

OFFICIAL REPORT OF  
THE COUNTY BOARD  
OF  
IROQUOIS COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
RECESSED SESSION  
JANUARY 13, 2026

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January 13, 2026

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**THE  
IROQUOIS COUNTY BOARD  
OFFICIAL REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS**

The Iroquois County Board met in Recessed Session at the Administrative Center in Watseka, IL on Tuesday, January 13, 2026, at 9 A.M. County Clerk Breein Suver called the meeting to order and called the roll call.

**STATE OF ILLINOIS  
IROQUOIS COUNTY**

Roll call and votes in Iroquois County

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County Clerk Breein Suver

On motion to call the roll

Aye: Alt, Bakken, Bard, Behrends, Bence, Crow, Grant, Huse, McGinnis,  
Munsterman, Perkinson, Whitlow, Williams

Absent: Ducat

**MOMENT OF SILENCE**

County Clerk Breein Suver took a moment to reflect on the service history on the County Board of the late County Board Vice Chairman Scott Watts, who passed away suddenly after the last County Board meeting. Suver said Watts was first elected to the County Board in 2012, the first year after redistricting, and drew and served a two-year term. He took a hiatus and ran again during 2022, which was another redistricting year and drew another two-year term. He ran successfully for re-election in 2024 and had just finished the first year of the four-year term. During his time on the County Board, Watts served as Vice Chairman of the Board, Finance Committee Chairman, and as member of several committees, including the following: Judicial & Public Safety, Planning & Zoning, Tax, Transportation & Highway, ARPA, Negotiations, and Management Services. A moment of silence was observed.

**PRAYER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

County Board member Chad McGinnis gave the opening prayer after which the Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.

**AGENDA**

It was moved by Mrs. Bakken and seconded to approve the agenda. The motion carried by a voice vote.

**NOMINATION FOR CHAIRMAN PRO TEM**

Due to the absence of the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Board, County Clerk Suver opened the floor for nominations for Chairman pro tem to run the remainder of the meeting. It was moved by Mrs. Crow and seconded to nominate Mrs. Bakken as Chairman pro tem. As there were no additional nominations, a roll call vote followed. Mrs. Bakken was elected to serve as Chairman pro tem, for the remainder of the meeting.

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IROQUOIS COUNTY**

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Chairman Bakken

On motion to approve Mrs. Bakken as Chairman pro tem

Aye: Alt, Bakken, Bard, Behrends, Bence, Crow, Grant, Huse, McGinnis, Munsterman, Perkinson, Whitlow, Williams

Absent: Ducat

**MINUTES**

It was moved by Mr. Huse and seconded to approve the minutes from the December 9, 2025 Recessed Session County Board meeting. The motion carried by a voice vote.

**PAYROLL**

It was moved by Mrs. Crow and seconded to approve the December payroll. The motion carried by a roll call vote.

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**IROQUOIS COUNTY**

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Chairman pro tem Bakken

On motion to approve the December payroll

Aye: Alt, Bakken, Bard, Behrends, Bence, Crow, Grant, Huse, McGinnis, Munsterman, Perkinson, Whitlow, Williams

Absent: Ducat

**COUNTY BOARD SERVICES**

Charlie Alt.....	\$258.75
Jamie Bakken.....	\$240.04
Roger Bard.....	\$150.00
Lyle Behrends.....	\$175.70
Mitchell Bence.....	\$ 50.00
Donna Crow.....	\$367.28
John Grant.....	\$240.93
Steve Huse .....	\$215.25
Chad McGinnis .....	\$328.00
Jody Munsterman.....	\$127.56
Kathleen Perkinson .....	\$318.92
Gerald Whitlow.....	\$287.00

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Derek Crouse, with Crouse Canine, spoke to the Board about Animal Control. Derek discussed working on legislation regarding dog training with State Representative Bunting.

Beth Badger with East Central Illinois Community Action Agency distributed her organizations monthly newsletter and spoke to the Board about the programs currently offered. Of the programs offered, she said the Energy Assistance Foundation has the Warm Neighbors/Cool Friends program, which can help families that need assistance with their energy bill. She also informed the Board of the upcoming dates for the Walk-Thru Health Fair that will be offered in Ford, Iroquois and Vermilion counties.

**CHAIRMAN COMMENTS  
RESOLUTION NO. R2026-1**

**RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE JACKSON JOHNSON**  
*(Resolution No. R2026-1 has been recorded and placed on file in the County Clerk's office.)*

Chairman Bakken presented Resolution No. R2026-1, a Resolution to Congratulate Jackson Johnson of Milford Grade School. Johnson placed ninth place at the IESA State Finals golf tournament held at the Metamora Fields Golf Club, Metamora, IL on September 12, 2025. It was moved by Mr. Bence to approve Resolution R2026-1. The motion was seconded and carried by a roll call vote.

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IROQUOIS COUNTY**

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Chairman pro tem Bakken

On motion to approve Resolution R2026-1, a Resolution to Congratulate Jackson Johnson

Aye: Alt, Bakken, Bard, Behrends, Bence, Crow, Grant, Huse, McGinnis, Munsterman, Perkinson Whitlow, Williams

Absent: Ducat

**OUTSIDE ORGANIZATIONS**

Angel Crawford Executive Director with Iroquois Economic Development Association presented her monthly news bulletin. Crawford went over a recap on the activities from 2025 year. IEDA is making plans to collaborate with Ashley Laurent, Career Coach with East Central Illinois Worknet-Workforce to host a Manufacturing and Resource Fair in the spring of 2026. IEDA is also working on updating their website and implement a New Customer Relation Management Software (CRM) system to track completion of business and town visits, including, survey data and other pertinent information relevant to the mission of IEDA with the CRM system. They will be applying for grants to assist with these initiatives. IEDA plans to implement host Grant workshops for nonprofits, municipalities, schools, and small businesses to help get a better understanding of how to find and qualify for grants, tools for getting “grant ready” and local funding sources.

**MANAGEMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE**

Mrs. Bakken, Chairman of the Management Services Committee, gave the report of her committee and moved for adoption. The motion was seconded and carried by a roll call vote.

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IROQUOIS COUNTY**

Roll call and votes in Iroquois County

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Chairman pro tem Bakken

On motion to approve the Management Services Committee report

Aye: Alt, Bakken, Bard, Behrends, Bence, Crow, Grant, Huse, McGinnis, Munsterman, Perkinson, Whitlow, Williams

Absent: Ducat

**STATE OF ILLINOIS  
IROQUOIS COUNTY**

County Board, Recessed Session

January 13, A.D., 2026

Ms. Chairman and members of the County Board:

Your Committee to whom was referred **Management Services** would beg leave to submit the following report on the matters before them:

Your Committee met at the Administrative Center on January 5, 2026 at 9:03 A.M. Members present were Jamie Bakken, Kathleen Perkinson, Donna Crow, Roger Bard and John Grant. Also present, County Board Chairman Paul Ducat, Finance Manager Jill Johnson, Maintenance Supervisor Chris Drake, ETS Director Eric Raymond, Planning & Zoning Administrator Julie Feller and County Board Member Charlie Alt.

The meeting was called to order.

It was moved by Donna Crow and seconded by Kathleen Perkinson to approve the agenda. Motion carried by a voice vote.

There were no public comments.

Maintenance Supervisor Chris Drake's report included the following:

- A few years ago, a new unit was put in at ICPHD to heat and cool three different zones. Recently, Weber Plumbing & Heating installed a new zone panel due to the unit having issues.
- Drake contacted a locksmith for lock changes at ICPHD and the Animal Control building.
- Drake reported the boilers at the Administrative Center shut off due to the fluctuating weather and had to be powered down and back on to function properly.
- At Judge Bartucci's request, Drake repaired a wall in Bartucci's courtroom.
- Valley Security was onsite to perform the annual maintenance on the Jail doors.
- Maintenance was done on the washers and dryers in the Jail basement. Drake said there is a new washer and dryer that Sheriff Clint Perzee obtained through a grant, and he will eventually replace the older washer and dryer with the new set.
- Drake reported 6 days of snow removal, and 44 bags of salt were used.

Management Chairman Jamie Bakken provided an update on the County Farm stating payment was received from the tenant for fertilizer, but the check has not been cashed per

County Board Chairman Paul Ducat's instructions. Bakken said she has been in contact with the tenant and will be setting up a meeting with him and Ducat. Prior to receiving payment, a meeting was held with State's Attorney Mike Quinlan about the possibility of moving forward and removing the tenant from the County Farm contract. Ducat added that the payment was more than 90 days late and this is unacceptable. Bakken will also request a report from the tenant for the 2025 crop year.

The committee reviewed the claims. It was moved by Perkinson and seconded by John Grant to pay the claims, subject to County Board approval. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

There was no old business.

During new business, Ducat informed the committee that Livingston County will be holding a public meeting to address rural transportation matters on Wednesday, January 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 P.M. The link to the meeting will be shared with all board members. It was also noted that the Zoning Board of Appeals will meet on Tuesday, January 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 P.M. regarding a large solar project.

