

**JULY 30, 2024
JASPER, FLORIDA**

SPECIAL SESSION

The Board of County Commissioners, Hamilton County, Florida, met in special session on Tuesday, July 30, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in the Board Room, 207 Northeast First Street, Jasper, Florida. Present were Commissioners Travis Erixton, Jimmy Murphy (telephonic), Robbie Roberson, Richie McCoy and Robert Brown, a full Board being present. Also present were County Attorney Andy Decker, County Coordinator Gary Godwin, Finance Director Sheri Davis and Assistant Finance Director Chelsea Windham.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman McCoy.

BUDGET WORKSHOP #1

County Auditor and Clerk of Court Greg Godwin provided the Board with an overview of the 2024/2025 budget.

- Motion by Commissioner Brown to set the operating millage for the 2024 / 2025 fiscal year budget @ 10.000 mills. Second was made by Commissioner Roberson, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Fire Coordinator Henry Land discussed with the Board the need to change the EMS schedule to a "48/96" schedule to fully cover a seven (7) daytime period.

- Motion by Commissioner Brown to allow EMS to move to a 48/96 schedule and to change the current budget proposal to match. Second was made by Commissioner Erixton, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

The Board also agreed to leave the EMS Director's position in the budget.

Mr. Land discussed the EMS ambulance inventory.

- Motion by Commissioner Roberson to allow the repair of the 2018 Chevrolet Ambulance in the amount of \$30,000. Second was made by Commissioner Erixton, motion carried with a unanimous vote.
- Motion by Commissioner Brown to make the following changes to the Fire budget:
 1. Allow the request for three (3) full-time firefighters as requested in the amount of \$298,770.
 2. Remove the re-chassis in the amount of \$270,000.
 3. Remove one (1) of the Flat Bed trucks in the amount of \$110,000.

Second was made by Commissioner Roberson, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

- Motion by Commissioner Erixton to make the following changes to the Animal Control budget:
 1. Reduce the operating supplies for Animal Control from \$65,000 to \$40,000. Second was made by Commissioner Brown, motion carried with a unanimous vote.
 2. Remove the A/C request in the amount of \$5,000.

Second was made by Commissioner Brown, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

- Motion by Commissioner Erixton to make the following changes to the Road Department budget proposal:
 1. Remove Crew Cab truck in the amount of \$60,000.
 2. Remove Massey Ferguson tractor in the amount of \$127,832.

Second was made by Commissioner Roberson, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

- Motion by Commissioner Roberson to remove the Boom Truck from the Water / Sewer budget proposal. Second was made by Commissioner Erixton, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

The Board discussed the language and timing of the Infrastructure Surtax.

There being no further business before the Board, Chairman McCoy adjourned the meeting at 12:56 p.m.

RICHIE MCCOY, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

GREG GODWIN, EX-OFFICIO CLERK

