

Hamilton County Commissioner's Court  
Regular Session  
Monday, January 09, 2012  
9:00 A.M.

Hamilton County Commissioner's Court met in Regular Session on Monday, January 9, 2012 at 9:00 A.M. with the following members present: County Judge Randy Mills, Commissioners Jim Boatwright, Mark Tafel, Jon Bonner and Dickie Clary.

The meeting was called to order and Judge Mills opened with prayer.

Damon Chumney (Agenda Item 13-Renew Tax Abatement Policy) stated that he was in favor of tax abatements but his concern was that it seemed the county reserve the right to refuse whenever they wanted. If a party meets the criteria then it seems that politics get in the way. We need to come together on this policy.

The court proceeded to Agenda Items 9 and 10:

- (9) -Open bids for motor fuels for Hamilton County 2012
- (10) Accept bids for motor fuels for Hamilton County 2012

Steve Watson requested that the court be open minded when reviewing the fuel bids and that they might want to consider accepting more than one supplier. You owe it to the taxpayers to get the best price.

A motion was made by Boatwright and seconded by Tafel to approve the following budget amendments:

Jail from Communications Supervisor to Workers Compensation  
Constable, Precinct Three from Supplies and Stationery to Telephone

The motion carried by a majority vote. Mills abstained. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 42 Page 40)

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

- A. Minutes of 12-27-2011 Commissioner's Court Meeting
- B. Approve Departmental Reports (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 42 Page 77)
- C. Approve Bills Submitted for Payment-\$53,144.01 – (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 42 Page 44)

The motion carried unanimously.

The court moved to Item 13-Renew the Tax Abatement Policy

Hamilton Economic Development Corporation Manager Jane Crouch requested Hamilton County to renew the tax abatement policy. Ms. Crouch explained that this was to be done every two years and the abatement policy was a very good tool and incentive to encourage business to come to Hamilton.

A motion was made by Bonner and seconded by Clary to renew the tax abatement policy. The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 42 Page 56) (Executed Copy Recorded in 42 Page 257)

The court passed on Agenda Item 11- Approve Resolution of the Hamilton County Commissioner's Court Changing Location of Foreclosure Sales

A motion was made by Bonner and seconded by Boatwright to approve the bond for Deputy Tax Assessor-Collector Susan Foster, Deputy Sheriff Douglas Stephens,

Deputy Sheriff Rick Berry, Deputy Tax Assessor Collector Sandra Polk and County Attorney Mark Henkes. The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 42 Page 63)

Hamilton County Courthouse Restoration- The court discussed the moisture content problem in the first floor. There is a moisture vapor problem in the 1886-87 floor where there needs to be a sealant applied to enable the flooring to be installed. The court would discuss this Wednesday, January 11, 2012 at the Owner's Meeting and make a decision.

A motion was made by Boatwright and seconded by Tafel to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned.

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County Judge

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
County Clerk