As there was no further business to come before the committee, it was moved by Roger Bard and seconded by Perkinson to adjourn at 9:18 A.M. Motion carried.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

s/Jamie Bakken  
s/Kathleen Perkinson  
s/Donna Crow  
s/Roger Bard  
s/John Grant

## **FINANCE/IT/TAX COMMITTEE**

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### **RESOLUTION NO. R2026-2**

#### **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF PARCEL # 27-02-329-005**

*(Resolution No. R2026-2 has been recorded and placed on file in the County Clerk's office)*

Mrs. Perkinson, Chairman of the Finance/IT/Tax Committee, gave the report of her committee and presented Resolution No. R2026-2 for approval. It was moved by Mrs. Perkinson and seconded to approve the Finance/IT/Tax Committee report and Resolution No. R2026-2. The motion carried by a roll call vote.

## **STATE OF ILLINOIS**

### **IROQUOIS COUNTY**

Roll call and votes in Iroquois County

Recessed Session, January 13, 2026

Chairman pro tem Bakken

On motion to approve the Finance/IT/Tax Committee report and Resolution No.

R2026-2

Aye: Alt, Bakken, Bard, Behrends, Bence, Crow, Grant, Huse, McGinnis, Munsterman, Perkinson, Whitlow, Williams

Absent: Ducat

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Ms. Chairman and members of the County Board:

Your Committee to whom was referred **Finance/I.T./Tax** would beg leave to submit the following report on the matters before them:

Your committee met at the Administrative Center on January 5, 2026 at 10:03 A.M. Members present were Kathleen Perkinson, Charlie Alt, Jamie Bakken and Donna Crow. Also present, County Board Chairman Paul Ducat, Finance Manager Jill Johnson, Sheriff Clint Perzee, County Clerk Breein Suver, Circuit Clerk Lisa Hines, Treasurer Kurt Albers, Supervisor of Assessments Mia McCammon, Planning & Zoning Administrator Julie Feller, ETS Director Eric Raymond, ETSB member Dave Morgeson, Adam Sadorus and Jeff Facer with AreaWide Technologies, IEDA Director Angel Crawford and County Board member Jed Whitlow.

The meeting was called to order. Finance/I.T./Tax Vice Chairman Kathleen Perkinson asked for a moment of silence to honor the late Scott Watts. Mr. Watts was a leader and a mentor and will be sorely missed.

It was moved by Donna Crow and seconded by Charlie Alt to approve the agenda. Motion carried by a voice vote.

There were no public comments.

Adam Sadorus with AreaWide Technologies reported he replaced the core switching last week. He continues to work on upgrading workstations to Windows 11. The committee should have received the new EDR report via email. Perkinson recommended the committee review the reports in more detail during a future meeting. Sadorus also discussed a few projects AreaWide will be working on this year which include migrating to the new Exchange Online and upgrading servers. Finance Manager Jill Johnson noted the budget does not list out specific projects but there is a line item for any unforeseen projects.

The committee discussed wage increases for the Victim Witness Coordinator and the Chief Deputy in the State's Attorney's Office per State's Attorney Mike Quinlan's request. Quinlan has requested a 3% increase for both positions. The Victim Witness Coordinator is paid through a grant in Kankakee, and no increase was issued by them. An increase was requested during budget hearings for the Chief Deputy but was not approved. Quinlan would like the increases to be paid from the State's Attorney's Automation Fund. Perkinson said her understanding is that automation funds have not been used in the past for compensation and asked for feedback from the committee. Further discussion was held and it was noted that the budget process for FY2026 has been finalized. The committee also discussed the length of service for both employees, which is less than one year. Johnson added that it is not good practice to give wage increases to grant-funded employees. It was discussed during budget hearings that employees under six months of service would not receive an increase. Also, the Chief Deputy was hired at a much higher rate of pay than others in the Chief Deputy position. It was moved by Crow and seconded by Jamie Bakken to deny State's Attorney Mike

Quinlan's wage increase requests for the Victim Witness Coordinator and Chief Deputy. A roll call vote was taken. Perkinson, aye; Alt, nay; Bakken, aye; Crow, aye. Motion carried.

The department heads gave their monthly reports. They are as follows:

- ETS Director Eric Raymond reported a vacancy in his department. The telecommunicator position has been posted on Indeed. Raymond requested a member of the Finance/I.T./Tax to accompany him when meeting with the fire departments about joint dispatch fees. The committee will also need to continue discussions on how the dispatch fees are calculated. The committee offered suggestions and alternative options on job postings for the telecommunicator position. Raymond explained his interview and hiring process which includes a face-to-face interview in the 911 Center and candidates have the opportunity to observe the telecommunicators on duty and ask questions.
- Sheriff Clint Perzee presented his monthly report to the committee.
- Supervisor of Assessments Mia McCammon reported they are in the final stages of board of review and final hearings are being held. There have been 130 dockets received so far. McCammon said this large number is a result of Loda Township, Belmont Township and Middleport Township all having their quadrennial assessments. The Board of Review has lowered 1.6 million dollars in assessed value. When McCammon turns in her tentative abstract to the state, we have to be within 2% of being at 33 1/3 to receive half of her salary reimbursement. This was done with the equalization factors McCammon put on. Once the final abstracts are submitted to the state, there is only a 1% threshold. Final hearings are being held tomorrow and one more additional date to allow appeals that were mailed and received by the required postmarked date. Lastly, McCammon reported that Wal-Mart has asked for a significant reduction and as of now the Board of Review has not granted it. It appears that Wal-Mart is filing these appeals throughout the state. If the Board of Review does proceed and it goes to PTAB, McCammon will reach out to the school districts and see if they want to get involved.
- County Clerk Breein Suver reported her office is expecting ballot certifications from the state board of elections and will begin working on ballot proofing within the next week. Early voting will begin one month from today and election judge school will be held in the middle of February in the County Boardroom. Suver is currently working with extension. The deadline for levies was the last Tuesday of December. Letters will be mailed to the clerk's of units of government asking for a list of persons required to file statements of economic interest. Suver provided the committee with a letter that was received in the County Clerk's Office on December 8<sup>th</sup> from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency. The letter states the County has 90 days to comply with the solid waste plan update or give the EPA an accounting of the last five years reviews. The County is required to do a five-year solid waste plan and there hasn't been one done since 2015. A member of the committee will need to reach out to the EPA to confirm exactly what is needed.
- Treasurer Kurt Albers reported that the final distribution was completed mid-December. Albers is in the process of finding a new printer for the tax bills at a cost savings. Albers has been in contact with the Iroquois Federal branch

manager regarding the bank being bought out by ServBanc Holdco and was informed that business with the County will continue as usual. Albers submitted additional claims for approval for Shaw Media and for Treasurer dues. Crow inquired on the monthly Treasurer reports. Albers said his office is working with the auditor on catching up and correcting bank reconciliations from 2023 and going forward.

- Finance Manager Jill Johnson reported she is working on closing out end-of-year items for FY2025. Johnson said FY2024 is on hold until the Treasurer's Office has completed their review of bank reconciliations with the auditor with a goal date of January 20<sup>th</sup>.

Suver provided the committee with a monthly resolution list showing the parcels sold by the County trustee. The parcel is an empty lot between two homes located in Sheldon and is being sold to SHR Trading LLC at the base price of \$821. It was moved by Crow and seconded by Bakken to approve the resolution for a parcel sold through the delinquent tax process. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

Perkinson acknowledged the Finance/I.T./Tax committee is short and additional members will need to be assigned.

The committee reviewed the claims. It was moved by Bakken and seconded by Crow to pay the claims, including the additional claims submitted by Treasurer Kurt Albers, subject to County Board approval. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

There was no old business.

During new business, County Board Chairman Paul Ducat informed the committee that there is a rural transportation meeting being held January 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 P.M. A link to the meeting will be provided. Perkinson added that a ZBA hearing is scheduled for January 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 P.M.

As there was no further business to come before the committee, it was moved by Crow and seconded by Bakken to adjourn at 10:56 A.M. Motion carried by a voice vote. All of which is respectfully submitted.

s/Kathleen Perkinson  
s/Charlie Alt  
s/Jamie Bakken  
s/Donna Crow

#### **HEALTH COMMITTEE**

Mrs. Crow, Chairman of the Health Committee, gave the report of her committee and moved for adoption. The motion was seconded and carried by a roll call vote.

#### **STATE OF ILLINOIS IROQUOIS COUNTY**

Roll call and votes in Iroquois County

Recessed Session, January 13, 2026

Chairman pro tem Bakken

On motion to approve the Health Committee report

Aye: Alt, Bakken, Bard, Behrends, Bence, Crow, Grant, Huse, McGinnis, Munsterman, Perkinson, Whitlow, Williams

Absent: Ducat

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Ms. Chairman and members of the County Board:

Your Committee to whom was referred **Health** would beg leave to submit the following report on the matters before them:

Your committee met at the Administrative Center on January 6, 2026 at 9:01 A.M. Members present were Donna Crow, Steve Huse, Chad McGinnis, Roger Bard and John Grant. Jody Munsterman was absent. Also present, ICPHD Administrator Robin Allen, Animal Control Administrator Angela Frary and Derek Crouse with Crouse Canine.

The meeting was called to order.

It was moved by Chad McGinnis and seconded by John Grant to approve the agenda. Motion carried by a voice vote.

During public comments, Derek Crouse with Crouse Canine reported he believes Animal Control is doing well, and he continues to volunteer when he's available.

