

Fayette County Board Minutes
Tuesday, February 10, 2026

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 February 10, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.

Attendance

Michael Black, *Present*; Michael L. Butts, *Absent*; Patrick Click, *Present*; Jaqueline Durr, *Present*; Sean Hannagan, *Absent*; Jacob Harris, *Present*; Dan Lutz, *Present*; Mack Payne, *Present*; Scott L. Ray, *Present*; Ryan Tompkins, *Present*; Ashley Towler, *Present*; James Wehrle, *Present*; Joe A. Wills, *Absent*; Scott Workman, *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 of Allegiance.

Public Comment

Pat Reilly, Vandalia resident, spoke in regards to the animals that perished at Andy's Adorable Babies owned by Andrea Cross, see Exhibit A.

Suzanne Gathe, spoke in regards to the homelessness issues within Fayette County and the lack of housing and resources for this major issue. At the time of this meeting there are currently 10 individuals being housed in motels in Fayette County, see Exhibit B.

Roll Call of Department Heads

Dustin Harmon, Administrator, *Present*; 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, *Present*; Ryan Parks, Supervisor of Assessments, *Present*; Julie Wollerman, ROE, *Absent*; Michael Maxey, Highway Dept. Administrator, *Present*; Jill Schoenhoff, Probation, *Absent*; Ryan Scott, EMA Coordinator, *Present*; Kathy Emerick, Circuit Clerk, *Present*; Jessica Barker, Clerk & Recorder, *Present*.

Department Head Reports

Michelle Hagy, Treasurer, written report submitted. See **Exhibit** for detailed information.
Ronnie Stevens, Sheriff, written report submitted. See **Exhibit** for detailed information.

Ryan Scott, EMA Coordinator, written report submitted. See **Exhibit** for detailed information.

Approval of Prior Minutes

Motion to table approval of the prior meeting minutes until March 10, 2026, due to the minutes still being in draft form. Motion carried.

County Board Committee Report

Mack Payne, Public Building Commission Chairperson, provided a brief update on the update of their By-Laws.

Patrick Click, Economic Development Commission Chairperson, provided a brief update on their joint meeting with the City of Vandalia.

Administrator Report

Administrator Dustin Harmon reported that an ordinance update for the Special Use Committee will be presented next month. He also provided an update on the ongoing audit to identify discrepancies reported by the previous auditor. No issues were identified in the 2023 review, and the audit has now progressed to 2024 records. Discussion was held regarding contacting the previous auditor, as he notified the County of the discrepancy but did not provide guidance or assistance in resolving or locating the issue. It was noted that contingency funds have not yet been utilized; however, the County is approaching the point where use of those funds may become necessary, which could result in a tighter budget for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Persons to Address Board

None.

Motion/Vote—Appointment of Members to Ambulance Oversight Committee (AOC)

Mack Payne made a motion to approve the appointment of Dan Lutz, Kevin Jenne, Kyle Albertina, Kenny Lewey, Jeremy Scruggs, Jason Guerrettaz, and Ryan Scott to the Ambulance Oversight Committee (AOC). Scott Workman seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote.

Motion/Vote—Appointment of Ryan Scott to SCIRPDC

Mack Payne made a motion to approve the appointment of Ryan Scott to replace Mike Kleinik on the South Central Illinois Regional Planning & Development Commission (SCIRPDC). Scott Workman seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote.

Motion/Vote—Liquor License Renewal MBE OB's Place

Mack Payne made a motion to approve the liquor license renewal for MBE OB's Place. Scott Workman seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote.

Motion/Vote—Appointment of Tourism Bureau ILLINOISouth (TBIS)

Mack Payne made a motion to approve the annual commitment letter stating that the Fayette County Board will continue to recognize the Tourism Bureau ILLINOISouth (TBIS) as Fayette County's State certified tourism bureau. The motion passed by vote.

COMMITTEE #2 (Claims, Purchasing & Printing)

