

Hamilton County Commissioner's Court

Regular Session
Tuesday, March 8, 2016
9:00 A.M.

Hamilton County Commissioner's Court met in Regular Session on Tuesday, March 08, 2016 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.

Huggins opened with prayer and Tynes led the pledges.

There were no public comments.

Billy Hopson, Environmental Inspector for On-Site Sewage Financial Assistance Program gave the court a brief report stating that it was currently slow. The contract was going through some modifications; and the program may extend to Comanche County in the future which would require court approval.

Clary stated that he himself had asked Comanche County to send a letter of support for Comanche County to be included in the On-Site Sewage Program.

A motion was made by Huggins and seconded by Clary to approve the line item transfer as presented. The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 53 Page 751)

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

- A. Minutes of 2/23/2016 Commissioner's Court Meeting
- B. Approve Department Reports (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 53 Page 763)
- C. Approve Bills Submitted for Payment -\$37,319.57 Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 53 Page 753)

The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Clary and seconded by Huggins for the approval of Commissioner's Court to waive the requirement of the County Judge to approve purchase orders. The motion carried unanimously.

Hamilton County Auditor Kent Reeves gave his report. (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 53 Page 826)

Reeves briefed the court regarding the passage of HB 1295 Ethics Committee which states that a governmental entity or state agency may not enter into certain contracts with a business entity unless the business entity submits a disclosure of interested parties to the governmental entity or state agency at the time the business entity submits the signed contract to the governmental entity or state agency. The law applies only to a contract of a governmental entity or state agency that either (1) requires an action or vote by the governing body of the entity or agency before the contract may be signed or (2) has a value of at least \$1 million. The disclosure requirement applies to a contract entered into on or after January 1, 2016. The certificate is known as Form 1295.

(Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 53 Page 827)

A motion was made by Clary and seconded by Huggins to approve the request from the Hamilton County Appraisal District for a refund in the amount of \$112.71 to Robert Adams in care of Karen Turner for an over 65 freeze adjustment. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Huggins and seconded by Clary for the approval to clear a fence line on the private property of Al Sharp in exchange for a fence offset and improved drainage of County Road 231. The motion carried unanimously.

Tynes informed the court that Tim O'Donnell, Animal Trapper was having some health issues and was verifying that if he could not perform his duties did Hamilton County still have to pay for those services. Terry Shriver serves when our current animal trapper is unavailable.

Future Agenda Items:

Amendment or Change Request by Landowner CR 555

The court took a brief recess and then reconvened into a Hamilton County Precinct Road Mapping Workshop with Central Texas Council of Governments. Tynes distributed maps for the commissioners to review and some maps to distribute to the volunteer fire departments. Central Texas Council of Governments Mark Collier was unable to get here because of weather conditions but plans to be here on March 22, 2016.

The court adjourned.

County Judge

Attest: _____

County Clerk