

Hamilton County Board of Commissioners met for their Regular Meeting on Monday March 23, 2026 at 8:30 a.m. with Commissioners Nelson, McDonald, Salmon, SaBell, Merkel, County Clerk Jill M. DeMers, Business Administrator Pat Shaw and County Attorney Doug D Dexter 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 March 10, 2026. 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. An Executive Session will be added to the Agenda today. Motion by Salmon Second by SaBell to approve the agenda with noted change. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.

Minutes of the March 16, 2026 Regular meeting was approved as presented

County Board of Commissioners meetings are recorded.

No one was in attendance for Public Participation.

Motion by Merkel Second by SaBell to approve the Liquor License for Ozzy's Tavern LLC at the Hamilton County Fairgrounds April 4, 2026 3pm-11pm for a reception. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.

Jill M. DeMers County Clerk and Election Commissioner updated the Board of the upcoming schedule of the Primary Election May 12, 2026.

Motion by SaBell Second by Merkel to approve Resolution #1207 as read into record by Jill M. DeMers County Clerk and presented by Charles McGraw for Ryde Transportation fiscal year funding amount match for 2026-2027 of \$19,625.00. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.

Correspondence was received by the Aurora Chamber of Commerce thank you and Hamilton County Member for 2026.

Board Reports were given and a construction update was given by Pay Shaw Business Administrator and Highway Department update by Highway Superintendent Jeremy Brandt.

Shaw, Brandt & DeMers visited with the Board about the MIPS Time & Attendance program.

Motion by Salmon Second by Merkel to go into Executive Session at 9:23 a.m. to discuss personnel. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes. Motion by Salmon Second by SaBell to come out of Executive Session at 10:00 a.m. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes. No action taken.

Payroll and vendors were signed.

With no further business, Motion by Merkel Second by McDonald to adjourn at 10:12 a.m. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes. The next meeting will be held on Monday March 30, 2026 at 8:30 a.m. in the Board Room first floor of the Courthouse.

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