

Proceedings of the Regular Meeting

Clark County

August 15, 2025

The regular meeting of the County Board met August 15, 2025, at 8:00 A.M. and was called to Order by Chairman Rex Goble. County Clerk Laura Lee led the pledge of allegiance. Jim Bolin led the meeting with a prayer.

ROLL CALL	8:00 A.M.
Rex Goble	District #1
Brandon Burkybile	District #2
Jim Bolin	District #3
Randal Stephens	District #4
Susan Guinnip	District #5 Absent
Todd Kuhn	District #6 Absent
Mike Parsons	District #7

4. Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting:

Motion by Randy Stephens and second by Mike Parsons to approve the minutes of the July 7, 2025 Special Meeting and the July 18, 2025, regular Board Meeting. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted “aye”. Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

5. Public Comments:

Ed Talbert asked the Board about the appeal that he has requested regarding the SUP. There was not an answer at this time. Talbert then asked about the road use agreements for the solar projects. Highway Engineer Richardson stated that the agreements are still in process. Talbert then asked if public input is accepted and Richardson stated yes. Richardson met with the road commissioner for Johnson Township and went over the agreement. Nothing has been signed and is still in the negotiating period. Talbert also asked to not exempt posting of the roads in Johnson for the solar project and he also opposes widening 300 Rd. and increasing the radius at the intersections.

Bill Cornwell could not be present but gave a statement to Ed Talbert for him to read. He started out by asking if there is any consideration on changes to the current solar ordinance. Cornwell is asking for a more detailed decommissioning plan, plans need to be itemized where the panels would be hauled due to impacting the cost of the decommission process and to not approve a building permit until a more detailed plan has been submitted.

6. Approval of general claims:

Motion by Mike Parsons and second by Brandon Burkybile to approve the General Claims. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted “aye” with the exception of Jim Bolin who abstained. Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

7. Approval of highway claims:

Motion by Randy Stephens and second by Brandon Burkybile to approve the County Highway Claims. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted “aye”. Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

8. Highway Discussion:

Highway Engineer Dallas Richardson went through his agenda. The Hogue Town Project final plans have been submitted and is in IDOT's hands. The Highway Department is moving forward with the project. There is a funding shortage but still waiting to hear about the NOFO potential approval. The announcement of approvals was supposed to be July 1, 2025. Construction is going well with the new building. Currently working on the meeting room, locker rooms, bathrooms and drry wall should be going up soon. Mowing is complete for county roads and helping a couple of townships with their mowing. The 2025 Chip and Seal will start on Monday.

9. Highway Resolutions:

Motion by Jim Bolin and second by Mike Parsons to Approve the Resolution for County Engineer Salary. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Motion by Jim Bolin and second by Brandon Burkybile to Approve the Resolution for County Engineering Agreement for 700th Rd in Orange Township. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

There was no old or new business.

10. Office Reports:

Motion by Mike Parsons and second by Randy Stephens to accept all Office Reports for July 2025. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted. (See attached).

11. New Business:

- a. Carol Holbert re Audit:

Carol was unable to be at the meeting. The audit report is tabled until September.

- b. Approve Participation in the National Opioids Settlement Under the Purdue Direct Settlement and Sackler Family Settlement.

Motion by Mike Parsons and second Jim Bolin to Approve Participation in the National Opioids Settlement under the Purdue Direct Settlement and Sackler Family Settlement. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted. (See attached).

- c. Approve to Amend 94.1 Liquor Ordinance

State's Attorney Kyle Hutson went over the amendments to the current liquor ordinance. The changes were the hours of closing from 11:30 to midnight, removed the no Sunday liquor sales and start liquor sales before noon on Sundays, increased the penalty for violations from \$500 to \$1,000, made some new classifications, and increased the annual license amount \$500 to \$750. A motion was made by Randy Stephens and second by Brandon Burkybile to approve the ordinance as written. A poll was taken

with Goble, Bolin and Parsons voting nay, and Stephens and Burkybile voting yea. There was more discussion and it was decided to keep the sales on Sunday starting at noon.

Motion by Mike Parsons and second Jim Bolin to Amend 94.1 Liquor Ordinance. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye", except Randy Stephens who voted "nay". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted. (See attached).

- d. Discuss Possible Additions of IT and HR positions.

Discussion was had regarding HR and IT positions for the County of Clark. Laurie has information on a possible HR company. She will email the information to all board members for their review. Interviews will be arranged soon for the 2 IT applicants. A committee of Rex, Jim, Laurie and any other office heads that would like to sit in on interviews are welcome to attend.

12. Old Business:

- a. Vote on Dog Kennel Contract with Casey.

Jim Bolin spoke with Casey Mayor Mike Nichols regarding the contract. The Mayor then talked to the Chief of Police and he has a couple of issues with the contract as is. The main thing is that Casey does not have pens to hold the dogs. The Chief of Police has talked about building some. Adam Henderson, the Chief of Police, has proposed to have Tammy pick up the dogs directly from Casey and pay her directly. It was decided to have more conversation and is tabled until next month.

13. Appointments:

- a. Motion by Mike Parsons and second by Jim Bolin to appoint John Pitts to the Board of Review. This is a two-year term and will expire on 05/30/2027. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.
- b. Motion by Randy Stephens and second by Mike Parsons to appoint Rhonda Parker to the Clark County Housing Authority. This is a One Year Term and will expire on 08/01/2026. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.
- c. Motion by Mike Parsons and second by Jim Bolin to re-appoint John Hopper, Hubert Collier, Brad Daugherty, Debbie Daugherty, and Charles Jackson to the York Township Cemetery Board. This is a five-year term and will expire on 09/15/2030. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.
- d. Southeastern IL Economic Development Authority has been tabled.

14. Executive Session:

None

15. Committee Reports:

Chace Bramlett gave the Ambulance report. Bramlett stated that there have been more calls from West York and Westfield which impacted the response time. Clark County Ambulance Service has been providing mutual aid and receiving mutual aid. Bramlett wanted to recognize that Mike Bridges has been a paramedic for 35 years. Bramlett attended the Pinnacle Conference and made some very good connections. The Ambulance Service has had some vehicles in the shop and working on how to keep the fleet updated.

16. Approve Preceding Bills:

Motion by Brandon Burkybile and second by Jim Bolin to approve Preceding Bills. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

18. One Day and Mileage:

Motion by Jim Bolin and second by Randy Stephens to approve One Day and Mileage Claims. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

19. Adjournment:

Motion by Randy Stephens and second by Brandon Burkybile that the meeting be adjourned until September 18, 2025, at 8:00 a.m for Budget Meetings and September 19, 2025, for a Regular Meeting at 8:00 a.m. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted. The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 a.m.

IN ATTENDANCE: Dallas Richardson - County Engineer; Kim Kannmacher - Clark County Treasurer; Ami Shaw - Circuit Clerk; Lisa Richey – Clark County Assessor; Laurie Lee -County Clerk; Loretta Nelson – County Clerk’s Office; Eddie McFarland – Health Department; Michelle Blankenship – Probation; Tammy See – Animal Control; John Donham: Chuck Ayres – EDP; Chace Bramlett – CCAS; Ed Talbert, Karen Talbert; Warren LeFever, Jerry Woodfall – IBEW 725; Jesse Eick - EDP.