

Proceedings of the Regular Meeting

Clark County

July 17, 2026

The regular meeting of the County Board met July 17, 2026, at 8:00 A.M. and was called to Order by Chairman Rex Goble. County Clerk Laura Lee led the pledge of allegiance. Sheriff Bill Brown led the meeting with a prayer.

ROLL CALL

8:00 A.M.

Rex Goble	District #1
Brandon Burkybile	District #2
Darin Patrick.;	District #3
Randal Stephens	District #4
Susan Guinnip	District #5 Absent
Todd Kuhn	District #6
Mike Parsons	District #7

4. Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting:

Motion by Mike Parsons and second by Randy Stephens to approve the minutes of June 18, 2026, regular Board Meeting. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

5. Public Comments:

Durward Gross was the first to speak. He brought to the Board's attention that his real estate tax bills increased by \$6,556.00. He stated that for 60 acres, the RE taxes are \$3,808. The Assessor, Lisa Richey, was asked why his taxes more than doubled and she explained that the land was previously in a forestry program. Richey is looking into seeing if the land is in a program and that will help the situation. The other issue is that his house is with 80 acres that is not farmed and per the State, it is assessed at a higher rate. Johnson Township was re-assessed last year. Mr. Gross is asking for help with his situation and others that are in the same boat. Richey explained that she could lower the assessed value for everything, but then the State will add a multiplier to raise the taxes due.

Jennifer Bishop introduced herself to the Board regarding her new role with the 4H Youth and Community Development with Clark County Extension. Bishop stated that she in a dual role with youth and adults and can be a resource for businesses and local governments. They have received a grant from United Way and they are working on so many outreaches for our community.

6. Approval of general claims:

Motion by Mike Parsons and second by Brandon Burkybile to approve the General Claims. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

7. Approval of highway claims:

Motion by Mike Parsons and second by Todd Kuhn to approve the County Highway Claims. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

8. Highway Discussion:

Engineer Richardson proceeded through his agenda. The first two resolutions are regarding the Hogue Town project. One is for material letting and the second is for joint funding agreement for Federally Funded Construction. The third resolution is to approve an engineering agreement for the Clarksville Road. The fourth resolution is to award Samron Midwest Contracting Inc as the lowest responsible bidder for the box culverts on 450th St in Casey Township. The Highway Department is getting ready for the 2026 Oil and Chip project and mowing is progressing throughout the County. Also, OSHA stopped by the Highway Department for an inspection and was informed of three violations with no fines. There was no new business or old business.

9. Highway Resolutions:

Motion by Todd Kuhn and second by Randy Stephens to approve Material Groups for Hogue Town Section #13-00272-00-RS. Low bids were acceptable. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted “aye”. Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted. (See Attached)

Motion by Randy Stephens and second by Mike Parsons to approve the Joint Funding Agreement for Federally Funded Construction for Section #24-00272-01-GR (400th Rd). The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted “aye”. Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted. (See Attached)

Motion by Randy Stephens and second by Mike Parsons to approve the Local Public Agency Engineering Agreement with Cummins Engineering for 2028 HSIP Grant Application for the Clarksville Road. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted “aye”. Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted. (See Attached)

Motion by Todd Kuhn and second by Randy Stephens to approve Local Public Agency Formal Contract with Samron Midwest Contracting for Section #23-03124-00-BR Casey Township 450th St. Bridge. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted “aye”. Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted. (See Attached)

10. Office Reports:

Motion by Brandon Burkybile and second by Randy Stephens to accept all Office Reports for June 2026. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted “aye”. Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted. (See Attached).

11. New Business:

a. Approve Election Judges for 2026-2028

Motion by Mike Parsons and second by Todd Kuhn to approve Election Judges for 2026 – 2028. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted “aye”. Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted. (See Attached).

b. Bob Crocker re: Moratorium on Data Centers.

Bob Crocker and Duane Wampler spoke to the Board regarding the Data Center that is being constructed in Sullivan County, Indiana. Mr. Crocker informed the Board that Crawford County had

passed a moratorium on data centers for two years in Crawford County.

