

January 9, 2025
1st Day of the January Adjournment Term
Commission met pursuant to December 19, 2024
Members Present: Presiding Commissioner (PC), Jim Scaggs
Associate Commissioner (AC), Southern, Dustin Hinkle
Associate Commissioner (AC), Western, Josh Campbell
County Clerk, Marsha Womble
Others Present: Carol Hardy, Treasurer; Tim Harbison, Coroner; Chuck Helton, Sheriff; Janice Helms,
Sheriff-Admin Assistant; State Auditor Office-Kelley Davis & Samantha Brown

Meeting called order at 10:00 a.m. by PC Scaggs.

AC Campbell made the motion to approve the agenda. AC Hinkle seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried. AC Campbell made the motion to approve Minutes of previous meeting. AC Hinkle seconded the motion.

COMMISSION REPORT: Meeting started with a moment of silence in memory of Former President of the United States Jimmy Carter.

LANTZ CEMETARY: A deed of trust was presented for the formation of a cemetery. The county is not responsible for the maintenance of the said cemetery. AC Campbell made the motion to accept the deed of trust for a cemetery for Roberta Lantz and descendants on County Road 11 and authorized PC Scaggs to sign the deed. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

SCHRADER LAW FIRM LEGAL AGREEMENT: AC Campbell made the motion to renew the legal agreement with Schrader Law Firm & give PC Scaggs authority to sign. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

AC Campbell made a motion to move into closed session per RSMO 610.021 (17) to discuss legal issues at 10:24 am. AC Hinkle seconded. Roll call: AC Campbell-aye; PC Scaggs-aye; AC Hinkle-aye. All in favor, motion carried.

AC Campbell made a motion to move out of closed session and back into regular session at 12:36 pm. AC Hinkle seconded. Roll call: AC Campbell-aye; PC Scaggs-aye; AC Hinkle-aye
All in favor, motion carried. No action taken during the closed session.

SHERIFF: Discussed purchasing a storage container and other budget needs for 2025. He has received a grant from the Edgar Foundation for purchasing tasers and has also applied for a USDA block grant.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS: Discussed capital improvements for 2025. TAP-sidewalk grant will take place in 2026.
ROAD & BRIDGE: Tabled

FINANCIAL: A.) Claims-tabled B.) Other-Treasurer Hardy presented the 2024 Annual Settlement. AC Campbell made the motion to accept the annual settlement as presented. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.
With no other business, AC Hinkle made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:30 pm. AC Campbell seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Jim Scaggs, Presiding Commissioner

January 23, 2025

1st Day of the January Adjournment Term

Commission met pursuant to January 9, 2025

Members Present: Presiding Commissioner (PC), Jim Scaggs
Associate Commissioner (AC), Southern, Dustin Hinkle
Associate Commissioner (AC), Western, Josh Campbell
County Clerk, Marsha Womble

Others Present: Rick Turner & Roger Hampton, Road & Bridge Dept; Connie Reed, Recorder; Chuck Helton, Sheriff; Tim Harbison, Coroner

Meeting called order at 10:00 a.m. by PC Scaggs.

AC Campbell made the motion to approve the agenda. AC Hinkle seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried. AC Campbell made the motion to approve Minutes of previous meeting. AC Hinkle seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMISSION REPORT: Limbs on the lawn will be cleared by a community service worker & the janitor & R&B will pick them up. SEMO Regional Commission meeting discussed SB237 is related to Local Sales/Use tax. If passed it would reinstate sales tax that the legislature exempted on certain types of businesses. It could be an extreme loss in sales tax revenue for the counties if we do not get the tax reinstated. The SEMO Regional Commissioners agreed to send a letter in support of the bill.

RECORDER GRANT: The recorder would like to apply for a grant for shelving in the records room to replace the wood shelves that could damage the old books. AC Campbell made the motion to approve the request to apply for the grant. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

2025 LIBRARY BUDGET: The Commission received and reviewed the 2025 budget and financials of the Ozark Regional Library as statutorily required.

SB237: PC Scaggs reviewed the fiscal negative impact on counties if SB237 would not pass. SB237 is related to Local Sales/Use tax. It could be an extreme loss in sales tax revenue for the counties if we do not get the tax reinstated. AC Campbell made the motion to approve a letter of support for SB237 from the Commission to be sent to state officials. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

SHERIFF: discussed MULES charges.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS: discussed the installation of the new telephone and internet system.

