



Bradley County Commission
Johnny Mull, Chairman
WORK SESSION MINUTES
December 14, 2020, at noon
Bradley County Courthouse

Members present: Louie Alford, Milan Blake, Vice Chairman Thomas Crye, Erica Davis, Dennis Epperson, Mike Hughes, Tim Mason, Chairman Johnny Mull, Charlotte Peak, Kevin Raper, Bill Winters, and non voting Ex Officio member D. Gary Davis

Members absent: Bobby Goins, Cindy Slater, Howard Thompson

Chairman Johnny Mull called the meeting to order.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance led by Vice Chairman Thomas Crye, Westwood Baptist Church Senior Adult Pastor Nolan Phillips prayed the invocation.

REPORT FROM COUNTY MAYOR

Mayor D. Gary Davis reported the Covid vaccinations are being distributed nationwide and explained medical employees and nursing homes will receive the first round of vaccinations with emergency responders to follow. Mayor Davis urged the community to abide by the guidelines to mitigate the spread of the virus.

Mayor Davis announced Bradley County earned the Distinguished Budget Award for the ninth consecutive year. Mayor Davis thanked the finance department for their work and efforts for Bradley County.

Mayor Davis reported the County will close December 18, 2020, on the recent bond sale. Mayor Davis noted the first portion of the bond, \$8.4 million, received five bids with a low bid of 1.15%. Mayor Davis projected the next round of bonds in early January.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND/OR DISTRICTS

Chairman Johnny Mull remembered long time Bradley County educator and current Board of Education member Jerry Frazier. Following remarks of remembrance for Frazier, the Commission observed a moment of silence.

1st District

Commissioner Dennis Epperson had no report.

Commissioner Mike Hughes announced the Covid virus has affected his family and expressed sadness for the loved ones it has taken.

2nd District

Commissioner Louie Alford had no report.

Vice Chairman Thomas Crye thanked Commissioner Tim Mason for efforts to clean the Highway 64 area.

3rd District

Commissioner Milan Blake reported the tree planted on the Courthouse Plaza in memory of Dr. Eddie Duncan has been replaced.

4th District

Commissioner Charlotte Peak reported family members are affected by the Covid virus and requested prayers for those infected.

6th District

Commissioner Tim Mason had no report.

Commissioner Erica Davis announced the Law Enforcement Committee holiday luncheon is scheduled for December 17, at noon at the Sheriff's Office north conference room.

Commissioner Davis announced the SPCA Board will meet on December 16, at 6:00p.m. in the Commission room of the Courthouse.

Commissioner Davis thanked County leadership for their work during this most difficult year.

7th District

Commissioner Kevin Raper had no report.

Commissioner Bill Winters announced the Juvenile Committee will meet tomorrow at 1:00p.m. at the Juvenile Center.

AGENDA ITEMS

Commissioner Peak introduced Alex Zamudio with EnviroSuite who joined the meeting via telephone. Zamudio presented a plan to the Commission to monitor the air at the landfill. Santek representative Aaron Elledge posed the following questions regarding the proposal: are there any monitoring systems operational in the United States, how long have the monitoring systems been operational in the United States, and what has been the result of the monitoring systems in the United States. Zamudio confirmed there are systems operating in the United States and references may be provided. Commissioner Hughes placed on the January 4, 2021, voting session agenda a motion to refer the matter to the Finance Committee.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE

Kenneth Roark shared with the Commission the recent odors at the landfill. Roark urged the Commission to pursue the third party air monitoring of the landfill to ensure healthy air for the community around the landfill.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- *Juvenile Committee, December 15, 1:00p.m., Juvenile Center
- *SPCA, December 16, at 6:00p.m., Commission room
- *Law Enforcement Committee holiday luncheon, December 17, noon, Sheriff's Office
- *County Offices closed December 24-25
- *Voting Session, January 4, 7:00p.m., Commission room

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.