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County Board Chambers - 5:30:00 PM

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Rock Island County Committee of the Whole Minutes

Wednesday 10 December

Chairman Richard "Quijas" Brunk, Vice-Chairman Brian Vyncke

The Committee of the Whole of the Rock Island County Board met on Wednesday December 10<sup>th</sup> 2025 at 5:30pm in the County Board Chambers on the Third floor of the County Office Building located at 1504 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave, Rock Island, IL. Meeting minutes are as follows:

1. Call to order and roll call:

Vice-Chairman Brian Vyncke called the meeting to order at 5:30pm and asked to call the roll.

Members present: Richard Morthland, Melissa Moreno-Baker, Drue Mielke, Larry Burns, Carla Enburg, Dr. Luis Moreno (5:35), Brian Vyncke, David Adams, Richard Brunk, Timothy Foster, Enyo Dewith, Bob Perkins, Kai Swanson, Dr. Rodney Simmer, Chuck Layer, Bob Westpfahl.

Member Absent: Johnnie Woods, Edna Sowards.

Also Present: County Administrator Jim Grafton, County Auditor April Palmer, Jim Nelson, Chief Captain Jens Lape, IT Director Kurt Davis.

2. Public Comment: Vice Chairman Brian Vyncke made three calls for public comment:

There were no requests for public comment.

3. Approval of the minutes from Thursday November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Committee of the Whole Meeting

Motion to approve: David Adams

Second: Tim Foster

Voice vote

Motion Carried

4. Presentation: None

5. Condition of Funds Report: April Palmer noted that she had emailed her report to all members and asked for any questions. Auditor Palmer reminded every that the Auditors will be here in January to begin preliminary work on the Audit.

6. Staff Reports: None

7. Finance & Personnel Committee Report:

Dr. Moreno reported that the Finance & Personnel Committee met on Tuesday December 9<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 am  
The Finance & Personnel Committee heard reports from:

- County Auditor April Palmer reported that they are preparing for the Audit and that the outside Auditors will be onsite doing preliminary work beginning January 5th.
- Finance Director Ryan Berger noted that he is working on a year-end report that hopes to have for members next month.

**All routine reports were approved**

The Committee considered forty-three delinquent tax resolutions:

1. Permanent Parcel Number: 09-31-232-008 Tax Payor ID# (06) 3550 HA
2. Permanent Parcel Number: 17-02-408-008 Tax Payor ID# (07) 2484-1 SM
3. Permanent Parcel Number: 09-02-109-025 Tax Payor ID# (06) 935-13 HA
4. Permanent Parcel Number: 09-19-303-005 Tax Payor ID# (06) 2646 HA
5. Permanent Parcel Number: 09-19-304-004 Tax Payor ID# (06) 2667 HA
6. Permanent Parcel Number: 09-30-321-015 Tax Payor ID# (06) 2749 HA
7. Permanent Parcel Number: 09-30-321-014 Tax Payor ID# (06) 2751 HA
8. Permanent Parcel Number: 09-20-403-061 Tax Payor ID# (06) 4373 HA
9. Permanent Parcel Number: 09-33-202-009 Tax Payor ID# (06) 5674 HA
10. Permanent Parcel Number: 09-31-302-005 Tax Payor ID# (06) 8301 HA
11. Permanent Parcel Number: 09-31-302-004 Tax Payor ID# (06) 8302 HA
12. Permanent Parcel Number: 17-04-406-147 Tax Payor ID# (07) 1420 SM

