

**MINUTES OF A BUILDING, GROUNDS, SAFETY, AND INSURANCE
COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE COUNTY OF HANCOCK, STATE OF ILLINOIS,
HELD AT THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE IN THE CITY OF CARTHAGE ON
JUNE 9, 2026**

The meeting was called to order by Mark Hanson at 6:30 p.m. Members in attendance included Michelle Merritt, Tom Rodgers, Steve Finney, Josh Turner, and Mark Menn. Lee Ann Lambert was absent. Visitors included Carlton Shaw and Camden Knights from Linea Energy. Bobi James, Holly Wilde-Tillman, and Justin Greeley were contacted via phone.

The new ambulance will have insurance on it as of June 13.

Motion to appointment Tom Dale as the solar site assessment officer was made by Ms. Merritt, seconded by Mr. Rodgers. He will go to the solar sites biannually. He will receive \$300 each visit. Bellwether will have a checklist for Mr. Dale make sure they are complying with the ordinance which will then be given to Bellwether. All members present voted aye.

The Highway 61 and 61-2 Sun's solar application was discussed in depth. Cornview Development, LLC, initially submitted the application on April 23 and then decided to hold off until the new solar ordinance was in place on June 1 to make sure he was in compliance. The question is when does the 60 days start, April 23 or June 2? Mr. Finney moved to discuss this at the building meeting in July, Mr. Rodgers seconded. Mr. Greeley was called. He has done a complete review of the application and it is in compliance. Ms. Wilde-Tillman was called and the public hearing was discussed. Ms. James was called and it was asked when the application was actually submitted. She believes if the public hearing is postponed to July for evaluation based on their updated references and having sufficient time to go through the application that this would be a valid argument. She believes since the board did not have 60 days that this is a legitimate request. All members present voted aye.

Mr. Finney moved to accept the amendment to the wind ordinance, Ms. Merritt seconded. All members present voted aye.

The liquor license was discussed. If we increase the number of licenses for the county someone who was denied may be upset with the county.

Mr. Finney motioned to approve the resolution for taxing districts 15-10-024-013, 15-10-024-014, 15-10-024-017, 15-10-024-018, 15-10-029-019, Mr. Rodgers seconded. All members present voted aye.

Claims were gone over. Mr. Rodgers moved to approve the claims, Mr. Turner seconded the motion. All members present voted aye.

Motion to recess until July 14 was made by Ms. Merritt, seconded by Mr. Finney. All members present voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Hanson