

10-27-2025 Minutes

McDonald County Commission—Minutes

October 27th, 2025

Present:

Bryan Hall - Presiding Commissioner

Jamey Cope - Eastern Commissioner

Jessica Cole - County Clerk

Absent:

Rick Lett - Western Commissioner

General Business

Commission signed and approved accounts payable in the amount \$636,099.63.

Commissioners met via conference call with Jason Stalder, FEMA Project Coordinator due to the continued closure of Federal offices. The project is still underway however we are in a pause due to upper management to make decisions regarding this project.

Commissioners met with cycling event organizer Sean Thurman, Sheriff Evenson, and Lieutenant Allison for a debrief on the cycling event which occurred on October 18th. In summary, the coordination efforts were positive, and it was much smoother than the previous event. The hiccups occurred with the last-minute change in course due to the rain. The teams had to do last minute adjusting to their routes which caused a little bit of uncoordinated chaos at the start of the race. However with the efforts of all parties involved and the slight delay in personnel arriving to the new starting point it took a bit to coordinate the Whistling Springs intersection. Sheriff Evenson positively states that the more planning and communication efforts which were involved in the upcoming of this event made it for a positive change from the previous year. Overall, the Sheriff agrees that it was much better.

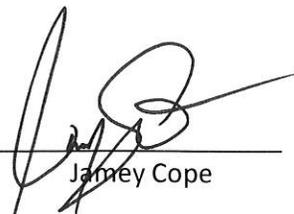
They continued to emphasize the coordination efforts and communication needs to begin sooner than it started this year to truly attack all adjustments early on in case of last minute route changes like this event. The helicopter was an unexpected situation and once the Mr. Thurman was made aware, he immediately took action and communicated with the Helicopter Pilot to leave the scenes immediately. Captain Allison agrees it was very quickly addressed.

This race was the finale in the Cycling series and attracted cyclers from all over the world ranging from South Africa to parts of Europe and some local cyclers.

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Commission will reconvene on October 29th, 2025

SIGNATURES



Jamey Cope



Bryan Hall

Rick Lett

Approved

Wednesday October 29th, 2025

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