

MINUTES OF THE MCDONOUGH COUNTY BOARD

JULY 15, 2026

The monthly meeting of the McDonough County Board was held at the McDonough County Courthouse, in Courtroom 201 at 7:00 p.m. Roll call resulted in 18 present, and 3 absent. Members Jerry Raby, Travis Hiel, and Larry Aurelio were absent. Sheriff Nick Petitgout made the opening declaration. Chair Blakeley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

EXHIBIT 1

Minutes of June 17, 2026 Board Meeting.

EXHIBIT 2

The report from Public Defender, Scott Terry for the month of June, 2026.

EXHIBIT 3

The report of Sales Tax collected in April, 2026. County Sales Tax, Public Safety Tax, Cannabis Tax, and Transportation Tax.

EXHIBIT 4

The report of Balances and Investments from County Treasurer Moon for the month of June, 2026.

EXHIBIT 5

The report of Circuit Clerk Fischer for the month of June, 2026.

EXHIBIT 6

The report from County Clerk Benson on Warrants Issued in Vacation for the month of June, 2026.

EXHIBIT 7

The Transfer of Appropriations of Monies was referred to the Finance Committee.

EXHIBIT 8

Report of the Finance Committee for June, 2026.

EXHIBIT 9

Report of General Claims for June, 2026.

EXHIBIT 10

2027 Holiday Schedule

EXHIBIT 11

*Consent Agenda item 11 was removed from the Consent Agenda prior to the approval of the consent items. Moved to Action Agenda item 14A.

EXHIBIT 12

*Consent Agenda item 12 was removed from the Consent Agenda prior to the approval of the consent items. Moved to Action Agenda item 14B.

EXHIBIT 13

*Consent Agenda item 13 was removed from the Consent Agenda prior to the approval of the consent items. Moved to Action Agenda item 14C.

Board Member Walker asked from consent agenda items 11, 12, and 13 to be removed from the consent agenda.

Board Member Foster moved with a second by Board Member Thompson to approve consent agenda items 1 through 10. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 18 yeas, 0 nays, and 3 absent.

ACTION AGENDA ITEMS

EXHIBIT 14

- A. Board Member Cox moved with as second by Board Member Foster to approve County Aid to Bridge Resolution. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 18 yeas, 0 nays, and 3 absent as **Exhibit 14A**.
- B. Board Member Kipling moved with a second by Board Member Chapman to approve the Resolution for Tax Deed. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 18 yeas, 0 nays, and 3 absent as **Exhibit 14B**.
- C. Board Member Durkin moved with a second by Board Member Chapman to approve Illinois Emergency Management Mutual Aid System Resolution. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 18 yeas, 0 nays, and 3 absent as **Exhibit 14C**.

EXHIBIT 15

None.

EXHIBIT 16

Vicky Kipling informed the board members that a county employee lunch will be held on August 20th. More information will be sent out to the members, as well as a volunteer sheet.

EXHIBIT 17

None.

EXHIBIT 18

Chair Blakeley entertained a motion that Days and Miles are checked, roll be called, and the Board adjourn until Wednesday, August 19, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. Board Member Kirby moved with a second by Board Member Thompson to adjourn the meeting. A roll call was taken for days and miles and the motion to adjourn carried with a voice vote. With no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m. Sheriff Petitgout gave the closing declaration.