Rescheduled Regular Meeting
5:00 p.m. – Monday, July 21st, 2025
203 North Walnut Street, Pinckneyville, Il. 62274

A regular meeting of the Perry County Board of Commissioners convened at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 21st, 2025 at the Pinckneyville Community Center Building in Pinckneyville, IL.62274

OPENING

Chairman Bruce morgenstern called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was recited by those in attendance.

County Clerk Bobby kelly called the roll. The following members answered the call of the roll: Commissioner Folden, Commissioner Martin and Chairman Morgenstern were present.

The following department heads were also present: State's Attorney David Searby, Jodi Koester Treasure, and others were in attendance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairman Morgenstern - Before we approve the agenda, does anyone want to be added to the agenda or Public Comments? Rick Foutch asked to be put on public comments, Commissioner Martin asked to be put on and so did Commissioner Folden. Chairman Morgenstern then called for approval of the meeting agenda.
Commissioner Martin moved the agenda for the meeting be approved. Commissioner Folden seconded the motion. On voice vote, the motion was approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Morgenstern asked for the approval of the Board of Commissioners meeting minutes of the July 3rd, 2025, meeting. Chairman Morgenstern called for a motion.
County Commissioner Folden made the motion.
Commissioner Martin second the motion on voice call 3 Ayes.

Resolution:

1. Approve raffle license Swanwick Bethel Cemetery Picnic Association #2025-RL13 Commissioner Martin made the motion Commissioner Folden second the motion on roll call 3 Ayes

2. Approve raffle license Perry County Home & Community Education Association #2025-RL 14 Commissioner Folden made the motion. Commissioner Martin second the motion on voice call 3 Ayes.

3. Approve raffle license Fraternal Order of eagles #2522 #2025-RL15 Commissioner Martin made the motion Commissioner Folden second the motion on roll call 3 Ayes
4. Approve agreement for Avanan software Mark Goldman Mayer networks #2025-R46 Mark Goldman from Mayer Networks explained to the board that we discussed this in the previous meeting and highly recommend that adding this unless you can assure your selves that none of your employees will not open something on an email that cause a very serious virous. Commissioner said no I believe we need to add this just to prevent of this happening. Commissioner Folden made the motion Commissioner Martin second the motion on roll call 3 Ayes.
5. SUP-25-01 Andrea Moore to place a new, 30 x 56 (1,680 sf) mobile home at 7800 School Street Road, DuQuoin, IL 62832 #2025-R47. Commissioner Martin made the motion Commissioner Folden second the motion on call 3 Ayes.

6. SUP-25-02 Lilly Dominguez and Charles Knope to place a new, 16 x 76 (1,216 sf) mobile home at 1102 Darley Lane, Coulterville, IL 62237 #2025-R48. Commissioner Folden made the motion Commissioner Martin second the motion on call 3 Ayes
7. RESOLUTION Authorizing Participation in National Opioid Settlements with Alvogen, Amneal, Apotex, Hikma, Indivior, Mylan, Sun, Zydus, Purdue (And Affiliates), And the Sackler Family and Authorizing Execution of Settlement Documents #2025-R49. David Searby stated this is basically the same program we have been on this settlement and you the board are authorizing Jodi and I to sign and receive any allotments. Commissioner Martin made the motion Commissioner Folden second the motion on roll call 3 Ayes.
8. Discussion of 2026 health plan and possible approval of HOPE Trust intergovernmental cooperation agreement. Snedeker Risk Management, FYI starting January 1, 2026 #2025-R50 Kevin Kern from Snedeker Risk Management said that we have talking to all 3 Commissioners about the Hope Trust Health Ins. Plan. We know that Perry County Gov has its own self insurance plan for the past 26 years and has ran very well, but with times and things changing we fill like for all the employees and everyone on the Perry County Gov insurance will see better service than what has been happening here the last year where the 2nd provider seems to be having troubles with peoples bills and I believe it is do to the fact that they've been sold out to another company and just seems like Perry County Gov. it is time to go ahead and sign up with the Hope Trust and we do our own in house on all claims. And our office has been working hard on getting a lot of hospitals and doctors' clinics to be specific providers which should help the employees still be able to use who that have been seeing. And for the employees that are with specific hospitals are services that are not been approved for this plan we will move them to the HRE health reimbursement where put them on a different insurance plan and pay the premiums and deductibles 100% which saves the county some monies. We are Hoping to sign tonight do to the fact that we have to give the vender now on your insurance Lumineer health to have time to process final claims and exiting out by