13. Permanent Parcel Number: 17-04-217-020 Tax Payor ID# (07) 1873 SM
14. Permanent Parcel Number: 17-04-217-021 Tax Payor ID# (07) 1874 SM
15. Permanent Parcel Number: 17-04-217-022 Tax Payor ID# (07) 1875 SM
16. Permanent Parcel Number: 08-35-420-027 Tax Payor ID# (07) 5723 SM
17. Permanent Parcel Number: 17-05-262-014 Tax Payor ID# (08) 1934-1 MO
18. Permanent Parcel Number: 08-33-115-009 Tax Payor ID# (08) 2614 MO
19. Permanent Parcel Number: 17-05-204-012 Tax Payor ID# (08) 4744 RI
20. Permanent Parcel Number: 16-02-201-011 Tax Payor ID# (09) 860 RI
21. Permanent Parcel Number: 07-35-316-008 Tax Payor ID# (09) 878 RI
22. Permanent Parcel Number: 08-31-342-001 Tax Payor ID# (09) 1397 RI
23. Permanent Parcel Number: 07-34-408-003 Tax Payor ID# (09) 1804 RI
24. Permanent Parcel Number: 07-34-419-006 Tax Payor ID# (09) 2815 RI
25. Permanent Parcel Number: 16-03-221-030 Tax Payor ID# (09) 3473 RI
26. Permanent Parcel Number: 07-36-331-016 Tax Payor ID# (09) 3561 RI
27. Permanent Parcel Number: 16-03-202-008 Tax Payor ID# (09) 6776 RI
28. Permanent Parcel Number: 16-03-216-006 Tax Payor ID# (09) 7561 RI
29. Permanent Parcel Number: 16-15-202-035 Tax Payor ID# (10) 1275-27 SR
30. Permanent Parcel Number: 17-07-126-024 Tax Payor ID# (10) 1818-1A SR
31. Permanent Parcel Number: 16-02-429-006 Tax Payor ID# (10) 2169-1 SR
32. Permanent Parcel Number: 16-03-402-009 Tax Payor ID# (10) 3325 SR
33. Permanent Parcel Number: 17-19-106-003 Tax Payor ID# (11) 1295 BH
34. Permanent Parcel Number: 17-26-406-018 Tax Payor ID# (12) 210 CV
35. Permanent Parcel Number: 17-26-406-019 Tax Payor ID# (12) 212 CV
36. Permanent Parcel Number: 17-35-107-004 Tax Payor ID# (12) 1237 CV
37. Permanent Parcel Number: 09-30-301-005 Tax Payor ID# (06) 1792 HA
38. Permanent Parcel Number: 09-30-114-016 Tax Payor ID# (06) 1957 HA
39. Permanent Parcel Number: 16-01-115-008 Tax Payor ID# (09) 5745 RI
40. Permanent Parcel Number: 08-32-424-002 Tax Payor ID# (08) 3678 MO
41. Permanent Parcel Number: 08-33-303-005 Tax Payor ID# (08) 6775 MO
42. Permanent Parcel Number: 07-36-315-001 Tax Payor ID# (09) 3789 RI
43. Permanent Parcel Number: 16-25-304-063 1709 5th ST E. Lot 63

The following were considered and recommend for approval:

- Replacement of an End Loader Cab at a cost of about \$49,000- providing an additional estimated 10 years of use for the end loader.
- The Abatement of Building Permit Fees for Big Island River Conservancy in the amount of \$1,415.00.
- The Designation of Banks and Depositories as recommended by the County Treasurer.
- Bids for the Jail Food and Commissary Service, with the top scoring proposal submitted by Aramark.

Also Considered were:

- Transfer of Appropriations and Appropriation Resolutions for Funds
- Claims in the Amount of \$1,455,252.70
- Treasurer's Disbursements in the amount of \$3,835,579.29
- And, the Board Member Per Diem and Mileage Report

This concludes the report of the Finance & Personnel Committee

## 8. Governance, Health & Administration Committee Report

Chairwoman Carla Enburg of the Governance, Health and Administration Committee noted that they met on Monday December 8<sup>th</sup> 2025 at 10:00am

- Kristin Bogdonas, University of Illinois Extension Nutrition and Wellness Educator, gave a report on the 8 dimensions of wellness series, which will focus on holistic wellness. The series will be held on January 7, 14, 21, & 28<sup>th</sup> at the Butterworth/Deere-Wiman Carriage House in Moline. Pre-registration is required.
- County Clerk Karen Kinney gave her vital records report

All routine reports were approved.

The Committee also considered the following items:

- A Proclamation for January 2026 as Big Brothers Big Sisters Mentoring Month
- A Proclamation for Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month
- And, an Amended 2026 Meeting Schedule, correcting a February date that was inadvertently changed.

Chairman Brunk noted that the committee had two additional work sessions, with approximately 60 closed session records to be recommended for opening in the coming months. Additional work sessions will be scheduled, likely after the first of the year.

This concludes the report of the Governance, Health and Administration Committee.

## 9. Public Works & Facilities Report

The Public Works & Facilities Committee met on Monday December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 8:30 AM

The committee heard reports from the following:

- GIS Director Josh Boudi reported revenues for November of \$27,738, with \$311,442.00 received for the year. Josh also noted that the new GIS system is ready to be installed at Highway.
- Zoning & Building Director Greg Thorpe reported 79 total receipts for a net revenue of \$24,898.76, and an estimated value of work of \$1,761,781.00. Year to date we were down a bit in activity but are up in fees and valuation. New home construction is up to \$209 per square foot, with 15 new housing starts for the year. The office continues to work on the new permit program and software.
- County Engineer Matt Miller reported that the Highway team has been doing pretty good working through the two good snows in recent weeks. He did note that one truck was significantly damaged when its wing plow dropped on a worn shoulder on Knoxville Road; noting that this was Not operator error.
- County Administrator Jim Grafton reported that he is working with Johnson Controls on a preventative maintenance program for the County Office

Building and Animal Control, which will utilize our maintenance team as much as possible reducing costs.

