

ELMS/BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE

AUGUST 11, 2026

The Elms/Building and Grounds Committee met on Tuesday, August 11, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the McDonough County Courthouse, 3rd floor, Law Library. Committee Members in attendance included, Chair Larry Aurelio, Dave Cortelyou, Mike Cox, Roger Ward, Clayton Murphy, and Dana Walker. Others in attendance included Elms Administrator Jeff Howd, and Deputy Clerk Kyah Beck. Members absent were Vice Chair Vicky Kipling and Allen Henderson.

Chair Larry Aurelio called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Review and Approval of July 14, 2026 Minutes

Member Walker moved with a second by Member Cortelyou to approve the minutes as submitted. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Farm Report

None.

Administrator's Report

Census is at 66, with 13 being private-pay. Medicare currently owes \$152,894.17. There were 11 admissions, and 13 discharges. Jeff Howd also gave a break down of bills to give everyone a better understanding of what the money goes towards.

Financial Report

Member Cox moved with a second by Member Cortelyou to approve the July, 2026 Financial Reports. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Elms Claims

Member Cox moved with a second by Member Murphy to approve the Elm's claims as submitted. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 6 yeas, 0 nays, 0 vacant and 2 absent.

Macomb Public Building Commission

Mike Cox informed the committee that Judge Benson will be updating the stairs at the Zahren building.

McDonough County Maintenance Directors Report

Chad Wilson not present to give report.

Building and Grounds Claims

Member Cortelyou moved with a second by Member Ward to approve the July, 2026 Building and Grounds Claims. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Masonic Lodge Distribution

This organization had spoke to County Board Chairman Eric Blakeley about donating school supplies on Courthouse property. Unfortunately, the timing wasn't in advance enough to advertise this event.

Parking Sign Installation

Discussion was held regarding parking on the south side of the courthouse. Sheriff Nick Petitgout and the Building & Grounds committee is working together to get time limit parking signs for easier access to the courthouse entrance.

Other Items as Needed

None.

Executive Session

None.

Public Comment

None.

County Board Chair Comments

County Board Vice Chairman, Mike Cox reminded the committee of the employee appreciation lunch on August 20th.

Adjourn

Member Ward moved with a second by Member Cortelyou to adjourn the meeting at 7:39 p.m. Motion carried on a voice vote.