ROAD & BRIDGE: A.) FLAP-tabled B.) Bids for Hogan Shed opened and reviewed. AC Hinkle made the motion to award the bid to Jetta Contractors for the building of Hogan Shed. AC Campbell seconded. All in favor, motion carried. C.) Other-the 2nd MACK truck has been built & inspected. The bed is being installed now. Road crew has been out working on limb cleanup & road repairs after the ice storm.

FINANCIAL: A.) Claims will be approved for payment after the budget is reviewed and accepted by the Auditor's Office. B.) 2025 Budget was presented by County Clerk Womble as follows: A review of the 3 Major Funds: The big grant opportunities that have occurred over the past few years has come to an end. General Revenue will have an estimated deficit spending of \$800,000. The majority of the expenditures is tied to salaries, health, work comp., & property insurance. General Revenue has a beginning balance of \$1,877,146.54 with anticipated revenues of \$2,642,656 and expenditures of \$3,392,850 resulting in an estimated ending balance of \$1,126,952.54 The beginning & ending balances in General Revenue includes monies held in CD's. Road & Bridge has a beginning balance of \$314,143.81 with anticipated revenues of \$2,465,395 and expenditures of \$2,741,380 resulting in a projected ending balance of \$38,158.81. Assessment has a beginning balance of \$142,188.30 with anticipated revenues of \$258,030 and expenditures of \$395,396 resulting in a projected ending balance of \$4,822.30 SB40 has a beginning balance of \$28,182.80 with anticipated revenues of \$210,000 and expenditures of \$210,000 resulting in a projected ending balance of \$28,182.80. AC Campbell made the motion to approve the 2025 Budget for Iron County and SB40 as presented with no changes. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. C.) Other: AC Campbell made the motion to renew membership with the AV Chamber of Commerce. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

AC Campbell made the motion to approve Court Order 2025-02 for renewal of the line of credit with First State Community Bank. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Next Commission meetings are scheduled for February 6th & 20th. CCAM required annual conference/training is February 26-28th.

With no other business, AC Campbell made the motion to adjourn at 1:00 pm. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Jim Scaggs, Presiding Commissioner

February 6, 2025

3rd Day of the January Adjournment Term

Commission met pursuant to January 23, 2025

Members Present: Presiding Commissioner (PC), Jim Scaggs
Associate Commissioner (AC), Southern, Dustin Hinkle
Associate Commissioner (AC), Western, Josh Campbell
County Clerk, Marsha Womble

Others Present: Rick Turner & Roger Hampton, Road & Bridge Dept; Connie Reed, Recorder; Crystal Skaggs, Collector; Chuck Helton, Sheriff; Dave Huff & Ben Young, Assessor Office; Carol Hardy, Treasurer

Meeting called to order at 10:02 a.m. by PC Scaggs.

AC Campbell made the motion to approve the agenda. AC Hinkle seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
AC Campbell made the motion to approve Minutes of previous meeting.
AC Hinkle seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMISSION REPORT: AC Campbell is working on someone to repair the cannons. AC Hinkle stated cleanup has started in Hogan from the truck spill. PC Scaggs was able to obtain a copy of the State budget and reviewed it with those present. Also, discussed was the possible non-funding of the Secure Rural Schools program. If funding is halted Iron County schools could lose approximately \$200,000.

PC Scaggs met with some legislators while in Jefferson City and discussed SB237 and trying to get the bill moved forward. He also found out there is still ARPA funding available that could be used for additional Courthouse renovations. He will pursue the grant.

COMMISSION OFFICE LOCATION: AC Campbell made the motion to start meeting again in the old commission office (now Division III Courtroom). AC Hinkle seconded. Discussion was held. AC Campbell withdrew his motion to move back to the other office. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMISSION COMMITTEES: AC Hinkle made the motion to accept individuals already appointed to the committees with addition of himself on Workforce Development. AC Campbell seconded. All in favor, motion carried. Committees/boards as follows: EMAA, Ben Young; Workforce Development, Josh Campbell; Emergency Management Director, Lucas Anderson; Flood Plain Manager, Jim Scaggs; University Extension, Kenny Wooten; Regional Planning Commission, Jim Scaggs; Solid Waste Management, Jim Scaggs; Transportation Advisory Committee, Scaggs, Helton, McClanahan; Law Enforcement Restitution (LERF), Micah Inman. Also discussed was RSMO 49.098 additional duties of the Commission & RSMO 49.140 County Commission prohibited from doing certain things.