All routine reports were approved

There were two Zoning Board of Appeals cases:

- a. SU-25-210 James & Rhonda Whan Home Business AN
- b. SU-25-211 James F. Wheeler Density Increase DR

The following items were also considered and forwarded to Finance & Personnel for further consideration:

- Replacement of an End Loader Cab
- And an annual Resolution Appropriating Funds for County Engineer's Salary, Benefits and Expenses.

And finally, the committee is recommending the approval of a Road Use Agreement with Gipper Solar Farm LLC, related to a project in the northern end of the county.

This concludes the Public Works & Facilities Report

#### 10. Approval of the County Board Agenda

Motion to approve: Dr. Luis Moreno Seconded by: Dave Adams

Motion carried via voice vote

#### 11. Closed Session: None

#### 12. No action necessary on closed session

#### 13. Committee Member opportunity for brief comment:

#### 14. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by: David Adams Seconded by: Tim Foster

Motion carried via voice vote

The 10 December 2025 meeting of the Committee of the Whole adjourned at 5:43 pm

The next Committee of the Whole meeting will be held on Wednesday 14 January 2026 at 5:30pm

Respectfully submitted by,

Jim Nelson

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3	Pledge of Alligiance led by Larry Burns (District 3)	
4	Call For Public Comment	
5	Consider Approval of the Minutes from the prior County Board Meeting	December 16th, 2025
6	Consider Finance and Personnel Committee Reports and Requests	
6A	Consider Delinquent Tax Resolutions	
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	2	Permanent Parcel Number: 09-26-302-005 Tax Payor ID# (06) 839 HA
	3	Permanent Parcel Number: 09-28-401-002 Tax Payor ID# (06) 6413 HA
	4	Permanent Parcel Number: 17-17-104-010 Tax Payor ID# (07) 12369 SM
	5	Permanent Parcel Number: 17-17-206-006 Tax Payor ID# (07) 2724 SM
	6	Permanent Parcel Number: 17-19-107-003 Tax Payor ID# (11)2088 Lot 3 Ralph R Carvers 2nd SUBD
6B	Consider Award of Farm Lease Bid Proposals	
6C	Consider Violence Reduction Strategy Project Proposal Agreement	
6D	Consider Actions Necessary to Address the Animal Control Fund Balance	
6E	Consider 3 Additional Part Time Positions at Animal Care and Control	
6F	Consider County Administrator Service Agreement	
6G	Consider Purchase of Behnke 16' 20K Dump Trailer	
6H	Consider 2026 General County Letting - Stone Bid Award	
6I	Consider Auditing Services for 2026-2027	
6J	Consider Appropriation Resolutions for Funds and Transfers of Appropriations FY25	
6K	Consider Appropriation Resolutions for Funds and Transfers of Appropriations FY26	
6L	Consider Aspproval of Minutes from 10/15/2025 Budget Committee meeting	



6M	Consider Claims FY25				\$	1,285,545.61
6N	Consider Claims FY26				\$	996,082.90
6O	Consider Treasurer's Disbursements FY25				\$	736,439.42
6P	Consider Treasurer's Disbursements FY26				\$	1,582,166.36
6Q	Consider Board Member Per Diem/Mileage					
7	Consider Governance, Health, and Administration Committee Reports and Requests					
7A	Consider Proclamation designating February as Black History Month in Rock Island County					
7B	Consider Insurance Broker Proposals					
7C	Consider Designation of Visit Quad Cities as Rock Island Counties Destination Marketing Organization					
8	Consider Public Works and Facilities Committee Reports and Requests					
8A	Consider Zoning Board of Appeals Cases: None					
	A	a. Z-26-101	Jerry & Lisa Pratt	R-1 to B-3	BP	
	B	b. Z-26-102	Kristopher Homan	AG-2 to SE-2	BO	
	C	c. U-26-201	Joshua Smith	Seasonal Recreation	HA	
9	Consider Chairmans Appointments					
	A					
	B					
	C					
	D					
	E					
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13	Recess
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