

Hamilton County Commissioner's Court

Regular Session
Monday, August 10, 2015
9:00 A.M.



Hamilton County Commissioner's Court met in Regular Session on Monday, August 10, 2015 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.

The meeting was called to order and there was a quorum present.

Huggins opened with prayer and Tynes continued with the pledges.

Dawn Buckingham introduced herself as a candidate for the Texas State Senate.

Texas A&M Forest Service Renee Burks addressed the court requesting that the county renew the lease for office space at the county courthouse annex building. Ms. Burks will present a document for the consideration of the lease renewal. (Public Participation Forms Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 52 Page 350)

A motion was made by Clary and seconded by Huggins to approve the following budget amendment to the On Site Sewage Facility Cost Share and the On Site Sewage Facility Financial Assistants (\$20,000.00) and the following line item transfers: Road and Bridge, Precinct One from Fuel, to Telephone and Uniforms, County Jail from Building Liability to Janitorial Supplies, Non-Departmental from Courthouse Liability Insurance to Telephone and Museum Liability, County Jail from Electricity to Non-Capital, County Jail from Health Insurance to Jail Repair, Sheriff's Office from Worker's Compensation to Vehicle Repair/Maintenance, Sheriff's Office from Uniforms to School/Conferences and Sheriff's Office from Secretary to Supplies and Stationery. The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 52 Page 353)

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

- A. Minutes of 7-27-2015 Commissioner's Court Meeting
- B. Approve Department Reports (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 52 Page 386)
- C. Approve Bills Submitted for Payment-\$146,677.39 (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 52 Page 373)

The motion carried unanimously.

The court passed on Agenda Item (9.) Review/Approve the transfer of Historical Bridge, CR 222, Leon River, Hamilton, Texas to Hamilton County Historical Commission

A motion was made by Clary and seconded by Huggins to ratify the order of Ms. Suezanne Faulkner of Lampasas County, Ms. Nancy Holle of Bell County, Ms. Ann King of Milam County, Ms. Alison Esparza of Coryell County and Mr. Steve Wick of Bell County for a two-year term to the Board of Trustees for Central County Services. The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 52 Page 440)

A motion was made by Huggins and seconded by Clary to approve the Resolution Authorizing County Grant for Texas Department of Agriculture: Texas Feeding Texans: Home Delivery Meal Grant Program. The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 52 Page 442)

A motion was made by Huggins and seconded by Curry for the approval to move the Aleman, Precinct 12 Voting Poll location from the St. Paul's Community Center to the St. Paul's Fellowship Hall of the St. Paul Lutheran Church. The court had received a copy of the request from Fred Schrank/President /Elder. The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 52 Page 444)

Huggins opened the one bid received for the purchase of a motor grader for Hamilton County Precinct Three from RDO Equipment of Waco, Texas for a used 2005 CAT 140H/Serial No. CAT0140HHCCA01383 with 6379 hours in the amount of \$145,000.00 with a trade in of 1984 CAT 120G/Serial No. 87V07139 in the amount of \$25,000.00 for a total amount of \$120,000.00. There is no warranty but it does include all oil and filter changes. The motion carried unanimously. Huggins stated that he would have a financial packet from Capital City Leasing on the next agenda for consideration and approval. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 52 Page 449)

Jim Kenton member of the Cross Timber Burn Association; a chapter of the Edwards Plateau Prescribed Burn Association (EPPBA) asked the court to consider approving the burn ban with the exception of the prescribed burns scheduled for the county when the criteria to burn has been met and appropriate to do so. The court asked the association to provide to the court geographic locations and addresses, including a map for the prescribed burns by the Cross Timbers Association.

A motion was made by Wagner and seconded by Clary to approve the Hamilton County burn ban with the exceptions of the geographic locations and addresses, including a map for the prescribed burns scheduled by the Cross Timber burn Association; the outdoor burning for garbage in a burn barrel with a one-inch screen cover; and for outdoor welding with sufficient fire suppression measures. The ban will be for ninety days. The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 52 Page 452 & 624)

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF HAMILTON

ORDER RESTRICTING OUTDOOR BURNING


WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court of Hamilton County has determined that circumstances present in all or part of the unincorporated area of the County create a public safety hazard that would be exacerbated by outdoor burning,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the Commissioners Court of Hamilton County that all outdoor burning (with the exception of burning household trash in a closed container, e.g., a barrel with a screened cover) is banned in the unincorporated area of the County for 90 days beginning Friday, August 14, 2015 unless the restrictions are terminated earlier based on a determination made by the Hamilton County Commissioners Court. This Order is adopted pursuant to Local Government Code 352.081, and other applicable statutes. This Order does not prohibit outdoor burning activities related to public health and safety that are authorized by the Texas Natural Resources Commission for (1) firefighter training; (2) public utility, natural gas pipeline or mining operations; (3) planting or harvesting of agricultural crops; or (4) burns that are conducted by a prescribed burn manager certified under Section 153.048, Natural Resources Code, and meet the standards of section 153.047, Natural Resources Code.

This order does not apply to any burns that are conducted in accordance with a plan that has been approved by the Natural Resources Conservation Service or by the directors of the Cross Timber Prescribed Burn Association; a chapter of the Edwards Plateau Prescribed Burn Association (EPPBA).

In accordance with Local Government Code 352.081, a violation of this Order is a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.00.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I affix my signature on behalf of the Commissioners Court of Hamilton County on this 10th day of August, 2015.


W. Mark Tines
Hamilton County Judge

Attest: 
Debbie K. Reynolds
Hamilton County Clerk



A motion was made by Huggins and seconded by Clary to approve the Interlocal Agreement between Coryell County, Texas and Hamilton County, Texas regarding Administration of the Performance of Hamilton County's Obligations to residents of Precinct three of Hamilton County and Hamilton County Jail Inmates Under the Texas Indigent Health Care and Treatment Act. The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 52 Page 454 & 622)

A motion was made by Huggins and seconded by Clary to approve the appointment of Hamilton County Commissioner, Precinct One, Johnny Wagner to serve on the Central Texas Council of Governments Solid Waste Committee. Tynes, Curry, Huggins and Clary voting for and Wagner abstained. The motion carried by a majority vote.

The court took a brief recess and then reconvened for a budget workshop to review:

- A. 2016 Proposed Budget Review
- B. Precinct Operations
- C. Hamilton County Courthouse Annex

The court adjourned at approximately 11:20 A.M.

County Judge

Attest: _____

County Clerk