

*Hamilton County Commissioner's Court*

*Regular Session*

*Tuesday, April 27, 2021*

*9:00 a.m.*

*Hamilton County Commissioner's Court met in regular session on Tuesday, April 27, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. with the following members present: County Judge Mark Tynes, Commissioners Johnny Wagner, Lloyd Huggins, Keith Curry 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 no line-item transfers.*

*The Court considered the following consent agenda:*

- A. Minutes from previous Commissioner's Court meetings*
- B. Approve Departmental reports*
- C. Approve bills submitted for payment in the amount of \$17,624.78, payroll in the amount of \$72,246.48*
- D. Certificates of continuing education - none*
- E. Application(s) for culvert installation - one in Precinct 2 from Roger C. Hill, 1214 CR 305, Jonesboro, TX 76538*
- F. Building and Use Requests - none*
- G. Bonds/Deputations - Susan Halpin, Deputy County Clerk*

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

*Sheriff's department reported the resignation of Daniel Stanfield in the position of Communications Officer, effective 4/26/2021.*

*There were no Hamilton County facilities requests.*

*County Treasurer reported cash and investments for February of \$3,350,685.72 cash and \$1,598,708.00 investments; and for March of \$2,988,178.03 cash and \$1,598,708.00 investments.*

*Clary had received a petition signed by seven citizens regarding altering the speed limit on CR421 due to increased traffic from recent subdivision construction. The Court then entertained comments by three speakers on the subject. First was Richard Layne who opposed lowering the speed limit; second was Judd Wall who supported lowering the speed limit because of speeding contractors and speeding*

*young people; third was Jack Wall who supported lowering the speed limit. Clary made the motion to lower the speed limit on CR421 to 30 mph., Huggins seconded and the motion passed unanimously.*

*Clary then discussed the OSSF Designated Representative for Septic Inspections and the need for additional licensed and certified inspectors. Texas Health & Safety Code sec. 285.62 controls this topic. Clary expressed the need for a contract for each designated representative and Henkes added that the contract should be signed annually. Henkes is to draft a contract, to be signed annually, by both current and prospective designated representatives. The Court also suggested the Clerk's office determine the best way to assign work among multiple designated representatives.*

*The Court approved the annual renewal of the Interlocal Cooperation Contract Failure to Appear (FTA) Program.*

*The Court addressed concerns about any future employee working for the County before the actual hiring process took place, as there are certain payroll, insurance and liability issues. Chief Young of the Sheriff's Department said any problem that might develop from his department would immediately be eliminated.*

*Tynes reported his progress in determining which expenses would be covered by the American Rescue Plan Act 2021. Even after consulting with TAC, there are no definitive answers. It appears that everyone concerned is waiting for the Texas Legislative session, as well as the U. S. Treasury, to define allowed expenses.*

*No action was taken on the Burn Ban.*

*No action was taken on the CTIF Grant.*

*Tynes had received a letter from Governor Abbott's office inquiring about any counties with expenses related to the U.S./Mexico border crossings. Hamilton County had no expenses to report.*

*The Court adjourned at 9:42 a.m.*

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*County Judge*

*Attest:* \_\_\_\_\_  
*County Clerk*