Hamilton County Commissioner's Court

Regular Session

Tuesday, February 14, 2023

9:00 a.m.

Hamilton County Commissioner's Court met on Tuesday, February 14, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. with the following members present: County Judge James Yates, Commissioners Johnny Wagner, Keith Curry, Lloyd Huggins and Dickie Clary. Judge Yates called the meeting to order and a quorum was established. Yates led the invocation and all followed with the pledges.

There was an open comment by Rodney Craddick. He reported that the Hamilton Community Center is holding a town hall meeting Thursday, February 16, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. to receive public input on the proposed new building.

There was one budget adjustments for Precinct 3. Huggins made the motion to approve the budget adjustment, Clary seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

The Court considered the following consent agenda:

- A. Minutes from previous Commissioner's Court meetings
- B. Approve Departmental report
- C. Approve bills: payroll in the amount of \$80,251.97, in-between bills in the amount of \$133.90, and bills in the amount of \$109,665.31
- D. Certificates of continuing education M. Whitehead, S. Layhew, J. Erick, R. Whiddon, J. Yates
- E. Application(s) for Culvert None
- F. Building and Use Request None
- G. Bonds K. Curry, D. Clary, R. Lazard, E. Hood, A. Tubbs, J. Lively, J. Yates

Huggins made a motion to approve the consent agenda and Clary seconded. The Court approved the consent agenda unanimously.

Regarding Hamilton County personnel, Joy Stevens of the Justice of the Peace resigned effective 2/17/23. Karol Cosby was hired by Communications effective 2/4/23, and Lexsa York was hired by the Justice of the Peace effective 1/30/23.

Clary reported that he was in the process of obtaining estimates of the water damage to the interior of the Courthouse from the leaking roof.

No action was taken on the Burn Ban.

There is scrap metal in the yard of Precinct 1. Wagner made the motion to declare the scrap metal as surplus and attempt to relocate it. Curry seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Lacy Alexander updated the Court on Communications Department. She reported that Hico ESD had offered to fund a permanent patch to the line between Hico and Hamilton for Emergency Communications. She further reported that security cameras for the Annex at Dispatch would cost \$4,413.00, and that would be funded from the Courthouse Security budget. Finally, she reported that the generator had performed successfully during a recent power outage. However, a small coolant leak was discovered. The unit must be drained to be repaired. COG will be responsible for regular maintenance on the generator in the future.

There were no issues to consider on the FY2022-2023 budget.

The Court entered into closed session for a discussion of personnel matters and sick pool.

The Court adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

Attest.

County Clerk