

HUMAN RESOURCES AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

MARCH 13, 2025

The Human Resources and Planning Committee met on Thursday, March 13, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the McDonough County Courthouse, 3rd Floor, Law Library. Committee Members in attendance included Chair Ken Durkin, Vice Chair Vicky Kipling, Mike Kirby, Clayton Cook, Jerry Raby, Ryan Litchfield, and Dana Walker. Member Dustin Berg was absent. Others in attendance included Animal Control Officer Zach Welch, Karen Blakeley, Bonnie Skripps, John Vigezzi, County Chair Eric Blakeley, and Deputy Clerk Emily Flynn.

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

Review and Approve Minutes from February 13, 2025

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

Animal Control Report

Animal Control Officer, Zach Welch gave the report. There was 22 dogs and 26 cats in the shelter at the end of February.

Humane Society

They are wrapping up everything from the casino night fundraiser, they raised approximately \$37,000.00. Chair Durkin stated that the pet population funds have been transferred.

Mowing Bids

Bids are due April 9th, one has been received. Bid approval will be done at the April 10th meeting.

Policies and Procedures

None.

GIS Update

None.

Approval of HR & Planning Claims

Member Kipling moved with a second by Member Cook to approve the HR & Planning claims as submitted. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Other Items as Needed

Dr. Karen Blakeley gave an update.

Executive Session

None.

Public Comment

None.

County Board Chair Comments

County Chair Blakeley informed the Committee that WIRC has a new director. The generator project is still in the works, and sewer work for the bathrooms in the Courthouse will likely take place before the lawn is repaired.

Adjourn

Member Walker moved with a second by Member Raby to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 p.m. Motion carried on a voice vote.