Hamilton County Commissioner’s Court
Regular Session
Tuesday, March 28th, 2017
9:00 A.M.

Hamilton County Commissioner’s Court met in Regular Session on Tuesday, March 28, 2017 at 9:00 A.M. with the following members present: Judge Mark Tynes, Commissioners Johnny Wagner, Keith Allen Curry, Lloyd Huggins and Dickie Clary.

The meeting was called to order and a quorum was established.

Clary led the invocation and Tynes followed with the pledges.

Judge Tynes recited a quote from the Founding Father James Madison.

A motion was made by Huggins and seconded by Curry to approve a line item transfer request in the amount of $11,792.28. The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioners Court Papers Book 56 Page 721)

A motion was made by Tynes and seconded by Huggins to approve the budget amendment request. The amendment will be an increase of $30,000.00 to the District Court Indigent Defense and an increase of $5,000.00 to the County Court Indigent Defense and an increase of $65,000.00 Non-Departmental Contingency. The motion passed 3 in favor 2 against. Clary and Wagner wanted to make this a little more transparent. They would like to have an amendment come on a case by case circumstance. (Recorded in Commissioners Court Papers Book 56 Page 724)

A motion was made by Clary and seconded by Curry to approve the following Consent Agenda:
A. Minutes of 3/14/2017 Commissioners Court Meeting
B. Approve Department Reports – None submitted
C. Approve in-between bills submitted in the amount of $8,250.00 (Recorded in Commissioners Court Papers Book 56 Page 724) and regular bills submitted in the amount of $126,292.28 (Recorded in Commissioners Court Papers Book 56 Page 727)
D. Approve Monthly Treasurer’s Report – None submitted.

The motion carried unanimously.

Auditor Kent Reeves reported that the quarterly reports would be ready in a couple of days and that they have begun training on the new financial software.

No action was taken on the Hamilton County Burn Ban.

Continuing education certificates were submitted on Dickie Clary, Johnny Wagner and Keith Curry. (Recorded in Commissioners Court Papers Book 56 Page 738)

A motion was made by Clary and seconded by Huggins to approve the CPS Board for pinwheel placement around the courthouse lawn in conjunction with child abuse awareness month. The pinwheels will be put up on Sunday and stay up until Wednesday. That after the CPS Board will be having a free luncheon, until the food runs out. The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioners Court Papers Book 56 Page 751)
Dr. Donald Kelm from Texas A&M Agrilife Extension gave his annual report stating all the good things that they had going on with the help of Bruce Boyd, CEA – AG and Natural Resources and Sheila Ondrusek, CEA – Family & Consumer Services. (Recorded in Commissioners Court Papers Book 56 Page 754)

A motion was made by Wagner and seconded by Huggins to ratify the building use request for Leadership Hamilton for use of the Hamilton County District Courtroom. Tynes explained that this was done day of the Leadership Hamilton meeting. So he went ahead and approved it because he, Huggins, Terry Short, Shawna Dyer and Kiesha Bagwell who were also elected officials were also there to make sure the courthouse was locked up when it was over. The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioners Court Papers Book 56 Page 756)

A motion was made by Huggins and seconded by Clary to approve the bond of Deputy Sheriff, Brian Fullbright. The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioners Court Papers Book 56 Page 757)

A motion was made by Clary and seconded by Huggins to approve Hamilton County Precinct Mapping for 9-1-1 with Central Texas Council of Governments for Private Road 4130. The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioners Court Papers Book 56 Page 773)

A motion was made by Huggins and seconded by Clary to transfer a 2008 Ford F150 Crew Cab License Plate # 1037145 from the Sheriff’s Office to Precinct 3 for a new work truck for road hands. The motion carried unanimously.

The following 2 bids were opened for the bridge repair on CR 101 at the Leon River in Precinct 1:
1. From PPM Company in the amount of $209,000.00
2. From Coalson Excavation, LLC in the amount of $78,950.00

A motion was made by Wagner and seconded by Clary to accept and award the bid from Coalson Excavation. The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioners Court Papers Book 56 Page 760)

There was a problem with the bid from Coalson Excavation. The clay fill was supposed to be (2600 yards) instead of (1950 yards) which would make a difference in the bid of $7,345.00. Jason Coalson said that they would honor the bid the way it was submitted as $78,950.00. (Recorded in Commissioners Court Papers Book 56 Page 772)

A motion was made by Wagner and seconded by Clary to approve the extension of County Road 555 into the County Road system. Clary stated that it had been up to standards for a little while, but wanted to see how the road held up with some weather conditions. After the rains we have had he thought in good shape and saw no problem for the extension. The motion carried unanimously.

Future Agenda Items:
1. Tynes wants the court to start taking a look at some of the resolutions and take aggressive roles in legislation.
2. Clary mentioned that there would be a wind energy meeting at the Evant high school gym on April 19, 2017 if anyone was interested.

Judge Tynes adjourned the court.