

**MINUTES OF THE HARDEMAN COUNTY
LEGISLATIVE BODY JANUARY TERM
January 18, 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 18th day of January, 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. 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, Hon. Mac Vaughn 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:

14 PRESENT – 2 ABSENT

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Hon. Elvis White pointed out an error on the wording of a motion regarding ARP/COVID money from November 16, 2021 minutes.

Hon. Mark Gilliam made a motion and Hon. Chris Bell seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held November 16, 2021 with the correction regarding ARP/COVID money.

CARRIED BY ACCLAMATION

Mayor, Jimmy Sain made a recommendation to remove “Recognition” from the agenda.

Hon. Bobby Wright made a motion and Hon. Chris Bell seconded to remove item 6 (Recognition) from the agenda.

ON ROLE CALL VOTE 14 VOTED AYE, 0 VOTED NAY

Hon. Bobby Wright made a motion and Hon. Johnny Lanier seconded to remove item 14 (Rezoning of Tax Map 009, Parcel 008.00 from FAR to I-2) from the agenda.

ON ROLE CALL VOTE 14 VOTED AYE, 0 VOTED NAY

APPROVAL OF NOTARIES

Hon. John Vickers made a motion and Hon. Jackie Sain seconded to approve the list of notaries.

CARRIED BY ACCLAMATION

BOARD OF EDUCATION, DIRECTOR CHRISTY SMITH

Ms. Lisa Higgs with the Board of Education presented a Resolution to Transfer Funds From General Purpose School Funds To Federal Projects Funds for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2022.

Hon. Johnny Lanier made a motion and Hon. Chandra Lake seconded to approve said resolution.

ON ROLE CALL VOTE 14 VOTED AYE, 0 VOTED NAY

Ms. Lisa Higgs also presented a budget amendment for the Hardeman County Board of Education debit from Fund Balance (141-39000) to Transfers to Other Funds in the amount of \$120,000.00.

Hon. Jackie Sain made a motion and Hon. John Vickers seconded to approve said budget amendment.

CARRIED BY ACCLAMATION

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – SUPERINTENDENT CASEY SWIFT

Superintendent, Casey Swift presented a list of items to be deemed surplus with the stipulation that if the Landfill still wants to buy the backhoe, they have the option to.

Hon. Elvis White made a motion and Hon. Mark Gilliam seconded to approve said request.

CARRIED BY ACCLAMATION

Superintendent, Casey Swift also presented a budget amendment for the Hardeman County Highway Department in the amount of \$77,762.69 for the American Rescue Plan Act Grant #1-5 (47401).

Hon. Justin Howell made a motion and Hon. Johnny Lanier seconded to approve said budget amendment.

ON ROLE CALL VOTE 14 VOTED AYE, 0 VOTED NAY

EMS – DIRECTOR JAMIE BURNETT

Director, Jamie Burnett gave an update on the EMS and answered a few questions regarding EMS. He also stated that they are now fully staffed and running mutual aid for The City of Bolivar. Hon. Chandra Lake thanked them for their fast and efficient work.

LANDFILL – STEVEN GRAVES

Interim Director, Steven Graves gave an update on the Hardeman County Landfill and answered a few questions regarding the Hardeman County Landfill. He also presented a picture of the Hardeman County Landfill where the new cell was put in and that they are having to add to the road so that it meets all of the requirements to code.

CONSIDERATION OF REPLACEMENT FOR DISTRICT 5, POSITION 2

Hon. Corey Madden made a motion and Hon. Johnny Weems seconded to nominate Mr. Gary Byers.

Hon. Justin Howell made a motion and Hon. Bobby Wright seconded to nominate Mr. David Bell.

Hon. Johnny Lanier made a motion to nominate Mr. David Pulse. There was no second to this motion.

Hon. Johnny Weems made a motion and Hon. Justin Howell seconded to seize the vote.

CARRIED BY ACCLAMATION

ON ROLE CALL VOTE 10 VOTED BYERS, 4 VOTED BELL

Mayor, Jimmy Sain declared Mr. Byers the selected candidate. Mr. Byers was then sworn in by Ms. Amber Shaw.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING OPIOID SETTLEMENT

Mayor, Jimmy Sain presented a Resolution to join the Tennessee Opioid Litigation and to appoint Mayor, Jimmy Sain to represent Hardeman County's

litigation and give him the authority to sign legal documents, approve any legal settlement and to discuss with the Attorney Generals Office any matters pertaining to the litigation filed by the State of Tennessee and Hardeman County.

