

Meeting Minutes

CTAS County Commission Meeting Minutes - February 08, 2025

Call to Order:

Chairman Wormsley called the meeting to order.

The Clerk called the roll, confirming a majority of members were present.

Agenda Approval:

Motion: Commissioner Brown moved to approve the agenda as received.

Second: Commissioner Hobbs seconded the motion.

Decision: The agenda was approved by a voice vote ("Aye" vs. "No").

Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting:

Correction: Commissioner McCroskey noted their name was omitted from the Special Committee on Indigent Care.

Decision: The minutes were approved with the correction to include Commissioner McCroskey's name.

Old Business:

Data Processing Reserve Account Resolution:

Motion: Commissioner Adkins moved to approve the resolution to transfer money from the Data Processing Reserve Account in the County Clerk's office to the equipment line for purchasing a

laptop computer.

Second: Commissioner Carmical seconded the motion.

Decision: The resolution passed.

Motion to Sell Property Near the Airport:

Motion: Commissioner McKee moved to withdraw the motion to sell property near the airport.

Decision: The motion was withdrawn without objection.

Resolution to Increase State Match Local Litigation Tax:

Motion: Commissioner Rodgers moved to adopt the resolution to increase the state match local litigation tax in circuit, chancery, and criminal courts to the maximum amounts permissible, with the increases going to the general fund.

Second: Commissioner Reinhart seconded the motion for the purpose of discussion.

Discussion: Commissioner Rodgers presented data on collections and the county's need for additional revenue. Commissioner Duckett expressed the Sheriff's opposition to the increase.

Amendment: Commissioner Duckett moved to amend the motion to require 25% of the proceeds from the increase in the tax on criminal cases to fund the Sheriff's Department.

Second: Commissioner Malone seconded the amendment.

Discussion: The commission discussed the amendment.

Vote on Amendment: The amendment carried by a vote of 17-2.

Discussion on Amended Motion: Commissioner Headrick questioned if a two-thirds vote was required. County Attorney Fults clarified that a majority vote was sufficient as it only applied to courts of record, not general sessions taxes.

Motion for Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Adams moved for a roll call vote.

Second: Commissioner Crenshaw seconded the motion.

Vote on Amended Motion: The motion to increase the state match local litigation taxes to the maximum amounts allowed by law, with 25% of the proceeds from the increase in the tax on criminal cases in courts of record going to fund the Sheriff's Department, failed by a vote of 9-9-1 (9 in favor, 9 against, 1 not voting).

New Business:

Resolution to Increase Wheel Tax:

Motion: Commissioner Adkins moved to adopt a resolution to increase the wheel tax by \$10 to make up for the state cut in education funding.

Second: Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion.

Discussion: Commissioners debated the resolution.

Motion for Previous Question: Commissioner Hayes moved the previous question (to end debate).

Second: Commissioner Crenshaw seconded the motion.

Vote on Previous Question: The motion for previous question passed by a vote of 17-2.

Vote on Wheel Tax Resolution: The resolution to increase the wheel tax by \$10 passed on first passage by a vote of 17-2.

Announcements:

Commissioner Hailey announced a Budget Committee meeting on Tuesday, July 16 at noon in the same room to discuss solid waste funding recommendations.

Chairman Wormsley announced the next meeting would be Monday, August 19 at 7 p.m. in the same room.

Commissioner Carmical announced a chili supper at County Elementary School on August 16 at 6:30 p.m.

Adjournment:

Motion: Commissioner Austin moved to adjourn the meeting.

Second: Commissioner Garland seconded the motion.

Decision: The meeting was adjourned without objection.

Action Items:

Clerk to correct the minutes of the previous meeting to include Commissioner McCroskey's name on the Special Committee on Indigent Care.