

**FEBRUARY 24, 2022**  
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**JASPER, FLORIDA**

**SPECIAL SESSION**

The Board of County Commissioners, Hamilton County, Florida, met in special session on Thursday, February 24, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. in the Board Room, 207 Northeast First Street, Jasper, Florida. Present were Commissioners Randy Ogburn, Robert Brown, Richie McCoy, Josh Smith and Jimmy Muphy, a full Board being present. Also present were County Coordinator Louie Goodin, County Attorney Cliff Adams, County Auditor Ken Daniels, Property Appraiser David Goolsby and SVNC Finance Director Ruth Allen.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Smith.

Chairman Smith explained the purpose of the meeting and read a letter from the Suwannee Valley Nursing Home requesting an operating grant in the amount of \$200,000.00 in order to meet operating expenses until the closing takes place. David Goolsby, Chairman of the Board of Director's for the Nursing Home, explained the reason for the request and answered questions from the Board. Ken Daniels, also a Board of Directors member, discussed the reason for the decrease in revenue and the need for the operation grant. County Attorney Cliff Adams and the Board questioned the timeline for the completion of the contract between the Nursing Home and the potential buyer. After a lengthy discussion, the Board took the following action:

- Motion by Commissioner Ogburn to approve the operating grant request from the SVNC in the amount of \$200,000.00 contingent upon the signed / executed contract and to allow for an additional \$100,000.00 if needed due to the circumstances and to keep the Nursing Home operational. Second was made by Commissioner Brown, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Chairman Smith requested that the Board allow the Road Department to make a repair to CR-249. Chairman Smith explained that the road has developed two (2) places that has become a hazard with the area being approximately seventy (70) feet long.

- Motion by Commissioner McCoy to declare an emergency and allow the Road Department to make the necessary repair. Second was made by Commissioner Brown, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Chairman Smith also requested that the Board allow the Road Department to pour a thirty (30) X seventy (70) concrete slab for the batting facility at the Hamilton County High School.

- Motion by Commissioner Brown to declare an emergency and to allow the Road Department to construct and pour a 30 X 70 concrete slab at the Hamilton County High School. Second was made by Commissioner Murphy, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

There being no further business before the Board, Chairman Smith adjourned the meeting at 9:32 a.m.

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JOSH SMITH, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

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GREG GODWIN, EX-OFFICIO CLERK



