

Hamilton County Board of Commissioners met for their Meeting on Monday October 5, 2026 at 8:30 a.m. with Commissioners Nelson, McDonald, Salmon, Merkel, County Clerk Jill M. DeMers, Business Administrator Pat Shaw & County Attorney Nathaniel K. Heinz present. Commissioner SaBell was excused. The meeting was called to order by Commissioner 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 September 22, 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. Motion by Salmon Second by Merkel to approve the agenda. Vote: All Ayes.

Minutes of the September 28, 2026 meeting were approved as presented

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No one was in attendance for Public Participation. Although Doug Andersen stopped in before the meeting and visited about the roads.

After discussion about the Veteran Service Office floor, it was decided to keep the original plan and lay the carpet, as the carpet has already been purchased.

The Eagleview Contract as presented by Vicki Wylie County Assessor was previously approved and today needed to be signed by Chairman Nelson.

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

Payroll and one vendor claim was signed.

Motion by Salmon Second by Merkel to open the Public Hearing at 9:00 a.m. for a Conditional Use Permit application to allow an Indoor Recreational Facility located in part of SW ¼, SW ¼, of Section 8, T11, R6W Hamilton County, Nebraska. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes. The Notice of the Public Hearing was read into record by Jill M. DeMers Hamilton County Clerk. Brandon Perry was in attendance in favor of the Permit and spoke of the local opportunities this facility would provide and not having to drive miles out of the County for practice. No one was in attendance opposing or of neutral discussion of the Permit. Motion by Salmon Second by McDonald to close the Public Hearing at 9:06 a.m. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes. Staying local was emphasized, Planning & Zoning Board has approved the application and Jeremy Brandt Highway Superintendent was in attendance and being aware of the permit will do the best they can with the road conditions. Motion by Merkel Second by Salmon to approve the Conditional Use Permit application. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.

Committee Reports were given

Pat Shaw Business Administrator presented an update & progress report on the Courthouse, Veteran Office floor, Attorney Office and Extension Building update. Jeremy Brandt Highway Superintendent discussed Road 2, Road 6, Road R, 19th Road and Interlocals.

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Attest _____

Jill M. DeMers
Hamilton County Clerk



Nicole SaBell-Vice Chairman 1st District

Rich Nelson-Chairman-2nd District

Jessie Merkel-3rd District

Nancy J. Salmon-4th District

Francis McDonald-5th District