During Agency Reports, Amy Zabel with Iroquois Mental Health Center reported via email that IMHC has a new child and adolescent therapist working evenings on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. IMHC is partnering with the Iroquois County Jail to provide a virtual recovery group for inmates each Wednesday and continues to visit the Jail each Friday for in-person sessions as needed. Lastly, since the start of their fiscal year (July 1<sup>st</sup>) IMHC has had 560 new mental health clients and 99 new substance use recovery program clients.

ICPHD Administrator Robin Allen distributed the monthly summary report of programs as follows:

- 136 permits issued
- 14 water samples
- 2 lead follow-ups
- Immunization numbers are down. ICPHD will be offering after hours vaccine clinics.
- 2 one-step TB tests were given and 3 two-step TB tests were given.
- 2 hypertension screenings and education were given.
- 1 STI test was given. Allen stated this is a new program for STI testing and treatment.
- 4 Narcan trainings were held. All libraries in Illinois must have Narcan on hand.
- The Vision and Hearing technician is back in the schools providing vision and hearing screenings.
- Senior Services reported 204 clients on services.
- ICPHD is offering a grandparents raising grandchildren class on January 10<sup>th</sup>. Also, a quit smoking program begins January 7<sup>th</sup> and will be held in the evening.
- The Board of Health Finance committee meets today at 11:30 A.M.

Animal Control Administrator Angela Frary reported Animal Control had 25 calls which included the following:

- 7 welfare checks
- 1 injured dog
- 5 dogs running loose
- 3 lost dogs, 2 found dogs
- Several noise complaints
- 3 bite reports
- There are currently 11 cats at the building with 5 being transferred to 4 Paw Luv on January 11<sup>th</sup>. There were 3 cats TNR'd. A female cat is nursing 2 kittens and cannot leave for a few weeks. There are currently 3 males available for rescue or adoption.
- There is currently 1 dog in the building, 3 dogs were rehomed, 2 dogs were returned to owner and 1 dog is in a home on a trial basis.

Frary provided an update on the credit/debit card system stating the system has not been received.

There were no updates on the credit card for Animal Control expenditures.

The committee discussed department policies for the feline/canine agreement. Frary provided a sample agreement used by Kankakee County along with a refund policy to be included with the agreement. Frary explained the adoption/rehoming process stating she allows the animal to be in the home for a one-week trial before finalizing the adoption/rehoming. McGinnis suggested Frary create the agreements and policies as she sees fit and present them to the committee for approval and/or revisions. All documents will need to be reviewed and approved by State's Attorney Mike Quinlan. Changes to the agreement are as follows:

- Change Refund Policy to Return Policy
- Change fee to return a dog from \$50 to \$100 and remove the out of county animal fee.

The Foster Care Contract will be reviewed by the committee and approved next month.

It was moved by McGinnis and seconded by Steve Huse to enter into executive session at 9:46 A.M. under 5 ILCS 120/2/c/1: The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body. Motion carried by a voice vote.

It was moved by Huse and seconded by Roger Bard to come out of executive session at 9:50 A.M. Motion carried by a voice vote.

A sample letter to accompany the Intergovernmental Agreements was reviewed by the committee. Frary will work with Executive Assistant Amanda Longfellow to get these mailed out in a timely manner. It was noted that the Cities and Villages are being asked to provide a contact person and copies of their current ordinances regarding animal control regardless of their signed contract with the County.

The committee reviewed the claims. It was moved by McGinnis and seconded by Huse to pay the claims, subject to County Board approval. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

There was no old business.

During new business, Health chairman Donna Crow stated the next Health meeting will be held at 10 A.M. on February 3<sup>rd</sup>. Also, the committee will address pay for kennel workers next month.

As there was no further business to come before the committee, it was moved by Grant and seconded by Bard to adjourn at 10:02 A.M. Motion carried by a voice vote.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

s/Donna Crow  
s/Steve Huse  
s/Chad McGinnis  
s/Roger Bard  
s/John Grant

### **PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE**

Mrs. Perkinson, Chairman of the Planning & Zoning Committee, gave the report of her committee. It was moved by Mr. McGinnis and seconded to remove from the report for further consideration, the paragraph that refers to the application of the US Solar Satrialess Loda project. The motion carried by a roll call vote.

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Chairman pro tem Bakken

On motion to remove from the report for further consideration, the paragraph that refers to the application of the US Solar Satrialess Loda project

Aye: Alt, Bakken, Bard, Behrends, Bence, Crow, Grant, Huse, McGinnis, Munsterman, Perkinson, Whitlow, Williams

Absent: Ducat

### **MOTION**

#### **US SOLAR SATTRIALESS LODA PROJECT APPLICATION**

The Board discussed the application for the US Solar Satrialess Loda Project. Mr. McGinnis spoke about the importance of following the law and the County's own Ordinance. He explained that the application that was presented at the committee meeting met all of the requirements in order to be moved forward to the Zoning Board of Appeals. It was moved by Mr. McGinnis and seconded to approve the US Solar Satrialess Loda project application. Mrs. Perkinson clarified that the Board would not be approving the project it would be deeming the application complete, and the project would move forward to the Zoning Board of Appeals. The motion carried by a roll call vote.

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Chairman pro tem Bakken  
On motion to approve the US Solar Satriales Loda project application as completed  
Aye: Alt, Bakken, Bard, Behrends, Bence, Crow, Grant, Huse, McGinnis, Munsterman,  
Perkinson, Whitlow, Williams  
Absent: Ducat

**PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE**  
**Balance of Report**

It was moved by Mrs. Perkinson and seconded to approve the balance of the Planning and Zoning Committee report. The motion carried by a roll call vote.

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**IROQUOIS COUNTY**

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Chairman pro tem Bakken  
On motion to approve the balance of the Planning & Zoning Committee  
Aye: Alt, Bakken, Bard, Behrends, Bence, Crow, Grant, Huse, McGinnis, Munsterman,  
Perkinson, Whitlow, Williams  
Absent: Ducat

**STATE OF ILLINOIS**  
**IROQUOIS COUNTY**

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Ms. Chairman and Members of the County Board:

Your committee to whom it was referred **Planning & Zoning** would beg leave to submit the following report on the matters before them:

Your committee met at the Administrative Center on January 6, 2026, at 10:13 A.M. Committee Members present were Chairman Kathleen Perkinson, Steve Huse, Roger Bard, Chad McGinnis and Jed Whitlow. Also, present Zoning Administrator Julie Feller, Madeline Ussery, County Board Member John Grant, County Board Chairman Paul Ducat, County Board Member Jamie Bakken, Toby Valentino & Ashton Merbach from Ranger Power. Members of the public present were Will Boman, Kyle Sanders, Hunter Weber, Chase Sanders, Louis Sanders, Chad Rust, Kynzie Rust, Carrie Rust, Julie Steiner, Diann Matter, Cody Rust, Steve Rust, Mike Wombles, Dalton Weber, Terry Boman, Kevin Bachman, Diane Gustafson, Todd Kaeb, Brent Sinn, Mark Rust, Corey Grohler, Aden Grohler, Steven Matter and Dillon Carley.

The meeting was called to order.

It was moved by Chad McGinnis and seconded by Steve Huse to approve the agenda. Motion carried by a voice vote.

Chairman Kathleen Perkinson explained some rules regarding public comments and the role of the committee ensuring that the applications are complete and ready to be sent to ZBA. Perkinson provided dates for not only the hearing scheduled for that evening but dates of hearings later in the month. She then opened the floor to those attending to express their comments or concerns. Mark Rust of Loda commented on how he is against renewable energy projects on farmable ground. He stated that the land is their history and renewable energy ruins and contaminates the ground of our most productive land. Food security will be lost as our future depends upon agriculture. Habitat disruption is another point made by Mr. Rust. Additionally, he mentioned projects could be put on roofs of buildings rather than on farm ground and questioned how making decisions like these were not placed on ballots rather than being the decision of the County Board. Mr. Rust's message was that this council will be remembered as the one who sold out the future of Iroquois County for corporate greed. The second speaker was Todd Kaeb from Loda. He voiced his disapproval of renewable energy projects. He drove to Ramsey, IL to look at a different completed solar project from the same company. He voiced his concerns to the committee regarding the perimeter of the projects and encouraged someone to talk to Fayette County Offices about how this project has affected their county. He explained that it appears to him that whatever is in the contract is what will be completed. If the expectation is not written in the agreement, then it will be done at a minimum. An example he used was to specify the height requirement for the trees or the number of trees that should line the perimeter. Mr. Kaeb also mentioned some things that a watch dog group had mentioned to him. He suggested that we contact other counties with projects to see what economic revenue has been seen from a renewable energy project. After Mr. Kaeb completed his concerns Diann Matter of Buckley voiced her concern on environmental issues that come from renewable energy projects and gave the committee a disclosed article regarding the disadvantages of solar farms. She stated that farming businesses will suffer and reduce our local tax base if solar fields are allowed. Perkinson informed the public that our county set ordinances to comply with the requirements set by the state. If the applicant has met those standards, then projects must be pushed forward. Perkinson encouraged everyone to attend the ZBA Hearings. Mr. McGinnis suggested that anyone who is concerned about the standards that have been put in place by the state should reach out to their legislators.

The public attendees had multiple questions and comments out of order and Mr. Bard explained that the committee had answered all of their questions as best they could. He then stated that the committee had additional business and must proceed with those items on the agenda.

