

Hamilton County Board of Commissioners met for their Regular Meeting on Monday January 12, 2026 at 8:30 a.m. with Commissioners Nelson, McDonald, Salmon, SaBell, Merkel, County Clerk Jill M. DeMers, Business Administrator Pat Shaw & County Attorney Doug D Dexter were present. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Nelson. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The Open Meetings Act is posted on the east wall in the Board Room first level of the Courthouse with Open Meeting Act brochures available to the public during the meeting. Notice of this meeting was published in the Aurora News Register the week of December 30, 2025. A current agenda is on file and available for inspection in the office of the County Clerk, posted outside the County Clerk's office and posted on the County website. Motion by Salmon Second by SaBell to approve the agenda. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.

Minutes of the January 5, 2026 Regular meeting was approved as presented

County Board of Commissioners meetings are recorded.

Theresa Nickolaus was in attendance for Public Participation.

Scott D. Peters from Mid Air IT presented to the Board quotes for the Courthouse Cyber security.

Pat Shaw Business Administrator presented the ARPA Fund Report with balance and Board approved claims.

Motion by Merkel Second by SaBell to approve the Catastrophic Leave Request. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.

Monthly reports were reviewed from the County Clerk and Treasurer.

Request for Wage Increase for Jail Dispatcher for completion of Probation was signed.

Motion by Salmon Second by SaBell to approve Fee Sheet for Clerk of the District Court December 2025 \$2,378.73. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.

Motion by McDonald Second by Merkel to approve Fee Sheet for the Sheriff December 2025 \$3,515.38. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.

Correspondence was received and reviewed from the Aurora Development Corporation Thank You.

Board Reports were given.

Payroll and vendors were signed.

Motion by Salmon Second by SaBell to go into Executive Session at 9:10 a.m. to discuss Personnel. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes. Motion by SaBell Second by Merkel to come out of Executive Session at 9:25 a.m. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes. No action was taken.

A Construction update was given by Pat Shaw Business Administrator.

With no further business, Motion by Salmon Second by McDonald to adjourn at 9:30 a.m. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes. The next meeting will be held on Monday January 26, 2026 at 8:30 a.m. in the Board Room first floor of the Courthouse. The Board of Commissioners will observe the Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday and not meet the week of January 19, 2026 Thank You

Hamilton County Board of Commissioners

Attest Jill M. DeMers
Jill M. DeMers
Hamilton County Clerk



Nicole SaBell
Nicole SaBell-Vice Chairman 1st District

Rich Nelson
Rich Nelson-Chairman-2nd District

Jessie Merkel
Jessie Merkel-3rd District

Nancy J. Salmon
Nancy J. Salmon-4th District

Francis McDonald
Francis McDonald-5th District