

HENRY COUNTY COMMISSION
FEBRUARY 21, 2023
10:30 A.M.

The Henry County Commission held its regular meeting on Tuesday, February 21, 2023, at 10:30 a.m. The following members were in attendance: Chairman David Money and Commissioners Benton Beasley, John Ralph Saunders, Henry Grimsley and Gregory Reynolds.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Invocation was given by Benton Beasley.

Public Comment from Citizens.

Jerry Whitehead – concerns over increase in sanitation rate. Suggested charging tipping fee for 2nd can, selling old pickup, scrap metal pile and reducing sanitation employees by one.

Comment from other Elected Officials and Department Heads.

Chairman Money recognized Chris Champion, Chad Sowell, Rhonda Harrison, Chad Granberry, Matt Hatcher, Sheriff Blankenship, Susie Horn, and Matt Quincey.

Chairman Money stated that all commissioners with the exception of Jason Hudspeth are present, we do have a quorum.

Awards and Presentations.

Consent Agenda

Chairman Money requested a motion to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2023 regular commission meeting. Benton Beasley moved to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2023 regular commission meeting seconded by Henry Grimsley. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Money requested a motion to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2023 special called commission meeting. Henry Grimsley moved to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2023 special called commission meeting seconded by Gregory Reynolds. Vote was unanimous.

Scheduled Public Hearing

None.

New Business

Chairman Money requested action on resolution allocating annual SSUT funds for School Resource Officers and E.M.S. Services. Gregory Reynolds moved to approve resolution allocating annual SSUT funds for School Resource Officers and E.M.S. Services seconded by Henry Grimsley. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Money requested action to re-appoint Winston Griggs and Jody Singleton to the SARCOA Board. Benton Beasley moved to re-appoint Winston Griggs and Jody Singleton to the SARCOA Board seconded by John Ralph Saunders. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Money requested action to appoint David Riley to fill the unexpired term of Danny Riley on the Henry County Water Authority Board. John Ralph Saunders moved to appoint David Riley to fill the unexpired term of Danny Riley on the Henry County Water Authority Board seconded by Henry Grimsley. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Money requested action to reappoint Glenn Boyd Jenkins as Director to the Bakerhill Water Authority Board. Henry Grimsley moved to reappoint Glenn Boyd Jenkins as Director to the Bakerhill Water Authority Board seconded by Gregory Reynolds. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Money requested action on resolution authorizing Henry County to join the State of Alabama as participants in current and future opioid settlements. Benton Beasley moved to approve action on resolution authorizing Henry County to join the State of Alabama as participants in current and future opioid settlements seconded by Henry Grimsley. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Money requested action to schedule future commission meetings as follows:

Administrative meetings at 10:00 A.M. on the Thursday preceding the Tuesday regular meeting (Probate Courtroom)

Commission meetings at 10:00 A.M. on the third Tuesday or each month (Annex Courtroom)

Gregory Reynolds moved to approve the schedule seconded by Benton Beasley. Benton Beasley, Henry Grimsley, and Gregory Reynolds voted yea. John Ralph Saunders voted no.

Chairman Money requested permission to award contract on the Bond Issue Phase II resurfacing project to Wiregrass Construction: \$2,349,524.88. Benton Beasley moved to award contract on the Bond Issue Phase II resurfacing project to Wiregrass Construction: \$2,349,524.88 seconded by Gregory Reynolds. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Money requested permission to take bids on CR53 resurfacing project (AL95 to Browns X/R). Gregory Reynolds moved to take bids on CR53 resurfacing project (AL95 to Browns X/R) seconded by Henry Grimsley. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Money requested permission to take bids on C & D landfill excavation. Henry Grimsley moved to take bids seconded by Benton Beasley. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Money requested permission for Chairman to execute funding agreement with ALDOT for Abbeville Crosswalk project. Gregory Reynolds moved for Chairman to execute funding agreement with ALDOT for Abbeville Crosswalk project seconded by Henry Grimsley. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Money requested permission to allow Chairman to issue a letter of intent to Nextran, Inc. for the purchase of 4 Mack trucks for budget year 2024. \$214,837.00/each, \$859,348.00/total. Benton Beasley moved to allow Chairman to issue a letter of intent to Nextran, Inc. for the purchase of 4 Mack trucks for budget year 2024. \$214,837.00/each, \$859,348.00/total seconded by Henry Grimsley. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Money requested permission for County Attorney to prepare request to close a portion of County Rd. 214 (also known as Firetower Rd.). Henry Grimsley moved for County Attorney to prepare request to close a portion of County Rd. 214 (also known as Firetower Rd) seconded by Gregory Reynolds. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Money requested action on request by the Sheriff Dept. to sell vehicle: 2016 Ford Explorer VIN# 1FM5K8AR2GGD04732. Benton Beasley moved to sell vehicle: 2016 Ford VIN# 1FM5K8AR2GGD04732 seconded by Henry Grimsley. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Money requested permission by the Sheriff Dept to place 2016 Ford Vin # 1FMJU1HT3GEF44353 on Gov deals. Gregory Reynolds moved to place 2016 Ford Vin # 1FMJU1HT3GEF44353 on Gov deals seconded by Henry Grimsley. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Money moved to take action on request by the Sheriff Dept to purchase 4 new vehicles including 1 Expedition and 3 F-150's. John Ralph Saunders moved to purchase 4 new vehicles including 1 Expedition and 3 F-150's seconded by Henry Grimsley. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Money requested action on resolution to renew participation in the Liability Fund for 2024-2026. Henry Grimsley moved to approve resolution to renew participation in the Liability Fund for 2024-2026 seconded by Gregory Reynolds. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Money requested permission to add additional agenda item to the meeting. There were no objections.

Chairman Money requested permission to sell two (2) 2011 Caterpillar 140M Motorgraders to Thompson Tractor Company: \$144,000 total. Benton Beasley moved to sell two (2) 2011 Caterpillar 140M Motorgraders to Thompson Tractor Company: \$144,000 total seconded by Henry Grimsley. Vote was unanimous.

Old Business

Chairman Money requested action on increasing sanitation rate. Benton Beasley moved to increase sanitation rate \$2 a month effective May 1, 2023 seconded by Gregory

Reynolds. Benton Beasley and Gregory Reynolds voted yea. John Ralph Saunders and Henry Grimsley voted no. Chairman Money voted yea.

Reports from Staff

Chairman Money – See attached report.

Ronnie Dollar, Chief Operations Officer – Please call on us if you need anything we can get together for you at any time.

Chris Champion, Engineer – See attached report.

Spence Danzey, County Attorney - not present

Rhonda Harrison, Economic Development Director – See attached report.

Discussion items by Commissioners

Benton Beasley – Nothing to report.

John Ralph Saunders – Nothing to report.

Jason Hudspeth - Not present.

Henry Grimsley – Good to see you all today.

Gregory Reynolds – Thank you all for being here today.

On a motion by Henry Grimsley seconded by Gregory Reynolds and a unanimous vote, the meeting adjourned at 12:06 p.m.