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SPECIAL SESSION

The Board of County Commissioners, Hamilton County, Florida, met in special session on Tuesday, August 31, 2021, at 5:00 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 Chairman Randy Ogburn.

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 Smith to offer the Land Use Administrator's and TDC Executive Director to Mia Mauldin at \$18.50 per hour. Second was made by Commissioner Murphy, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

The Board agreed to an eighty (80) / twenty (20) split in time for the positions.

Chairman Ogburn provided quotes for an Excavator at the Road Department. After a lengthy discussion, the Board took the following action:

- Motion by Commissioner McCoy to allow the purchase of a mid-size Excavator at an approximate price of \$177,105.00. Second was made by Commissioner Murphy, motion carried with a unanimous vote.
- Motion by Commissioner Smith to increase the previous salary increase by \$500.00 per employee. Second was made by Commissioner Murphy, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

The Board requested for staff to provide the cost associated with moving all county employees to a minimum of \$14.00 per hour.

The Board discussed the Jennings Fire request and took the following action:

- Motion by Commissioner Brown to reduce the Jennings Fire Budget line item from \$50,000 to \$30,000. Second was made by Commissioner McCoy, motion carried with a four (4) to one (1) vote. Voting against the motion was Commissioner Murphy.

The Board discussed the SR6 / I-75 Water and Sewer Plant and took the following action:

- Motion by Commissioner Smith to declare an emergency and allow the purchase of a secondary pump from Barney Pumps as recommended by staff. Second was made by Commissioner Brown, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Mr. Goodin discussed with the Board that the current plant operator David Gause has resigned. After a lengthy discussion, the Board agreed to request that Mr. Gause continue as the plant operator until a new individual can be hired.

- Motion by Commissioner Smith to approve the NFPS Task Order for SW 90th Blvd. Second was made by Commissioner Brown, motion carried with a unanimous vote.
- Motion by Commissioner Smith to approve the leave payout for Russell Ross. Second was made by Commissioner Murphy, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

There being no further business before the Board, Chairman Ogburn adjourned the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

RANDY OGBURN, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

GREG GODWIN, EX-OFFICIO CLERK

