Minutes of the Regular Meeting

of the Perry County Board of Commissioners, Perry County, Illinois, held on the 6th day of August, A.D. 2026, in the Pinckneyville County Government Building,

Pinckneyville, Illinois.

Chairman Bruce Morgenstern called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M., and lead the invocation. Commissioner Jennifer Martin lead the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call was answered by Commissioners Joseph Folden, Jennifer Martin and Chairman Bruce Morgenstern present. Also present was Attorney Aaron Atkins, who served as Deputy Clerk for County Clerk Robert Kelly, who was absent.

Chairman Morgenstern took up the matter of the approval of the agenda. Chairman Morgenstern asked if anyone from the gallery wished to be recognized. No one asked to be recognized. Commissioner Martin moved to approve the agenda with Commissioner Folden seconding the motion. The motion passed with voice vote with Commissioners Folden, Martin and Chairman Morgenstern all voting "aye.

On the approval of the regular meeting minutes of July 22, 2026, Commissioner Folden moved to approve the minutes of July 22, 2026, seconded by Chairman Morgenstern. The motion passed with Commissioner Folden and Commissioner Martin and Chairman Morgenstern voting "aye".

Under Public Comments, Gabriel Cope advised the Board that he would try to help with IT issues. Chairman Morgenstern thanked Mr. Cope for his offer of assistance.

Under the Discussion items, representatives of the Perry County Health Department asked about the progress which had been made on the review of the proposed revised health department ordinance. Ms. Rebecca Ferrari advised that the FDA has changed the food preparation code such that the present ordinance is no longer correct. She stated that in 2025 an audit of the department showed that Perry County's ordinance is not in compliance with current guidelines. Chairman Morgenstern advised that he recalled that a revised health department ordinance was adopted superceding the one in the printed code. Mr. Morgenstern continued that the recently submitted revised draft had been forwarded to Mr. Frank Heiliegenstein for review and comparison with the present ordinance. Ms. Ferrari advised that with the current code, the department could not really carry out its designated function. Chairman Morgenstern asked why they could not do inspections and simply suspend any offending establishment's permit. Ms. Ferrari stated that the department

does not have the required ordinance to be able to sustain the suspension in court, should it be necessary to do so. Chairman Morgenstern indicated that he would speak to Mr. Heiligenstein and would expedite the matter.

Moving on to Resolutions, Mr. Brian Otten made a brief explanation of Resolution #2026-R93. Commissioner Folden moved to approve Resolution #2026-R93, awarding District 9 Pavement Marking Contract to Varsity Striping and Construction Co. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Martin. The motion passed with Commissioners Folden, Martin and Chairman Morgenstern voting "aye" by roll call vote.

Commissioner Martin moved to approve Resolution #2026-R94, approving expenditure of monies from Contingency Funds to pay for the Sheriff's Department's Finger Scanning (printing) Machine. Upon receipt of the already awarded grant funds, the Sheriff will repay the Contingency Funds. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Folden. The motion passed with Commissioners Folden and Martin and Chairman Morgenstern voting "aye" by roll call vote.

Chairman Morgenstern requested a motion to approve the warrant for payment of bills. Commissioner Martin moved to approve the warrant, seconded by Commissioner Folden. Roll call vote was taken with Commissioners Folden, Martin, and Chairman Morgenstern voting "aye".

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Commissioner Folden, to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Martin. A voice vote on the motion to adjourn was conducted, with all present voting "aye". Chairman Morgenstern gaveled the meeting adjourned at 6:38 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Aaron A. Atkins

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Chairman Morgenstern

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Commissioner Folden

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Commissioner Martin