Executive Committee Meeting
Thursday, February 5, 2026 5:00 PM
Jackson County Sheriff's Office Conference Room

Call to Order

(5:00 pm)
Present: Phillips, Snyder, Presley, Peterson, Ikner, Erbes, Calandro
Also Present: Kevin Lister, Nel Battrell, John Rendleman, Josh Barringer, Mary Beth Varner, Joni Bailey, Marcia Casico-Hale

Approval of Minutes

I. 2026-106 Approval of January 08, 2026, Meeting minutes

A motion was made by Peterson, seconded by Erbes, to Approve the January 08, 2026, Meeting Minutes. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Chairman Report

Communications

Internal Office Matters

Computing Services

IT Barringer updated the board on the EMA office switching to CivicPlus, told them of the benefits of the new program and explained how to get county alerts.
He also requested another staff person to do a Help Desk for IT. The committee requested Barringer put together a proposal, including cost projections, to be reviewed at the March meeting.

Appointments

II. 2026-113 Open Appointments in February 2026 (23)

- 708 Board of Health (4)
- Animal Control Administrator (1)*
- Blairsville Water District (2)
- Elverado Water District (3)
- ETSB (1)
- Greater Egypt (1)
- Jackson County Mass Transit (1)
- Jackson Growth Alliance-Board Appointment (1)*
- Liquor Board (1)
- Merit Commission (1)*

- Natural Resources Economic Development Board (1)
- Oraville Water District (1)
- Shawnee Resource Conservation & Development Area (1)
- South Highway Water District (2)*
- Southern Most Illinois Tourism Bureau (2)

A motion was made by Erbes, seconded by Peterson, to approve Brian Chapman for the Animal Control Administrator. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Ikner, and seconded by Presley, to reappoint Tamiko Mueller to the Jackson Growth Alliance Board. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Peterson, and seconded by Phillips, to reappoint Kenny Jarrett to the Merit Commission. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Peterson, seconded by Presley, to appoint Ryan Hall to the South Highway Water District. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Old Business

III. 2026-110 Broadband Update

Brian Chapman gave an update on Broadband. He discussed statewide issues with getting easements. While this is being looked at, he suggests exploring other options for an intergovernmental network. The committee gave the consensus to explore other options.

New Business

IV. 2026-112 Commercial Solar Siting Subcommittee

The Chairman put together a group forming the Commercial Solar Siting Subcommittee. They are as follows: Battrell, Erbes, Knust, Miller, Mueller. A motion was made by Peterson, and seconded by Snyder to approve the committee. Roll call vote :
YES: Phillips, Snyder, Presley, Peterson, Ikner, Erbes,Calendro

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Executive Session

Peterson Leaves

A motion was made by Snyder, seconded by Phillips to go into Executive Session. Motion carries by unanimous vote.

V. 2026-111 Executive Session Under Section 2 (c) 1 of the Illinois Open Meetings Act to discuss Personnel

A motion was made by Phillips and seconded by Ikner to exit the Executive Session. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Adjourn

(6:15 pm)
A motion was made by Erbes, seconded by Snyder to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

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