

Hamilton County Commissioner's Court
Special Session
Monday, August 3, 2009
9:00 A.M.

Hamilton County Commissioner's Court met in Special Session on Monday, August 3, 2009 at 9:00 A.M. with the following members present: County Judge Randy Mills, Commissioners Jim Boatwright, Mike Lewis, Jon Bonner and Dickie Clary.

The meeting was called to order.

There were no public comments.

Pattillo, Brown, & Hill, L.L.P.'s Representative John Manning was present to present to the court the outside audit review. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 33 Page 739)

A motion was made by Boatwright and seconded by Lewis to accept the outside audit. The motion carried unanimously.

The court took a five minute recess.

The court reconvened and move to the annual selection of the Hamilton County Grievance Committee. *As required by law, Section 152.014 Local Government Code (LGC) that each county there is a salary grievance committee which is composed of the county judge and (1) the sheriff, county tax assessor-collector, county treasurer, county clerk, district clerk, county attorney or criminal district attorney, and the number of public members necessary to provide nine voting members or (2) nine public members, if the commissioners court votes to have nine public members.*

A motion was made by Bonner and seconded by Lewis to appoint the county judge, the sheriff, county tax assessor-collector, county treasurer, county clerk, district clerk, county attorney or criminal district attorney, and the number of public members necessary to provide nine voting members to serve as Hamilton County's Salary Grievance Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Clary and seconded by Bonner to pay the Hamilton County Salary Grievance Committee the same pay as received by a grand juror member for their services. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Lewis and seconded by Bonner to approve the appointment of the following members to the Hamilton County Salary Grievance Committee:

Regular Members: 1. Donald Nelson
 2. Jeanette Harrison
 3. Jack Caldwell

Alternate Members: 1. Mary E. Ferguson
 2. Betty Jenkins
 3. John Dave Newton
 4. Larry Herrin
 5. Douglas Forrest
 6. Eldon Perkins
 7. Doyle Cook
 8. Paul Carl Ising
 9. Jennifer Wurth

The motion carried unanimously.

The court recessed until 1:00 P.M. to allow the County Auditor to review all the numbers on the proposed budget.

A motion was made by Lewis and seconded by Mills to propose to set a property tax rate which exceeds the effective tax rate at 4.625 percent per \$100 evaluation. Lewis and Mills withdrew their motion. A motion was made by Lewis and seconded by Bonner to set a property tax rate which exceeds the effective tax rate at .5655. The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 33 Page 852)

A motion was made by Lewis and seconded by Bonner to establish the time, date and location of the two required public hearings on the proposed tax rate as:

District Courtroom Hamilton County Courthouse Annex August 17, 2009 at 9:00 A.M.

Lee Conference Center (114 East Main Street) August 24, 2009 at 9:00 A.M.

The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers book 33 Page 851)

A motion was made by Lewis and seconded by Bonner to establish the time, date and location of the public hearing on the proposed budget for fiscal year 2010 in the District Courtroom, August 17, 2009 at 9:00 A.M. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Lewis and seconded by Bonner to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

County Judge

Attest: _____
County Clerk