

County Board Meeting
Tuesday, March 24, 2026 6:00 PM
Jackson County Courthouse, Courtroom 4

Invocation

Call to Order

Chairman Calandro called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Members present: Knust, Phillips, Bost, Mueller, Miller, Snyder, Peterson, Presley, Ikner, Battrell, Lister, Calandro. Members absent: Rendleman, Erbes.

Recognition of Visitors

Citizen Comments

Communications

Agency Reports

Peterson spoke on the following:

Greater Egypt Regional Planning and Development Commission

The Greater Egypt Executive Committee met on Monday, March 16, 2026. The committee reviewed the proposed FY 2027 budget, the February 2026 staff report, the revised personnel manual, and a building access and visitor policy. We also discussed rural road planning to be done in house and progress on a proposal for Jackson County's ADA plan. Greater Egypt will host a broadband workshop March 26 at 9:00 - 10:30 at the office in Marion. The next full commission meeting will be on April 14, 2026 at 6:00 pm.

Mueller spoke on the following:

Jackson Growth Alliance (JGA)

Mantracon has added training programs/certifications; Computer Network Support Specialist with a projected 3% job growth and Medical Records Specialist with a 6% projected job growth. This growth will create a combined estimated 14,200 jobs in Jackson County. Mantracon is sponsoring a Workforce Summit at John A.

Chairman Report

I. 2026-258 April Meetings Calendar

Approval of Consent Agenda

A motion made by Snyder, seconded by Bost, to approve the Consent Agenda with the removal of items 5, 6, and 9. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: YES (12) - Knust, Phillips, Bost, Mueller, Miller, Snyder, Peterson, Presley, Ikner, Battrell, Lister, Calandro. NO (0). ABSENT (2) - Rendleman, Erbes.

- II. 2026-223 Approval of February 17, 2026, Board Meeting Minutes
- III. 2026-259 Approval of Payment of HOPETrust Dental & Vision Claims in the Amount of \$10,645.34.
- IV. 2026-260 Approval of Payment of HOPETrust Medical Administration Claims in the Amount of \$353,257.
- V. 2026-225 Approval of Board Member Travel Expenses in the amount of \$3178.59.

A motion was made by Peterson, seconded by Snyder, to approve Board Member Travel Expenses in the amount of \$3,178.59. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: YES (11) - Knust, Phillips, Bost, Mueller, Miller, Snyder, Peterson, Presley, Ikner, Battrell, Calandro. NO (1) - Lister. ABSENT (2) - Rendleman, Erbes.

- VI. 2026-261 Approval of On-Demand Claims in the Amount of \$12,090.93.

A motion was made by Knust, seconded by Ikner, to approve On-Demand Claims in the Amount of \$12,090.93. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: YES (10) - Knust, Phillips, Bost, Mueller, Miller, Snyder, Peterson, Presley, Ikner, Calandro. NO (2) - Battrell, Lister. ABSENT (2) - Rendleman, Erbes.

- VII. 2026-263 Approval of Resolution 2026-33 Establishing the Salary for the Jackson County Sheriff
- VIII. 2026-264 Approval of Resolution 2026-34 Authorizing the Application for and the Policy Governing the use of a County Issued Procurement Card System
- IX. 2026-274 Approval of Ordinance 2026-01 Increasing the County Cannabis Retailers' Occupation Tax in the County of Jackson, Illinois

A motion was made by Bost, seconded by Knust, to approve Ordinance 2026-01 Increasing the County Cannabis Retailers' Occupation Tax in the County of Jackson, Illinois. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: YES (10) - Bost, Mueller, Miller, Snyder, Peterson, Presley, Battrell, Lister, Ikner, Calandro. NO (2) - Knust, Phillips. ABSENT (2) - Rendleman, Erbes.

