

**MINUTES OF THE HARDEMAN COUNTY
LEGISLATIVE BODY NOVEMBER TERM
REGULAR SESSION NOVEMBER 12, 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 12th day of November, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. Hon. Todd Pulse, County Mayor, was present and presiding, and a quorum of Commissioners, namely, Hon. David Bell, Hon. Cory Bufford, Hon. Russell Deberry, Hon. Michion Gatlin, 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. Mamie Polk, Hon. Johnny Weems, Hon. Jackie Sain, Hon. John Vickers, and Hon. Bobby Wright were present. 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:

16 PRESENT 0 ABSENT

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Hon. Bobby Wright made a motion to accept the minutes held October 22, 2024 and Hon. Jackie Sain seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED BY ACCLAMATION

APPROVAL OF NOTARIES

Hon. Mark Gilliam made a motion to approve the notaries for this month and Hon. Johnny Lanier seconded to approve the list of notaries.

CARRIED BY ACCLAMATION

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – SUPERINTENDENT CASEY SWIFT

Superintendent Casey Swift had two things to present to the County Commission. The first order of business was a quarterly report (See Attached). Hon. Jackie Sain made a motion to accept the quarterly report. Hon. John Vickers seconded the motion.

CARRIED BY ACCLAMATION

He also brought forth a budget amendment to buy a Kenworth Truck with a dump and debris loader as well as a Mack truck with a dump and debris loader. Hon. Brad Grantham made a motion to accept the budget amendment for the purchase of the two trucks. Hon. Cory Bufford seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

16 AYE 0 NAY

SHERIFF DEPARTMENT – CAPTAIN BRANDON ALLEN

Captain Allen brought forth the Litter report as well as the Arrest report (See Attached).

BUDGET AMENDMENTS – HON. JOHNNY LANIER

1. Civil Defense (See Attached)
2. Ambulance (See Attached)
3. Election Commission (See Attached)
4. Public Safety (See Attached)
5. Landfill (See Attached)
6. General Sessions Judge (See Attached)
7. Emergency Management (See Attached)

Hon. Johnny Lanier made a motion to approve the budget amendments 1 through 7 and Hon. Jackie Sain seconded the motion to approve the budget amendments.

ROLL CALL VOTE
16 AYE 0 NAY

CHRISTMAS BONUS:

Hon. Chandra Lake made a motion that the County employees starting with one year of service receive the same amount allotted for Christmas bonuses December 2023 for December 2024. Hon. Bethany Miller seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE
16 AYE 0 NAY

911 BOARD – MAYOR PULSE

Hon. Cory Bufford made a motion to accept the 911 Board appointments (See Attached). Hon. Johnny Weems seconded the motion.

CARRIED BY ACCLAMATION

LAWSUIT UPDATE – ATTORNEY DALE CONDER

Hon. Johnny Weems made a motion to pay the thirteen additional settlements for 50 percent of the amount designated for each individual. Hon. Bethany Miller seconded the motion to accept the thirteen additional individual settlements. (See Attached)

ROLL CALL VOTE
16 AYE 0 NAY

Attorney Sessions made an offer of 1,999,999.00 million to settle remaining settlements excluding lawyer fees and dispatchers. Hon. John Vickers made a motion to counter offer for 1.5 million. Hon. Jackie Sain seconded the motion to accept the County's counter offer.

ROLL CALL VOTE
13 AYE 0 NAY

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- November 23, 2024 is the First Responder's Banquet.
- November 14, 2024 Hardeman County Recovery Court will have their graduation at 5:30 pm.

ADJOURN

Hon. Mark Gilliam made a motion to adjourn and Hon. Russell Deberry seconded to adjourn.

The next meeting is to be held January 21, 2025.

COUNTY MAYOR 

COUNTY CLERK _____