the end of December 31, 2025 and Hope trust will begin January 1, 2026. Mr. kern went on to say that this will be a better and more savings to the employees, do to the fact no copay when seeing provider and other benefits like they will all be automatically be issued a $20,000.00 life insurance policy at no cost to the employee. Commissioner Folden thought this a god insurance company it seems like when on sat on the federal housing board, they were on this plan and seem to run fine, from what I can remember. I will go ahead and make the motion to approve the new health Insurance plan, Commissioner Martin second the motion on roll call 3 Ayes.

9. Approve Contract with Labor's 773 Perry County Government Perry County Sheriff's Department (Cooks & Custodians) and Maintenance #2025-R51
Chairman Morgenstern said that we have finally finalized this contract I know it took some time but one thing I can say that everyone does not understand about this contract that we did negotiate the animal control out of the union which will hopefully be able to find someone to be the animal control officer. Commissioner Martin made the motion, Commissioner Folden second the motion on roll call 3 Ayes

Discussion:

Mark Goldman with Mayer Networks. Mark updated the board on potentially the county going with a new phone system. At this point we have counted 45 phones and 5 fax lines and coroner and EMA Chuck Genesio said they would be with apps on their phone instead of purchasing a desk phone which meaning they will have a number but it will ring and they can answer or leave messages in which they can check later.

Public Comments: Gina Cushman came to the board wanting to understand what was going on between DQ and the dog pound, just wanted a better understanding. Commissioner explained to her why the city of DQ was not able to bring animals or have the county go pick any up. Mrs. Cushman understood clearer and more thought that was pretty cheap for them because they could not afford to build their own facility for what they would be paying now. Commissioner martin expressed that it cost the county a budget of keeping the animal facility open a minimum of $130,000.00 to $150,000.00 budget so I am sure the city would not to put out that kind of funds for a animal facility.
Rick Foutch came to the commissioners and should them pictures from the April floods and how his house was almost lost do to flooding because of Park street road holding water back, if you would go to the road (Park Street) on the south side water was dropping 30" so if that tells you how much the road is holding water back on the north side. We definitely need more box culverts to move more water south instead of backing water up, I understand back when they raise the road they put an extra bridge to relief the pressure of water to the north.
Commissioner Folden just wanted to update the board on Statue 1121 on which they could make an Ordinance of tearing dilapidated homes or buildings and Commissioner Folden did do some checking on pricing in which he contacted Hagene excavating and the cost would only be $6300.00 I don't think that is out of reach because you turn around and sell the property for probably 8 thousand or more that would recoup the counties monies
Commissioner Martin wanted to update everyone that she is now certified in Oleoresin capsicum commonly know as Pepper spray and the use of a Baton and certification for administrative work in which this is the first time these certificates have ever been on the walls at the dog pound office. I am the only one that has been certified in this county.

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS; Chairman asked for a motion to make payment of the bills, Commissioner Martin made the motion, Commissioner Folden second the motion, on roll call 3 Ayes.
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ADJOURNMENT OF COUNTY BOARD MEETING
There being no further business to come before the Board, the Commissioner Martin made a motion to adjourn, Commissioner Folden second the motion on voice call 3 Ayes 6:45 P.M.
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Robert Kelly, County Clerk
Clerk of the Board of Commissioners
County of Perry, State of Illinois

Approved: August 7th, 2025

Chairman Morgenstern

Commissioner Folden

Commissioner Martin