Hon. Gary Barber made a motion and Hon. Johnny Weems seconded to approve said resolution.

CARRIED BY ACCLAMATION

ENVIRONMENTAL DELINQUENT TAX RESOLUTIONS (3)

Mayor, Jimmy Sain presented 3 Resolutions For Sale of Delinquent Tax Property with Environmental Risk.

Hon. Johnny Lanier made a motion and Hon. Johnny Weems seconded to approve said Resolutions.

COUNTY MAYOR – FINANCIAL UPDATE, BOARD APPOINTMENTS, BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Mayor, Jimmy Sain made a recommendation to approve \$190,000.00 of ARP funds to purchase a truck/trailer for the purpose of litter removal from dump sites throughout the County.

Hon. Johnny Weems made a motion and Hon. Mark Gilliam seconded to approve said recommendation.

ON ROLE CALL VOTE 15 VOTED AYE, 0 VOTED NAY

Mayor, Jimmy Sain made a recommendation to approve \$100,000.00 for Health Department renovations from the ARP funds. These funds would pay for a needed roof replacement. He reported that the Health Department has recently received State of Tennessee grant for \$350,000.00 for other renovations.

ON ROLE CALL VOTE 15 VOTED AYE, 0 VOTED NAY

Mayor, Jimmy Sain presented eight (8) budget amendments: (1) Development debit from Fund Balance (39000) and credit to (Other Salaries and Wages) in the amount of \$13,750 for Lillie Tigner's salary is being split between Landfill (207) and General Fund (101); (2) Civil Defense debit from Other Charges (54410-338) in the amount of \$809.00, debit from Gasoline (54410-425) in the amount of \$808.00, debit from Office Supplies (54410-435) in the amount of \$825.00, debit from Other Charges (54410-599) in the amount of \$825.00 and credit to Communication (54410-307) in the amount of \$3,267.00 for removed nawatts & whelen siren controller reinstalled on 911 antenna for Sheriff Department; (3) COVID Grant for General Sessions Court debit from Fund Balance (39000) and credit to Office Equipment (58806-719-OCJP) in the amount of \$49,105.00 for General Sessions is getting a reimbursable COVID Grant up to \$49,105.00 form the office of Criminal Justice Programs. This is to set up the expenditure line in the budget; (4) Drug Fund debit from Other Charges (54150-599) and credit to Tow-In (54150-353) in the amount of \$1,000.00 ; (5) Register of Deeds debit from Deputy (51600-106) and credit to Part-Time (51600-169) in the amount of \$15,000.00 for she will be using part-time employment to finish the fiscal year; (6) Hardeman County Sheriff's Department debit from Main and Repairs-Vehicles (54110-338) and credit to Tow-In (54110-353) in the amount of \$1,000.00 for towing vehicles; (7) Hardeman County Sheriff's Department debit from Deputies Pay (54110-106) and credit to Overtime Pay (54110-187) in the amount of \$15,000.00 for overtime pay for deputies covering shift shortages, etc.; (8) Hardeman County Sheriff's Department debit from Deputies Pay (54110-106) and credit to Travel (54110-355) in the amount of \$2,500.00 for required training.

Hon. Mark Gilliam made a motion and Hon. Johnny Lanier seconded to approve said budget amendments.

ON ROLE CALL VOTE 15 VOTED AYE, 0 VOTED NAY

Mayor, Jimmy Sain recommended to reappoint Mr. Russell Deberry, Mr. Bobby Hensley and Mr. Mark Gilliam to the Agriculture Committee.

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

CARRIED BY ACCLAMATION

Mayor, Jimmy Sain recommended to appoint Mr. Eddie Moore to the Board of Zoning Appeals.

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

CARRIED BY ACCLAMATION

Sheriff, John Doolen presented his updated Personnel Policy for the Hardeman County Sheriff Department

ADJOURN

Hon. Mark Gilliam made a motion and Hon. Gary Barber seconded to adjourn.

The next meeting to be February 08, 2022.

COUNTY MAYOR _____



COUNTY CLERK _____