Hamilton County Commissioner's Court

Regular Session

Tuesday, January 28, 2020

9:00 A.M.

Hamilton County Commissioner's Court met in regular session on Tuesday, January 28, 2020 at 9:00 A.M. with the following members present: County Judge Mark Tynes, Commissioners Johnny Wagner, Keith Allen 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 no public comments.

A motion was made by Huggins and seconded by Curry to approve the line item transfers submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Wagner and seconded by Curry to approve the following consent agenda:

- A. Minutes from the 1-14-2014 Commissioner's Court meeting
- B. Approval of all departmental reports submitted
- C. Approve of bills \$28,315.16, payroll \$73,267.12
- D. Certificates of continuing education none submitted
- E. Application(s) for culvert installation none submitted
- F. Building and use request None submitted

The motion carried unanimously.

Hamilton County Personnel Update:

Jasmine Seider – Deputy District Clerk resigned – 1-17-2020

Hamilton County Facilities Update:

Tynes stated that this Saturday there were some electrical issues at the annex that had been taken care of.

He also said that he thought the repairs had begun at the historical museum and Curry confirmed.

A motion was made by Clary and seconded by Huggins to approve the interlocal agreement between Coryell County and Hamilton County regarding administration of the performance of Hamilton Count's obligations to residents of precinct 3 of Hamilton County and Hamilton County jail inmates under the Texas Indigent Health Care and Treatment Act. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Huggins and seconded by Clary to approve the certification form the Auditor's Office – special revenue budget, the motion carried unanimously.

County Clerk Kiesha Fisher Bagwell spoke to the court about the record archival funds. (040) This fund is set up only for restoring/preserving old books. Her office has been in touch with Kofile on preserving the birth and death records in her office. There are approximately 20 books left to be preserved. This item doesn't have to go through Commissioner's Court, but she wanted to keep the court informed of any money spent.

Bagwell also had sent the members of the court copies of emails where she had inquired on listserve about election worker wages. Our current wages for election judges are currently \$9.00 per hour and for election clerks \$8.50 per hour. She explained that it was really difficult to find election workers as it is and asked the court to consider changing their wages. The court had reviewed the email that had said that they were currently paying. A motion was made by Clary and seconded by Wagner to raise the election judge wages to \$12.00 per hour and election clerks to \$11.00 per hour. The motion carried with a 4 to 1 vote.

The court took no action on the Hamilton County burn ban, but will leave it on the agenda.

A motion was made by Huggins and seconded by Wagner to ratify the declaring of scrap metal salvage in Hamilton County Commissioner's Precinct 3. The motion carried unanimously.

The court acknowledged the order of appointment from 220th District Judge Shaun Carpenter appointing Hollee A. Ragsdale, Community Supervision Officer.

Health and Safety code, title 7, subtitle a 534.010 (2) requires an annual report to each local agency that appoints the members (of the board) the executive director's total compensation and benefits which are salary \$130,962 and total benefits \$22,091.55. Tynes informed the court of Texas house bill 3834 where the state is mandating Cybersecurity Course for everyone that works on a government owned computer.

Tynes then spoke about the sick leave pool. The composition of the committee is the County Judge, County Sheriff, County Clerk, County Attorney, County Auditor (do not have one), County Treasurer, a member of the Commissioner's Court (Dickie Clary), with the County Judge serving as chair plus 2 ex-officio members to be appointed by the Commissioner's Court. Susan Foster appointed as one and joy Stevens as the second upon her approval of the request. A motion was made by Clary and seconded by Curry to approve the composition of the committee. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Tynes and seconded by Huggins to approve the sale/donation of one of the compactors from the recycling center which has already been declared as surplus equipment to the Masonic Lodge. The motion carried unanimously.

Tynes gave Wagner a C.D. to review for the 2020 U.S. Census initial boundary validation program and asked that each member of the court review to see if it they were ok with the validation. This will be kept on the agenda.

The court then began going over the Hamilton County Purchasing Manual. They talked about a few changes that need to be made. Tynes said that he would make the changes and get a copy to the court to review before the next Commissioner's Court. The court agreed that after the changes are made that they would be happy with the policy.

Tynes adjourned the court at 9:45 A.M.

County Judge

Attest: _____

County Clerk