

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MASON COUNTY BOARD

State of IL)
)s.s.
County of Mason)

Proceedings of a meeting of the County Board of Mason County, a meeting begun and held at the Mason County Courthouse, 125 N. Plum St., Havana, IL on Tuesday, October 13, 2026. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Vice-Chairman Dorothy Kreiling. Roll call was taken with the following members present: KIMI BENDER, BRENDA DAVENPORT-FORNOFF, SCOTT GARLISCH, RONALD KNOLLENBERG, DOROTHY KREILING, ADAM SARNES and ANDREA THOMSON. Kenneth Walker being absent.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Davenport-Fornoff made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Garlisch. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Thomson made a motion to approve the September Board minutes, Planning-Agri Business Committee and Finance Committee minutes. Seconded by Sarnes. Motion carried.

APPEARANCES – PUBLIC COMMENT

Jacob Janssen from Snedeker Risk Management gave the board a brief update on our insurance. He said that our property and workman's compensation went up, which was expected because of salary increases and so many claims on vehicles. He reported that we did have savings compared to last year.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Board then considered the consent agenda as follows:

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REPORTS:

1. September report of County Clerk
2. September report of Treasurer

APPOINTMENTS BY CHAIRMAN:

RESOLUTIONS:

1. Resolution 2026-105 Tax Agent Deed-Brian Morris-Parcel #02-24-101-018 \$838.00

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

(see board file for matters pertaining to the consent agenda)

MOTION: Garlisch made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Knollenberg. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Jen Dye could not attend the meeting but provided a written report for Zoning and Animal Control. She inspected 21 properties in September which resulted in 16 warnings and 5 extensions. Animal control gave 22 warnings, 5 citations, 13 county registration failure warnings and 27 dogs were registered. They received 96 county calls in September, 45 zoning and 51 animal control with 13 dispatched. They also received 10 Havana calls with 4 dispatched. They had 2 bite cases, 3 animal impounds and 4 dogs were deemed dangerous.

Thomson reported for the Planning Committee that a meeting was held before the board meeting to discuss how to utilize the space in the courthouse that will be vacated. She also noted that a decision was made to post a "No Smoking Within 15 Feet" sign at the courthouse door to address the complaints received about smoking within 15 feet of the door. The two benches outside will also be moved at least 15 feet from the door.

Garlisch reported for the Road & Bridge Committee that the second round of mowing has been completed by the Highway Department.

Brown reported that the budget & levy will be presented later in the meeting along with a resolution for the Tax Sale change. She said early voting has begun and continues. Ameresco is providing weekly updates on the work at the new building.

RESOLUTION 2026-99 AUTHORIZING THE PROCUREMENT OF EDGE CAMA SOFTWARE SOLUTION

The board then considered Resolution 2026-99 Authorizing the Procurement of Edge CAMA Software Solution. (see board file for resolution)

MOTION: Knollenberg made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-99. Seconded by Thomson. Motion carried by a roll call vote with Garlisch voting no.

RESOLUTION 2026-100 ADOPTING THE BUDGET & APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2027

The board then considered Resolution 2026-100 Adopting the Budget & Appropriation Ordinance for Fiscal Year 2027. (see board file for resolution)

MOTION: Bender made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-100. Seconded by Garlisch. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION 2026-101 ADOPTING THE TAX LEVY ORDINANCE FOR 2026 TAXES PAYABLE IN 2027

The board then considered Resolution 2026-101 Adopting the Tax Levy Ordinance for 2026 Taxes Payable in 2027. (see board file for resolution)

MOTION: Knollenberg made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-101.

Seconded by Thomson. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION 2026-102 APPROVAL OF THE STATE'S ATTORNEY APPELLATE PROSECUTOR PROGRAM FOR 2027

The board then considered Resolution 2026-102 Approving the State's Attorney Appellate Prosecutor Program for 2027. (see board file for resolution)

MOTION: Thomson made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-102. Seconded by Bender. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION 2026-103 AUTHORIZING THE DEVELOPMENT AND ADOPTION OF A NEW OFFICIAL LOGO FOR MASON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

The board then considered Resolution 2026-103 Authorizing the Development and Adoption of a New Official Logo for Mason County, Illinois. (see board file for resolution)

MOTION: Garlisch made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-103. Seconded by Sarnes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2026-104 AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY TO ACQUIRE ALL PROPERTY TAX CERTIFICATES ON TAX YEAR 2025 PAYABLE 2026 DELINQUENT TAX LIST

The board then considered Resolution 2026-104 Authorizing the County to Acquire all Property Tax Certificates on Tax Year 2025 Payable 2026 Delinquent Tax List. (see board file for resolution)

MOTION: Bender made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-104. Seconded by Thomson. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

The following motion was then made concerning a list of claims paid in vacation presented to the board for review and approval:

MOTION: Garlisch made a motion to approve the list of claims. Seconded by Knollenberg. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

There being no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 a.m. The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 10, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. at the Mason County Courthouse.

MOTION: Sarnes made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Thomson. Motion carried.