Advanced Correctional Healthcare	On-site medical services for inmates-Sheriff	\$ 9,299.42
Ameren IP	Electric - Washington School	\$ 118.77
Cain's Drug Store	Meds for inmates - Sheriff	\$ 59.95
Clearwave Fiber	Fiber internet connection for co offices	\$ 1,208.38
Clinical Radiologist	CT services - Sheriff	\$ 500.00
Consolidated Comm.	Phone bill for county offices	\$ 2,860.63
Culbertson Heating & Cooling	Work on new heating/cooling unit	\$ 130.00
Dothager Ind. IT Consltg	Offsite Backup	\$ 60.00
Dothager Ind. IT Consltg	Computer issues in Courthouse	\$ 1,229.00
Fayette Water	Water - Animal Control	\$ 44.15
FNB Community Bank	Monthly maint fee, ACH credit/debit trans	\$ 55.20
Frontier Comm.	Basic 9-1-1 - Sheriff	\$ 107.94
Goodin, Dona	Weekend work - Animal control	\$ 1,200.00
Harris, David	Supplemental Medicare Ins. Reimb.-Coroner	\$ 339.25
Hecht Chevrolet	Oil change, tire rotation - Sheriff	\$ 111.09
John Deere Financial	Food for inmates - Sheriff	\$ 44.90
KNR Wireless	Email web hosting for co. offices	\$ 335.16
Konica Minolta	Printer/Copier - Coroner	\$ 66.67
Liberty Utilities	Gas bill - Courthouse	\$ 849.92
Liberty Utilities	Gas bill - Jail	\$ 825.79
McKay Auto	Belt - Sheriff	\$ 19.59
Office Source	Office supplies - S of A	\$ 235.56
Office Source	Court reporter supplies-Chief Judge	\$ 117.72
Philpot Plumbing	Pump septic tank - Animal Control	\$ 200.00
Prairie Farms Dairy	Milk for inmates - Sheriff	\$ 968.16
Republic Services	Sanitation services - Sheriff	\$ 487.51
Rural Med	Ambulance ride for inmate	\$ 586.42
Sperry Service	Services -Sheriff	\$ 805.55
Tenpenny Pest Control	Monthly pest control - Sheriff	\$ 235.00
Vervocity	Website Work	\$ 969.00
VISA	Office supplies, food, repairs, medical-Sheriff	\$ 1,859.11
Watts Copy Systems	Copier - Public Defender	\$ 122.95
Watts Copy Systems	Copier - State's Atty.	\$ 146.00
Andy's Auto Body	Repairs - Sheriff	\$ 379.00

Better Newspapers	Juvenile publishing	\$	
CIC	Software & Peopleware Agreement	43.50	
		\$	36,140.00
Culbertson Heating & Cooling	Repairs - Sheriff	\$	
		1,669.80	
DASH	Gloves - Coroner	\$	
		145.00	
Direct Energy	Electric for Courthouse	\$	
		4,636.21	
Elan Financial Services	Office & pet supplies - Animal control	\$	
		85.94	
Global Technical Systems	Spot light for squad - Sheriff	\$	
		107.08	
Goodin Assoc.	PCJIMS Public Defender Maint.	\$	
		1,380.00	
Hosick's Motors	Services -Sheriff	\$	
		340.54	
IHS Pharmacy	Meds for inmates - Sheriff	\$	
		1,589.04	
IL Dept. of Public Hlth	Certified death certificates	\$	
		12.00	
Imagine This Marketing Group	2026 annual website hosting - Chief Judge	\$	
Kohl Wholesale	Inmate food - Sheriff	\$	10,618.44
		\$	
LEAF	Copier - Chief Judge	\$	
		208.00	
MOCIC	Membership dues - Sheriff	\$	
		150.00	
Motorola Solutions	Radio connection to ISP - Sheriff	\$	
		116.00	
NMS	Toxicology - Coroner	\$	
		232.00	
Ramsey News Journal	Publishing - S of A	\$	
		24.00	
Sperry Service	Vehicle maint. - Animal Control	\$	
		157.88	
Thomson Reuters	Online subscription charges - State's Atty.	\$	
		538.82	
Thomson Reuters	Online subscription charges - Circuit Clk	\$	
		538.83	
Thomson Reuters	Library plan charges-State's Atty.	\$	
		73.32	
Vervocity	Website Work	\$	
		125.00	
VISA	Wash squad car, office supplies- Coroner	\$	
		43.72	
VISA	Office supplies, mileage-Co. Clk	\$	
		203.14	
Watts Copy Systems	Copier - S of A	\$	
		179.98	
WEX Bank	Fuel - Sheriff	\$	
		107.17	
Amazon	Office supplies - Probation	\$	
		52.24	
AT & T	Line charges for Basic 9-1-1	\$	
		209.88	
Capital One Business	Office supplies, dues - State's Atty.	\$	
		1,547.19	
City of Vandalia	Water & Sewer - Jail	\$	
		1,199.70	
City of Vandalia	Water & Sewer - Courthouse	\$	
CIC	Annual Peopleware Agreement	\$	
		105.02	
Electronic Architechs	Emergency monitoring - Probation	\$	
		360.00	
Goodin Assoc.	Maint. Contract - Probation	\$	
		2,094.00	
Goodin Assoc.	JIMS Prosecutor maint. - State's Atty.	\$	
		4,746.00	
Harris, Patricia	Floor cable cover -Coroner	\$	
		11.87	
IL Sheriff's Assoc.	Winter Trng. Conf. - Sheriff	\$	
		550.00	
Konica Minolta Premier Finance	Copier - Probation	\$	
		203.27	

