

Fayette County Board Minutes
Tuesday, April 10, 2025

Convene

Jacob Harris, Chairman, called the County Board of Fayette County and State of Illinois regular session meeting to order at the Vandalia City Hall, 431 W Gallatin St, Vandalia, Illinois, on April 10, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.

Attendance

Michael Black, *Present*; Michael L. Butts, *Present*; Patrick Click, *Absent*; Merrell Collins, *Present*; Jacob Harris, *Present*; Sean Hannagan, *Present*; Doug Knebel, *Present*; Mack Payne, *Present*; Scott L. Ray, *Present*; Ryan Tompkins, *Present*; Ashley Towler, *Present*; James Wehrle, *Absent*; Joe A. Wills, *Present*; Jaqueline Durr, *Present*.

The Board met for the following purposes:

1. To consider and allow claims and bills against the County.
2. For the purpose of transacting any and all other business that may properly be presented to the County Board.

The meeting opened with the Pledge to the Flag.

Public Comment

None.

Roll Call of Department Heads

Dustin Harmon, Administrator, *Present*; Justin Greeley, Administrator, *Absent*; David K. Harris, Coroner, *Absent*; Kendra Craig, Health Dept. Administrator, *Absent*; Brenda Mathis, States Attorney, *Present*; Michelle Hagy, Treasurer, *Present*; Lucas Mette, Public Defender, *Absent*; Ronnie Stevens, Sheriff, *Absent*; Ryan Parks, Supervisor of Assessments, *Present*; Julie Wollerman, ROE, *Absent*; Michael Maxey, Highway Dept. Administrator, *Absent*; Jill Schoenhoff, Probation, *Absent*; Rachel Denning, EMA Coordinator, *Absent*; Kathy Emerick, Circuit Clerk, *Present*; Jessica Barker, Clerk & Recorder, *Present*.

Department Head Reports

Michelle Hagy, Treasurer, written report submitted. See **Exhibit A & B** for detailed information.

Julie Wollerman, Regional Superintendent of Schools, written report submitted. See **Exhibit C** for detailed information.

Approval of Prior Minutes

Michael Black made a motion to approve prior board minutes dated March 11, 2025. Ashely Towler second the motion. The motion was passed by vote.

County Board Committee Report

Committee #4 (EMA, Solid Waste, Extension, Subdivision, Insurance, & Personnel)- Ashley Towler said the condensed committee is discussing the ambulance contract with the hospital. Brenda Mathis said she would talk to Effingham County States Attorney.

Public Building Commission- Mack Payne stated that there would be a meeting May 6th at 5:30 pm. The County courthouse is currently having expensive issues after parts and labor to fix the elevator within the County Courthouse.. Ronnie Stevens Sheriff said it could take as long as 8 months to fix.

Special Use Committee–Merrell Collins said that the committee had a short meeting last week that will be discussed later on the agenda. Solar companies are wishing to be on the agenda next month.

SCIRP DC – Mack Payne stated the next meeting is April 29 in Effingham. There will be lots of information on grants at that meeting.

Administrator Report

Dustin Harmon, Bellwether, said that ARPA is now open. He would work with Jessica Barker, County Clerk & Recorder, to get that submitted. They have also created a compliance help document for the Special Use Committee to assist with solar applications as they apply from the solar ordinance.

Persons to Address Board

Consent Agenda & Items Continued from Finance Committee Consent Agenda

1. Discussion and possible approval of Veterans Association Commission. Doug Knebel made a motion to approve the Veterans Association Commission. Joe Wills second the motion. Michael Black, *Aye*; Michael L. Butts, *Aye*; Patrick Click, *Absent*; Merrell Collins, *Aye*; Jacob Harris, *Absent*; Sean Hannagan, *Absent*; Mack Payne, *Aye*; Scott L. Ray, *Aye*; Ryan Tompkins, *Aye*; Ashley Towler, *Aye*; James Wehrle, *Absent*; Joe A. Wills, *Aye*; Jaqueline Durr, *Aye*. The motion passed by vote.

