

**MINUTES OF A FINANCE, FEES, AND SALARIES COMMITTEE MEETING OF  
THE COUNT OF HANCOCK, STATE OF ILLINOIS, HELD AT THE COUNTY  
COURTHOUSE ON MAY 14, 2026**

The meeting was called to order by Wayne Bollin at 9:00 a.m. Members in attendance included Mark Menn, Dennis Castlebury, Harry Douglas, Joe Boyles, Steve Lucie, Lee Ann Lambert, and Alex Blythe. Visitors included Keith Krohe, Lexi Huffman, Mike McVey, Holly Wilde-Tillman, Keara Weber, and Jeff Dedey.

Mr. Krohe went over the health insurance comparisons from last year.

Ms. Huffman does the Special Olympics. She is asking for a monetary gift. This will be taken out of contingencies. She asked Mental Health who gets a grant but their money is already allotted for the year. Mr. Boyles moved to allocate \$8000 for the Special Olympics. Mr. Douglas seconded. A roll call vote was taken with all members present voting "yes". Motion carried. She was asked to come back after the Olympics and let the board know how it went. Mr. Menn thanked her for her efforts.

Ms. Weber handed out her packet. She brought in \$38,000 in collections. Her newest employee resigned. She discussed the cabling project in her office and the court rooms. The Building Commission is requiring somebody do onsite visits to make sure it is being done correctly. They will need funding to help with some of this. Motion to approve up to \$75,000 to be used for finishing the cabling out of the county court fund was made by Mr. Douglas, seconded by Mr. Lucie. A roll call vote was taken with all members present voting "yes". Motion carried.

Mr. McVey stated his new employee is working out great. He is having problems with Bruce Harris and is interested in using a different GIS company by the name of Sidwell. There is an upfront cost to switch companies and then it is \$150/hour compared to \$75/document for Bruce Harris. There was a question if there is a contract with Bruce Harris.

Ms. Wilde-Tillman stated that taxes are gone and will be going out soon. There are 2 companies that are interested in wind energy in the county. She would like it noted that she will not be the go-to person for this. She will take the paperwork and money for the projects. Bellwether will be asked if they will take this on.

A phone has been purchased for the VSO officer. It was cheaper to add her to Dan Deshong's phone plan. Mr. Dedey would like to put all U.S. Cellular phones on 1 plan.

Mr. Castlebury moved to appoint Holly Wilde-Tillman as the local registrar. Mr. Blythe seconded. All members present voted aye.

The bicentennial banner sealed bids were opened. A bid of \$15 from Susan Cheney and a \$50 bid from Scott Cheney was made.

Aaron Feagain would prefer to purchase the 2014 Ford F550 ambulance out of Texas. It has the lift and cot installed. The 2019 ambulance will be kept for reserve. Mr. Castlebury approved the purchase of the ambulance for \$65,000. Mr. Boyles seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with all members present voting "yes". Motion carried.

Mr. Douglas motioned to move into executive session regarding personnel at 10:15, Mr. Lucie seconded. All members present voted aye. Mr. Douglas moved to come out of executive session at 10:32, Mr. Lucie seconded. All members present voted aye.

Judge Clark came in and spoke about the money for the cabling being done in the circuit clerk and courtrooms. The generator will be discussed at the safety meeting on May 18. The courthouse may need to be shut down.

Claims were gone over. Motion to approve was made by Mr. Blythe, seconded by Ms. Lambert. A roll call vote was taken with all members present voting "yes". Motion carried.

Motion to recess was made by Mr. Douglas, seconded by Ms. Lambert. All members present voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Bollin