SHERIFF: A.) State Auditor responses-once the audit is released responses & procedures will be reviewed openly. B.) Other-prisoner count is down. Discussed prisoner per diem & adjustment from DOC reimbursement.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS: A.) Jail-small balance left in the grant. Sheriff Helton needs to see if there are any additional needs that would qualify for the renovation grant. B.) TAP-sidewalk- Reviewed Phase I Cultural Resource Survey. Commission agrees to proceed. C.) Other-discussed Eddings Masonry quote for paint removal, etc. on the 1964 end of the Courthouse. PC Scaggs is working on the RFP for 1964 addition. Also, discussed repairs needed on the gazebo. PC Scaggs will be pursuing a CDBG grant for a saferoom addition to the Tax Office.

ROAD & BRIDGE: A.) FLAP/RAC-tabled B.) Other-2025 Mack Dump truck will be delivered on Friday. MODOT would like to start bridge inspections on Monday. Material bid request publication will be next week. Road & equipment maintenance discussed. Roger H. received three quotes for ¾ ton Chevrolet work trucks from Don Brown, Autry Morlan, & Baldwin Group. AC Hinkle made the motion to accept the bid from Baldwin Chevrolet for the purchase of two work trucks as long as we can get both within budget. AC Campbell seconded. All in favor, motion carried. Reviewed a quote from Republic Trash Service. AC Campbell made a motion to approve the proposal from Republic Trash Service and give PC Scaggs authority to sign. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

FINANCIAL: A.) Claims presented and approved for payment. B.) Other-AC Campbell made the motion to approve the following disbursements to schools as presented: Court Order 2025-03 School Fines; Court Order 2025-04 School Surplus; Court Order 2025-05 Railroad & Utilities to Schools & Court Order 2025-06 Private Car tax. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

AC Hinkle made a motion to recess and move into closed session at 12:05 pm per RSMO 610.21 (1) & (17) to discuss personnel and legal issues. AC Campbell seconded. Roll call: AC Campbell, aye; AC Hinkle, aye; PC Scaggs, aye. All in favor, motion carried.

AC Hinkle made the motion to adjourn from closed session and move back into open session at 12:30 pm. AC Campbell seconded. Roll Call: PC Scaggs- aye; AC Young-aye; AC Chandler-aye All in favor, motion carried. No action was taken during the closed session.

With no other business, AC Hinkle made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:31 pm. AC Campbell seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Jim Scaggs, Presiding Commissioner

March 6, 2025

4th Day of the January Adjournment Term

Commission met pursuant to February 6, 2025

Members Present: Presiding Commissioner (PC), Jim Scaggs
Associate Commissioner (AC), Southern, Dustin Hinkle
Associate Commissioner (AC), Western, Josh Campbell
County Clerk, Marsha Womble

Others Present: Rick Turner & Roger Hampton, Road & Bridge Dept; Connie Reed, Recorder; Crystal Skaggs, Collector; Dave Huff & Ben Young, Assessor Office; Carol Hardy, Treasurer

Meeting called to order at 10:02 a.m. by PC Scaggs.

AC Campbell made the motion to approve the agenda. AC Hinkle seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried. AC Campbell made the motion to approve Minutes of previous meeting.

AC Hinkle seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMISSION REPORT: AC Campbell spoke with Friends of Fort Davidson's Brick Autry to assist with cannon restoration. Eddings Masonry will be sending a quote for the staining of the brick on the back of the courthouse. PC Scaggs discussed HB903 which reduces commercial assessed valuation from 33% to 19%. Estimated 1.7m loss in revenue to General Revenue. HB321 bill to reinstate sales tax to mining, manufacturing & utilities failed. Fiscal note from state estimates \$35m loss in revenue. HB743 & SB185 now exempt broadband and solar companies from sales tax. Iron County has had approximately \$270k loss in sales tax revenue between 2022-2024. These types of sales tax losses are devastating to rural counties. Secure Rural Schools (federal funding) was not appropriate, which means we will also lose Title III funding in the Road Department. PC Scaggs met with USFS concerning the Crane Lake project. If it is approved & signed this fall, they could possibly go out for bids in 2026. State road repairs in 2025-Highway 49 & BB bridge; Highway 72; Highway 21 @ tip-top. A letter the Assessor received from the State Tax Commission was discussed. STC is requesting the Assessor sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) stating he will increase the level of assessment. He is currently at approximately 62% of market value. STC wants us to be at 90-110% of market value. Values were raised in 2019, 2021, & 2023. 80 counties are out of tolerance. The Assessor has been trying to protect the citizens for many years and is now being forced to increase property values. He told STC he will increase values on residential by 15%.

