

Hamilton County Commissioner's Court

Regular Session
Monday, June 9, 2014
9:00 A.M.

Hamilton County Commissioner's Court met in Regular Session on Monday, June 09, 2014 at 9:00 A.M. with the following members present: County Judge Randy Mills, Commissioners Johnny Wagner, Lloyd Huggins and Dickie Clary. Commissioner Mark Tafel was absent as he was receiving his continuing education courses.

Mills called the meeting to order and Clary opened with prayer.

The following county employees spoke during public comments asking the court to consider salary increases this year as they enter budget time: Joy Stevens, Shawna Dyer, Susan Foster, Kiesha Bagwell and Sand Layhew.

A motion was made by Huggins and seconded by Wagner to approve the following budget amendments: Environmental from Supplies and Stationery to Travel Expense, Precinct Four from Road Materials and Supplies to Equipment Rental, Sheriff's Office from Deputy 3 to Rental Equipment, County Jail from Dispatcher/Jailer 6 to Gas, Auditor from Non Capital Equipment to Schools and Conferences, County Jail from Overtime to Prisoner Transportation and Housing, County Jail from Dispatcher/Jailer 3 to Janitorial Supplies, County Jail from Equipment Repair to Food and Non Departmental from Courthouse Insurance to Autopsy. The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 48 Page 692)

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

- A. Minutes of 5-23-2014 Commissioners Court Meeting –Correct on name from West to Les
- B. Approve Department Reports (Recorded in Commissioners' Court Page 48 Page 721)
- C. Approve Bills submitted for payment \$72,379.82 (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 48 Page 710)

The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Huggins and seconded by Clary to approve the Tax Abatement Agreement with Texas Reverse Exchange Holding company, LLC, A Texas Limited Liability Company as Exchange Title Holder for Les Branson and Amber Branson (Lot 10 and south half of Lot 9, of Block 9 of Original Town of Hico)(Midland Hotel). The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 48 Page 769) (Original Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 49 Page 317)

A motion was made by Huggins and seconded by Wagner to approve the Resolution regarding new EPA rule-defining "Waters of the United States". The motion carried by a majority vote. Huggins, Wagner and Clary voted for and Mills abstained. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 48 Page 747)

Clary presented to the court about courthouse window tint for the offices. Clary will do some research and get some estimates and information regarding this issue.

A motion was made by Mills and seconded by Huggins to approve Precinct Two to remove brush and trees and remove and replace any damage to fence during process on CR 301 where several accidents have occurred. Owner of the property Mr. Livingston has approved the brush clearing and tree trimming to prevent future accidents. The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers book 48 Page 784)

A motion was made by Wagner and seconded by Clary to approve the bond renewal for Hamilton County Deputy Sheriffs Chance Logan and Renee Merchant. The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers book 48 Page 780)

County Treasurer Debbie Eoff stated that she had just received last month's statements and is working diligently.

The court was not interested in the donation which was offered to give Hamilton County Lots No. 2 and 3 in Block No. 1 Baker Addition, J. M. Evans Survey located in Carlton, Hamilton County, Texas. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 48 Page 791)

County Attorney Mark Henkes brief the court regarding BridgeTex and Wyatt Construction and the damages done to the county roads. Wyatt Construction wants to address this and will be presenting a proposal to the county.

Henkes also advised the court that the county had the first On Site Sewage Facility (septic tank) issue discharging waste water inappropriately. Henkes advised that currently he was pursuing criminal action and may possibly pursue civil action in the future.

Future Agenda Items:

- A. Approve request from the City of Hico to bury Waterline on ROW of CR 244
- B. Change of Credit Card processing company from E-Z Net Pay to GHS (Net Data)

The court took a short break at 10:00 A.M and reconvened at 10:15 for a budget workshop. The court discussed the pros and cons of implementing a purchase order system. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 48 Page 775)

The court reviewed several departments in the budget. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 48 Page 777) Texas Association of Counties Health and Employee Benefits Pool.

A motion was made by Clary and seconded by Huggins to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

County Judge

Attest: _____

County Clerk