

Hamilton County Commissioner's Court

Special Session

Friday, August 26, 2022

9:00 a.m.

Hamilton County Commissioner's Court met on Friday, August 26, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. with the following members present: County Judge Mark Tynes, Commissioners Johnny Wagner, Keith Curry, and Dickie Clary. Tynes called the meeting to order and a quorum was established. Clary led the invocation and Tynes followed with the pledges.

There were no budget adjustments to consider.

The Court declared the meeting open to the public for hearing on the Proposed Budget for FY2022-2023.

The first speaker was Damon Chumney, who questioned the following budget items:

- a. Revenue projections**
- b. Proposed salary increases for elected officials**
- c. Dissatisfaction with the Appraisal District**
- d. Contingency fund**
- e. County Attorney's Department health insurance**
- f. Whether a CFO is needed**
- g. Professional services**
- h. Courthouse repairs and maintenance**
- i. Sheriff's proposed salary increase**
- j. Whether Dispatch should still be under Sheriff's Department**
- k. No mention of increase in predator control budget**
- l. Extension agency proposed salary increases**
- m. Road and bridge contract work**
- n. Contingency funds within precincts**
- o. Precinct 3 schools and education budget**

The next speaker was Richard Layne who spoke against deficit budgeting and against the salary paid the Emergency Coordinator.

Tynes reported that the recently published approved salaries for Elected Officials contained an error and would be republished. Tynes then made the motion to approve the corrected approved salaries for Elected Officials for FY2022-2023. Clary seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The Court passed on Agenda item 5.

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The Court considered whether to record the vote on Proposed Tax Rate .3808. Tynes made the motion to vote on the Proposed Tax Rate, Clary seconded. After discussion, Tynes made the motion to amend the tax rate motion on the table. Clary seconded and the motion to amend the tax rate motion on the table passed unanimously. Tynes then made the motion to amend and record the tax rate to .3783. Wagner seconded, and the Court voted as follows: Wagner, for; Curry, for, Tynes, for; Clary, for.

The Court announced the dates of the Tax Rate Hearings. Those date are September 6, 2022, and September 9, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. The next regular meeting of the Commissioner's Court will be September 13, 2022, where the Court intends to adopt the FY2022-2023 budget and tax rate.

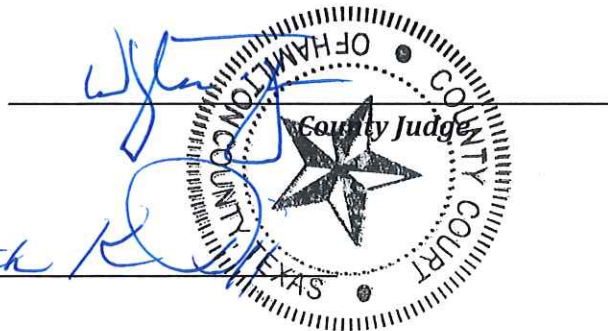
Tynes reviewed the FY2022-2023 proposed budget, naming revisions to the last draft of the proposed budget. Tynes also asked the Commissioners to reconsider eliminating the Road and Bridge common account.

The Court went into closed session at this time.

The Court adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Attest:

Cynthia R. [Signature]
County Clerk



*****CLARIFICATION:** Minutes for August 23, 2022, should reflect that, on Agenda item 18, the roads to be maintained by the City of Hamilton will be Park Road and McCaleb Lane (between CR 101 and Hwy. 281 N).