

# Kayci Heil

White County Clerk & Recorder

## **MINUTES OF THE REGULAR WHITE COUNTY BOARD MEETING ON: March 19, 2026**

The White County Board convened at the White County Courthouse in the City of Carmi, State of Illinois, on Tuesday the 14th day of March, at 7:00 p.m. and was called to order by County Board Chairperson Cassie Pigg.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

On Roll Call, the following Board members responded as being present, which represented a quorum: Amanda Cannon, Ken Usery, David South, Cassie Pigg and Clint Spencer.

**MOTION** was made by Mr. Usery seconded by Mr. South, to approve the minutes of the White County Board meeting. Vote by acclamation. All voting aye, none nay. Motion carried.

**MOTION** was made by Mr. South seconded by Mr. Usery, to approve the amended minutes of the White County Board meeting from November 2025 to fix a typing mistake. Vote by acclamation. All voting aye, none nay. Motion carried.

### COUNTY OFFICER REPORTS

County Clerk: Clerk Heil told the Board that the election went well and that we still had 2 weeks for the vote by mail ballots to come back into the office. She told the Board that we had a great turnout and we voted 743 people in our office alone and praised the election judges on their hard work.

County Treasurer: Not in attendance

Circuit Clerk: Clerk Fulkerson told the Board that her grant money was spent and accounted for. She told the Board about a water leak that occurred in the upstairs kitchen and then ran into her office. The leak has been fixed, and Jordan is ordering new tiles.

Ambulance: Mr. Allen told the Board that he had been busy, and he is going to be doing a fundraiser to raffle off a redneck hunting blind to help fund supplies for pediatric patients when they have calls. These systems normally cost between \$10,000 to \$15,000.

State's Attorney: Mr. Neal told the Board that everything was going good and they were staying busy.

Sheriff: Not in attendance

Supervisor of Assessments: Not in attendance

Highway: Nothing to report.

EMA: Mr. Wurst gave his report to the Board and told them about a rescue training that he did in Gallatin County. He received a \$1000 donation from the Carmi Kiwanis.

TB Officer: Not in attendance

Coroner: Not in attendance

911: Not in attendance

Administrative Services: Mr. Harmon told the board that the solar, wind and battery storage ordinances are going to be affected by the state's SB 25 and they will need to be in place by June. It will affect the cost per application. They will be doing a cost study for the Sheriff's department and then they will be reviewing the animal control fees as well.

Chairman Pigg asked if there was any public comment:

Brent Davis with Snedeker Risk Management. Informed the Board about upcoming customer dinner meetings that they are invited to attend.

Richard Cook – informed the Board about issues that are going on with Saline County Board and video recording. He also informed the Board of his concerns with the White County Jail and Sheriff.

States Attorney Chris Neal told Mrs. James that he went out to the solar site and talked to some individuals, and they gave him new contact information of who he needs to talk to at the company. He has emailed and left a voicemail about the lack of screening. They further discussed types of screening and what needs to be done.

## **Consent Agenda**

The consent agenda was read by Chairman Pigg.

1. Discussion and possible approval of a Resolution in support for Illinois and White County Agriculture.
2. Discussion and possible approval of a Resolution to opt into the Federal Scholarship Tax Credit Program.
3. Discussion and possible approval of VET Environmental bill for \$1317.2.

Chairman Pigg asked if any items needed to be removed from the consent agenda

**MOTION** was made by Mr. South, seconded by Mr. Usery to approve items 1-3 on the consent agenda. Vote passed by roll call. Motion carried.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Discussion and possible approval of the fiscal year 2027 agreement with the Illinois Extension

Office presented by Angie Messmer.

Amy McCarty with the White County 4-H program presented to the Board. She informed the Board all about what is going on with their program and that they have their annual pork loin fundraiser coming up.

**MOTION** was made by Mrs. Cannon, seconded by Mr. Usery to approve the agreement with the Illinois Extension Office. Vote passed by roll call. Motion carried.

2. Discussion and possible approval of a Proclamation for Sexual Assault Awareness Month presented by Ashley Davis.

Ashley Davis from SAFE presented to the Board and gave a brief description of what their organizing provides to individuals.

**MOTION** was made by Mrs. Cannon seconded by Mr. South to approve the proclamation in support for Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Vote by acclamation. All voting aye, none nay. Motion carried.

## **CLAIMS**

**MOTION** was made by Mr. Usery, seconded by Mr. Spencer, to approve all bills. Vote by acclamation. Vote passed by roll call. Motion carried.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None

### **County Board Member Non-Action Items and Comments**

Next meeting will be April 21, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. in the White County Courthouse.

**MOTION** was made by Mr. Usery, seconded by Mr. Spencer, to adjourn. Vote by acclamation. All voting aye, none nay. Motion carried.