

**AUGUST 17, 2021**  
**Track: NO RECORDING**  
**JASPER, FLORIDA**

**SPECIAL SESSION**

The Board of County Commissioners, Hamilton County, Florida, met in special session on Tuesday, August 17, 2021, at 4:00 p.m. for the purpose of reviewing the 2021 – 2022 fiscal year budget in the Board Room, 207 Northeast First Street, Jasper, Florida. Present were Commissioners Robert Brown, Josh Smith, Randy Ogburn (telephonic), Jimmy Murphy and Richie McCoy, a full Board being present. Also present was County Coordinator Louie Goodin and Finance Director Sheri Davis.

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman Josh Smith.

**2021-2022 BUDGET REVIEW**

Clerk of Court Greg Godwin provided the Board with an overview of the 2021-2022 fiscal year budget and the changes made by the Board previously. Mr. Godwin then reviewed the proposed budget with the Board, the following action was taken:

- Motion by Commissioner McCoy to make the following changes:
  - Accept the Sheriff Dept.'s \$100,000 reduction
  - Increase Road Dept. \$90,000 for Forklift
  - Increase Road Dept. \$10,500 for Generator
  - Increase Road Dept. \$165,030 for Dump Truck

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

The Board discussed with Dale Jackson, Landfill Director, the need for a fuel trailer rather than a fuel truck. After a brief discussion, the Board agreed for staff to get a price for a 300 - 500 gallon fuel tank and trailer.

The Board also reviewed the budget requests for the Road Dept. with Road Superintendent Jimmy Daniels.

Town of Jennings Manager Jennifer Hightower and Mayor Samantha Prueter discussed with the Board their request for additional funding in the amount of \$80,000. After a lengthy discussion, the Board requested that the Town of Jennings provide the Board with a list of fire expenditures for the last fiscal year. Fire Coordinator Henry Land discussed the request and explained the need for assistance with employing Fire Fighters.

- Motion by Commissioner McCoy to approve a salary increase in the amount of \$1,000 per employee for the 2021 – 2022 fiscal year. Second was made by Commissioner Brown, motion carried with a unanimous vote.
  
- Motion by Commissioner McCoy to remove the key system from the Maintenance Department budget and to purchase the system in the current fiscal year. Second was made by Commissioner Brown, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

The Board agreed to hold the next budget workshop at 5:00 p.m. on August 31<sup>st</sup>.

There being no further business before the Board, Vice-Chairman Smith adjourned the meeting at 5:45 p.m.

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JOSH SMITH, VICE-CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

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GREG GODWIN, EX-OFFICIO CLERK





