

Hamilton County Commissioner's Court

Regular Session

Tuesday, December 9, 2025

9:00 a.m.

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

There were no Open Comments today.

There were no Budget Adjustments (L.I.T.) to consider.

The Court considered the following Consent Agenda:

- a. Approve Minutes from November 25, 2025*
- b. Approve Departmental Reports*
- c. Expense Register in the amount of \$69,632.07*
- d. In-Between Bills in the amount of \$3,929.98*
- e. Payroll in the amount of \$92,757.83*
- f. No Certificates of Continuing Education*
- g. No Culvert Applications*
- h. Building and Use Request – Beacon Ministries requesting to use the Courthouse lawn January 17, 2026 from 8:00 am – 8:00 pm*
- i. Bond – Auston Rose, Sheriff's Department*

Commissioner Clary made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented and Commissioner Ogle seconded the motion. The Court approved the Consent Agenda with a 3-0 vote, Judge Yates abstained.

Hamilton County Personnel Update:

Resignations:

William Hines, SO and Jamie Fry, SO

No Hamilton County Treasurer's Report.

No Hamilton County Investment Report.

No Hamilton County Infrastructure Update.

Communications Update:

Lacy Alexander provided the statistics for the month of November. The Communications Department received 1,577 calls for service in November which is 139 calls more than November of 2024. The Communications Department has already surpassed the total call volume from last year by 386 calls and still a month left before end of year. Lacy stated they are still waiting on Loftin Equipment for the generator repairs. The quarterly Fire Chiefs meeting will be held this Thursday, December 11th at 6:30 pm.

Law Enforcement Update: November Statistics:

Reports – 120 written

Arrests – 13 (11 males, 2 females) 11 Felony and 8 Misdemeanor charges

Traffic Stops – 280 Stops resulting in 136 violations being cited for fines and 213 violations resulting in warnings.

Bailiff – 4 days totaling 10 hours

Civil Process – 14 Civil Citations which took 16 attempts

Total calls for service answered – 992

Drug Seizure - .026 oz of Marijuana

Inmate Transport – Completed 18

Open Records Requests – 29 requests resulting in \$176.40 in revenue.

The Sheriff's Department has 12 sworn officers with two more on the horizon and two civilian employees and four sworn Reserve Deputies staffed at this time.

No discussion on the Burn Ban at this time.

Commissioner Clary made a motion to approve the joint resolution and statistical information for the joint Primary Election on March 3, 2026. Commissioner Curry seconded the motion. The Commissioners Court approved the joint resolution for the March 3, 2026 Primary Election with a 4-0 vote, Judge Yates abstained.

The Commissioners Court approved the Hamilton Volunteer Fire Department agreement with a 4-0 vote. Commissioner Wagner made the motion and Commissioner Clary seconded the vote; Judge Yates abstained.

The Commissioners Court considered what date would be best to hold the next Commissioners Court meeting in order to allow time for the bills to be processed. The next scheduled Commissioner Court meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 23, 2025 at 9:00 am.

Per Texas Local Government Code 81.005 (a) the Commissioner Court must sign an Order designating which day of the week the Court will reconvene in the regular term. Commissioner Clary made a motion to keep Commissioners Court on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. Commissioner Wagner seconded the motion. The Commissioners Court signed the Order designating the second and fourth Tuesday of the month to reconvene in regular term with a 4-0 vote; Judge Yates abstained.

No discussion on the Hamilton County Phase II Tower project.

FY 2025-2026-2027 Budget Workshop:

- *FEMA Expense Revenue*
- *Need to create a new GL number for each Precinct to expense out the FEMA funds*
- *Create a standing Agenda item with a Resolution and documentation showing where FEMA funds are allocated.*

Recess at 9:38 am

Reconvene on Wednesday, December 10, 2025 at 10:00 am.

Workshop for FEMA:

- *Lori with FEMA provided a Project Status report for the Court.*
- *14 Projects have been submitted*
- *12 Projects are in the recipient review stage then go to obligation*
- *CR 225 Low Water Crossing was submitted Tuesday*
- *Lori with FEMA is requesting an e-mail be sent outlining the repair plan for CR 225 Low Water Crossing*

- *TDEM can only approve up to 18 months of extensions and any further extensions need to be requested through FEMA*
- *Vendor contracts have been amended to reflect FEMA required legal ease*
- *Hamilton County will have to follow the procurement plan in place at the time of the disaster, regardless of Legislative changes*
- *DR4781 – 4 projects have been obligated and funding received*
- *DR4781 – 5th project was submitted this morning (Wednesday, December 10, 2025)*

Adjourned at 10:45 am

J. Yates

Judge James Yates

Attest: Rachel Greeson
County Clerk