It was moved by McGinnis and seconded by Bard to approve the claims. The committee approved the claims by a roll call vote. Ayes: Bard, Whitlow, Perkinson, McGinnis, and Huse.

The Planning & Zoning Department report was read by Zoning Administrator Julie Feller. In the December report, there were 4 building permits and 6 solicitor licenses. A total of \$9,080 in fee amounts were collected over the month. Proven has delivered the printer that was ordered. There is possibly going to be an updated requirement sheet for homeowners regarding building, electrical, and plumbing inspections. A new final inspection sheet was created to provide homeowners along with the Certificate of Occupancy. Additionally, two companies have completed the MET Tower applications and are either in place or will be in place. January 6, 2026, is the Two Road Solar ZBA Hearing. This project is 4,468.25 acres and 398 MW in Loda and Pigeon Grove Township. This project also has two variances attached, one for interconnections and the other for the drain tile survey. January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2026,

the continuation of Louis Creek with be held, the second part of that meeting will be for US Solar's projects Venus and Satriaales. The Zoning Board of Appeals has not received any alternates although they have been requested. Perkinson asked Feller to resend the request to the County Board. The Clifton Nursing Home wants to have a subdivision created. The existing homes were originally built for staff when the facility was built in June of 1973. Feller informed the applicant they will need to go before ZBA. She has stated that it is unsure what process will need to be used and fees for this project. Perkinson stated that she would work with Feller to determine the best action. Feller stated that when Planning Commission was active it would go before them prior to coming to Zoning, so we just need to ensure the correct process is being followed. Lastly, Feller explained that there are expectations for 2026 clean & reliable grid that could bring additional restrictions on county government from the state as they strive to meet 2050 Energy targets.

Discussion regarding both US Solar projects involved Perkinson providing some background information as to the history of the evolution of said projects. She stated that at previous meetings they could not deem either project complete due to missing documentation. Since that time, those documents have been provided to Mr. Keyt. It was moved by McGinnis to deem the application complete for the project US Solar Venus and ready to send to ZBA. The motion was seconded by Jed Whitlow. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried. Ayes: Whitlow, Bard, Perkinson, McGinnis. Nay: Huse.

***(The Following paragraph were removed for separate consideration per action taken by the full County Board at their Recessed Session meeting on January 13, 2026)***

*It was moved by McGinnis to deem US Solar Satriaales Loda project complete and ready to move to ZBA for public hearing. The motion was seconded by Perkinson. A roll call vote was taken. The motion failed. Aye: McGinnis and Perkinson. Nay: Whitlow, Bard and Huse.*

Perkinson provided information regarding the Louis Creek Solar farm concerning the rescheduling concerning the conditions being met and set by ZBA and County Board. She shared that the public hearing has been set for January 28<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm.

Perkinson shared chairman comments reminding the committee that they have commitments to move projects forward and the second part of US Solar will need to be voted at County Board to deem the application complete and move forward to ZBA hearing. Perkinson gave an update on the status of the Ameren project. Legal fees are being discussed and the permits have been issued and are being processed.

There was no old business.

There was no new business.

As there was no further business to come before the committee, it was moved by Bard and seconded by Huse to adjourn at 11:01 A.M. Motion carried by a voice vote.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

s/Kathleen Perkinson  
s/Steve Huse  
s/Roger Bard  
s/Jed Whitlow  
s/Chad McGinnis

## JUDICIAL & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Mr. Whitlow, Chairman of the Judicial and Public Safety Committee, gave the report of his committee and moved for adoption. The motion was seconded and carried by a roll call vote.

### STATE OF ILLINOIS IROQUOIS COUNTY

Roll call and votes in Iroquois County

Recessed Session, January 13, 2026

Chairman pro tem Bakken

On motion to approve the Judicial & Public Safety Committee report

Aye: Alt, Bakken, Bard, Behrends, Crow, Ducat, Grant, Huse, McGinnis, Munsterman, Perkinson, Whitlow, Williams

Absent: Bence, Ducat

### STATE OF ILLINOIS IROQUOIS COUNTY

County Board, Recessed Session  
January 13, A.D., 2026

Ms. Chairman and members of the County Board:

Your Committee to whom was referred **Judicial & Public Safety** would beg leave to submit the following report on the matters before them:

Your Committee met at the Courthouse on January 7, 2026 at 3:00 P.M. Members present were Jed Whitlow, Raymond Williams and Lyle Behrends. Mitchell Bence and Chad McGinnis were absent. Also present, Sheriff Clint Perzee, Probation Supervisor Barb King and State's Attorney Mike Quinlan.

The meeting was called to order.

It was moved by Raymond Williams and seconded by Lyle Behrends to approve the agenda. Motion carried by a voice vote.

There were no public comments.

Sheriff Clint Perzee presented his monthly report to the committee as follows:

- 7 new MDC's are in and all programs have been installed by AreaWide. They should be up and running within the week. Perzee said he plans to order 4 additional MDC's soon to replace the out-of-date computers.
- ALICE training was completed at Central and Iroquois West for all staff this week.
- Perzee signed up for a GSA account that will allow him to source available federal surplus equipment.

Judicial & Public Safety chairman Jed Whitlow noted that he has not made much progress with the City of Gilman and the Village of Onarga regarding policing issues.

Probation Supervisor Barb King presented two additional claims for the committee to review and approve for the Tip the Scales staff. King reviewed the Probation & Court Services activity report for December.

State's Attorney Mike Quinlan reported he and Assistant State's Attorney Jennifer Mansberger are working on a trial involving aggravated battery with a firearm.

The committee reviewed Circuit Clerk Lisa Hines' monthly report.

The committee reviewed ETS Director Eric Raymond's monthly report. Raymond also reported via email that his newest hire resigned effective December 26<sup>th</sup>. The vacancy has been posted, and interviews are expected to begin next week.

The committee reviewed the claims. It was moved by Williams and seconded by Behrends to pay the Judicial & Public Safety claims, including the additional Tip the Scales claims, subject to County Board approval. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried

There was no old business.

There was no new business.

As there was no further business to come before the committee, it was moved by Williams and seconded by Behrends to adjourn the meeting at 3:22 P.M. Motion carried by a voice vote.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

s/Jed Whitlow  
s/Raymond Williams  
s/Lyle Behrends

**TRANSPORTATION & HIGHWAY COMMITTEE,  
LOCAL PUBLIC AGENCY ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENTS:  
SECTION NUMBER 24-01110-00-BR, SECTION NUMBER 24-26-141-00-BR,  
SECTION NUMBER 24-00054-01-BR, & SECTION NUMBER 24-22126-00-BR,  
& 7 PETITIONS FOR COUNTY AID**

*(The Local Public Agency Agreements and 7 Petitions for County Aid has been recorded and placed on file in the County Clerk's office)*

Mr. Alt, Chairman of the Transportation & Highway Committee, gave the report of his committee and presented Local Public Agency Engineering Services Agreements Section No. 24-01110-00-BR, Section No. 24-26-141-00-BR, Section No. 24-00054-01-BR & Section No. 24-22126-00-BR, and 7 Petitions for County Aid for adoption. He moved for adoption, which was seconded and carried by a roll call vote.

**STATE OF ILLINOIS  
IROQUOIS COUNTY**

Roll call and votes in Iroquois County

Recessed Session, January 13, 2026

Chairman pro tem Bakken

On motion to approve the Transportation & Highway Committee report and the Local Public Agency Engineering Services Agreements Section No. 24-01110-00-BR, Section No. 24-26-141-00-BR, Section No. 24-00054-01-BR & Section No. 24-22126-00-BR, 7 Petitions for County Aid

Aye: Alt, Bakken, Bard, Behrends, Bence, Crow, Grant, Huse, McGinnis, Munsterman, Perkinson, Whitlow, Williams

Absent: Ducat

STATE OF ILLINOIS  
IROQUOIS COUNTY

County Board, Recessed Session  
January 13, A.D., 2026

Ms. Chairman and members of the County Board:

Your Committee to whom was referred **Transportation & Highway** would beg leave to submit the following report on the matters before them:

Your Committee met at the Iroquois County Highway Building on January 8, 2026 at 9:03 A.M. Members present were Charlie Alt, Raymond Williams, Steve Huse and Jody Munsterman. Jamie Bakken and Mitchell Bence were absent. Also present, County Engineer Alan Harwood.

The meeting was called to order.

It was moved by Raymond Williams and seconded by Jody Munsterman to approve the agenda. Motion carried by a voice vote.

There were no public comments.