		\$	
LEON Uniform Co.	Uniforms - Sheriff	331.00	
Liberty Systems	Consulting & handling, Tenex VR License	\$	17,814.40
		\$	
McLean Co. Juv. Detention Ctr.	Juvenile detaining 2 days - Probation	300.00	
		\$	
Municipal Electronics Division	Radar Certification - Sheriff	51.00	
		\$	
Office Source	Office supplies - Co. Clerk	133.07	
		\$	
Options Lab Inc.	Supplies for urine collection - Probation	180.00	
		\$	
Peabody, Lisa	Transcripts - State's Atty.	52.00	
	B. Thompson tuition for Corrections	\$	
Southwestern IL College	Academy	4,829.00	
		\$	
State Treasurer	County portion for circuit & assoc. judges	855.22	
	DSP4 Fayette, Coordinator Fayette-	\$	
The Wellness Loft	Probation	7,582.58	
		\$	
Total Court Services	Nov. services, EM/AM services-Probation	1,210.35	
		\$	
Verizon Wireless	Cell phone - Probation	78.50	
		\$	
VISA	Drug testing supplies - Probation	159.37	
		\$	
AT & T Mobility	Mobile phones - Sheriff	782.99	
		\$	
Better Newspapers	Public notice - S of A	36.25	
		\$	
CAOA	CAOA dues - S of A	325.00	
		\$	
Fayette County Health Dptmt	Food permit for jail - Sheriff	175.00	
		\$	
GFI Digital	Heater repair - Sheriff	272.54	
		\$	
GFI Digital	Toner for printer - Sheriff	14.87	
		\$	
ICRMT	Deductible for claim	3,205.72	
		\$	
IL Property Assessment Inst.	CIAO qualifying series, conf, wkshop- S of A	2,295.00	
	2026 website access, offense guides-St.	\$	
IL Prosecutor Services	Atty.	350.00	
		\$	
Konica Minolta Prem. Finance	Copier - Treas	315.10	
		\$	
LEON Uniform Co.	Uniforms - Sheriff	134.00	
		\$	
Lorenz Supply Co.	Cleaning supplies - Sheriff	969.71	
		\$	
McDowell's Service	2 batteries - Sheriff	622.95	
		\$	
Mr. Lube	Oil change - Sheriff	100.90	
		\$	
Pryor, Jade	Grand jury transcripts - State's Atty.	592.00	
USPS-POC	Postage for Co. postage meter	\$	15,000.00
		\$	
Verizon Wireless	Cell phone - Coroner	98.02	
		\$	
Verizon Wireless	Phone - Sheriff	571.39	
		\$	
Wente Plumbing	Annual backflow preventer inspection-Sheriff	250.00	
		\$	
Wente Plumbing	Annual sprinkler inspection-Sheriff	310.00	
		\$	
Parks, Ryan	Reimb for office supplies - S of A	67.55	
	Reimb for office supplies & mileage-Co.	\$	
Pollard, Cheryl	Clerk	38.15	
	TOTAL	\$	176,356.00

Motion/Vote – Committee #2 (Claims, Purchasing & Printing)

Mack Payne made a motion to approve Committee #2 (Claims, Purchasing & Printing) from January 13 to February 10, 2026. Ashley Towler seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote.

FAYETTE COUNTY EMA CLAIMS

1	Elan Financial Services	Office supplies, fuel, travel	\$7,187.61
2	Konica Minolta	Copier	\$144.16
3	TextMyGov	Software Management	\$1,033.32
	TOTAL		\$8,365.09

Motion/Vote – Fayette County EMA Claims

Mack Payne made a motion to approve EMA. Ashley Towler seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote.

