

HENRY COUNTY COMMISSION
FEBRUARY 15, 2024
11:00 A.M.

The Henry County Commission held its regular meeting on Thursday, February 15, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. The following members were in attendance: Chairman David Money and Commissioners Benton Beasley, John Ralph Saunders, Jason Hudspeth, Henry Grimsley and Gregory Reynolds.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Invocation was given by Gregory Reynolds.

Chairman Money stated that all commissioners are present, we do have a quorum.

Public Comment from Citizens.

None.

Comment from other Elected Officials and Department Heads.

Chairman Money recognized Pam Dyson, Rhonda Harrison, and Lieutenant Behringer.

Awards and Presentations.

None.

Consent Agenda

Chairman Money requested a motion to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2024, regular commission meeting. Henry Grimsley moved to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2024, regular commission meeting seconded by John Ralph Saunders. Vote was unanimous.

Scheduled Public Hearing

None.

New Business

Chairman Money requested action on Amendment One Resolution. Jason Hudspeth moved to approve Amendment One Resolution seconded by Benton Beasley. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Money requested action on resolution authorizing JMR + H Architecture, PC to proceed to the 65% design level to the Henry County Jail. Gregory Reynolds moved to approve resolution authorizing JMR + H Architecture, PC to proceed to the 65% design level to the Henry County Jail seconded by Henry Grimsley. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Money requested action to reappoint Commissioner Benton Beasley to the Wiregrass Resource Conservation and Development Board (WRC&D). John Ralph Saunders moved to reappoint Commissioner Benton Beasley to the Wiregrass Resource Conservation and Development Board (WRC&D) seconded by Jason Hudspeth. Vote was unanimous. Benton Beasley abstained.

Chairman Money requested action to appoint Emmanuel Bankston to fill the unexpired term of former board member Mercedes Wilson on the Southeast Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission (SEARP&DC). Benton Beasley moved to appoint Emmanuel Bankston to fill the unexpired term of former board member Mercedes Wilson on the Southeast Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission (SEARP&DC) seconded by John Ralph Saunders. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Money requested action to approve a resolution to appoint Chad Granberry as the Henry County Safety Coordinator. Henry Grimsley moved to approve a resolution to appoint Chad Granberry as the Henry County Safety Coordinator seconded by Jason Hudspeth. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Money requested action on funding new Economic Development entity. Gregory Reynolds moved to fund new Economic Development entity seconded by Benton Beasley. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Money requested action to set fees for Alcohol Licensing. Gregory Reynolds moved to leave fees as they now are seconded by Henry Grimsley. Vote was unanimous.

Old Business

None.

Reports from Staff

Chairman Money – See attached report.

Dawn Shirley, County Administrator – State auditors will be here around February 26th to being FY22 audit.

Chris Champion, Engineer –See attached report.

Spence Danzey, County Attorney –none.

Rhonda Harrison, Economic Development Director – See attached report.

Chad Granberry –Safety – glad to serve again. All departments are working great together. We had a January meeting and are working toward safety committee getting a check back.

Sanitation –Going extremely well. 2 trucks will be 5 years old – be thinking about that as we move toward next year’s budget. Monday will be regular pick up.

Matt Hatcher – none.

Sheriff – See attached report read by Lt. Behringer.

Discussion items by Commissioners

Benton Beasley – For a county our size it runs smoothly, and everyone contributes to that. It's a joy to be with y'all.

John Ralph Saunders – Echo Mr. Benton's sentiments. Also, we had a productive meeting in New Brockton. Good attendance and a lot of information was given out. Also on Friday, Feb. 23rd at 10:00 Congressman Barry Moore and Senator Tuberville meeting in Headland. Thank everyone for coming and thank the media for coming out today also.

Jason Hudspeth – Thank y'all for coming. I'll echo what I said at the last meeting - I've heard nothing but compliments. Thank everyone for the hard work.

Henry Grimsley – This is the sound of good music, when everyone is happy and getting their job done. Keep doing what you're doing and have a great day!

Gregory Reynolds – Thank everyone for coming out today. Happy Valentine's Day!

On a motion by Henry Grimsley seconded by Gregory Reynolds and a unanimous vote, the commission adjourned the meeting at 11:58 a.m.