

**SEPTEMBER 19, 2022
JASPER, FLORIDA**

SPECIAL SESSION

The Board of County Commissioners, Hamilton County, Florida, met in special session on Monday, September 19, 2022, at 5:05 p.m. in the Board Room, 207 Northeast First Street, Jasper, Florida. Present were Commissioners Robert Brown, Jimmy Murphy, Richie McCoy and Randy Ogburn. Chairman Josh Smith was absent for the meeting. Also present were County Coordinator Louie Goodin, County Attorney Cliff Adams and Finance Director Sheri Davis.

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman McCoy.

The following business was transacted.

PUBLIC HEARING – FINAL BUDGET HEARING – 2022 - 2023 FISCAL YEAR

Vice-Chairman McCoy recessed the regular meeting and opened the Public Hearing at 5:05 p.m.

Commissioner Ogburn explained that the Town of White Springs was present to discuss their Fire Services. Fire Chief Steve Stith discussed the services to be provided by the Town of White Springs and requested that the Board allow the \$100,000 to remain in the budget for the Town. Mr. Stith stated that the Town intends to match the funding provided by the county. After a lengthy discussion, the Board agreed to allow the Fire Budget for White Springs to remain as is and to continue to work out the details for an agreement.

- Motion by Commissioner Brown to approve for the lobbyist position to be placed back in the budget in the amount of \$36,000 with the lobbyist to report to the Board at a minimum of once monthly. Second was made by Commissioner Murphy, motion carried with a three (3) to one (1) vote. Voting against the motion was Commissioner Ogburn.

- Motion by Commissioner Brown to approve the purchase of a tractor from the transportation fund for the arena in the amount of \$44,621.44 to be taken from the current fiscal year. Second was made by Commissioner Murphy, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Clerk of Court Greg Godwin read resolution 2022-13 adopting the Final levying of ad valorem taxes and resolution 2022-14 adopting the Final Budget for fiscal year 2022-2023.

Chairman Ogburn then closed the Public Hearing and reconvened the Board meeting at 5:35 p.m.

- Motion by Commissioner Ogburn to adopt the following resolution:
 - Resolution 2022-13 adopting the Final Levying of Ad Valorem taxes for Hamilton County for the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

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

- Motion by Commissioner Brown to adopt the following resolution:
 - Resolution 2022-14 adopting the Final Budget for Hamilton County for the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

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

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:37 p.m.

RICHIE MCCOY, VICE-CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

GREG GODWIN, EX-OFFICIO CLERK