The claims and financial reports for the month were reviewed. It was moved by Williams and seconded by Munsterman to approve the claims, subject to County Board approval. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

County Engineer Alan Harwood presented Hutchison Engineering's Bridge Plan Agreement (24-01110-00-BR) for Artesia Township in the amount of \$87,794. Harwood said the project is on the multi-year plan for 2027. It was moved by Williams and seconded by Munsterman to approve the Hutchison Engineering Bridge Plan Agreement (24-01110-00-BR) in the amount of \$87,794. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

Harwood presented Hutchison Engineering's Bridge Plan Agreement (24-22126-00-BR) for Mud Creek in the amount of \$72,750. It was moved by Williams and seconded by Munsterman to approve the Hutchison Engineering Bridge Plan Agreement (24-22126-00-BR) in the amount of \$72,750. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

Harwood presented Willett, Hofmann & Associates Bridge Plan Agreement (24-00054-01-BR) for Stockland Township in the amount of \$128,754. It was moved by Williams and seconded by Steve Huse to approve the Willett, Hofmann & Associates Bridge Plan Agreement (24-00054-01-BR) in the amount of \$128,754. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

Harwood presented Willett, Hofmann & Associates Bridge Plan Agreement (24-26141-00-BR) for Stockland Township in the amount of \$129,366. It was moved by Huse and seconded by Williams to approve the Willett, Hofmann & Associates Bridge Plan Agreement (24-26141-00-BR) in the amount of \$129,366. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

Harwood presented the following Petitions for County Aid:

- SN038-4927 Onarga Township - \$1,300,000
- Bridge #59 Onarga Township - \$75,000
- Bridge #42 Milks Grove Township - \$435,000
- SN038-5303 Ridgeland Township - \$100,000
- SN038-5559 Stockland Township - \$100,000
- SN092-3260 Prairie Green Township - \$450,000

- Bridge #13 Papineau Township - \$35,000

It was moved by Williams and seconded by Charlie Alt to approve the Petition for County Aid for SN038-4927 (Onarga Township) in the amount of \$1,300,000. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

It was moved by Williams and seconded by Huse to approve the Petition for County Aid for Bridge #59 (Onarga Township) in the amount of \$75,000. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

It was moved by Williams and seconded by Huse to approve the Petition for County Aid for Bridge #42 (Milks Grove Township) in the amount of \$435,000. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

It was moved by Williams and seconded by Munsterman to approve the Petition for County Aid for SN038-5303 (Ridgeland Township) in the amount of \$100,000. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

It was moved by Williams and seconded by Huse to approve the Petition for County Aid for SN038-5559 (Stockland Township) in the amount of \$100,000. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

It was moved by Williams and seconded by Munsterman to approve the Petition for County Aid for SN092-3260 (Prairie Green Township) in the amount of \$450,000. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

It was moved by Williams and seconded by Huse to approve the Petition for County Aid for Bridge #13 (Papineau Township) in the amount of \$35,000. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

During new business, Harwood informed the committee that the Ford County letting is scheduled for Thursday, February 26<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 A.M. and the Iroquois County General Maintenance letting is scheduled for Monday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 9:00 A.M. at the Iroquois County Highway Department.

During old business, Harwood stated that he will be attending a bridge inspection class next week.

As there was no further business to come before the committee, it was moved by Huse and seconded by Williams to adjourn the meeting at 9:37 A.M. Motion carried by a voice vote.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

s/Charlie Alt  
s/Raymond Williams  
s/Steve Huse  
s/Jody Munsterman

### **POLICY & PROCEDURE COMMITTEE**

Mrs. Bakken, Vice Chairman of the Policy & Procedure Committee, gave the report of her committee and moved for adoption. The motion was seconded and carried by a roll call vote.

**STATE OF ILLINOIS  
IROQUOIS COUNTY**

Roll call and votes in Iroquois County

Recessed Session, January 13, 2026

Chairman pro tem Bakken

On motion to approve the Policy & Procedure Committee report

Aye: Alt, Bakken, Bard, Behrends, Bence, Crow, Grant, Huse, McGinnis, Munsterman, Perkinson, Whitlow, Williams

Absent: Ducat

STATE OF ILLINOIS  
IROQUOIS COUNTY

County Board, Recessed Session  
January 13, A.D., 2026

Ms. Chairman and members of the County Board:

Your Committee to whom was referred **Policy & Procedure** would beg leave to submit the following report on the matters before them:

Your Committee met at the Administrative Center on January 8, 2026 at 10:03 A.M. Members present were County Board Chairman Paul Ducat, Donna Crow, Kathleen Perkinson, Charlie Alt, Jed Whitlow and Jamie Bakken. Also present, Finance Manager Jill Johnson, County Clerk Breein Suver, EMA Director Scott Anderson, Supervisor of Assessments Mia McCammon, Planning & Zoning Administrator Julie Feller, ICPHD Administrator Robin Allen, Superintendent of Veterans Assistance Jennifer Ingram and Carl Gerdovich with WGFA Radio.

The meeting was called to order.

It was moved by Kathleen Perkinson and seconded by Jed Whitlow to approve the agenda. Motion carried by a voice vote.

During public comments, Superintendent of Veterans Assistance Jennifer Ingram informed the committee of donations Veterans Assistance has received for veterans or veteran families that may not meet their financial guidelines. The Elks Club donated \$1,000 in gift cards for use at Berkots and Caseys. The United Methodist Ladies Group donated \$200 of which eight \$25 Berkots gift cards were purchased. Ingram said there are gift cards remaining and they are given out at her discretion. The gift cards may not be used for alcohol or tobacco products. Ingram is also expecting a \$500 donation from the Chebanse American Legion.

EMA Director Scott Anderson provided his monthly EMA report to the committee as follows:

- On December 28<sup>th</sup>, Iroquois County experienced a severe weather event that produced four confirmed tornadoes within the northern half of the county. Four separate warnings were issued, two from the Clifton to Papineau area, one around Martinton and included Watseka and one that covered the area around Stockland. Anderson worked with the damage assessment team from the National Weather Service in Chicago. Four confirmed tornadoes were identified. Two were rated at EF-0, one rated at EF-1 and one rated at EF-U. There were no injuries or fatalities.
- During the December 28<sup>th</sup> weather event, there were significant delays with the siren activation in relation to the receipt of tornado warnings from the National

Weather Service. The sirens were between four and seven minutes after the official NWS warnings were issued. Questions have been raised by members of the public asking why their phones and other devices had activated but the sounding of their local sirens were so delayed. Anderson has discussed the delays with ETS Director Eric Raymond.

- Anderson continues to work on the final version of the EOP to be presented to the state.
- The Long Term Recovery committee will meet January 14<sup>th</sup>.
- The new large format plotter printer has been delivered and put into service. The printer retails at a cost of nearly \$5,000. Anderson said he made the decision to enter into a monthly lease agreement on the payment instead of an outright purchase.
- Anderson provided an update on the Emergency Operations Center stating the redesigned construction phase is close to being complete. All new equipment has been received and put into service. Anderson plans to hold an open house once everything is final.

The Committee Chairs gave their monthly reports:

- Health Chairman Donna Crow reported the Health Committee will be held at 10 A.M. on February 3<sup>rd</sup> to continue their discussion on policies for Animal Control. Derek Crouse with Crouse Canine continues to volunteer his time training high energy dogs. There is currently one dog at the building. Monthly reports were received from ICPHD and Animal Control. IMHC provided an outside agency report via email.
- Management Chairman Jamie Bakken reported the committee received the monthly maintenance report from Maintenance Supervisor Chris Drake. Bakken was also informed of a recent issue with the elevator at the Courthouse.
- Judicial Chairman Jed Whitlow reported the committee received monthly reports from the department heads.
- Highway Chairman Charlie Alt reported the committee approved agreements for bridges and petitions for county aid. The Ford County letting is scheduled for February 26<sup>th</sup> and the Iroquois County letting is scheduled for March 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- Finance/I.T./Tax Vice Chairman Kathleen Perkinson reported the committee denied a wage increase request made by State's Attorney Mike Quinlan for the Victim Witness Coordinator and Chief Deputy in his office. The committee will need to continue discussion on the allocation of the joint dispatch budget. The Treasurer's Office is working with the auditors on reviewing and correcting bank reconciliations dating back to 2023 with a projected end date of January 20<sup>th</sup>. Once finished, we can move forward with the FY2024 audit. The Committee reviewed a letter received from the EPA regarding the County's solid waste plan of which the Finance committee is responsible. The Planning & Zoning committee will meet at 9:00 A.M. on February 3<sup>rd</sup>. Two applications were submitted and reviewed by the County's attorney. The committee took action to deem the applications complete with the US Solar Venus (Papineau) application being approved and the US Solar Satriales (Loda) application failed. Further action will go before the County Board. The Zoning Board of Appeals met on January 6<sup>th</sup>. The ZBA recessed and will meet again on January 20<sup>th</sup> at

6:00 P.M. Perkinson discussed the need for the County Board to go to the federal level about getting our rights back pertaining to solar. An update was given on the floodplain ordinance violation stating that a permit was issued and Ameren is waiting on better weather to complete the work.

During Chairman comments, Ducat requested a moment of silence for the late Scott Watts.

Crow provided an update on rural transportation. An HTSP Region 6 meeting was held December 15<sup>th</sup> and no decisions were made. An additional meeting was held January 7<sup>th</sup> to address CRIS' decision to cease services effective last Friday. Crow said Danville Mass Transit may have interest. Additionally, two individuals in the County have also expressed interest. Ducat had a positive meeting with PCOM Monte Andrews and Iroquois County is looking at a 30-day no service gap. The committee discussed the need for transportation for residents and ways to offer assistance. Bakken and Crow will prepare a press release.

Discussion was held on FOP contracts. Finance Manager Jill Johnson stated she expects to have the signed contracts by the end of the week for approval at Tuesday's County Board meeting.

Discussion was held on implementing background checks for employees. The committee reviewed the authorization for background checks. It was moved by Crow and seconded by Bakken to implement the procedure to perform background checks on Iroquois County employees via the Authorization for Background Checks form. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

Ducat spoke to the committee about County Board procedures and reminded committee chairs to take responsibility for their committees and be sure their agendas are submitted to the County Board Office in a timely manner. If agendas are not received, the previous months agenda will be posted. Ducat also asked board members to state their motions in full during meetings. Lastly, if a committee meeting is lacking a quorum, then the meeting will be cancelled.

