

MONROE COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES

September 3, 2026

The Commission met according to adjournment with Curt Wheeler, Presiding Commissioner, and Associate Commissioners David Hays and Justin Edwards present, and among other proceedings, the following orders were passed:

1. The Commission approved the minutes from the meeting held on August 31, 2026, as presented. The Commission also approved all purchase orders submitted for payment as well as payroll.
2. The Commission went out to check the progress of the roads damaged by the storms in April and to prepare for the FEMA/SEMA grant application process. More data to be collected and submitted to FEMA, as well as taking pictures of the debris piles to be burned and culverts to be replaced; ditching continues, and hauling rock throughout the county.

No Afternoon Session

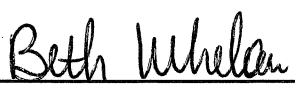
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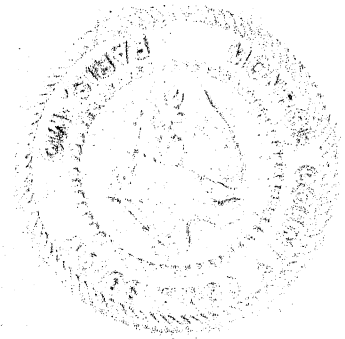

Curt Wheeler, Presiding Commissioner


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Justin Edwards, Western District Commissioner

Attest:


Beth Whelan, Monroe County Clerk



MONROE COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES

September 10, 2026

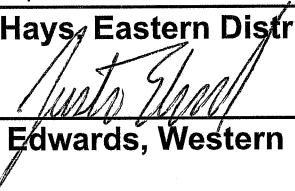
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1. The Commission approved the minutes from the meeting held on September 3, 2026, as presented.
2. The Commission reviewed and approved the POs for payment.
3. FEMA/SEMA grant application Webex meeting. Damage inventory was reported, and other items are to be sent, including the Monroe County Handbook, paid policy, and benefits for the R&B crew that worked on the clearance of debris from the storm. October 19, 2026 is the deadline to submit all requested information. A signed permission slip from the landowner has been requested, and we will need a burn permit from the Paris Fire Dept.
4. Bryan Boyce from Great River Engineering visited with the Commission and assisted with the FEMA grant application.
5. George Poertner visited with the Commission requesting a meeting with the Planning and Zoning Board regarding the property he wants to sell, and other property he wants to split up and sell separately. More information is needed; no action was taken.

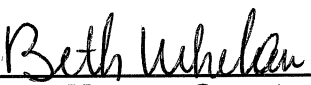
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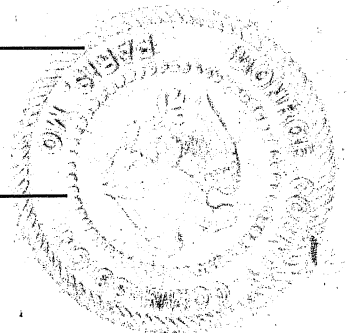

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MONROE COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES

September 14, 2026

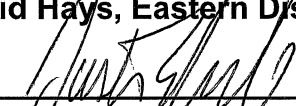
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1. The Commission approved the minutes from the meeting held on September 10, 2026, as presented.
2. The Commission reviewed and approved the POs for payment.
3. The Commission reviewed the tax abatement presented by the Collector, Chrissy Graupman.
4. Monroe County Sheriff Joe Colston discussed ordering new security cards for entering the courthouse after business hours. Curt Wheeler made a motion to purchase the Verkada security cards; David Hays seconded the motion; all voted in favor; motion passed.
5. The Commission also discussed with Joe a FLOCK camera public meeting to educate the public on how the FLOCK cameras really work.
6. Melissa Graupman visited with the Commission about a Delta Dental issue. An elected official purchased 2 dental policies and received benefits from the dental insurance, then decided they no longer wanted the insurance. This is a self-paid plan and can only be changed during open enrollment in November. The elected official wants a refund made to her. The insurance company issued a credit to the county, but the county does not have a way to refund the money paid to the EO. Melissa is researching the best way to refund the premium paid and has called HIC to see what the best practice is. No action was taken.

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MONROE COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES

September 21, 2026

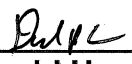
The Commission met according to adjournment, with Curt Wheeler, Presiding Commissioner, and Associate Commissioners David Hays and Justin Edwards present, and among other proceedings, the following orders were passed:

1. The Commission approved the minutes from the meeting held on September 17, 2026, as presented.
2. The Commission reviewed and approved the POs for payment.
3. The Commission met with the Road & Bridge supervisor to review the budget and prepare for the winter months.
4. The Commission went to look at gravel roads in the northern part of Monroe County.

No Afternoon Session

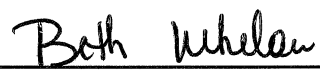
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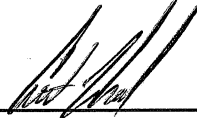
September 24, 2026

The Commission met according to adjournment, with Curt Wheeler, Presiding Commissioner, and Associate Commissioners David Hays and Justin Edwards present, and among other proceedings, the following orders were passed:

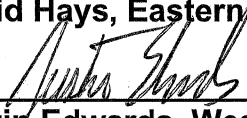
1. The Commission approved the minutes from the September 21, 2026 meeting as presented.
2. The Commission reviewed and approved the payment POs.
3. The Commission met with Hutchison Engineering, Matt Walker, MODOT, and Anna Hudson from MTRCOG. Bridge information was discussed. Monroe County may qualify for bridge funding for the next 5 years.
4. The Commission met with FEMA representative Keisha Kimbrel to add expenses to the application. The due date for submission of the grant is October 19, 2026. The burn permit, landowner agreement, and culvert invoices have been submitted. Other information has been added, including labor hours with benefits.

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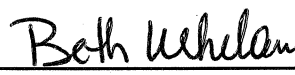
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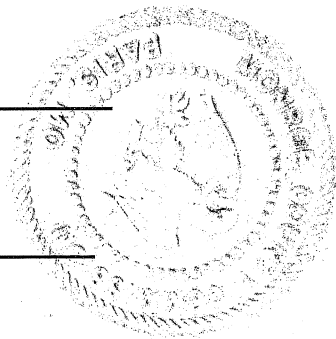

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MONROE COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES

September 28, 2026

The Commission met according to adjournment, with Curt Wheeler, Presiding Commissioner, and Associate Commissioners David Hays and Justin Edwards present, and among other proceedings, the following orders were passed:

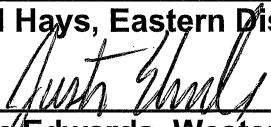
1. The Commission approved the minutes from the September 24, 2026 meeting as presented.
2. The Commission reviewed and approved the payment POs.
3. The Commission met with Mr. Valkamp regarding a private driveway adjoining property owned by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE). Mr. Valkamp has installed a gate at the entrance to his pasture to contain his alpaca herd. The gate has been secured with a padlock; however, the area beyond the gate provides public access for hunting and fishing and is available for use by the general public.
4. The Commission discussed that, although previous Commissioners had permitted Mr. Valkamp to install the gate, the gate may not be locked in a manner that restricts or prevents public access to the USACE property.
5. The Commission contacted representatives of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers regarding the matter. USACE confirmed that the public access area must remain accessible and that the gate cannot be locked in a manner that prevents public access.
6. The Commission advised that the gate must remain unlocked to allow continued public access to the area.

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