

**MINUTES OF THE HARDEMAN COUNTY
LEGISLATIVE BODY JULY TERM
REGULAR SESSION
JULY 16, 2024**

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 the City of Bolivar, on the 16th day of July, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. Hon. Todd Pulse, County Mayor, was absent, Vice Chair, Hon. Johnny Lanier was present and presiding, and a quorum of Commissioners, namely, Hon. David Bell, Hon. Cory Bufford, Hon. Russell Deberry, Hon. Mark Gilliam, Hon. Brad Grantham, Hon. Bobby Hensley, Hon. Joe Jenkins, Hon. Jeff Kennamore, Hon. Chandra Y. Lake, Hon. Johnny Lanier, Hon. Bethany Miller, Hon. Jackie Sain, Hon. John Vickers, Hon. Johnny Weems and Hon. Bobby Wright were present and Hon. Mamie Polk Pulse was absent. County Clerk, Tonet Griggs and County Attorney, Dale Conder Jr. 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. Jackie Sain made a motion and Hon. Johnny Weems seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held June 25, 2024.

CARRIED BY ACCLAMATION

APPROVAL OF NOTARIES

Hon. Mark Gilliam made a motion to accept the notaries and Hon. Bobby Wright seconded to approve the list of notaries.

CARRIED BY ACCLAMATION

PUBLIC FORUM

No one signed up for Public Forum.

**FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2024 TO JUNE 30, 2025 SECOND BUDGET
READING (SEE SEPARATE BUDGET BOOK):**

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – SUPERINTENDENT CASEY SWIFT.

Hon. Jackie Sain made a motion to accept the second reading of the budget. Hon. Mark Gilliam seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL VOTE
13 AYE 0 NAY**

BOARD OF EDUCATION – SUPERINTENDENT CHRISTY SMITH

Hon. John Vickers made the motion to accept the second reading of the budget. Hon. Cory Bufford seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL VOTE
13 AYE 0 NAY**

COUNTY & LANDFILL – COMMISSIONER JOHNNY LANIER

Hon. Jackie Sain made a motion to accept the second reading of the budget. Hon. John Vickers seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL VOTE
14 AYE 0 NAY**

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 07-2024-01 Tax Rate for Fiscal Year (SEE ATTACHED)

Resolution 07-2024-02 Tax Levy Distribution (SEE ATTACHED)

Appropriations to Non-Profit Charitable Organizations (SEE ATTACHED)

Hon. Jackie Sain made a motion to accept these three resolutions. Hon. Russell Deberry seconded the motion to accept the resolutions.

**ROLL CALL VOTE
14 AYE 0 NAY**

Plat Resolution 07-2024-03 (SEE ATTACHED)

Hon. Russell Deberry made a motion to accept The Plat Resolution. Hon. Joe Jenkins seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL VOTE
14 AYE 0 NAY**

CONTRACTS:

TDOC Contract (SEE ATTACHED)

Hon. Russell Deberry made a motion to accept the TDOC Contract and Hon. Jackie Sain seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL VOTE
14 AYE 0 NAY**

Air Med Contract (SEE ATTACHED)

Hon. Bobby Wright made a motion to accept the Air Med Contract and Hon. Mark Gilliam seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL VOTE
14 AYE 0 NAY**

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE (SEE ATTACHED)

Hon. Johnny Weems made a motion to accept the Historical Committee and Hon. Bobby Wright seconded the motion.

CARRIED BY ACCLAMATION

AMENDMENTS: NONE

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – SDUPERINTENDENT CASEY SWIFT

Superintendent Swift stated that they are almost finished with building up West Road. After they are finished with building it up they will begin the asphaltting process.

LAWSUIT UPDATE - DALE CONDER

Hon. Joe Jenkins made an offer to settle for 7.75 million for the client and attorney. The motion failed with no second. Hon. Chandra Lake made a motion to go into attorney-client session and Hon. Bethany Miller seconded the motion.

CARRIED BY ACCLAMATION

Hon. Mark Gilliam made a motion to reconvene to regular session and Hon. Johnny Weems seconded the motion.

CARRIED BY ACCLAMATION

Hon. Jeff Kennamore made a motion to settle the lawsuit for 3.2 million dollars without the lawyer fees and Hon. Joe Jenkins seconded the motion.

Attorney Dale Conder received an email from Attorney Sessions stating “Don’t waste your time on 3.2 million.”, After the email Hon. Jeff Kennamore rescind his motion to settle for 3.2 million dollars and Hon. Joe Jenkins rescind his second.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The next meeting is to be held August 20, 2024.

ADJOURN

Hon. Mark Gilliam made a motion to adjourn and Hon. Brad Grantham seconded to adjourn.

COUNTY MAYOR Tedd Fulse

COUNTY CLERK Janet Arupp