It was moved by Bakken and seconded by Whitlow to enter into executive session at 11:15 A.M. under 5 ILCS 120/2/c1: the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body. Motion carried by a voice vote.

It was moved by Crow and seconded by Bakken to come out of executive session at 11:21 A.M. Motion carried by a voice vote.

Appointments will be made at the County Board meeting. County Clerk Breein Suver added that the minutes have been updated adding Jamie Bakken as Vice Chairman of the Planning & Zoning Committee per the appointments made at last month's County Board meeting. Resolutions declaring vacancies in district 4 will be done next week for Mr. Doug Geiger's term expiring November 30, 2026 and Mr. Scott Watts term expiring November 30, 2028. Letters to the political parties must be mailed within three days of the declaration. Both seats will be filled until November 30, 2026 at which time the seat for Mr. Geiger will be on the November ballot as a four-year term and the seat for Mr. Watts will be for a two-year term.

Correspondence was distributed to the committee for review.

The committee reviewed the claims. It was moved by Bakken and seconded by Whitlow to pay the claims, subject to County Board approval. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

There was no old business.

During new business, Crow told the committee she will be passing around a card at the board meeting for former board member Jean Hiles' 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. Ducat requested an update on the County Board portrait. Executive Assistant Amanda Longfellow will contact the photographer for an update.

As there was no further business to come before the committee, it was moved by Bakken and seconded by Alt to adjourn the meeting at 11:34 A.M. Motion carried by a voice vote.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Paul Ducat  
s/Donna Crow  
s/Kathleen Perkinson  
s/Charlie Alt  
s/Jed Whitlow  
s/Jamie Bakken

### NEGOTIATIONS

Mrs. Bakken said the report of the Negotiations Committee was available for information. There was no action taken on the report, it was available for information only.

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IROQUOIS COUNTY  
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January 13, A.D., 2026

Mr. Chairman and members of the County Board:

Your Committee to whom was referred **Negotiations** would beg leave to submit the following report on the matters before them:

Your committee met at the Administrative Center on December 10, 2025, at 10:07 A.M. Members present was Paul Ducat and Scott Watts. Also present Iroquois County Finance Manager Jill Johnson, ETSB Director Eric Raymond, Board Labor Legal Representative Michael Kuczvara, FOP members and FOP Legal Representative Jeff Burke.

The meeting was called to order.

The committee met to discuss ongoing negotiation activities.

The meeting adjourned at 11:36 A.M.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

### APPOINTMENTS

Chairman pro tem Bakken presented the following appointments. It was moved by Mr. Williams and seconded to approve the appointments. The motion carried by a voice vote.

**Drainage District:**

1. Tom Roselieus of 1559 N State Route 49, Crescent City, IL as Drainage Commissioner of Shavetail Drainage District for term to expire the first Tuesday of September, 2028.

2. Ty Mowrey of 2786 E 900 North Road, Milford, IL as Drainage Commissioner of Eastburn Drainage District No. 2 for term to expire the first Tuesday of September, 2028

3. Kenneth Cailteux of 1523 E 2900 N Road, Clifton, IL as Drainage Commissioner of Chebanse Drainage District No 1 for term to expire the first Tuesday of September, 2028

**CLAIMS**

The claims were submitted for approval. It was moved by Mr. Williams and seconded to approve the claims. The motion carried by a roll call vote.

**STATE OF ILLINOIS  
IROQUOIS COUNTY**

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Recessed Session, January 13, 2026

Chairman pro tem Bakken

On motion to approve the claims

Aye: Alt, Bakken, Bard, Behrends, Bence, Crow, Grant, Huse, McGinnis, Munsterman, Perkinson, Whitlow, Williams

Absent: Ducat

<b>110 - General Fund</b>	
<b>210 - Sheriff</b>	
<b>Name</b>	<b>Check Amount</b>
ADDIS AUTO PARTS	53.96
ADDIS AUTO PARTS	36.19
AMAZON SERVICES	55.66
ANGEL PEST CONTROL	104
ANGEL SERVICES	1477.77
ANGEL SERVICES	123.3
AQUALITY SOLUTIONS	58.5
AXON ENTERPRISE	454.92
BERNARD E. RYAN	37.17
BP	8798.7
CANADY BUILDING MAIN	1245.9
CENTRAL BODY	15472.43

CHARM TEX INC	179.7
Dermatec	56.49
Dralle C	420
Getz Fir	437
Heritage	77.48
IROQ MEM HOSP	1936.69
IROQ MEM HOSP	507.01
IROQ MEM HOSP	610.34
LARRY FREDERICKS	60
LEAF	159
Mediacom	219.53
MYERS B	218.48
OTIS ELEVATOR CO	570.03
OUTBACK PUMP	350
Plumb Ma	474.06
Plumb Ma	474.06
PROVEN BUS	149.1
PULEO J	139.8
QUILL	7.49
QUILL	282.87
QUILL	50.34
Ray O'He	147.91
Ray O'He	190
RUNNINGS	272.26
TREVIPAY	52.14
TREVIPAY	27.46
Tricou J	13.15
VALLEY SECURITY	1680
WILLIAMS COMMUNICATI	366.5
Total 210 - Sheriff	38047.39
110 - General Fund	
215 - Coroner	
<b>Name</b>	<b>Check Amount</b>
MCLEAN CO COR	578
NMS	1166
SCOTT DENTON	1250
SCOTT DENTON	1250
STEVEN W. SKINNER	400
Total 215 - Coroner	4644

<b>110 - General Fund</b>	
<b>220 - States Attorney</b>	
<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b>Check Amount</b>
LEAF	104.04
PROVEN BUS	337.91
THOMSON REUTERS WEST	282.42
Total 220 - States Attorney	724.37
<b>110 - General Fund</b>	
<b>225 - Emergency Mgmt Agency</b>	
<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b>Check Amount</b>
ALL AMERICAN ATHLETE	280
HERITAGE FS	79.25
VERIZON WIRELESS	39.39
Total 225 - Emergency Mgmt Agency	398.64
<b>110 - General Fund</b>	
<b>230 - Courts</b>	
<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b>Check Amount</b>
DR J SIMONE	1000
DR J SIMONE	250
QUILL	47.55
Total 230 - Courts	1297.55
<b>110 - General Fund</b>	
<b>240 - Probation</b>	
<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b>Check Amount</b>
BP	107.43
BP PROB	37.42
IPCSA	360
Miller'S	442
Ray O'He	826.57
REDWOOD TOX	14.98
VERMILION CO TR	600
Total 240 - Probation	2388.4
<b>110 - General Fund</b>	
<b>250 - Public Defender</b>	
<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b>Check Amount</b>
LAUER C	1622.92

Total 250 - Public Defender	1622.92
<b>110 - General Fund</b>	
<b>310 - Zoning And Planning</b>	
<b>Name</b>	<b>Check Amount</b>
Feller J	49.42
Feller J	28.33
MENNENGA L	131.6
MEYER J	484.4
Total 310 - Zoning And Planning	693.75
<b>110 - General Fund</b>	
<b>410 - County Clerk</b>	
<b>Name</b>	<b>Check Amount</b>
QUILL	139.92
QUILL	41.07
Total 410 - County Clerk	180.99
<b>110 - General Fund</b>	
<b>420 - Assessment Office</b>	
<b>Name</b>	<b>Check Amount</b>
AREA-WIDE TECHNOLOGI	110
BAIER PUBLISHING	118.4
IPAI	1370
KAN VAL PUB	3805.75
KAN VAL PUB	26
QUILL	278.25
QUILL	188.96
THE ADVOCATE	99.2
Total 420 - Assessment Office	5996.56
<b>110 - General Fund</b>	
<b>435 - Postage For County Offices</b>	
<b>Name</b>	<b>Check Amount</b>
LEAF	205.93
Midwest Mail	298.74
Quadient Leasing USA	337.62
Total 435 - Postage For County Offices	842.29
<b>110 - General Fund</b>	

<b>440 - Animal Control</b>	
<b>Name</b>	Check Amount
AMC GILMAN	95
FRARY A	404.67
FRARY A	171.05
FRARY A	205
FRARY J	555
KENTLAND VET	471.68
Paxton V	690.19
Total 440 - Animal Control	2592.59
<b>110 - General Fund</b>	
<b>510 - Finance/IT</b>	
<b>Name</b>	Check Amount
AQUALITY SOLUTIONS	22.26
AREA-WIDE TECHNOLOGI	729.9
AREA-WIDE TECHNOLOGI	12920.96
AREA-WIDE TECHNOLOGI	59.5
AREA-WIDE TECHNOLOGI	14.4
AREA-WIDE TECHNOLOGI	43.5
AREA-WIDE TECHNOLOGI	80.3
AREA-WIDE TECHNOLOGI	19.35
AREA-WIDE TECHNOLOGI	2790.64
AREA-WIDE TECHNOLOGI	3990
LEADINGIT	395
LEAF	408
PROVEN BUS	48.05
QUILL	269.37
Total 510 - Finance/IT	21791.23
<b>110 - General Fund</b>	
<b>610 - County Board</b>	
<b>Name</b>	Check Amount
CLIFTON LARSON	4072.95
EVANS, FROEHLICH	840
Total 610 - County Board	5212.95
<b>110 - General Fund</b>	
<b>615 - Other</b>	
<b>Name</b>	Check Amount
IEDA	25000

