Hamilton County Commissioner's Court

Regular Session

October 22, 2019

9:00 A.M.

Hamilton County Commissioner's Court met in regular session on Tuesday, October 22, 2019 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.

Richard Lane stood before the court and spoke on agenda item #18-Professional Services Contract, and stated that he thought that the retainer for our County Auditor, Kent Reeves was too expensive.

There were no line item transfers.

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

- A. Minutes of the 10-8-2019 Commissioner's Court meeting
- B. Approve departmental reports submitted
- C. Approve bills submitted for payment in the amount of \$63,557.34 and payroll in the amount of \$73,558.44
- D. Certificates of continuing education; There were two continuing education certificates filed by the county court for Kiesha Bagwell and Leanne Jackson.
- E. Application(s) for culvert installation-There was one in precinct 3
- F. There was no building use request

The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 64 Page 543)

Tynes also stated that there was an invoice for two visiting judges that were charged to County Court and the invoice will be sent to District Court.

There was one resignation from Cheyanne Martinez from the Communications
Department effective 10-18-2019 and a new hire for the communications department as well,
Linda Goodwin will start on 10-21-2019. There was also a new road hand hired for Precinct 4,
Clayton Paschal, effective date will be 10-21-2019. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers
Book 64 Page 581)

There were no facilities updates.

District Clerk, Sandy Lahew, spoke on the technology fund, more known as the archive fee, they will stay the same price. The current fee is \$10.00 and there will be no change for year. The motion was made by Huggins and seconded by Curry and it carried unanimously to approve the District Clerk's archive fees. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 64 Page 582)

A motion was made by Huggins and seconded by Clary to approve the resolution on the Texas Indigent Defense Program. The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 64 Page 590)

A motion was made by Wagner and seconded by Curry to approve the bond and deputation of Hamilton County Sheriff's Deputy Blake Satterfield. The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 64 Page 607)

A motion was made by Huggins and seconded by Curry to approve the Sheriff's Office Tahoe, surplus and will use the money to purchase a new vehicle at a later time. The motion carried unanimously.

Randy Smith, supervisor for USDA Wildlife Services along with County Trapper Tim O'donell spoke to the court about the retirement of Mr. O'Donell. He will no longer be with the county as of December 31, 2019. They are currently looking to hire someone to fill Mr. O'Donell's position before January 1, 2020 and he thanked the court for the opportunity to serve this county. He will still be with USDA Wildlife Services, but working on a federal level. The county will still be responsible for payment to the Wildlife service even if no one is hired for the position.

Tynes stated that Kent Reeves, Contracted County Accountant, would be submitting a financial report to us at the end of every month.

County Treasurer, Shawna Dyer, presented the monthly reports for August and September 2019. Total cash and assets for August were \$1,738,246.65 and investments were \$1,662,356.60. Total cash and assets for September were \$1,488,617.93 and investments were \$1,664,657.23. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 64 Page 616)

A motion was made by Tynes and seconded by Huggins to approve the service contract for Kent Reeves, Contracted County Accountant. Tynes stated that the court would take the fees from salary and move them to Professional Services in the amount of \$2500.00 a month. Tynes also stated that if this did not work out, without a County Auditor, the District Judge would be the one responsible for the hiring of a new auditor. The motion carried unanimously.

Clary finished revising the subdivision rules and the court discussed having a third party consulting firm go through it and make the final touches. There was no adoption on the subdivision rules at this time.

Hamilton County Chief Deputy, Keith Madison spoke to the court about the interlocal agreement for inmate housing from Erath County. He stated that it would be the same as the agreement currently held with Mills County. He stated that the cost of Erath is \$55, Bosque-\$50, and Mills-\$60 per inmate. He also stated that Burnet County is the county that they use for housing inmates that have medical issues. He also stated that all the counties do their own magistration except for Comanche. Clary made the motion and Huggins seconded and it passed unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 64 Page 624)

2019 legislative update Huggins updated the court and Tynes said that the county was in compliance.

A motion was made by Clary and seconded by Huggins to approve the holiday schedule 2019 to approve December 23rd, 24^{th} , and 25^{th} .

Tynes adjourned the court at 10:12 A.M.

	County Judge	
Attest:		
County Clerk		

Contract with CINTAS and Hamilton County Commissioners Precinct 2 for uniforms has been recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 64 Page 634.