Hamilton County Commissioner's Court

Regular Session

Tuesday, September 12, 2022

9:00 a.m.

Hamilton County Commissioner's Court met on Tuesday, September 12, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. with the following members present: County Judge Mark Tynes, Commissioners Johnny Wagner, Keith Curry, Lloyd Huggins and Dickie Clary. Tynes called the meeting to order and a quorum was established. Huggins led the invocation and Tynes followed with the pledges.

There were a number of budget adjustments to consider. Huggins made the motion to approve the budget adjustments, Curry seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The Court considered the following consent agenda:

A. Minutes from previous Commissioner's Court meetings
B. Approve Departmental reports
C. Approve in-between bills in the amount of $174,29, bills in the amount of $241,660.63, payroll in the amount of $74,813.99
D. Certificates of continuing education – Wagner, Lamb, Hughes, Puff
E. Application(s) for Culvert – None
F. Building and Use Request – Hamilton Police Dept. 10/4/22, outside grounds and parking lot; American Legion Post 9/16/22, ribbons on lawn and trees
G. Bonds – David Guthrie, Ray Miller, Quinten Sells, Isaac Partain, Carla De La Hoya; Deputations – Brandon Wright, David Guthrie

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

Personnel changes included Angela Tubbs hired in District Clerk's office 9/6/22; Brandon Wright hired in Sheriff's Department 9/6/22; Jason Hume of Sheriff's Department resigned 8/30/22; Quinten Sells of Sheriff's Department resigned 9/7/22; Isabell Teague of Dispatch resigned 9/1/22; Misty Darby of Dispatch resigned 9/15/22; Amanda Foreman of County Clerk's office resigned 9/9/22; Chealsie Hughes of County Clerk's office began full-time 9/17/22.

No action was taken on Agenda item 10.
The Court acknowledged and approved the Writs of Election, Notice of Election, and the Governor’s Proclamation of Election, pertaining to the General Election, November 8, 2022.

No action was taken on Agenda item 14.

The Court received funds of $1,664.03 from Texas Association of Counties Unemployment Compensation Group Account Fund, as a reimbursement to be placed into the general fund. Wagner made the motion to accept the funds, Curry seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

The Court received funds from Gov Deals, Inc., in the amount of $24,200.00 representing the sale of precinct equipment. Huggins made the motion to certify the receipt of those funds, Clary seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

The Court received funds from Unclaimed Property Capital Credits for Counties in the amount of $5,336.84, representing unclaimed property held by the Comptroller. Huggins made the motion to accept the funds, Wagner seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

The Court considered adopting a resolution allowing the purchase of real property for the Hamilton Central Appraisal District. Huggins made the motion to pass a resolution approving and adopting the acquisition of real property located at 401 E Main St., Hamilton, Texas. Curry seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The Court considered adopting a resolution allowing the conveyance of real property by the Hamilton Central Appraisal District. Wagner made the motion to pass a resolution approving and adopting the conveyance of real property located at 119 E Henry St., Hamilton, Texas. Curry seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The Court considered adopting the Hamilton County Sheriff’s and Constable’s Fees for 2023. Clary made the motion to adopt the 2023 Sheriff’s and Constable’s fees, Huggins seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

The Court discussed declaring two Sheriff’s Department vehicles as surplus. Huggins made the motion to declare two Dodge pickups as surplus. Curry seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The Court discussed changes to the proposed FY2022-2023 budget and whether to approve a $3,400.00 increase in the District Attorney’s budget. Huggins made the motion to deny the increase in the District Attorney’s budget, Clary seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
After a brief recess, the Court considered adoption of the FY2022-2023 final budget. Tynes made the motion to adopt the FY2022-23 budget, Huggins seconded, and the Court voted:

- Wagner: Yes
- Curry: Yes
- Tynes: Yes
- Huggins: Yes
- Clary: Yes

The motion carried unanimously.

The Court considered adoption of the Maintenance & Operations 2022 Tax Rate for Hamilton County. Tynes made the motion to adopt the 2022 Maintenance & Operations tax rate of .3783, Wagner seconded, and the Court voted:

- Wagner: Yes
- Curry: Yes
- Tynes: Yes
- Huggins: Yes
- Clary: Yes

The motion carried unanimously.

The Court adjourned at 11:00 a.m.