

**MINUTES OF THE HARDEMAN COUNTY
LEGISLATIVE BODY JANUARY TERM
February 8, 2022**

Be it remembered that a Regular Meeting of the Legislative Body for the County of Hardeman, State of Tennessee was conducted in the Hardeman County Courthouse in Bolivar, Tennessee, on the 8th day of February, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. Hon. Jimmy Sain, County Mayor, was present and presiding, and a quorum of Commissioners, namely, Hon. Gary Barber, Hon. Chris Bell, Hon. Gary Byers, Hon. Russell DeBerry, Hon. Mark Gilliam, Hon. Bobby Hensley, Hon. Justin Howell, Hon. Chandra Lake, Hon. Johnny M. Lanier, Hon. Corey Madden, Hon. Jackie Sain, Hon. John Vickers, Hon. Johnny Weems, Hon. Elvis White and Hon. Bobby Wright. Hon. Viscen Morrow, and County Attorney, Justin Reynolds were absent. County Clerk, Polly Morris was present and the meeting was opened in due form of the law and had to wit:

15 PRESENT – 1 ABSENT

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Hon. Johnny Lanier made a motion with Hon. Jackie Sain seconding to approve the corrected minutes from the November 16, 2021 meeting.

ON ROLE CALL VOTE 14 VOTED AYE, 1 VOTED NAY- WHITE

Hon. Russell DeBerry made a motion with Hon. Johnny Lanier seconding to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held January 18, 2022.

CARRIED BY ACCLAMATION

APPROVAL OF NOTARIES

Hon. Jackie Sain made a motion and Hon. Johnny Lanier seconded to approve the list of notaries.

CARRIED BY ACCLAMATION

RECOGNITION

The 4-H Meat Judging Team was recognized for competing in the Western Nationals in January, where they placed 5th overall. Prior to the national competition, the team placed 2nd at regional competition last spring, 2nd at state competition last June.

BOARD OF EDUCATION, DIRECTOR CHRISTY SMITH

Dr. Christy Smith had no business to present to the Commission due to the school's board meeting not being until the upcoming Thursday. She updated the Commission on some new college dual credit programs that would be offered to high school students through partnerships with TCAT and Lone Oaks.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – SUPERINTENDENT CASEY SWIFT

Superintendent, Casey Swift presented a Work Proposal for October, November, December 2021 and January, February, and March 2022. He also presented the Highway Department's Quarterly Report for October, November, and December 2021.

Hon. Mark Gilliam made a motion and Hon. Corey Madden seconded to approve said request.

ON ROLE CALL VOTE 15 VOTED AYE, 0 VOTED NAY

EMS – DIRECTOR JAMIE BURNETT

Director, Jamie Burnett was unable to attend the meeting due to sickness, but Mayor Sain gave a brief report on EMS Ambulance Runs. There were 246 runs during the month of November, 319 runs during December, and 239 runs during January.

LANDFILL – STEVEN GRAVES

Interim Landfill Director, Steven Graves gave an update on the Hardeman County Landfill, and presented a monthly tonnage report which included tonnages from each of the Convenient Centers throughout the County. He also reported to the Commission that A2H, the Engineering Company overseeing the Landfill repairs, is in the process of presenting an Operational Plan to TDEC.

Mayor Jimmy Sain recognized Darren Grantham for all of his work and contribution to the Landfill Repairs. He and his company, Grantham Backhoe, have worked hard over the past few years for the County. The Landfill repairs would not be nearing completion without them.

THREESTAR FISCAL CONFIRMATION LETTER

Mayor Jimmy Sain presented the ThreeStar Fiscal Confirmation letter. Hon. Jackie Sain made a motion with Hon. Johnny Lanier seconding to approve the letter.

CARRIED BY ACCLAMATION

SHERIFF DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL POLICY

Mayor Jimmy Sain explained to the Commission that the County has a Personnel Policy, but any elected official is able to write their own Personnel Policy which is specific to their departmental needs and requirements.

The Sheriff submitted the Sheriff's Department Personnel Policy to the Commission at the January 18, 2022 Commission meeting. This acknowledges the Commission's receipt of the policy.

RESOLUTION HONORING PHYLLIS NAYLOR WITH BRIDGE NAMING

Mayor Jimmy Sain presented and read aloud a Resolution honoring Phyllis Naylor for her lifelong dedication to her community and service to the public.

This Resolution requests from the Tennessee General Assembly and Governor Bill Lee to join Hardeman County in honoring Phyllis Naylor by naming the Highway 125 North bridge in Silerton, TN the "Phyllis Hopper Naylor Memorial Bridge".