Highway Department Claims

COUNTY BRIDGE

Gonzalez Companies	Engineering Services	\$877.50
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	Sub Total	\$1,755.00

COUNTY HIGHWAY

Ameren Illinois	Electric Bill	\$600.00
Barkers Garage	Truck Inspection	\$256.00
Brenda Daniels	Mileage Jan.	\$168.00
Bryan Perkins	Clothing Allowance	\$400.00
Compass Minerals America Inc.	Salt	\$5,195.85
Crossroads Truck Equip., Inc.	Parts	\$408.47
Culligan	Water & Rent	\$12.00
D.C. Pest Control	Monthly Inspection	\$35.00
Dittamore Implement Co.	Supplies	\$326.56
Dust and Son Auto Parts	Supplies	\$1,339.00
Fayette Co. Sand & Gravel Ltd	Sand	\$640.21
Fayette Co. Sand & Gravel Ltd	Sand	\$126.64
Fayette County Treasurer	Postage - Dec.	\$25.26
Fayette Water Company	Rural Water	\$70.00
Frailey's Diesel Repair	Repairs	\$518.02
Frailey's Diesel Repair	Repairs	\$286.01
John Deere Financial	Supplies	\$262.22

Jo's Cleaning Service	Cleaning Office	\$300.00
Kaskaskia Supply & Rental	Supplies	\$59.02
Konica Minolta Danka	Copier	\$136.77
Liberty Utilities	Gas bill	\$700.00
Mac's Fire & Safety, Inc.	Safety Supplies	\$178.80
McKay NAPA Auto Parts	Parts	\$481.55
Michael A. Maxey	Pesticide Trng. & Study material	\$365.50
Outdoor Power Sales	Supplies	\$374.00
Payroll Account	Pay End Date 12-26-2025	\$12,631.88
Payroll Account	Pay End Date 1-09-2026	\$2,040.80
Payroll Account	Pay End Date 1-23-2026	\$2,040.80
Payroll Account	Pay End Date 1-9-2026	\$12,503.20
Payroll Account	Pay End Date 1-23-2026	\$12,503.20
Payroll Account	Pay End Date 12-26-2025	\$2,040.80
Progressive Chemical, Inc.	Supplies	\$187.71
Rush Truck Center	Parts	\$1,709.86
Sloan Implement/Assumption	Hydraulic Oil	\$98.57
South Central FS	Fuel bill	\$4,758.79
South Central FS	Battery Fee	\$319.90
St. Louis MRO, Inc.	Drug Test	\$50.00
Swetland Communications	E-mail Service	\$75.00
Troy Scott	Clothing Allowance	\$400.00
Verizon Wireless	Cell phone bill	\$92.20
Warning Lites	Signs	\$58.75
Warning Lites	Signs	\$287.88
Warning Lites	Signs	\$70.50
William F. Brockman Co.	Supplies	\$48.07
Woody's Municipal Supply Co.	Supplies	\$2,513.10
Sub Total		\$67,695.89

ENGINEERING

Michael A. Maxey	Conf. Registration	275
Payroll Account	Pay End Date 1-23-2026	\$3,186.38
Payroll Account	Pay End Date 1-23-2026	\$2,556.00

Payroll Account	Pay End Date 1-9-2026	\$3,071.20
Payroll Account	Pay End Date 1-9-2026	\$2,556.00
Payroll Account	Pay End Date 12-26-2025	\$2,556.00
Payroll Account	Pay End Date 12-26-2025	\$3,359.15
Sub Total		\$17,559.73

FEDERAL AID MATCH

Gonzalez Companies, LLC	Engineering services	\$1,135.00
Sub Total		\$1,135.00

GRAND TOTAL **\$88,145.62**

Motion/Vote – Highway Department Claims

Mack Payne made a motion to approve Highway Department. Ashley Towler seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote.

Motion/Vote – County Board Members Pay

Mack Payne made a motion to approve the County Board Members Pay. Ashley Towler seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote.

Board Member’s Comments and Non-Action Items

Scott Workman commended Animal Control Warden Loralyn Valencia for her diligent work, dedication, and professionalism following the fire at the animal breeding facility earlier this month.

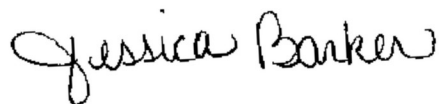
Patrick Click encouraged members of the public and fellow board members to support the many initiatives currently underway through the local tourism bureau. He noted that there are numerous activities and events happening throughout the area and encouraged everyone to visit the bureau’s website and download its app for more information.

Mr. Click also spoke about the recent Vandalia Civic Advancement meeting organized by area businesses. He shared that the organization is not new to the community and previously played a role in helping bring Brockway to the area.

Adjournment

Ashley Towler made a motion to adjourn this meeting. Ryan Tompkins second the motion. Motion passed with all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Submitted:



Jessica Barker
Fayette County Clerk and Recorder