

Hamilton County Commissioner's Court

Regular Session

Tuesday, June 13, 2023

9:00 a.m.

Hamilton County Commissioner's Court met on Tuesday, June 13, 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. Lloyd Huggins led the invocation and all followed with the pledges.

Open Comments:

Rodney Craddick gave a brief update on the Community Center. They fed over 2,240 in May.

There were Budget adjustments in the amount of \$7,797.00.

The Court considered the following consent agenda:

- A. Minutes from previous Commissioner's Court meetings*
- B. Approve Departmental reports*
- C. Approve bills: payroll in the amount of \$81,080.44, in-between bills of \$133.33, and bills in the amount of \$170,770.76*
- D. Certificates of Continuing Education - None*
- E. Application(s) for Culvert – None*
- F. Building and Use Request – Citizens of Hamilton to use the Courthouse lawn area for an Independence Day Celebration*
- G. Bonds/Deputations - None*

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

Personnel Updates; Hamilton County Dispatch hired Tiara Wright.

The pillars have been poured and they will begin setting the forms for the continued repairs on the concrete bench around the Courthouse. Clary confirmed that the roof on Precinct 4 barn will need a full replacement. He will begin getting bids.

Judge Yates stated there is a 9% increase in TAC Health & Employee Benefits for the 2023-2024 renewal due June 28, 2023 and there have been no changes to the policy.

Approve the 2023–2024 NetData Contract for Software for the Justice Court, Sheriffs Department and the County Attorney’s office. Clary motioned to approve and Huggins seconded the motion. All approved.

Discuss approving a six month “View Only” contract with NetData for the District Clerks office and the County Clerks office for continued access to the case management system NetData until 12/31/2023. Lloyd Huggins motioned and Clary seconded, all approved.

Approve a Resolution regarding a contract for the purpose of Precinct 4 financing a “used loader”. Clary motioned and Huggins seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

Several months ago Precinct 4 declared a 2000 New Holland TS1000 tractor as Surplus and it was placed into liquidation. The tractor was not able bring the minimum bid therefore bids from the public will be accepted up until 4pm on June 23, 2023. The notice of public bids will also be posted in the newspaper, website and Courthouse posting board for the public to be notified of the specific details and requirements.

No action was taken on the Burn Ban.

Judge Yates and the Commissioners discussed looking into other Fleet management fuel programs. The counties current provider, Fuelman Fleet Service, will be increasing their fees by \$1600.00 yearly. Judges Yates and the Commissioners agreed to do more research, looking into other options and will discuss this matter in the next Commissioners Court.

Discussion on moving the County Financials to “the cloud” because the county is quickly running out of data storage. Huggins suggested a risk assessment. A meeting with Kent Reeves will be needed to get further information.

No action taken on the Firework Authorization order.

L. Alexander gave an update for the Communications department. Technicians are currently working on their phones due to calls being dropped after 5 seconds. Alexander will be holding a closed meeting for Elected Officials and First Responders and Law Enforcement at

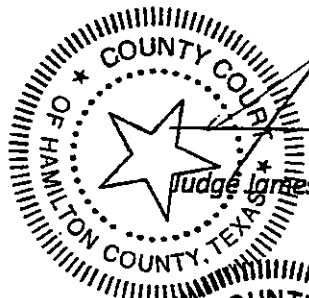
1:30pm June 21, 2023 in the Annex. The Hico tower has the footings in place and preparing to pour the slab, the steel should be available within the month.

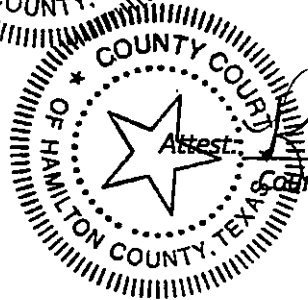
No discussion on the FY 2022-2023 Budget.

Judges Yates began discussing the 2023–2024 Budget Workshop. Clary continued initial discussions and began reviewing each line item within each Department. More information is needed from multiple Departments to continue discussing this matter in the next meeting.

Judge Yates, J. Wagner, K. Curry, L. Huggins and D. Clary went into Executive Session at 12:40pm.

The Court adjourned at 1:20pm.

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OF HAMILTON COUNTY, TEXAS
Judge James Yates

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Attest: Rachel Lamb Geeslin
County Clerk