

Hamilton County Commissioner's Court

Regular Session

Tuesday, January 28, 2025

9:00 a.m.

Hamilton County Commissioner's Court met on Tuesday, January 28, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. with the following members present: County Judge James Yates, Commissioner Curry, Commissioner Johnny Wagner, Commissioner Ogle and Commissioner Clary. Judge Yates called the meeting to order and a quorum was established. Commissioner Wagner led the invocation and all followed with the pledges.

There were no Open Comments.

There were multiple Budget Adjustments (L.I.T.) to consider:

- a. \$2,068.01 from 021-612-6500, Debt Interest to 021-612-6100, Debt Principal for Precinct 1 to pay for Loan Payment for Motor grader.*
- b. \$20,000.00 from 021-612-1530, Road Hand 3 to 021-612-1090, Temporary Employee for Precinct 1 temporary/ part time employee*
- c. \$30,000.00 from 021-612-5720, Contingency to 021-612-3500, Road Materials & Supplies for Precinct 1 road material and supply expenses.*
- d. \$2,224.12 from 010-561-4280, Prisoner Transport and Housing to 010-561-4640, Repairs & Maintenance*
- e. \$3,773.04 from 023-614-3600, Contract Services to 023-614-2110, Vehicle Allowance*
- f. \$2,000.00 from 010-560-4010, Investigation to 010-560-4590, Service Contracts for Sheriff's Department Pest Control contract and annual fees.*
- g. \$1,750.00 from 010-409-4730, IT Software/Hardware to 010-409-4810, Dues & Fees in order to pay 2024 Annual Fees due to a shortage, unexpected expense.*

Commissioner Clary made a motion to approve the Budget Adjustments (L.I.T.) as presented and Commissioner Ogle seconded the motion. The Court approved the Budget Adjustments (L.I.T.) with a 4-0 vote, judge Yates abstained.

The Court considered the following Consent Agenda:

- a. Approve the Minutes from January 14, 2025*
- b. Approve Departmental Reports*
- c. Approve Bills submitted for payment*
- d. Payroll #1 in the amount of \$83,281.76*
- e. Expense Register in the amount of \$221,702.13*
- f. No Culvert Applications*
- g. Building and Use Requests – Kayla Schraub, main Street Manager requesting the use of the Courthouse Square on Saturday, March 8, 2025 from 7:30 am – 1:00 pm for a Spring Fling Event*
- h. Bonds – James D. Clifton, Reserve Deputy Sheriff, Sherri Poe, Deputy District Clerk*

Commissioner Wagner made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented and Commissioner Curry seconded the motion. The Court approved the Consent Agenda with a 4-0 vote, judge Yates abstained.

Hamilton County Personnel Update:

Resignation – Kimberly Kaczmarczyk – Assistant Auditor – Effective Immediately

Hamilton County Treasurer's Report:

Tonya Cox, Hamilton County Treasurer provided an update for the months of November and December, 2024. November 2024 total Cash on Hand was \$2,198,070.54 and Investments in the amount of \$1,897,698.08. December 2024 total Cash on Hand was \$1,962,400.91 and Investments in the amount of \$1,905,260.66. All Quarterly Reports and End of Month reports have been completed and all W2 forms and 1099 forms have been distributed.

No Hamilton County Facilities update at this time.

Communications Update:

Lacy Alexander stated there is one night shift position available in the Communications Department. One dispatcher has taken the State exam and passed and another dispatcher is set to take the State exam in the near future. Loftin was able to come last week and change the Fuel gauge on the Generator last week, everything is working properly now.

Hamilton County Law Enforcement Update:

Sheriff Boulton provided an update for the Hamilton County Sheriff's Department. Sheriff Boulton stated they currently have two potential hiring candidates in the works and two are currently in the Academy. The two future Deputies are currently ranked 1st and 3rd in their class at the Academy.

No discussion on the Burn Ban at this time.

Sheriff Boulton let the Court know that the vehicle is now ready to be transferred to Precinct 3 but the insurance and title will need to be changed from the Sheriff's Department to Commissioner Precinct 3.

The Court accepted the annual contracts for the remaining Volunteer Fire Departments. Carlton and Pottsville Volunteer Fire Departments submitted their 2024-2025 Agreement with Hamilton County.

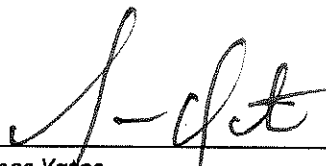
Precinct 3, Commissioner Ogle, has agreed to dig a hole for the Land Judging Contest on April 5, 2025 for the Hico FFA.

FEMA began at 9:19 am

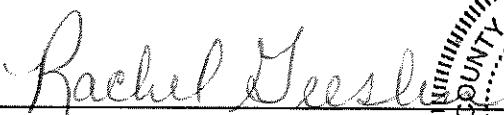
FEMA has finally agreed to use the ditch calculations provided by the County and has updated the portal to reflect the changes. Commissioner Clary will be requesting a scope of work from the FEMA representatives. Nicole Taylor will be Hamilton County's new FEMA Program Administrator. The next scheduled FEMA workshop will be held on February 4, 2025 at 9:00 am.

FEMA ended at 9:25 am

Adjourned at 9:25 am



Judge James Yates

Attest: 
County Clerk

