

Hamilton County Commissioner's Court

Regular session

Tuesday, May 27, 2025

9:00 a.m.

Hamilton County Commissioner's Court met on Tuesday, May 27, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. with the following members present: County Judge James Yates, Commissioners Johnny Wagner, David Ogle, Keith Curry and Dickie Clary was absent. Judge Yates called the meeting to order and a quorum was established. County Commissioners Johnny Wagner led the invocation and all followed with the pledges.

9:00 am

There were no open comments.

Budget Adjustments (L.I.T.)

\$8,42.75 from 010-560-2050, Clothing Allowance to 010-560-3360, uniforms.

\$15,000.00 from 024-615-5720, Contingency to 024-615-3500, Road Material & supplies.

\$7,374.84 from 010-562-1250, Dispatchers to 010-561-1110, Jail Overtime.

Commissioner Wagner made a motion to approve the Budget Adjustments (L.I.T.) as presented, and Commissioner Curry seconded the motion. The court approved the budget Adjustments (L.I.T) with a 4-0 vote.

The Court considered the following Agenda:

- Approved minutes from May 13, 2025, and May 14, 2025.*
- Approve Departmental Reports*
- Expense Register for \$65,838.50.*
- Payroll for \$86,810.85.*
- No bills were submitted for payment.*
- There were no applications for Culvert Installation.*
- There was no building and use request*

There was a bond for Elizabeth Lingle, Deputy County Tax Assessor-Collector.

Commissioner Ogle made a motion to approve the consent agendas presented and commissioner Curry second the motion. The Court approved the Consent Agenda with a 4-0 vote.

Hamilton County Personal Update

- ***Micah Looke Promoted to Sergeant, S.O.***
- ***Jamie Fry Promoted to Sergen, S.O.***
- ***Christopher Gist, S.O., Deputy, New Hired***
- ***Sixto Rocha Rehired for Hospital Security***
- ***Melissa Erexson changed from part time to full time.***
- ***Resignation from Robert Eller, S.O.***

Hamilton County Treasure's Report for April

- ***\$2,515,499.81 State total cash and other assets***
- ***\$5,641,668.95 in investments***

No updates for the Hamilton County Facilities

Communications Update- one position open

No reports for Law Enforcement

No updates for Burn Ban

Lucy mentioned that they play 42 or bingo on Thursdays at the Community Center. They are ready to break ground, and everybody is invited to attend. It will take place on June 8, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. The center has been steady, providing 2,200 meals in April. They received \$1,828. Donations covered nine of the eleven meals; volunteers provided the remaining. There are 12 drivers, and the rest are volunteers.

Jim Edison is the chair of the Hamilton County Historical Society. They are a volunteer group that does not receive funds, only donations. Five years ago, when TxDOT did Highway 36, there were several culverts found without damages that were done in the 1930s' by WPA. These culverts will be displayed later on with EDC Main Street, the high school, and Hico. Rebekah Dobrasko delivering a presentation of Hamilton's traveling information tours and brochures-historical public outreach program. Anyone can participate in the tour by following the QR code in the brochure or on the website. On the other hand, Rebekah's job

consists of finding, preserving, and minimizing the damage to the history of towns before a highway is constructed, and that is what she did for Hamilton County.

The Sheriff department needs a new vehicle for the investigator. Mr. Boulton found one at the Stephenville Ford Dealership for \$26,693. The Model is an F-150.

The Sheriff's Department is purchasing a Climate Control Storage Unit to store evidence and move the files from Hamilton City. Not only that, but also moved all the files from the office. The storage will be 40 feet long and feature heat and air conditioning with two doors. It will cost \$17,115.00. The funds will be drawn from the courthouse security account to cover the payment.

Commissioner Wagner made a motion to approve the purchase of a Climate Control Storage Unit for the Sheriff's Department, and Commissioner Curry seconded the motion. The Court approved the purchase with a 4-0 vote.

Hamilton County Received a Tobacco Settlement of \$685.70 and a Gross Vehicle Weight of \$23,187.00 and allocated to GL's 021-321201, 022321201, 023-321201, and 024-321201-\$5796.75 per precinct.

Kologik Software Inc. was approved for a contract renewal. The software is used by the sheriff's department and the Justice of the Peace office.

Commissioner Wagner made a motion to approve the renewal for The Kologik Software Inc for Sheriff's Department and commissioner Curry second the motion. The Court approved the purchase with a 4-0 vote.

Dental and Vision Insurance is through TAC and is an employer-pay benefit. For Dental, it will cost \$31.48 per employee and \$7.86 per vision plan. Together, it will be \$83.06 for county expenses. Only employees can have these plans. It does not include spouses or children. TAC needs an answer before June 27, 2025. There will be more discussion on this topic.

Last year, TAC conducted a review of the Hamilton County Employee Policy. There were a few revisions in section B2. The book was ADA Approved by TAC. The County Attorney will review it before approving the modifications to the Hamilton County Employee Policy.

There is no discussion about the Contract with Motorola for Telecommunications Equipment. This discussion will be set for the next meeting.

The Motorola Change Order Regarding Insurance Coverage on Equipment Housed by Bearcom Facility was approved.

Commissioner Curry made a motion to approve the Motorola Change Order Regarding Insurance Coverage on Equipment Housed by Bearcom Facility, and Commissioner Ogle seconded the motion. The Court approved the purchase with a 4-0 vote.

There is no discussion on the Workshop for FEMA-DR4781 and or (TDEM) Texas Severe Storm.

There is no discussion on Hamilton County Phase II Communications Tower-Motorola Equipment Purchase between Motorola Solutions, INC

The court adjourned at 9:45 am.



Judge James Yates


Attest: 

County Clerk