2. Discussion and possible approval of funding for an additional fully equipped squad car in the amount of \$59,768. Doug Knebel made a motion to approve the purchase of a fully equipped squad car. Joe Wills second the motion. Michael Black, *Aye*; Michael L. Butts, *Aye*; Patrick Click, *Absent*; Merrell Collins, *Aye*; Jacob Harris, *Absent*; Sean Hannagan, *Absent*; Mack Payne, *Aye*; Scott L. Ray, *Aye*; Ryan Tompkins, *Aye*; Ashley Towler, *Aye*; James Wehrle, *Absent*; Joe A. Wills, *Aye*; Jaqueline Durr, *Aye*. The motion passed by vote.

Old Business

New Business

Discussion and possible approval of Reappointment of Pam Parrish for a term of three years ending on 06/07/2027 to Board of Health.

Discussion. Ashley Towler made a motion to approve the appointment. Doug Knebel second the motion.

Discussion and possible approval for the Renewal of Liquor License for OB's Place.

Discussion. Mack Payne made a motion to approve the renewal. Merrell Collins second the motion.

Discussion and possible approval of David W Petty to be appointed as a Trustee of the Tri-County Fire Protection District.

Discussion. Mike Black made a motion to approve the appointment. Joe Wills second the motion.

Discussion and possible approval of Heelstone Variance Request

Discussion. Joe Wills made a motion to table this item to the May County Board Meeting. Merrell Collins second the motion.

Discussion and possible approval of Pike Solar Application

Discussion. Merrell Collins made a motion to table this item to the May County Board Meeting. Doug Knebel second the motion.

Discussion and possible approval of main entrance door repair in the amount of \$5,100.

Discussion. No action is needed on this item. It is a budgeted expense.

COMMITTEE #2 (Claims, Purchasing & Printing)

Adhatters	Embroidery for shirts-Sheriff	\$ 30.00
Advanced Hlthcare	On-site med. Serv. inmates	\$ 8,785.14
Affordable Shred & Storage	Shred of documents-Sheriff	\$ 204.00
Altamont News Banner	Subscription	\$ 45.00
AT&T Mobility	Phones - Sheriff	\$ 734.97
Atis Elevator Inspections, LLC	Annual elevator insp.-Sheriff	\$ 490.00
Axon Enterprise	Batteries for taser - Sheriff	\$ 436.00
Beecher City Journal	Senior Notice Prop. Notice	\$ 82.50
Bivens, Steven	Travel for Feb.. - Ch. Judge	\$ 1,084.30
Bond Co. Transit	Mem. Gordon Corning-Co clk	\$ 25.00
Cain's Drug Store	Meds for inmates, Jan. & Feb.	\$ 103.34
Clearwave Fiber	Fiber internet connection co.	\$ 1,192.63
CIC	CAMA contract - S of A	\$ 10,565.00
Consolidated Comm.	County offices phone bill	\$ 2,846.44
Dothager Ind. IT Consltg	Computer issues in Crthse	\$ 5,558.00
Dothager Ind. IT Consltg	Offsite Backup	\$ 60.00
ES & S	Paper Roll	\$ 87.71
Fayette Water Co.	Water - Animal Control	\$ 42.45
Fidlar	Laredo license fee- Feb. 2025	\$

		620.43
Fidlar	First 100 documents	\$ 360.00
FNB	ACH trans monthly	\$ 55.20
Frontier Comm.	Basic 9-1-1 - Sheriff	\$ 106.15
Goodin Assoc.	JIMS Maint. - Public Defender	\$ 1,380.00
Goodin Assoc.	JIMS Maint. - State's Atty.	\$ 4,746.00
IPAI	Training - S of A	\$ 395.00
KNR Wireless	Email Web Hosting Co.Offices	\$ 735.16
Konica Minolta Prem. Fin	Copier - Treas.	\$ 157.55
Konica Minolta	Copier - Coroner	\$ 60.60
LEON Uniform Co.	Duty jackets, polo - Sheriff	\$ 283.50
LEON Uniform Co.	Uniform, equipment - Sheriff	\$ 1,205.98
McDowell's Service	Repairs - Sheriff	\$ 1,760.75
Mr. Lube	Oil Change - Sheriff	\$ 105.90
Novavision	Security seals -Election	\$ 202.29
Prairie Farms Dairy	Milk for inmates - Sheriff	\$ 725.93
R.P. Lumber	Supplies - Sheriff	\$ 40.05
SDS Technology	Printer issues - Sheriff	\$ 264.78
Sidwell	GIS - S of A	\$ 5,065.39
Sperry Service	Repairs - Sheriff	\$ 1,051.50
Timekeeping Systems	Annual support - Sheriff	\$ 6,180.00
Stericycle, Inc.	Disposal med. Sharps, waste	\$ 69.35
Vandalia Asphalt Services	Rock for parking lot - Sheriff	\$ 1,317.81
Vandalia Leader Union	Monthly Mtg. Elections co Clk	\$ 189.90
Verizon Wireless	Air cards - Sheriff	\$ 650.45
VISA	Supplies, food, postage Shrff	\$ 1,104.85
WPMB	Election Ads	\$ 380.00
Advanced Correc. Hlthcare	On-site med serv for inmates	\$ 8,748.25
Affordable Shred & Storage	Shredding of 3 bins - Co. Clrk	\$ 75.00
Atlantic Coastal Supply	Plumbing parts -Sheriff	\$ 145.87