- X. 2026-270 Approval of Ambulance Lift Service Increase
- XI. 2026-269 Approval of Highway Monthly Claims in the Amount of \$166,552.72

Standing Committee Reports

Executive Committee

XIII. 2026-265 Open Appointments in March 2026 (20)*

- 708 Board of Health (4)
- Blairsville Water District (2)
- Elverado Water District (3)
- ETSB (1)
- Greater Egypt (1)
- Jackson County Mass Transit (1)
- Liquor Board (1)*
- Natural Resources Economic Board (1)
- Oraville Water District (3)*
- Shawnee Resources Conservation & Development Area (1)
- South Highway Water District (2)*

A motion was made by Ikner, seconded by Snyder, to appoint Gene Basden II to the Liquor Advisory Board. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: YES (9) - Knust, Phillips, Mueller, Miller, Snyder, Peterson, Presley, Ikner, Calandro. NO (2) - Battrell, Lister. ABSTAIN (1) - Bost. ABSENT (2) - Rendleman, Erbes.

A motion was made by Phillips, seconded by Snyder, to appoint Homer Bates, Butch W. Cheatham, and Andrew Titsworth to the Oraville Water District Board. Motion carried by unanimous consent.

A motion was made by Knust, seconded by Miller, to appoint Kerry Lee Braswell and Mark Wece to the South Highway Water District Board. Motion carried by unanimous consent.

Finance & Administration Committee

XIV. 2026-266 Approval of County Monthly Claims in the Amount of \$462,620.23.

A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Battrell, to approve County Monthly Claims in the Amount of \$462,620.23. Motion carried by unanimous consent.

Legislative & Public Safety Committee

XV. 2026-271 Approval of Ambulance Fee Increase

A motion was made by Presley, seconded by Knust, to approve Ambulance Fee Increase. Motion carried by unanimous consent.

XVI. 2026-272 Approval of Ambulance Claims in the Amount of \$270,588.86

A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Ikner, to approve Ambulance Claims in the Amount of \$270,588.86. Motion carried by unanimous consent.

- XVII. 2026-267 Approval of Resolution 2026-35 A Resolution Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement between the County of Jackson and the City of Murphysboro for Animal Impoundment

A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Bost, to approve Resolution 2026-35 A Resolution Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement between the County of Jackson and the City of Murphysboro for Animal Impoundment with amendment correcting Murphysboro's assigned kennel space to approximately 16% for 5 dogs and 5 cats kennels. Motion passed by the following roll call vote: YES (11) - Phillips, Bost, Mueller, Miller, Snyder, Peterson, Presley, Ikner, Battrell, Lister, Calandro. NO (1) - Knust. ABSENT (2) - Rendleman, Erbes.

- XVIII. 2026-268 Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement Between the County of Jackson and the City of Murphysboro for Animal Impoundment Services

A motion was made by Ikner, seconded by Miller, to approve Intergovernmental Agreement Between the County of Jackson and the City of Murphysboro for Animal Impoundment Services. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: YES (11) - Phillips, Bost, Mueller, Miller, Snyder, Peterson, Presley, Ikner, Battrell, Lister, Calandro. NO (1) - Knust. ABSENT (2) - Rendleman, Erbes.

Real Property Committee

- XIX. 2026-281 Authorize and Direct the Chairman to hire a Cleaning Service for 819 Walnut Street at a cost not to exceed \$25,000.00.

A motion was made by Peterson, seconded by Snyder, to Authorize and Direct the Chairman to hire a Cleaning Service for 819 Walnut Street at a cost not to exceed \$25,000.00. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: YES (8) - Bost, Snyder, Peterson, Presley, Ikner, Battrell, Lister, Calandro. NO (3) - Knust, Phillips, Mueller. ABSTAIN (1) - Miller. ABSENT (2) - Rendleman, Erbes.

- XX. 2026-282 Authorize & direct the Chairman to engage the Project Manager to assess the 819 Walnut Street for future uses at a cost not to exceed \$20,000.00

A motion was made by Peterson, seconded by Snyder, to Authorize and Direct the Chairman to engage the Project Manager to assess the 819 Walnut Street for future uses at a cost not to exceed \$20,000.00. Motion carried by unanimous consent.

Special Committee Reports

Old Business

New Business

Executive Session

Recess

A motion was made by Mueller, seconded by Presley, to recess the meeting at 6:49 P.M. Motion carried by unanimous consent.

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