

HAMILTON COUNTY BOARD

REGULAR MEETING

OCTOBER 21, 2025 6:00 PM

HAMILTON COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COURTROOM

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call of Board Members
4. Approval of Prior Board Minutes
 - a. September 16, 2025 Regular Hamilton County Board Meeting
5. Public Comment
 - a. Jamie Crest – IL Separation Referendum

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

1. Treasurer's Report: written monthly report submitted by Sarah Kelly
2. Sheriff's Department Report: Sheriff Tracy Lakin
3. County Clerk & Recorder's Update: Heather Bowman
4. EMA Report: Director Jason Stewart
5. ETSB Report: Dorothy Smith, ETSB Chairman
6. Health Department Report:
7. Animal Control Update:
8. Ambulance Service Update:
9. Administrative Services Report: Bellwether, LLC

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Accept checks from the Hamilton County Health Department for the month of September, 2025. Salaries: \$16,328.50 Fringes: \$1,744.38 Insurance: \$1,067.76.
2. Accept check # 47721 in the amount of \$5,000.00 from the City of McLeansboro per the Central Dispatching agreement for the month of October 2025.
3. Accept check # 6012713 from Hamilton County Coal, LLC in the amount of \$278,074.92 for the product of lease dated 12/01/2007 and 11/01/2008.
4. Review the Hamilton County Unit #10 1% school facilities tax schedule in the amount of \$61,611.46.
5. Review the Hamilton County Public Safety Tax Payment received in the amount of \$61,648.42. This is liability MO- July 2025, Collected MO- August 2025, Vouchered MO- October 2025.
6. Approve the ROE District #20 FY26 Budget and 1st Quarter Report submitted by Dr. Beth Rister, Superintendent.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Discussion and possible approval: proposals for courthouse phone service.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. UCCI update by P.E. Cross.
2. Accept the letter of resignation from Hamilton County State's Attorney, Justin Hood, effective January 1, 2026.
3. Discussion and possible approval: Invoice #33336 from Novacom in the amount of \$10,784.99.
4. Discussion and possible approval: Invoice #20871-10022025 Air Med Care Network renewal.
5. Discussion and possible approval: Resolution #2025-10-01 authorizing funding of \$5,000.00 for the State's Attorney to participate in the Appellate Prosecutor Program for FY26. Invoice has been submitted on the claims list to be paid from line item #1906.
6. Discussion and possible approval: Ordinance #2025-10-01 amending the ordinance distributing public safety sales tax revenue to address dispatch costs.
7. Discussion and possible approval: FY26 ICRMT insurance program renewal. Total annual premium \$193,682.00.
8. Discussion and possible approval: FY26 ICRMT unemployment insurance proposal. Rate of 3.2 %.
9. Discussion and possible approval: FY26 Cyber Liability Insurance Proposal. Total annual premium \$10,357.00.
10. Discussion and possible approval: The FY26 Hamilton County Budget for display.
11. Discussion and possible approval: the Claims List, Late Claims and Highway Claims with signatures of approval.

Announcement: November Liquor Control Meeting to be held at 5:45 p.m. just prior to the November 20, 2025 Regular Hamilton County Board meeting.

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