Hamilton County Commissioner's Court

Regular Session

Tuesday, January 24, 2023

9:00 a.m.

Hamilton County Commissioner's Court met on Tuesday, January 24, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. with the following members present: County Judge James Yates, Commissioners Johnny Wagner, Lloyd Huggins and Dickie Clary. Judge Yates called the meeting to order and a quorum was established. Clary led the invocation and all followed with the pledges.

There was an open comment by Rodney Craddick. He reported that the Hamilton County Community Center had been steadily increasing their monthly meals and had been adding to their volunteer list, as well as adding to their delivered meals. They had purchased land for a permanent structure and donations were also increasing.

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 \$77,971.42, longevity pay in the amount of \$18,725.79, in-between bills in the amount of \$818.93, and bills in the amount of \$55,530.63 and \$68,546.34
- D. Certificates of continuing education K. Scott, J. Erick, R. Lamb
- E. Application(s) for Culvert None
- F. Building and Use Request None
- G. Bonds and Deputations None

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

Regarding Hamilton County personnel, Amanda Phillips of Communications and Debra Hurst of the Justice of the Peace resigned effective 1/31/23. Sandra Clark was hired by Communications effective 1/21/23, and Misty Darby was hired by the Sheriff's Department effective 1/23/23.

Clary reported that Parsons Roofing had not been responsive as to the repair of the Courthouse roof. He expressed his frustration and asked that the Court authorize the contract breach be referred to County Attorney Henkes for satisfaction.

No action was taken on the Burn Ban.

County Treasurer Cox reported that, as of December, 2022, the County had \$388,687.47 in cash and \$3, 522,774.86 in investments.

Shawn Pruitt of Texas Wildlife Services had asked the Court to purchase certain items from the County, and to offer certain items for sale to the County. The Court did not wish to sell any items, as those items belonged to the County. However, the Court did approve the purchase of the items offered by the Wildlife Services. Wagner made the motion for purchase of items from the Wildlife Services, Huggins seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Lacy Alexander updated the Court on Communications. She reported that the FAA had approved the Hico tower construction, however had questions on the height of the Hamilton tower. That issued was being negotiated. Alexander had received payment from CTCOG representing their portion of the generator.

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

The Court adjourned at 9:25 a.m.

Judge James Yates

County Clerk