

**MINUTES OF A HEALTH AND MISCELLANEOUS MEETING OF THE COUNTY
OF HANCOCK, STATE OF ILLINOIS, HELD AT THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE,
IN THE CITY OF CARTHAGE ON OCTOBER 5, 2026**

The meeting was called to order by Harry Douglas at 6:30 p.m. Members in attendance included Michelle Merritt, Billy Cramer, Joe Boyles, Mark Harrison, Mark Menn, and Steve Finney. Visitors included Aaron Feagain. Steve Lucie was absent.

Mr. Feagain passed around the EMS report. There were 127 calls, 117 billable, 95 transports, 44 BLS, 55 ALS, 9 no transports. The hospital contract has been finalized and will be signed. LaHarpe ambulance service has been sent a notice suspending service with them. There has been no response so this service will be dropped. The state and 911 will be notified. Mr. Finney motioned to send a termination letter in regards to the LaHarpe ambulance IGA, Ms. Merritt seconded. All members present voted aye. Mr. Feagain will draft a letter and send it to Mr. Douglas and the states' attorney.

Animal control bites were gone over. The animal control building is still up for sale.

The ESDA report was passed around. The ESDA job description from the state will be sent to Mr. Totten. If he has questions he can come to the next meeting on November 2.

Ms. Merritt motioned to approve the Hancock County Health Department fee increases. Mr. Cramer seconded the motion. All members present voted aye.

Claims were gone over. Ms. Merritt moved to approve the claims with Mr. Harrison seconding the motion. All members present voted aye.

Mr. Finney motioned to recess until November 2 at 6:30 p.m. Ms. Merritt seconded. All members present voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'H Douglas', written in a cursive style.

Harry Douglas

10-10-26