Better Newspapers	Tow sheets - Sheriff	\$ 288.00
Capital One Business	Supplies-State's Atty.	\$ 340.27
Fayette Co. Bar Assoc.	Dues- State's Atty.	\$ 100.00
Galls, LLC	Clothing - Sheriff	\$ 92.95
GFI	Maint. & supplies cop Sheriff	\$ 5.00
Goodin Assoc.	PC JIMS contract - Probation	\$ 2,094.00
IL Departmt of Public Hlth	Certified Death Certificates	\$ 28.00
IL Prosecutor Services	2025 website -State's Atty.	\$ 100.00
IHS Pharmacy	Feb. 2025 - Sheriff	\$ 2,447.51
Kaskaskia Supply Rental	Supplies - Sheriff	\$ 69.17
KONE	Annual elev. ispctn - Sheriff	\$ 531.12
Langfelder, Joshua	Recor Trng. Process co Clerk	\$ 3,000.00
LEON Uniform Co.	Uniform shirts - Sheriff	\$ 124.00
Liberty Utilities	Gas usage- Courthouse	\$ 871.97
Liberty Utilities	Gas usage - Jail	\$ 1,008.09
Michels Feed	Dog & cat food – Anml ctrl	\$ 141.00
Milton Law Group	Tax attorney invoice due	\$ 1,247.50
Montgomery Plumbing	Heat elements - Anml Ctrl	\$ 225.43
Motorola Solutions	Radio connection to ISP	\$ 104.00
Pryor, Jade	Transcripts - State's Atty.	\$ 5.00
Republic Services	Waste disposal - Sheriff	\$ 496.19
RuralMed	Ambulance inmate - Sheriff	\$ 457.14
Southwestern IL College	Transition course - Sheriff	\$ 1,800.00
Thomson Reuters	Library Plan charge - St Atty.	\$ 70.50
Total Court Services	GPS monitor, crt Fxt-Prob.	\$ 692.05
Verizon Wireless	Cell Phones - Probation	\$ 104.76
VISA	Drug Court grad sup.- Prob	\$ 34.69
VISA	Office supplies - Treas.	\$ 38.25

VISA	Office & elec sup. - Co. Crk	\$ 669.93
Watts Copy Systems	Copier - S of A	\$ 161.14
Watts Copy Systems	Copier - State's Atty.	\$ 146.00
Wex Bank	Fuel - Sheriff	\$ 107.02
AT & T	Line charges for Basic 9-1-1	\$ 206.24
Bellwether LLC	Adm. Services	\$ 7,000.00
Capital One Business	Supplies - State's Atty.	\$ 163.52
City of Vandalia	Water & Sewer - Courthouse	\$ 76.66
City of Vandalia	Water & Sewer - Jail	\$ 1,447.91
Elan Financial	Eqpmt, supplies - Animal Ctl	\$ 260.41
KONE	Annual elev. inspection-Shrf	\$ 325.00
LEAF	Copier - Chief Judge	\$ 208.00
Office Source	Custom envelopes - Co. Clerk	\$ 1,251.95
Philpot Septic	Pump hold tank- Animal Ctrl.	\$ 200.00
South Central FS	Fuel - Sheriff	\$ 5,267.52
South Central FS	Fuel - Coroner	\$ 138.05
South Central FS	Fuel - Animal Control	\$ 346.24
The Wellness Loft	March services - Probation	\$ 7,320.93
Vandalia Leader Union	Juvenile Publishing - State's Atty.	\$ 43.50
VISA	Wash car & meals - Coroner	\$ 67.04
Barker, Jessica	Reimb. for mileage - Co. Clerk	\$ 334.33
Clearwave Fiber	Fiber internet connection for Co. offices	\$ 1,192.63
Elan Financial	Supplies - State's Atty.	\$ 985.97
Fidlar	Laredo license fee- Feb. 2025	\$ 641.10
Galls, LLC	Clothing - Sheriff	\$ 293.69
Hagy, Michelle	Mileage for travel - Treas.	\$ 85.76
Hefley, Brandi	Reimb. for mileage - Co. Clerk	\$ 28.81
Konica-Minolta	Copier - Coroner	\$

