

**MINUTES OF A FINANCE, FEES, AND SALARIES MEETING OF THE COUNTY OF
HANCOCK, STATE OF ILLINOIS, HELD AT THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, IN THE CITY OF
CARTHAGE, ON OCTOBER 8, 2026**

The meeting was called to order by Wayne Bollin at 9:00 a.m. Members in attendance included Harry Douglas, Joe Boyles, Dennis Castlebury, Steve Lucie, and Mark Menn. John Mason and LeeAnn Lambert were absent. Visitors included Kristin Huls, Kris Pilkington, Shannon Kissinger, Mike McVey, Jeff Dedey, Jordan Hawes, Keith Krohe, and Keara Weber.

Ms. Huls informed the committee of the Build the Barn campaign they are having to raise money to rebuild the barns and do renovations to the existing Extension Center. The 4-H enrollment is higher than in 2010. They are offering life skills and trades for the youth of the county.

Ms. Weber handed out the circuit clerk monthly report. They submitted a grant for elevator repairs. The circuit clerk website is up and going.

Mr. Krohe went over the insurance numbers. There was lengthy discussion regarding this. Motion to approve the TPA agreement extension for 3 years at \$42/employee was made by Mr. Boyles, seconded by Mr. Lucie. A roll call vote was taken with all members present voting "yes". Motion carried.

Motion to approve renewing with Symmetra at \$30,000 stop loss was made by Mr. Lucie. Mr. Boyles seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with all members present voting "yes". Motion carried.

Mr. Hawes stated a replacement car has been purchased and is at the sheriff's department getting outfitted. He would like to replace the AED machines which can be paid for out of the opioid fund. New vests will be purchased for the bailiffs out of the courthouse security fund.

Mr. McVey stated that the new GIS conversion is complete and running smooth. The maps are set up at the county clerk's office. He had a Zoom meeting with WIU and is trying to set up a time for an aerial flight in the spring. This is estimated to cost \$80,000. The last time this was done was 2019.

Ms. Pilkington went over the budget amendments and line item transfers. A new Devnet server is going to be purchased. She would like to have this located in her office where it is

currently located. Ms. Kissinger would like to hire a second person to replace Molly McDowell in the event of her leaving. Mr. Menn has received Ms. Pilkington's letter of retirement. He thanked her for the last 24 years she has given to the county.

There was lengthy discussion regarding the county IT position and role.

Claims were gone over. Mr. Boyles motioned to approve the claims. Mr. Douglas seconded. A roll call vote was taken with all members present voting "yes". Motion carried.

Mr. Boyles moved to recess until October 13 at 7:00 p.m. Mr. Douglas seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 11:43 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Bollin