

**MINUTES OF THE HARDEMAN COUNTY
LEGISLATIVE BODY MARCH TERM
REGULAR SESSION FEBRUARY 20TH, 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 20th day of February, 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. Mark Gilliam, Hon. Brad Grantham, Hon. Bobby Hensley, Hon. Joe Jenkins, Hon. Jeff Kennamore, Hon. Chandra Y. Lake, Hon. Johnny M. 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. Jackie Sain made a motion to approve minutes of the County Commission meeting January 23, 2024 and Hon. Bethany Miller seconded to approve the minutes.

CARRIED BY ACCLAMATION

APPROVAL OF NOTARIES

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

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PUBLIC FORUM

See attached.

**HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – SUPERINTENDENT CASEY SWIFT/
DISTRICT 2 SUPERVISOR DANNY DAVILA**

Superintendent Casey Swift was unable to attend. Commissioner Danny Davila brought forth the quarterly report to be approved by the commission. Hon. Mark Gilliam made the motion to accept the quarterly report and Hon. Jeff Kennamore seconded the motion.

**BOARD OF EDUCATION – SUPERINTENDENT CHRISTY SMITH /
LISA HIGGS**

Lisa Higgs spoke on behalf of Superintendent Christy Smith for the Board of Education. The Board of Education had one budget amendment. Hon. Johnny Lanier made a motion to accept the budget amendment and Hon. Johnny Weems seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

16 AYE 0 NAY

SHERIFF DEPARTMENT & LITTER GRANT -- SHERIFF DOOLEN

Sheriff Doolen presented the arrest report as well as the litter report. (SEE ATTACHED)

**LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE – COMMISSIONER CORY
BUFFORD**

CJC needs some maintenance. The insurance company wrote a check for 40% cost for the fire alarms and the county will have to cover the other 60%. Com. Bufford suggested that we hire an IT tech for the county.

BULDING COMMITTEE – COMMISSIONER DAVID BELL

Hon. Mark Gilliam asked Hon. David Bell to give an update on the Election Commission building. Hon. Bell said there is a review coming up on the 28th of this month. Things are progressing as planned and they have sent in paperwork on the accepted bid so they can start on the parking lot.

AIRPORT COMMITTEE – COMMISSIONER BRAD GRANTHAM

Hon. Brad Grantham informed us that the road is complete. Superintendent Casey Swift and the hwy department have completed the by-pass road. Phase 2 will begin close to the end of the year.

BUDGET AMENDMENT – COMMISSIONER JOHNNY LANIER

1. Hardeman County Sheriff's Office (SEE ATTACHED)
2. Hardeman County Sheriff's Office (SEE ATTACHED)
3. Hardeman County Mayor's Office (SEE ATTACHED)
Hardeman County Mayor's Office (AMENDED)
4. Hardeman County CJC (SEE ATTACHED)
5. County Buildings 51800 (SEE ATTACHED)
6. Landfill 207 - Landfill (SEE ATTACHED)
7. Landfill 207 – Convenience center (SEE ATTACHED)
8. Landfill (SEE ATTACHED)
9. County Clerks (SEE ATTACHED)

Hon. Jackie Sain made the motion to accept the budget amendments 1 through 8. Hon Bethany Miller seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

16 AYE 0 NAY

On the 9th budget amendment for the County Clerk's Office Hon. Chandra Lake made a motion to accept the budget amendments and Hon. Cory Bufford seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

14 AYE 0 NAY

GENERAL SESSION JUDGE APPOINTMENT

There were two candidates for the General Session Judge, Harriet Thompson and Rickey Griggs. Hon. Brad Grantham made the motion to nominate Harriet as a candidate for General Session Judge and Hon. David Bell seconded the motion. Hon. Chandra Lake made a motion to nominate Rickey Griggs as a candidate for General Session Judge and Hon. Johnny Weems seconded the motion.

Harriet Thompson was voted in with a 10 to 6 vote.

ZONING RESOLUTION PRESENTATION – ANDY SHELTON

Andy Shelton went over the reasoning of the resolutions to be presented based on Southwest Tennessee Development District (SEE ATTACHED). Jonathan Fleming, John Cooper, and Morey Hill also spoke on the restrictions and monetary setback. Jonathan said that with the 500 feet privacy setback they will be looking at having to use more acreage than originally deemed needed. Jon Cooper expressed his concerns of being grandfathered in and now there are new regulations/restrictions. Morey said that they have looked at helping with soil fertility and having sheep to fertilize and keep grass down. He was asked if the 500 feet setback or the 6 inch waterline was the bigger concern, Morey said that would be a hard choice because having to put so much money into being able to

have city water is a huge upfront expense and also having to setback for privacy 500 feet would be asking for more land to work with.

RESOLUTIONS:

There were two set of options on the first part of the two-option Resolution Presentation. Resolution 2-24-01 had a **Roll Call Vote 7 AYE 9 NAY** and did not pass the first vote but after a consideration. Hon. Chandra Lake made a motion to change her vote of no to yes and Hon. Mamie Polk seconded the motion. After further explanation from the Zoning Committee and a citizen, Hon. Johnny Weems made a motion to revote on Resolution 2-24-01 and Hon. Bobby Wright seconded the motion. They took a roll call vote to reconsider the vote with **Roll Call Vote 14 AYE 2 NAY**.

Resolution 2-24-01 (Revote): With this Resolution passed the County Commission moved into the next resolution which would be option 2.

ROLL CALL VOTE
13 AYE 3 NAY

Hon. Jackie Sain made a motion to pass (Option 2) Resolution 2-24-02 and Hon. Johnny Weems seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE
13 AYE 3 NAY

Hon. Brad Grantham made a motion to accept the Resolution 2-24-03 and Hon. Russell Deberry seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE
16 AYE 0 NAY

Hon. Jackie Sain made motion to accept Resolution 2-24-04 and Hon. Russell Deberry seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE
11 AYE 5 NAY

Hon. Johnny Lanier made the motion to accept the Resolution for Sale of 2021 Delinquent Tax Property with Environmental Risk and Hon. Brad Grantham seconded the motion.

CARRIED BY ACCLAMATION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

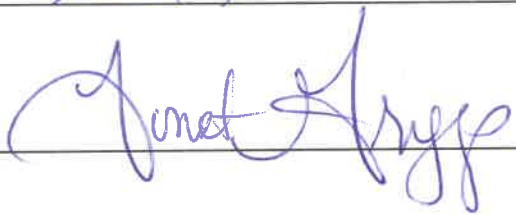
None

ADJOURN

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

The next meeting is to be held March 19, 2024.

COUNTY MAYOR  _____

COUNTY CLERK  _____