		66.67
LEON Uniform Co.	Clothing - Sheriff	\$ 1,040.00
Lorenz Supply Co.	Cleaning supplies - Sheriff	\$ 790.22
McDowell, Shelley	Reimb. for mileage - Treas.	\$ 20.77
Miller, Freddy	Reimb. For supplies - Sheriff	\$ 19.73
Mr. Lube	Oil changes - Sheriff	\$ 229.97
ORKIN	Pest control - Sheriff	\$ 516.09
Parks, Ryan	Reimb. - S of A	\$ 53.75
Pryor, Jade	Grand jury transcript March	\$ 396.00
Shriners Hospital	Memorial for William Flynn	\$ 25.00
St. Peter Vet	Vet bill - Animal Control	\$ 67.65
Thomson Reuters	Online sub. cha-Circuit Clerk	\$ 523.13
Thomson Reuters	Online subscription charges-State's Atty.	\$ 523.13
Valencia, LoraLyn	Reimb. for wormer	\$ 188.19
Verizon Wireless	Phone - Animal Control	\$ 177.98
Verizon Wireless	Cell phone - Coroner	\$ 95.63
Verizon Wireless	Air cards - Sheriff	\$ 470.08
	TOTAL	\$ 121,246.05

FAYETTE COUNTY EMA CLAIMS

Elan Financial Serv.	Office Supplies	\$60.24
Kaskaskia Supply	Supplies	\$29.98
	TOTAL	\$90.22

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT CLAIMS

	COUNTY BRIDGE	
Gonzalez Companies, LLC	Engineering Services	\$6,152.50
Gonzalez Companies, LLC	Engineering Services	\$5,040.00
Gonzalez Companies, LLC	Engineering Services	\$3,817.50

Hampton, Lenzini & Renwick	Engineering Services	\$2,432.50
	Sub Total	\$17,442.50
	COUNTY HIGHWAY	
Ameren Illinois	Electric Bill	\$500.00
Bluff Equipment, Inc.	Parts	\$114.50
Brenda Daniels	Mileage March	\$160.80
Brian's Sales & Service	Supplies	\$67.95
CD Feller Enterprises, Inc.	Repairs	\$1,353.48
Compass Minerals America Inc.	Salt	\$2,561.43
Compass Minerals America Inc.	Salt	\$4,869.55
Compass Minerals America Inc.	Salt	\$5,224.20
Compass Minerals America Inc.	Salt	\$2,493.23
Countryside Disposal, Inc.	Trash Service	\$180.00
Culligan	Water & Rent	\$37.30
D.C. Pest Control	Monthly Inspection	\$35.00
Fayette County Treasurer	Postage February	\$31.74
Fayette Water Company	Rural Water	\$60.00
Frailey's Diesel Repair	Repairs	\$1,456.04
Frailey's Diesel Repair	Repairs	\$4,854.83
Frailey's Diesel Repair	Repairs	\$456.96
John Deere Financial	Supplies	\$257.53
Jo's Cleaning Service	Cleaning Office	\$300.00
Kaskaskia Supply & Rental	Supplies	\$15.38
Klein, Thorpe and Jenkins Ltd	Legal Services	\$130.00
Konica Minolta Danka	Copier	\$136.77
Leader Union	Public notice	\$21.75
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Liberty Utilities	Gas Bill	\$600.00
McDowell's Services	Parts	\$325.00
McKay NAPA Auto	Parts	\$103.84
Payroll Account	Pay End Date 03-21-2025	\$9,841.76
Payroll Account	Pay End Date 03-21-2025	\$1,904.80
Payroll Account	Pay End Date 03-07-2025	\$9,814.40
Payroll Account	Pay End Date 03-07-2025	\$1,904.80
Rush Truck Center	Parts	\$268.70
Security Alarm Corp.	Alarm Service	\$228.72
South Central FS	Fuel Bill	\$6,102.75