12. Old Business:

a. Update on the Redesign of the County Website.

Alex Carrell, IT Director, updated the Board on the County Website. Carrell informed the Board that the redesign was put on hold for a major change that Evogov was working on for their own web service. They are currently working very hard to get the County's website redesign in the near future.

13. Appointments:

Motion by Randy Stephens and second by Mike Parsons to appoint Steven Smith to the North Fork Conservancy District Board. This is a five-year term and will expire on 8/21/2031. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Motion by Mike Parsons and second by Brandon Burkybile to appoint Steve Atwood to the Union York Water Board. This is a 5-year term and will expire on 8/1/2031. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Motion by Todd Kuhn and second by Brandon Burkybile to re-appoint Tony Williams to the Clark County Housing Board for a 5-year term that will expire on 8/1/2031 and to re-appoint Rhonda Parker, tenant, for a one-year term that will expire on 8/1/2027. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

14. Executive Session:

A motion was made by Board Member Brandon Burkybile to go into executive session and second by Board Member Mike Parsons at 9:01 a.m. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the meeting to go into executive session for provision 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1) regarding the Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline and Performance of Specific Employee. Whereupon the Chairman declared the meeting to go into executive session.

CLOSED MEETING CERTIFICATION: CLARK COUNTY

I certify that I understand Section 2 of the Illinois Open Meeting Act and that to the best of my knowledge and belief, no other topic was discussed during the closed meeting, or closed portion of the meeting, in violation of the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

/s/ Rex Goble, Presiding Officer

Executive Session ended at 10:13 and went back into Regular Session.

15. Committee Reports:

Chace Bramlett, CCAS Director, updated the Board on last month's activities for the Ambulance Service. Call volume remains over 200 per month and 19 times that the County was at level zero. Bramlett is trying to increase the interfacility transfers but had to turn down 65 requests due to short staff and vehicle shortage as this is a good revenue generator. The Casey Station needs repair. Bramlett talked to the Mayor Nicholson in Casey about putting a modular on the lot and got some forward movement on this. There is going to be a flyer mailed out to County residents regarding Hyper Reach. This is a text service that will notify residents of approaching severe weather, but they must sign up to participate. Marshall, Martinsville and Casey are paying the postage for their residents. Chace also told the Board that Randolph Mantooth passed away last weekend. He was an actor on *Emergency!* and because of this show, the term paramedic was recognized and ten years later EMS programs were started across the Country. Dr. Turner loved *Emergency!* and it helped him to create the first ambulance service in Clark County 50 years ago.

16. Approve Preceding Bills:

Motion by Todd Kuhn and second by Brandon Burkybile to approve Preceding Bills. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

17. One Day and Mileage:

Motion by Brandon Burkybile and second by Randy Stephens to approve One Day and Mileage Claims. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

18. Adjournment:

Motion by Brandon Burkybile and second by Mike Parsons that the meeting be adjourned until August 21, 2026, at 8:00 a.m. for the Regular Meeting. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted. The meeting was adjourned at 10:28 a.m.

IN ATTENDANCE: Dallas Richardson - County Engineer; Kyle Hutson – State's Attorney; Bill Brown – Sheriff; Kim Kannmacher - Clark County Treasurer; Ami Shaw - Circuit Clerk; Lisa Richey – Clark County Assessor; Laurie Lee -County Clerk; Susan Williamson – Probation; Chace Bramlet – CCAS; Durward Gross – Concerned Resident; Donald Draper – Concerned Resident; Warren LeFever – Marshall City Council; Susan Sloop – Clark County Extension; Jennifer Bishop – Clark County Extension; Dan Kibler – Clark County Post; Jerry Woodfall – IBEW 725; Bob Crocker – Data Center Concerns; Duane Wampler – Sullivan IN farmer; Alex Carrell – IT; Shawn Huisinga – Committee Member; Trey Huisinga – Committee Member; Don Solarz – Resident;