IROQ CO SOIL	2374.02
Total 615 - Other	27374.02
<b>110 - General Fund</b>	
<b>710 - Maintenance</b>	
<b>Name</b>	<b>Check Amount</b>
CANADY BUILDING MAIN	1248.75
CITY OF WATSEKA	957.88
CITY OF WATSEKA	270.92
CITY OF WATSEKA	93.64
ESI HOSTED SERVICES	1167.61
HASTY LOCKSMITH	495
HOMEFIELD	7420.98
HOMEWOOD DISPOSAL	150
HOMEWOOD DISPOSAL	115
HOMEWOOD DISPOSAL	115
Nicor Ga	169.12
Nicor Ga	1796.31
Nicor Ga	188.34
RUNNINGS	290.86
Total 710 - Maintenance	14479.41
Total 110 - General Fund	128233.06
<b>115 - Group Insurance Trust Fund</b>	
<b>615 - Other</b>	
<b>Name</b>	<b>Check Amount</b>
DEVINE JAMES A	638.63
Eades	21.61
NIGHSONGER A	187.38
PRUITT V	153.96
WARD KEN	376
Total 615 - Other	1377.58
<b>145 - County Capital Improvement Fund</b>	
<b>710 - Maintenance</b>	
<b>Name</b>	<b>Check Amount</b>
WEBER PLUMB	842
Total 710 - Maintenance	842

<b>200 - Public Safety Tax Fund</b>	
<b>615 - Other</b>	
<b>Name</b>	Check Amount
FLOCK SAFETY	7500
Total 615 - Other	7500
<b>310 - Sheriff's Public Safety Fund</b>	
<b>210 - Sheriff</b>	
<b>Name</b>	Check Amount
ITOUCH	1980
VERIZON WIRELESS	1267.92
Total 210 - Sheriff	4515.56
<b>335 - Coroner Automation Fund</b>	
<b>215 - Coroner</b>	
<b>Name</b>	Check Amount
D & M AUTO	265.5
ICMEA	450
Total 215 - Coroner	715.5
<b>340 - Teen Court Fund</b>	
<b>220 - States Attorney</b>	
<b>Name</b>	Check Amount
MCTAGGART J	105
PREE S	65.82
Total 220 - States Attorney	170.82
<b>352 - Drug Free Communities Fund</b>	
<b>220 - States Attorney</b>	
<b>Name</b>	Check Amount
MCTAGGART J	763
MCTAGGART J	119.99
PREE S	107.8
WATSEKA AREA CHAMBER	100
Total 220 - States Attorney	1090.79
<b>355 - Probation Services Fee Fund</b>	
<b>240 - Probation</b>	
<b>Name</b>	Check Amount

AQUALITY SOLUTIONS	29.5
Total 355 - Probation Services Fee Fund	29.5
<b>375 - Automation County Recorder</b>	
<b>410 - County Clerk</b>	
<b>Name</b>	Check Amount
Fidlar T	1754.53
Total 410 - County Clerk	1754.53
<b>380 - Automation County Treasurer</b>	
<b>430 - County Treasurer</b>	
<b>Name</b>	Check Amount
B & COMPANY DES	99.92
Il Co Tr	200
SHAW MEDIA	260
Total 430 - County Treasurer	559.92
<b>390 - Grants Fund</b>	
<b>615 - Other</b>	
<b>Name</b>	Check Amount
BOYD ALEX	1660
BOYD JAMI	2500
IROQ MEM HOSP	3664.43
IROQ MEM HOSP	150
LAUER C	1000
Total 615 - Other	8974.43
<b>395 - GIS Fund</b>	
<b>420 - Assessment Office</b>	
<b>Name</b>	Check Amount
BRUCE HARRIS	900
BRUCE HARRIS	553
ESRI	354
Total 420 - Assessment Office	1807
<b>400 - Renewable Energy Fund</b>	
<b>No Department Code</b>	
<b>Name</b>	Check Amount

BAIER PUBLISHING	397.5
HEYL, ROYSTER	350
HEYL, ROYSTER	1835
HEYL, ROYSTER	4177.91
HEYL, ROYSTER	1035
HEYL, ROYSTER	340
HEYL, ROYSTER	180
HEYL, ROYSTER	765
HEYL, ROYSTER	315
HEYL, ROYSTER	4466.8
HEYL, ROYSTER	1625
HEYL, ROYSTER	1985
IROQ CO PLAN ZONE	400
IROQ CO PLAN ZONE	400
KAN VAL PUB	1390.5
KAN VAL PUB	98
KAN VAL PUB	238
KAN VAL PUB	100
Total No Department Code	20496.21
<b>710 - Joint Dispatch Center Fund</b>	
<b>810 - 911 Emergency Service Board</b>	
<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b>Check Amount</b>
AQUALITY SOLUTIONS	42
Total 810 - 911 Emergency Service Board	42
<b>810 - County Public Health</b>	
<b>910 - Administration-Public Health</b>	
<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b>Check Amount</b>
ALLEN R	205.8
AMAZON SERVICES	18.87
AMAZON SERVICES	66.31
BERKOT'S SUPER FOODS	42.35
CARD SERVICE CENTER	237.41
LEAF	546
LUKE ONE STOP	239.63
PROVEN BUS	253.97
QUILL	52.48
ROBINSON T	47.6
ROCHE T	221.2

VERIZON WIRELESS	89.93
Total 910 - Administration-Public Health	2021.55
<b>810 - County Public Health</b>	
<b>920 - Senior Services-Public Health</b>	
<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b>Check Amount</b>
AMAZON SERVICES	129.99
ANTHONY A	137.9
BERKOT'S SUPER FOODS	236.65
DEWITT B	199.5
HEEREN	432.61
VERIZON WIRELESS	53.92
Total 920 - Senior Services-Public Health	1190.57
<b>810 - County Public Health</b>	
<b>925 - Community Health</b>	
<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b>Check Amount</b>
AMAZON SERVICES	48.96
AMAZON SERVICES	49.84
AMAZON SERVICES	69.59
AQUALITY SOLUTIONS	60.5
CARD SERVICE CENTER	76.35
CASTONGUAY TERESA	53.9
CUSTOM DATA	3007.73
DANVILLE AREA COMMUN	7
FFF ENT	2509.06
HENRY SCHEIN HLTH	585.33
MCCRAY	113.4
QUILL	113.99
STERICYCLE	200.59
STEVENS ALISSA	76.3
TILLMAN J	66.5
VERIZON WIRELESS	53.92
VERIZON WIRELESS	53.92
VERIZON WIRELESS	53.92
WIQI	200
Total 925 - Community Health	7400.8
<b>810 - County Public Health</b>	

<b>940 - Environmental Health</b>	
<b>Name</b>	<b>Check Amount</b>
AMAZON SERVICES	113.97
AMAZON SERVICES	39.99
AMAZON SERVICES	86.97
CARD SERVICE CENTER	353.06
IL ENVIRON	580
KRUMWIEDE	204.05
KRUMWIEDE	204.05
KRUMWIEDE	14.7
MOTOROLA SOL	360
MUELLER K	90.3
PACE ANALYTICAL	63.6
PACE ANALYTICAL	63.6
PACE ANALYTICAL	63.6
PACE ANALYTICAL	30
PACE ANALYTICAL	37.1
PACE ANALYTICAL	30
PACE ANALYTICAL	30
PACE ANALYTICAL	30
PACE ANALYTICAL	22.3
PACE ANALYTICAL	30
PACE ANALYTICAL	30
ROBINSON L	303.1
ROBINSON L	29.4
VERIZON WIRELESS	107.83
Total 940 - Environmental Health	2917.62
Total 810 - County Public Health	13530.54
Report Total	194114.19
<b>610 - County Highway</b>	
<b>815 - County Highway Department</b>	
<b>Name</b>	<b>Check Amount</b>
AREA-WIDE TECHNOLOGI	1017.35
AT&T MOBILITY	479.29
BLUE CARDINAL CHEM	879.91

C&L TRUCKING & MAINT	1115.95
CANADY LABS	92
CANON FINANCIAL	5370.4
CLAUSS SPECIALITIES	7500
CLAUSS SPECIALITIES	7544.55
CLIFTON CHEMICAL	389.15
Eiec	433.99
Francoyu	203.85
HALL SIGNS	528.36
Heritage	7209.94
Hi-Viz I	180
HOMEWOOD DISPOSAL	173.29
JAMAR TECH	3755.42
johnfin	220.68
Kc Commu	11246.28
KURT ALBERS CO TREAS	13730.95
LEAF	1114.89
Marquis	450
Mediacom	484.18
Mediacom	484.18
MIDWEST ENGINEERING	3712.5
Napa Aut	1114.85
Nicor Ga	734.44
Plumb Ma	259.97
Rahn Equ	655.53
RP LUMBER COMP	44.79
RUNNINGS	321.64
SHELIA'S	400
WAREHOUSE DIRECT	201.26
WATSEKA B&D ENTER	1145.14
WATSEKA FORD	8538.12
Total 815 - County Highway Department	81732.85
Total 610 - County Highway	81732.85
<b>615 - County Bridge</b>	
<b>815 - County Highway Department</b>	
<b>Name</b>	Check Amount
HUTCHISON ENG	2474.75
Total 815 - County Highway Department	2474.75

