

# 01-21-2026 Minutes

## McDonald County Commission—Minutes

January 21st, 2026

Present:

Bryan Hall - Presiding Commissioner

Jamey Cope - Eastern Commissioner

Rick Lett - Western Commissioner

Jessica Cole - County Clerk

### General Business

Commissioners met with McDonald County Chamber of Commerce Director, John Newby and discussed the 2026 Budget appropriations they have set aside for their program. They are in support of outreaching more grant opportunities and supporting the Chamber with assisting in funding for a DMO.

The County Commission allocated \$20,000 for the Chamber for this purpose and will seek quarterly periodic reports to review how the program is doing and the progress it is making.

Commissioners at 8:45am later met with the I'm your Huckleberry Rescue Directors and informed them the County sees the great service they provide to the County Community and allocated \$7500 towards their program and also sought out quarterly reports to review how the program continues to thrive.

They are looking forward to seeing the program develop and further their education for the County.

9:00am Commissioners continued their ongoing FEMA meetings regarding Dead End Lane. At this time, it is still stalled and Mr. Stalder informed them they will be assigned a different FEMA Project Point of Contact.

Mike Hall met with Commissioners regarding the 2014 REVISED McDONALD COUNTY WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEM ORDINANCE and discussed two new provisions to add and revise the existing ordinance. The Health Department will be reviewing and performing exams to ensure new installations are meeting the requirements according to State guidelines and McDonald County Ordinances.

The new provisions will be added as follows:

Install an onsite wastewater system on a lot that is smaller than ninety-two hundredths (.92) of an acre. Applies to lots platted and recorded or approved by the Department of Natural Resources after May 6, 1999.

Attach more than one residence, house, home or commercial facility to an on-site wastewater system. Multiple Family dwellings such as duplexes shall be considered as one residence.

Rick Lett, moves to accept the added provisions. Jamey Cope second.

All Commissioners are in favor. Motion Carried.

County Treasurer Fuller met with Commissioners to inform them of the Investment Policy that needed reviewed and approved annually.

### ADJOURN

Commission will reconvene on January 26th, 2026

### SIGNATURES