

Hamilton County Commissioner's Court

Regular Session

Tuesday, October 25, 2016

9:00 A.M.



Hamilton County Commissioner's Court met in Regular Session on Tuesday, October 25, 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 and established that a quorum was present.

Clary opened with prayer and Tynes led the pledges.

There were no public comments.

There were no line item transfers or any budget amendments.

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

- A. Minutes of 10/11/2016 Commissioner's Court Meeting
- B. Approve Department Reports (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 55 Page 611)
- C. Approve Bills Submitted for Payment - \$51,069.09 (Recorded in Commissioner's Court Papers Book 55 Page 600)
- D. Approve Monthly Treasurer's Report-None

The motion carried unanimously.

Hamilton County Auditor Kent Reeves presented his report for September 2016. (Recorded in Commissioners' Court Papers Book 55 Page 658)

Reeves added that he had just returned from an auditor's conference in Fort Worth completing his twenty (20) hours annual requirement and had also completed his requirement of ten (10) hours (every two years) in Public Finance Information Training in Abilene.

A motion was made by Clary and seconded by Huggins to approve the bond and deputation of Hamilton County Reserve Deputy Sheriff James A. Luckie. The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioners' Court Papers Book 55 Page 660)

A motion was made by Huggins and seconded by Clary to approve the bond for Hamilton County Deputy Clerk Kiesha Bagwell and Hamilton County Deputy Tax Assessor/Collector Kari Druueckhammer. The motion carried unanimously. (Recorded in Commissioners' Court Papers Book 55 Page 109)

A motion was made by Huggins and seconded by Clary to declare the old maroon Ford van at the Sheriff's Department surplus/salvage to allow for it to be sold. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Wagner and seconded by Clary to accept the request from the Lamkin United Methodist Church for the use of the southwest corner of the courthouse parking lot for a bake sale November 22, 2016 from 9:00 A.M. until sold out. The motion carried unanimously.

Sheriff Justin Caraway updated the court on the jail repairs and stated that the \$40,000.00 that was an anticipated expenditure for the jail doors had been reduced to approximately \$2,500.00 -\$3,000.00 expenditure. The jail standards investigator stated that if they would grind the rust down on the areas needed and replace the sheet rock where required that it would be acceptable. Caraway added that there would be a ledge added around the shower to contain the water to prevent further damage.

Caraway also presented a revenue spreadsheet for the court's review; at which time he expressed that his department was exceeding the estimated revenue for operations. The sheriff further explained to the court that he a Ford pickup out of service. He asked the court to consider making a line item transfer of approximately \$35,000.00 from the funds that had been saved in the \$99,000.00 Non-Departmental Jail Repair line item to the Sheriff's Department to allow for a purchase of an additional vehicle for his department. (Recorded in Commissioners' Court Papers Book 55 Page 659)

Huggins requested a vehicle inventory list from the Sheriff's Department.

This will be added to the next agenda for an action item.

The court discussed Local Government Code Section 81.032 Acceptance of Donations. Curry needed a dump truck and all the other dump trucks were in use and he had someone who would donate their dump truck for him to use. Curry explained that it would be a temporary use.

Henkes stated that there would be no problem as long as it was not permanent, no payment required and no ownership transferred to the county. Henkes did say that the county would need to make an inquiry from Texas Association of Counties Insurance Pool; the county's insurance provider for information regarding using a dump truck or other equipment donated to the county to use temporarily. Henkes further advised that this should always be put through the court whether before or after occurring as a matter of transparency for the public.

Tynes added let the minutes reflect that in the event of an emergency for services donated to the county that the county would site and accept Local Government Code 81.032.

There were no future agenda items:

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

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Attest:





County Judge