<b>625 - County Motor Fuel Tax</b>	
<b>815 - County Highway Department</b>	
<b><u>Name</u></b>	Check Amount
Iroq Hig	1257.93
Iroq Hig	5384.62
Iroq Hig	10343.91
Iroq Hig	5384.62
Iroq Hig	9500.43
Iroq Hig	5384.61
Iroq Hig	11383.14
Total 815 - County Highway Department	48639.26
<b>630 - Township Bridge Program</b>	
<b>815 - County Highway Department</b>	
<b><u>Name</u></b>	Check Amount
HUTCHISON ENG	3299.67
Total 630 - Township Bridge Program	3299.67
<b>635 - Township Motor Fuel Tax</b>	
<b>815 - County Highway Department</b>	
<b><u>Name</u></b>	Check Amount
HUTCHISON ENG	2474.75
Iroq Hig	63212.03
Total 815 - County Highway Department	65686.78
Total 635 - Township Motor Fuel Tax	65686.78
Report Total	201833.31

**OLD BUSINESS**

**LABOR CONTRACT BETWEEN IROQUOIS COUNTY AND ILLINOIS  
FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE LABOR COUNCIL ON BEHALF OF THE  
IROQUOIS COUNTY TELECOMMUNICATORS**  
*(The Labor Contract will be recorded and placed on file in the County Clerk's office)*

It was moved by Mr. Behrends to approve The Labor Contract between Iroquois County and Illinois Fraternal Order of Police Labor Council on behalf of the Iroquois County Telecommunicators . The motion was seconded and carried by a roll call vote.

**STATE OF ILLINOIS  
IROQUOIS COUNTY**

Roll call and votes in Iroquois County

Recessed Session, January 13, 2026

Chairman pro tem Bakken

On motion to approve The Labor Contract between Iroquois County and Illinois Fraternal Order of Police Labor Council on behalf of the Iroquois County Telecommunicators

Aye: Alt, Bakken, Bard, Behrends, Bence, Crow, Grant, Huse, McGinnis, Munsterman, Perkinson, Whitlow, Williams

Absent: Ducat

**LABOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN IROQUOIS COUNTY/IROQUOIS COUNTY  
SHERIFF CO-EMPLOYERS AND THE ILLINOIS FRATERNAL ORDER OF  
POLICE LABOR COUNCIL ON BEHALF OF AND WITH IROQUOIS COUNTY  
DEPUTIES AND CORPORALS**

*(The Labor Contract will be recorded and placed on file in the County Clerk's office)*

It was moved by Mr. Alt to approve The Labor Agreement between Iroquois County/Iroquois County Sheriff Co-Employers and Illinois Fraternal Order of Police Labor Council on behalf of the Iroquois County Deputies and Corporals . The motion was seconded and carried by a roll call vote.

**STATE OF ILLINOIS  
IROQUOIS COUNTY**

Roll call and votes in Iroquois County

Recessed Session, January 13, 2026

Chairman pro tem Bakken

On motion to approve The Labor Agreement between Iroquois County/Iroquois County Sheriff Co-Employers and Illinois Fraternal Order of Police Labor Council on behalf of the Iroquois County Deputies and Corporals

Aye: Alt, Bakken, Bard, Behrends, Bence, Crow, Grant, Huse, McGinnis, Munsterman, Perkinson, Whitlow, Williams

Absent: Ducat

**THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BEWTEEN IROQUOIS  
COUNTY/IROQUOIS COUNTY SHERIFF (CO-EMPLOYERS) AND ILLINOIS  
FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE LABOR COUNCIL ON BEHALF OF AND  
WITH SERGEANTS AND LIEUTENANTS BARGAINING UNIT**

*(The Collective Bargaining Agreement will be recorded and placed on file in the County Clerk's office)*

It was moved by Mr. Grant to approve The Collective Bargaining Agreement between Iroquois County/Iroquois County Sheriff (Co-Employers) and Illinois Fraternal Order of

Police Labor Council on behalf of and with Sergeants and Lieutenants Bargaining Unit. . The motion was seconded and carried by a roll call vote.

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IROQUOIS COUNTY**

Roll call and votes in Iroquois County

Recessed Session, January 13, 2026

Chairman pro tem Bakken

On motion to approve The Collective Bargaining Agreement between Iroquois County/Iroquois County Sheriff (Co-Employers) and Illinois Fraternal Order of Police Labor Council on behalf of and with Sergeants and Lieutenants Bargaining Unit

Aye: Alt, Bakken, Bard, Behrends, Bence, Crow, Grant, Huse, McGinnis, Munsterman, Perkinson, Whitlow, Williams

Absent: Ducat

**THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN IROQUOIS  
COUNTY/ IROQUOIS COUNTY SHERIFF (CO-EMPLOYERS) AND ILLINOIS  
FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE LABOR COUNCIL ON BEHALF OF AND  
WITH IROQUOIS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE CORRECTIONS OFFICERS'  
BARGAINING UNIT**

*(The Collective Bargaining Agreement will be recorded and placed on file in the County Clerk's office)*

It was moved by Mr. Williams to approve The Collective Bargaining Agreement between Iroquois County/Iroquois County Sheriff (Co-Employers) and Illinois Fraternal Order of Police Labor Council on behalf of and with Iroquois County Sheriff's Office Corrections Officers' Bargaining Unit. . The motion was seconded and carried by a roll call vote.

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IROQUOIS COUNTY**

Roll call and votes in Iroquois County

Recessed Session, January 13, 2026

Chairman pro tem Bakken

On motion to approve The Collective Bargaining Agreement between Iroquois County/Iroquois County Sheriff (Co-Employers) and Illinois Fraternal Order of Police Labor Council on behalf of and with Iroquois County Sheriff's Office Corrections Officers' Bargaining Unit.

Aye: Alt, Bakken, Bard, Behrends, Bence, Crow, Huse, McGinnis, Munsterman, Perkinson, Whitlow, Williams

Absent: Ducat

**NEW BUSINESS**

**RESOLUTION R2026-3  
RESOLUTION DECLARING THE VACANCY FOR IROQUOIS COUNTY BOARD  
DISTRICT IV**

*(Resolution R2026-3 has been recorded and placed on file in the County Clerk's Office)*

Chairman pro tem Bakken presented Resolution R2026-3, Resolution Declaring the vacancy for Iroquois County Board District IV. Doug Geiger, District IV Iroquois County Board member, resigned effective on December 15, 2025. . It was moved by Mr. Grant to approve the Resolution R2026-3. The motion was seconded and carried by a roll call vote.

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IROQUOIS COUNTY**

Roll call and votes in Iroquois County

Recessed Session, January 13, 2026

Chairman pro tem Bakken

On motion to approve Resolution R2026-3 Resolution Declaring the Vacancy for Iroquois County Board District IV.

Aye: Alt, Bakken, Bard, Behrends, Bence, Crow, Grant, Huse, McGinnis, Munsterman, Perkinson, Whitlow, Williams

Absent: Ducat

**RESOLUTION R2026-4  
RESOLUTION DECLARING THE VACANCY FOR IROQUOIS COUNTY BOARD  
DISTRICT IV**

*(Resolution R2026-4 has been recorded and placed on file in the County Clerk's Office)*

Chairman pro tem Bakken presented Resolution R2026-4, Resolution Declaring the Vacancy for Iroquois County Board District IV. Scott Watts, District IV Iroquois County Board member, passed away on December 13, 2025. It was moved by Mrs. Crow to approve the Resolution R2026-4. The motion was seconded and carried by a roll call vote.

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IROQUOIS COUNTY**

Roll call and votes in Iroquois County

Recessed Session, January 13, 2026

Chairman pro tem Bakken

On motion to approve Resolution R2026-4 Resolution Declaring the Vacancy for Iroquois County Board District IV.

Aye: Alt, Bakken, Bard, Behrends, Bence, Crow, Grant, Huse, McGinnis, Munsterman, Perkinson, Whitlow, Williams

Absent: Ducat

**NOMINATIONS FOR VICE CHAIRMAN OF COUNTY BOARD**

Due to the untimely passing of County Board Vice Chairman Scott Watts, the Board needed to fill the vacancy of the Vice Chairman position. It was moved by Mr. Alt and seconded to nominate Mrs. Bakken as Vice Chairman of the County Board. As there were no

other nominations brought forward, it was moved by Mr. Williams and seconded to close nominations. A roll call vote was taken to close nominations and approve Mrs. Bakken as Vice Chairman of the County Board. Motion carried.

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IROQUOIS COUNTY**

Roll call and votes in Iroquois County

Recessed Session, January 13, 2026

Chairman pro tem Bakken

On motion to close nominations and approve Mrs. Bakken as Vice Chairman of the County Board

Aye: Alt, Bakken, Bard, Behrends, Bence, Crow, Grant, Huse, McGinnis, Munsterman, Perkinson, Whitlow, Williams

Absent: Ducat

**ADJOURMENT**

As there was no further business to come before the Board, it was moved by Mr. Alt and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 10:40 A.M. The motion carried by a voice vote. The next County Board meeting will be held in Watseka, IL on Tuesday February 10, 2026 at 9:00A.M.