Hamilton County Commissioner's Court

Regular Session

July 23, 2019

9:00 A.M.

Hamilton County Commissioner's Court met in regular session on July 23, 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.

Tynes led the invocation and followed with the pledges.

A large number of Hamilton County Citizens stood in the public comments on Agenda item number 16 regarding 10 Commandments Monuments request to be placed on the courthouse grounds. The court moved to this agenda item. There were several people that had handouts and petitions. The County Clerk also had a sign in sheet if they were there for this topic. Several citizens stood and told the court if they were for or against the monuments going up. (Recoded in Commission's Court Papers Book 63 Page 759)

Tynes said that the court would keep this on the agenda for the next 2 months in order more citizens to speak on this topic.

A motion was made by Clary and seconded by Huggins to approve the line item transfers submitted. The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 63 Page 796)

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

- A. Minutes of the July 9, 2019 Commissioner's Court meeting
- B. All departmental reports submitted
- *C.* Bills submitted \$111,916.98, payroll \$72,313.19 and accounts payable payroll \$43,869.21
- D. Certificates of Continuing Education None submitted
- *E.* Application(s) for culvert installation None submitted

The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 63 Page 797)

There was no Hamilton County Personnel update.

Hamilton County Treasurer gave the monthly report for April stating that the amount of cash on hand we have is \$2,109,220.22, total investment is \$2,149,491.00, monthly report

for May state that the amount of cash on hand is \$, 1,705,454.40 and the total investment is \$2,396,512.00. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 63 page 833).

A motion was made by Huggins and seconded by Clary to approve the interlocal agreement with CTCOG-PSAP (9-1-1 Public Safety Answering Point). This is the same agreement that has to be signed every 2 years. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Huggins and seconded by Curry to approve the Hamilton County bank depository agreement. The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioner's *Court Papers Book 63 Page 847*)

A motion was made by Tynes and seconded by Clary to ratify the building use request from Tony Smith with Friends Helping Veterans. The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 65 Page 842)

Extension Agent Bruce Boyd introduced 4-H members David Byers and Tucker Ondrusek for a 4-H interpretation.

Byers spoke to the court about a veterinary science camp that he had attended at Lake Brownwood. He said that they mostly worked on dogs and cats check their heart and pulse, take their temperature, tie knots and learned how to keep things sterilized. He said he really did enjoy the experience.

Ondrusek told the court about the robotics camp that he attended. He said that he got to build a little robot that would take water from the river to plants.

The court thanked the young men for speaking to the court.

A motion was made by Huggins and seconded by Curry to approve the bid from GSC Construction for the labor and material, & equipment to remove and replace the existing caulking around the metal cap on the Hamilton County Courthouse. The motion passed unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 63 Page 843)

A motion was made by Huggins and seconded by Curry to approve the bid from Gary Sparks for repair and maintenance of horizontal limestone water table which includes removal and replace all damaged caulking on existing limestone water table and all equipment and labor for completion of project. The motion carried unanimously. Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 63 Page 844)

The discussion for the sheriff's fess will be moved to August 6, 2019 meeting.

The court then went into budget workshop. They spoke on things such as carports for the jail, an extra position and the jail, inmates and transportation, raises for dispatchers, longevity pay, juvenile department has a contingency, increase for indigent burials, increasing autopsies, etc..... A motion was made by Huggins and seconded by Clary to remove the \$10,800.00 to remove from capital equipment from the Sheriff's Office to do away with the carport request. The motion carried unanimously.

The court then went into a road and bridge workshop. Frank Kelly from RSC Brush Control came and spoke to the court about spraying roadsides compared to just brush cutting. He said that spraying is much faster and longer lasting for 3 to 5 years. He suggested that if you cut and spray 1/3 each year then after 3 years you have got them controlled chemically.

The court asked him about the damage to trees on the fence line. He said that he was insured for that, but typically they will only be affected where they have been sprayed.

He went over the cost factor with the court and they will be getting into touch with him to section out a part in each precinct to try the spraying. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 63 Page 845)

A copy of the Hamilton County Propsed Budget was July 25, 2019. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 64 Page 1)

Tynes adjourned the court at 12:14 P.M.

The Hamilton County Proposed Budget was file on July 25, 2019 @ 2:23 P.M.

County Judge

Attest: _____

County Clerk