

PROCEEDINGS OF THE PLANNING-AGRI-BUSINESS COMMITTEE

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County of Mason)

Proceedings of a meeting of the County Board Planning-Agri-Business Committee of Mason County, a meeting begun and held at the Mason County Courthouse located at 100 N. Broadway St., Havana, IL on Tuesday, February 10, 2026. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Committee Chairman Andrea Thomson.

The following committee members were present: ANDREA THOMSON, ELDON GARLISCH and BRENDA DAVENPORT-FORNOFF.. Also present at the meeting were the following: County Board Chairman Kenneth Walker, County Clerk Summer Brown, State’s Attorney Zach Bryant, Chief Deputy Sheriff Dave Baker and Chief Deputy Clerk Lori Wickman. Scott Garlisch being absent.

Brown went over the Ameresco plan with the committee. Bryant expressed his frustration with the plans. He feels the Farm Bureau building would be perfect for his office. He can’t move to the County Clerk’s office the way it is now. He needs a private room for interviews with children, waiting room for the family, room for law enforcement, office for the assistant state’s attorney and an office for him. There was discussion on how the old treasurer’s office and assessment office would be utilized. The committee decided that another planning meeting should be scheduled with Ameresco and all offices involved.

The committee also discussed the Alco building. They agree that the county is not in a position to fund any of the proposed plans for that building.

Brown notified the committee that there is discussion of a possible battery storage project coming north of San Jose.

Brown advised the committee that there may be some changes to the Solid Waste Management in the future. We just submitted our new five-year plan with no changes. The committee thought we should reach out to Bill Blessman to see if he can offer any information.

There being no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 a.m. Notices will be sent out for the next committee meeting.

MOTION: E. Garlisch made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Davenport-Fornoff. Motion carried.