Hon. Bobby Wright made a motion with Hon. Gary Barber seconding to approve the Resolution.

ON ROLE CALL VOTE 15 VOTED AYE, 0 VOTED NAY

RESOLUTION 04-08-03-A / AMENDMENT

Resolution 04-08-03-A amends the Resolution 04-08-03, which was originally passed by the County Commission in April of 2008 to "Prohibit, Subject to Certain Exceptions, the Ownership, Harboring or Possessing of the Pit Bulls within the County of Hardeman, Tennessee".

Resolution 04-08-03-A removes certain clauses that the original Resolution contained, which include being able to keep Pit Bulls if a person already owns one as of April 2008, and complies with leash/muzzle/insurance/containment/reporting requirements. Since there have been no Pit Bulls reported as still living from when the previous Resolution was approved, the older Resolution is misleading.

Hon. Bobby Wright made a motion with Hon. Gary Barber seconding to approve Resolution 04-08-03-A.

ON ROLE CALL VOTE 11 VOTED AYE, 1 VOTED NAY- WEEMS, 3 PASSED- WHITE, HOWELL, BYERS

COUNTY MAYOR – FINANCIAL UPDATE, BOARD APPOINTMENTS, BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Mayor, Jimmy Sain gave an update on American Rescue Plan (ARP) funds, and presented a recommendation from the Budget/ARP Committee to approve \$200,000 of ARP funds to purchase a new Ambulance due to wear and tear on older ones, \$25,000 to the Hardeman Co. Rescue Squad due to loss of revenue in fundraising, \$25,000 to Hardeman Adoptable Animals due to loss of revenue in fundraising, \$10,000 to Hardeman Co. Imagination Library due to loss of revenue in fundraising, and \$100,000 for the purchase of 2 new Compactors and red boxes for Convenient Centers due to wear and tear of equipment from increase of garbage intake.

Hon. Johnny Weems made a motion and Hon. John Vickers seconded to approve said recommendation.

CARRIED BY ACCLIMATION

Mayor, Jimmy Sain presented eight (4) budget amendments:

(1) County Clerk debit from Fund Balance (39000) and credit to (Postal Charges) in the amount of \$1,500 for mailing out the new TN license plates;

Hon. Mark Gilliam made a motion with Hon. Johnny Lanier seconding to approve the amendment.

ON ROLE CALL VOTE 15 VOTED AYE, 0 VOTED NAY

(2) Assessor of Property debit from Other Salaries and Wages (52310-189) and credit to Deputy(ies) (52310-106) in the amount of \$2,200 for hiring a new employee to be trained before Karen Cox's retirement;

Hon. Mark Gilliam made a motion with Hon. Johnny Weems seconding to approve the amendment.

ON ROLE CALL VOTE 15 VOTED AYE, 0 VOTED NAY

(3) Sheriff's Department debit from Maintenance & Repair- Bldg (54220-335) and credit to Maintenance & Repair- Equipment (54220-336) in the amount of \$5,000 for Maintenance and Repair on Equipment.

(4) Sheriff's Department debit from Guards Pay (54220-160) and credit to Overtime Pay (54220-187) in the amount of \$5,000 for Overtime for covering shift shortages.

Hon. Johnny Weems made a motion and Hon. Chandra Lake seconded to approve said budget amendments.

ON ROLE CALL VOTE 15 VOTED AYE, 0 VOTED NAY

Mayor Jimmy Sain recommended to appoint Sheriff John Doolen to the 911 Board.

Hon. Johnny Weems made a motion and Hon. Elvis White seconded to approve this recommendation.

CARRIED BY ACCLAMATION

Mayor Jimmy Sain recommended to appoint Ms. Sandy Hammons to the position of Hardeman County Trustee to finish out Ms. Mary Powell's term.

Hon. Johnny Weems made a motion and Hon. Johnny Lanier seconded to approve this recommendation.

ON ROLE CALL VOTE 15 VOTED AYE, 0 VOTED NAY

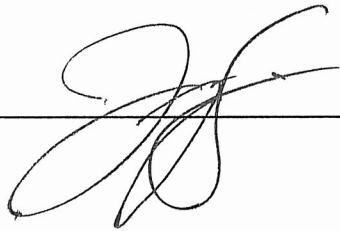
Judge Denton administered the Oath of Office to Ms. Hammons.

ADJOURN

Hon. Johnny Lanier made a motion and Hon. John Vickers seconded to adjourn.

The next meeting to be March 22, 2022.

COUNTY MAYOR _____

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COUNTY CLERK _____