

REGULAR SESSION-BOARD OF QUAY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

September 14, 2026

9:00 A.M.

BE IT REMEMBERED THE HONORABLE BOARD OF QUAY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS met in regular session the 14th day of September 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
Robert McClelland, Chief Deputy 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
Ben White, Tucumcari Bank
Lucas Bugg, Quay County Fire Marshall
Bobby Hockaday, Executive Director, Film Tucumcari
Bill Kardokus, Quay County Emergency Manager
Jefferson Byrd, Quay County Assessor
Jamie Luaders, TQRECC Director
Theresa Lafferty, Quay County Treasurer
Connie Loveland, Tucumcari Mainstreet
Dennis Garcia, Quay County Sheriff

Chairwoman Rush called the meeting to order.

Chairwoman Rush led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A MOTION was made by Brian Fortner SECONDED by Dallas Dowell to approve August 24, 2026, regular session minutes. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Dowell voting "aye" and Fortner voting "aye".

A MOTION was made by Brian Fortner SECONDED by Dallas Dowell to approve August 27, 2026, Special session minutes. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Dowell voting "aye" and Fortner voting "aye".

A MOTION was made by Dallas Dowell to approve the Agenda SECONDED by Brian Fortner to approve Agenda. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Fortner voting "aye" and Dowell voting "aye".

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Connie Loveland, Tucumcari Mainstreet gave an update on Fired Up. Loveland thanked everyone for their support and help setting up.

NEW BUSINESS:

Bobby Hockaday, Executive Director, Film Tucumcari Requested Approval of MOU Film Tucumcari Corp. A MOTION was made by Brian Fortner SECONDED by Dallas Dowell to approve MOU. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Dowell voting "aye" and Fortner voting "aye". A copy is attached.

Bill Kardokus, Quay County Emergency Manager Requested Approval of the following items:

- Requested Approval of Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Management Subrecipient grant Agreement. A MOTION was made by Brian Fortner SECONDED by Dallas Dowell to approve agreement. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Dowell voting "aye" and Fortner voting "aye". A copy is attached.
- Requested Approval of Pre-Disaster agreement (King and DRC). A MOTION was made by Dallas Dowell SECONDED by Brian Fortner to approve agreement. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Dowell voting "aye" and Fortner voting "aye". A copy is attached.
- Requested Approval of Quay County, New Mexico Crisis Communications Plan. A MOTION was made by Brian Fortner SECONDED by Dallas Dowell to approve plan. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Dowell voting "aye" and Fortner voting "aye". A copy is attached.
- Requested Approval of Emergency Continuity of Government Plan. A MOTION was made by Dallas Dowell SECONDED by Brian Fortner to approve plan. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Dowell voting "aye" and Fortner voting "aye". A copy is attached.
- Requested Approval of FEMA Generators Grant. A MOTION was made by Dallas Dowell SECONDED by Brian Fortner to approve Grant. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Dowell voting "aye" and Fortner voting "aye". A copy is attached.

Nelda Burson, Quay County Chief Deputy Assessor Requested Approval of Resolution No. 15 Tax Rates for 2026 Year. A MOTION was made by Brian Fortner SECONDED by Dallas Dowell to approve resolution. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Dowell voting "aye" and Fortner voting "aye". A copy is attached.

Angie Gonzales, Quay County Manager presented the Blade Report. A copy is attached.

Gonzales presented the following Road Update. A copy is attached.

Jamie Lauders, TQRECC Director Requested Approval of Proposal of Dispatch Tower. A MOTION was made by Dallas Dowell SECONDED by Brian Fortner to approve Tower. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Dowell voting "aye" and Fortner voting "aye". A copy is attached.

Samantha Salas, Quay County Finance Director presented the following Resolutions for Approval:

- Requested Approval of Resolution No. 16 Budgetary Increase to County Improvements . A MOTION was made by Dallas Dowell SECONDED by Brian Fortner to approve resolution. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Dowell voting "aye" and Fortner voting "aye". A copy is attached.
- Gonzales Requested Approval of Resolution No. 17 Budgetary Increase to Court Compliance. A MOTION was made by Brian Fortner SECONDED by Dallas Dowell to approve resolution. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Dowell voting "aye" and Fortner voting "aye". A copy is attached.
- Gonzales Requested Approval of Resolution No. 18 Budgetary Increase to Detention Center. A MOTION was made by Dallas Dowell SECONDED by Brian Fortner to approve resolution. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Dowell voting "aye" and Fortner voting "aye". A copy is attached.
- Gonzales Requested Approval of Resolution No.19 . Budgetary Increase to Road (Radio Equipment) A MOTION was made by Brian Fortner SECONDED by Dallas Dowell to approve resolution. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Dowell voting "aye" and Fortner voting "aye". A copy is attached.
- Gonzales Requested Approval of Resolution No. 20 Budgetary Increase to Road (CAP, Coop, SB). A MOTION was made by Dallas Dowell SECONDED by Brian Fortner to approve resolution. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Dowell voting "aye" and Fortner voting "aye". A copy is attached.
- Gonzales Requested Approval of Resolution No. 21 . Budgetary Increase to A MOTION was made by Brian Fortner SECONDED by Dallas Dowell to approve resolution. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Dowell voting "aye" and Fortner voting "aye". A copy is attached.

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

Angie Gonzales, Quay County Manager Requested Approval of Foundation Forward (American 250 Project). A MOTION was made by Brian Fortner SECONDED by Dallas Dowell to approve project. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Dowell voting "aye" and Fortner voting "aye". A copy is attached.

Gonzales Requested Approval of Updated Manager Contract. A MOTION was made by Dallas Dowell SECONDED by Brian Fortner to approve contract. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Dowell voting "aye" and Fortner voting "aye". A copy is attached.

Gonzales gave the following Managers Report:

- Gonzales and Esperanza are continuing working on the air conditioning issue. They will begin the process of going out for bids.

- Quay County has received notice from Department of Finance that they have passed the yearly audit.
- A few County employees will be attending the 21st Annual Gathering of Counties Thursday September 17, 2026 at the New Mexico State fair.

A MOTION was made by Dallas Dowell, SECONDED by Brian Fortner to go into Executive Session pursuant to Section 10-15-1 (H) 7. The New Mexico Open Meetings Act Pertaining to Threatened or Pending Litigation. Time noted 10:10 a.m.

---EXECUTIVE SESSION---

Return to regular session. Time noted 11:20 a.m.

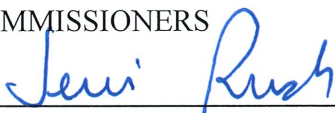
Chairwoman Rush reported No Action from Executive Session.

The Commissioner's Comments: NONE

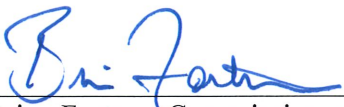
There being no further business, a MOTION was made by Dallas Dowell SECONDED by Brian Fortner to adjourn. MOTION carried with Rush voting "aye", Fortner voting "aye" and Dowell voting "aye". Time noted 11:22 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Veronica Manley.

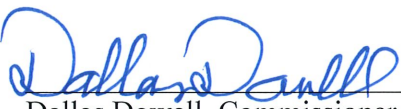
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Jerri Rush, Chairwoman

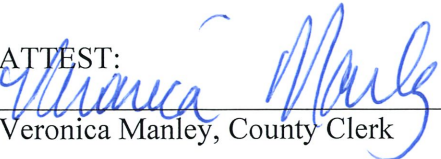


Brian Fortner, Commissioner



Dallas Dowell, Commissioner

ATTEST:



Veronica Manley, County Clerk