Verizon Wireless	Cell Phone Bill	\$150.44
Sub Total		\$56,585.40
	ENGINEERING	
Payroll Account	Pay End Date 03-07-2025	\$3,210.45
Payroll Account	Pay End Date 03-21-2025	\$3,199.00
Payroll Account	Pay End Date 03-21-2025	\$2,434.40
Payroll Account	Pay End Date 03-07-2025	\$3,829.66
Sub Total		\$12,673.51
	FEDERAL AID MATCH	
Gonzalez Companies, LLC	Engineering Services	\$5,455.09
Gonzalez Companies, LLC	Engineering Services	\$7,255.00
Hampton, Lenzini & Renwick	Engineering Services	\$15,925.00
Hampton, Lenzini & Renwick	Engineering Services	\$2,542.50
Sub Total		\$54,975.09
	GRAND TOTAL	\$141,676.50

COUNTY BOARD MEMBER'S PAY

Mike Black	Claims, PBC, Finance, Special Use, mileage	\$178.62
	Board Meeting 4-8-25	\$50.00
	TOTAL	\$228.62
Michael Butts	PBC, Finance, Special Use, Comm. 4, mileage	\$168.24
	Board Meeting 4-8-25	\$50.00
	TOTAL	\$218.24
Pat Click	PBC, Finance, Comm. 4, Special Use, mileage	\$175.95
	ABSENT	
	TOTAL	\$175.95
Merrell H. Collins	HWY, Finance, Special Use, Comm. 4, mileage	\$184.12
	Board Meeting 4-8-25	\$50.00
	TOTAL	\$234.12
Jacqueline Durr	Finance, mileage	\$42.68
	Board Meeting 4-8-25	\$50.00
	TOTAL	\$92.68

Sean Hannagan	Finance, mileage	\$82.88
	Board Meeting ABSENT	\$50.00
		\$132.88
Jacob Harris	Finance, mileage	72.16
	Board Meeting ABSENT	\$50.00
	Chairman	\$500.00
	TOTAL	\$622.16
Douglas L Knebel	Finance, mileage	\$ 42.68
	Board Meeting 4-8-25	\$50.00
	TOTAL	\$92.68
Mack Payne	HWY, PBC, Finance, SCIRP, mileage	\$287.30
	Board Meeting 4-8-25	\$50.00
	TOTAL	\$337.30
Scott Ray	Public bldgs., Tourism, PBC, Claims, Finance, mileage	\$256.48
	Board Meeting 4-8-25	\$50.00
	TOTAL	\$306.48
Ryan Tompkins		
	ABSENT	
	TOTAL	\$0.00
Ashley Towler	Special Use, Claims, Finance, CEFS, Comm. 4, mileage	\$256.28
	Board Meeting 4-8-25	\$50.00
	TOTAL	\$306.28
James Wehrle	Finance, PBC, Special Use, Road & Bridge, mileage	\$181.44
	ABSENT	
	TOTAL	\$181.44
Joe A. Wills	Finance, Comm. 4, mileage	\$ 157.72
	Board Meeting 4-8-25	\$50.00
	TOTAL	\$207.72

Total		\$3,136.55

Motion/Vote – Claims

Merrell Collins made a motion to approve the Committee 2, EMA, Highway Claims and Board Member Pay from March 11, 2025 – April 10, 2025. Ashley Towler second the motion. Motion was passed with all eyes.

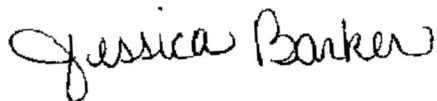
Board Member’s Comments and Non-Action Items

Doug Knebel said that it was a privilege to serve the past four years. This is his last meeting. Jake Harris said that he wishes board member Doug Knebel nothing but the best and Congratulations.

Adjournment

Joe A. Wills made a motion to adjourn this meeting. Mack Payne second the motion. Motion passed by vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Submitted:



Jessica Barker
Fayette County Clerk and Recorder