

Hamilton County Commissioner's Court

Regular Session

Tuesday, August 22, 2017

9:00 A.M.



Hamilton County Commissioner's Court met in Regular Session on Tuesday, August 22, 2017 @ 9:00 A.M. with the following members present: Judge Mark Tynes, Commissioners Keith Allen Curry, Lloyd Huggins and Dickie Clary. Commissioner Johnny Wagner was absent.

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

Huggins led the invocation and Tynes followed with the pledges.

Tynes recited a quote from founding father Thomas Jefferson.

Tynes recognized the following speakers in the public comments all pertaining to agenda item # 18: Clint Wan Trease, Ray A. Wilkerson, Calvin Friedrich, Renee' French, Keith Rogers, Gene Flippen, Toni Perez, Damon Chumney, Richard Layne and Kim McCullough. With 5 people speaking against the wind turbine abatement, 3 people for it, and 1 that was undecided. Calvin Friedrich presented a print out of the Summary of North and South and Ray Wilkerson present the court many petitions against the wind farms (Recorded in Commissioners Court Papers Book 58 Page 10)

On agenda item #18 part 1. Melissa Miller from EDF Renewable Energy presented two handouts representing the wind energy, one a statistical report and the other being and EDF Renewable Energy Overview. (Recorded in Commissioners Court Papers Book 58 Page 121)

On agenda item #18 part 2. Robert Pena then presented the court with the Hamilton County, Texas Application for Tax Abatement. The court accepted the application for review. (Recorded in Commissioners Court Papers Book 58 Page 134)

On agenda item #18 Tynes spoke to the public letting them know that the purpose of this meeting is to receive the application, that the court would not act on this today and the court would not be pushed into a decision. He applauded public's passion on this this topic whether they were for or against.

Renee' French also stood and spoke during the public comments wanting to say thank you to her Commissioner Lloyd Huggins for taking her calls and taking care of CR203 when she has an issue. She also wanted the court to know that there was some new graffiti painted on the bridge on that county road that was possibly gang related.

There were no budget amendments submitted.

There were no line item transfers submitted.

A motion was made by Huggins and seconded by Clary to approve the following consent agenda.

- A. Minutes of the 8-8-2017 Commissioner's Court Meeting
- B. Approve Department Reports (Recorded in Commissioners Court Papers Book 58 Page 144)
- C. Approve bills submitted for payment in the amount of \$62,313.96 (Recorded in Commissioners Court Papers Book 58 Page 158)
- D. Approve Monthly Treasurer's Report – Not submitted

The motion carried unanimously.

There was no County Auditor Report.

The court passed on Agenda item #11 concerning the Hamilton County Burn Ban

Certificate of Continuing Education was accepted by Tax Assess-Collector Terry Short. (Recorded in Commissioners Court Papers Book 58 Page 169)

A motion was made by Clary and seconded by Huggins to approve the bond and deputation of Assist County Treasurer Stephanie Hernandez and deputy Tax Assessor Collector Stephanie McDaniel. The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioners Court Papers Book 58 Page 170)

A motion was made by Huggins and seconded by Curry to approve the bond renewals for Hamilton County Auditor Kent Reeves and Reserve Deputy Sheriff Isaac Partain. The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioners Court Papers Book 58 Page 178)

The court passed on agenda item #15 regarding Hamilton County Policy on hours worked and overtime, additional language consideration.

A motion was made by Clary and seconded by Huggins to approve the interlocal agreement between the Central Texas Council of Governments and the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office for E9-1-1 Service and Equipment. The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioners Court Papers Book 58 Page 188)

A motion was made by Huggins and seconded by Clary to approve the Hamilton County Pct. 1 G&K Service Agreement. The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioners Court Papers Book 58 Page 232)

Tynes wanted to remind the court of the scheduling for the rest of the Fiscal Year 2018 with the following dates.

- 1) Friday, September 1, 2017 @ 9:00 A.M. Public Hearing on Proposed Budget
- 2) Tuesday, September 12, 2017 @ 9:00 A.M. 1st Public Hearing on Proposed Tax Rate
- 3) Friday, September 15, 2017 @ 9:00 A.M. 2nd Public Hearing on Proposed Tax Rate
- 4) Tuesday, September 19, 2017 @ 9:00 A.M. Adopt Budget – Set Tax Rate

(Recorded in Commissioners Court Papers Book 58 Page 234)

Future Agenda Items:

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A motion was made by Huggins and seconded by Clary to approve the interlocal agreement between Lubbock County, Texas and Hamilton County, Texas Program purpose the Regional Public Defender for Capital Cases. The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioners Court Papers Book 58 Page 220)

Tynes adjourned the court at 10:45 A.M. and opened up the budget workshop.

In budget workshop the court talked about numbers from the appraisal district, Sheriff's Office budget, excess in revenues that we will have this year where and how to apply them, Elected Officials supplies and stationary budget, County Clerk's daily indexing budget, District Attorney's budget, raises and salary supplements.

There will be another budget workshop set for Tuesday, August 29, 2017 @ 9:00 A.M.

Tynes adjourned the budget workshop at 12:20 P.M.

W. Mark Tynes
County Judge

Kiesha F. Bagwell
County Clerk
