

HENRY COUNTY COMMISSION
NOVEMBER 16, 2023
1:00 P.M.

The Henry County Commission held its regular meeting on Thursday, November 16, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. The following members were in attendance: Chairman David Money and Commissioners John Ralph Saunders, Jason Hudspeth, Henry Grimsley and Gregory Reynolds.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Invocation was given by John Ralph Saunders.

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, Matt Hatcher and Josh Behringer.

Awards and Presentations.

None.

Consent Agenda

Chairman Money requested a motion to approve the minutes of the October 19, 2023, regular commission meeting. Gregory Reynolds moved to approve the minutes of the October 19, 2023, regular commission meeting seconded by Henry Grimsley. Vote was unanimous.

Scheduled Public Hearing

None.

New Business

Chairman Money requested action to appoint Chris Champion to take Ronnie Dollar's position on IAC. John Ralph Saunders moved to appoint Chris Champion to take Ronnie Dollar's position on IAC seconded by Henry Grimsley. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Money requested action to set date and time for FY 23/24 Commission meetings. Henry Grimsley moved to set date and time as third Thursday of the month, 9:00 administrative meeting and 11:00 commission meeting beginning in December seconded by John Ralph Saunders. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Money requested execution of agreement with ADEM for \$150,000 grant to replace cross drain structures on various county roads. Gregory Reynolds moved to execute agreement with ADEM for \$150,000 grant to replace cross drain structures on various county roads seconded by Henry Grimsley. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Money requested action to proclaim the month of November as National Adoption Month. Jason Hudspeth moved to proclaim the month of November as National Adoption Month seconded by Henry Grimsley. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Money requested permission to amend County Engineer Chris Champion's employment contract. Henry Grimsley moved to amend County Engineer Chris Champion's employment contract seconded by Gregory Reynolds. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Money requested permission to amend Assistant County Engineer Chad Granberry's employment contract. John Ralph Saunders moved to amend Assistant County Engineer Chad Granberry's employment contract seconded by Jason Hudspeth. Vote was unanimous.

Old Business

None.

Reports from Staff

Chairman Money – See attached report.

Dawn Shirley, Interim County Administrator – We are on track for ADOR to begin collecting our taxes February 1st. Avenu will continue to collect tobacco taxes as ADOR does not collect them.

Chris Champion, Engineer – See attached report.

Spence Danzey, County Attorney – none.

Rhonda Harrison, Economic Development Director – See attached report.

Chad Granberry – Thank you to the Sheriff Department for the good working relationship. Wednesday and Thursday route will all pick up on Wednesday.

Matt Hatcher – Thank you Sheriff for sending Deputy's to the Emergency Worker Radiation training class. We are transitioning Farley to online notification system application. Farley wants to know if the Commission/County wants the sirens in place.

Josh Behringer – Keep the Sheriff Department and 911 Dispatchers in your prayers. We're thankful they all went home to their families safely.

Discussion items by Commissioners

Benton Beasley - absent

John Ralph Saunders – Josh thank you and the Sheriff for handling the situation. It's good to see all today.

Jason Hudspeth – Repeat what John Ralph said. Thank you to all for the extra effort and work.

Henry Grimsley – Good to see all. To Deputy you have my applause. Thank you to the ladies here for adoption. Happy Thanksgiving to all!

Gregory Reynolds – Thank you all Department Heads. Ladies for adoption thank you for all you do. Happy Thanksgiving!

On a motion by Gregory Reynolds seconded Henry Grimsley and a unanimous vote, the commission adjourned the meeting at 1:54 p.m.