fortner, SECONDED by Dallas Dowell to approve the resolution. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Dowell voting "aye" and Fortner voting "aye". A copy is attached.
- Requested approval of Resolution NO. 54 Budgetary Increase to General Fund. 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.

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

Warren Frost, Quay County Attorney Requested Approval of Contract with Dekker (Hospital Design). A MOTION was made by Dallas Dowell, SECONDED by Brian Fortner to approve contract. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Fortner voting "aye" and Dowell voting "aye". A copy is attached.

Frost Requested Approval of McClain + Yu Architecture and Design Agreement for a feasibility study for the Alco building. A MOTION was made by Brian Fortner, SECONDED by Dallas Dowell 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, Requested Approval to add Tonya Rigdon as an Appointed Member of the County Valuation Protest Board. A MOTION was made by Dallas Dowell, SECONDED by Brian Fortner to approve protest board members. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Fortner voting "aye" and Dowell voting "aye".

Gonzales presented the following items for the Managers Report.

- Attended the NMC Conference in Gallup.
- Will be receiving the America 250 plaque for the citizens of our county from the Charters of Freedom America 250.
- Audit entrance zoom is today at 11:00 a.m. FY 2026.

INDIGENT CLAIMS BOARD CONVENED. Time noted 9:51 a.m.

Return to regular session. Time noted 9:52 a.m.

Commissioner's Comments: Commissioner Dowell asked about the status of Quay Road AI. Warren Frost, Quay County Attorney Informed Commissioner Dowell that he had forgotten to inform Quade Fury, Quay County Road Supervisor, they can proceed with taking gates out and installing cattle guards. Commissioner Dowell asked about the funds that Quay County had given to the Tucumcari Library for the children's program. Frost said he would look into it.

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 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Veronica Manley, County Clerk.

BOARD OF QUAY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Jerri Rush
Jerri Rush, Chairwoman

Brian Fortner
Brian Fortner, Commissioner

Dallas Dowell
Dallas Dowell, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Veronica Manley
Veronica Manley, Quay County Clerk

