

**MINUTES OF THE HARDEMAN COUNTY  
LEGISLATIVE BODY MARCH TERM  
REGULAR SESSION SEPTEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup>, 2023**

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 19<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. Hon. Todd Pulse, County Mayor, was not present and Hon. Johnny Lanier, Vice County Mayor was presiding, and a quorum of Commissioners, namely, Hon. David Bell, Hon. Cory Bufford, Hon. Mark Gilliam, Hon. Brad Grantham, Hon. Bobby Hensley, Hon. Joe Jenkins, Hon. Jeff Kennamore, Hon. Chandra Y. Lake, Hon. Bethany Miller, Hon. Johnny Weems, Hon. Jackie Sain, Hon. John Vickers, and Hon. Bobby Wright were present and Hon. Russell Deberry and Hon. Thomas Polk 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:

14 PRESENT 2 ABSENT

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Hon. Bobby Wright made a motion and Hon. Jackie Sain seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

CARRIED BY ACCLAMATION

**APPROVAL OF NOTARIES**

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

CARRIED BY ACCLAMATION

**BOARD OF EDUCATION – SUPERINTENDENT CHRISTY SMITH**

No Report

**HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – SUPERINTENDENT CASEY SWIFT**

Superintendent Swift only had two things to bring forth to the County Commissioners. The first was a bid for the paving of Mt. Carmel Road. Hon. Mark Gilliam made motion to accept the bid and Hon. Bobby Hensley seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL VOTE: 13 AYE 0 NAY**

The second order of business was to approve the road list as is. The road that was previously thought to not be a county road has a portion that is considered part of the county. Hon. Mark Gilliam made motion to accept road list as is and Hon. Brad Grantham seconded.

CARRIED BY ACCLAMATION

**LANDFILL – STEVEN GRAVES**

Steven Graves informed us that the state came down around the end of August and gave a verbal approval. State said that the approval letter is to come in the mail and then they can begin to move trash after it is received.

**LIBRARY COMMITTEE – COMMISSIONER JOHNNY WEEMS**

Hon. Johnny Weems brought forth an amendment to help balance end of year/ beginning budget. This amendment is for the raises that were given but it was not entered into the budget for the library. Vice County Mayor Johnny Lanier said that the library amendment will be addressed with the other amendments.

## **EMS COMMITTEE – COMMISSIONER BETHANY MILLER**

Commissioner Bethany Miller and the EMS Committee gave recognition to Austin Green and Danielle Campbell for their heroic act.

## **SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT - SHERIFF DOOLEN**

- **LITTER GRANT** - Sheriff Doolen presented the pounds of litter collected from July 10, 2023 until September 13, 2023. (**SEE ATTACHED**)
- **CRIMAL REPORTS** – Sheriff Doolen presented the monthly arrests and criminal report. ( **SEE ATTACHED**)

Hon. Chandra Lake recognized Sheriff Doolen and the Hardeman County Sheriff’s Department for their outstanding service in a time of crisis.

## **LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE – COMMISSONER CORY BUFFORD**

No Report but the next meeting will be October 5, 2023 at 5pm.

## **BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE – COMMISSIONER BRAD GRANTHAM**

Darrell Teubner spoke on the time capsule (vault) that was previously dug up. He stated that the items will be on display October 16<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> leading up to the Bolivar BBQ Blowout, Friday October 27, 2023 and Saturday October 28, 2023.

## **BEER BOARD - COMMISSIONER CHANDRA LAKE**

No report. Next meeting will be October 5, 2023 in the conference room for the Taco Factory.

## **BUILDING COMMITTEE – COMMISSIONER DAVID BELL**

Hon. Brad Grantham asked has there been any update on the Election Commission’s building. Hon. David Bell said there was nothing to really update the commission on.

Hon. Brad Grantham stated that we are going to need an architect to do a blueprint. We also we need a contractor. Both of these will need to be bided out.

## **BUDGET AMENDMENTS – VICE MAYOR LANIER**

1. Dental Health Program (see attachment 1)
2. Buildings (see attachment 2)
3. Miscellaneous (see attachment 3)
4. Sheriff’s Department (see attachment 4)
5. County Clerk’s Office (see attachment 5)
6. Chancery (see attachment 6)
7. County Clerk’s Office (see attachment 7) **\*this is a duplicate of #5**
8. Miscellaneous (see attachment 8)
9. Mayor’s office (see attachment 9)
10. Sheriff’s Department/Circuit Court (see attachment 10)
11. Trustee’s Office (see attachment 11)
12. Library ( see attachment 12)
13. Hardeman County Sheriff’s office- Drug Fund ( see attachment 13)
14. Civil Defense \*EMA\* ( see attachment 14)

Hon. Johnny Weems made motion to accept the budget amendments with the correction of the County Clerk’s office instead of Circuit Clerk and Hon. Chandra Lake seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL VOTE: 13 AYE 0 NAY**

**RESOLUTIONS:**

The resolution for the Interlocal Agreement was tabled. Hon. Bobby Wright made motion to table the issue and Hon. Brad Grantham seconded the motion.

**CARRIED BY ACCLAMATION**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

No Announcements

**ADJOURN**

Hon. Mark Gilliam made a motion to adjourn and Hon. Johnny seconded to adjourn.

The next meeting is to be held October 17, 2023.

**COUNTY MAYOR** \_\_\_\_\_

**COUNTY CLERK** \_\_\_\_\_