MURAL-A cost estimate was received (with options) to remove the mural from the Arcadia Valley Bank and install it in the courthouse hallway on the First floor. AC Campbell made the motion to have it installed in a glass case and framed. AC Hinkle seconded. Discussion was held. AC Campbell stated he would donate funds to the project. All in favor, motion carried.

PARKLAND REDI INVOICE: Received the quarterly Parkland Redi Invoice which is shared with four other counties to research rural economic development. AC Campbell made the motion to approve the quarterly invoice for payment. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

ELECTION EQUIPMENT: County Clerk Womble presented a contract with the Henry Adkins Company for the purchase of new tabulation equipment to be paid for over 3 years. The current equipment is 10 years old. She received a grant for \$11,500 that will pay for a portion of the equipment. This company is the sole source for acquiring equipment that will work with our current ADA equipment. After reviewing the contract, AC Campbell made a motion to approve the contract and give PC Scaggs & Co Clerk Womble authority to sign. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

SHERIFF: tabled

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS: A.) Jail-tabled B.) Sidewalk-tabled C.) Other-the RFP for the County Clerk's office has been published and due March 27th. AC Campbell is working on the RFP for the 3rd Floor offices. Discussed the support beam for the courtroom and how to proceed. RFP will need prepped for the beam project. Historic Preservation is requesting photos of each window and location, etc. to determine if it will qualify for replacement with DNR conservation easement. Brockmiller asked to purchase 1860 era lumber for repairs to the Dillard Mill. After discussion to determine price and quantity needs, AC Campbell made the motion to sell 100 linear feet at \$10 per foot for the Dillard Mill restoration. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

ROAD & BRIDGE: A.) FLAP/RAC-waiting on allocation of funds. B.) Material Bids-Bids were opened and turned over to Foreman Turner for review and tabulation. Rick will submit his recommendations at the next Commission meeting. C.) Road Closure (32A)-discussed and determined the end of the asphalt is the end of county maintenance. D.) Other-Hogan shed should be started in a couple weeks. ERPA requirements scheduled to for March 18 @ 11 am to decommission the 2 dump trucks to meet grant qualifications. Various road maintenance discussed. New trucks may get here by June. The bridge on County Road 20 is being repaired.

FINANCIAL: A.) Claims presented and approved for payment. B.) Treasurer Hardy presented the January 2025 reconciliation. AC Campbell made the motion to accept the January 2025 reconciliation as presented. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. C.) Other- AC Campbell made the motion to approve Court Order 2025-07 for payment of the beginning of installation of Spectrum equipment from ARPA funds. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. January & February 2025 Personal Property assessment changes approved. Recorder Reed commented that the 1st grant she received is complete and is moving forward with the shelving grant.

With no other business, AC Hinkle made the motion to adjourn at 12:10 pm. AC Campbell seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Jim Scaggs, Presiding Commissioner

March 20, 2025

5th Day of the January Adjournment Term

Commission met pursuant to March 6, 2025

Members Present: Presiding Commissioner (PC), Jim Scaggs
Associate Commissioner (AC), Southern, Dustin Hinkle
Associate Commissioner (AC), Western, Josh Campbell
County Clerk, Marsha Womble

Others Present: Roger Medley; Connie Reed, Recorder; Vicki Branstetter, Heather Hulse & Brandi Declue-Iron Co Health Coalition; Carol Hardy, Treasurer

Meeting called to order at 10:20 a.m. by PC Scaggs.

AC Campbell made the motion to approve the agenda. AC Hinkle seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried. AC Hinkle made the motion to approve Minutes of previous meeting.

AC Campbell seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMISSION REPORT: none given

COUNTY TORNADO: Discussed the March 14th Tornado. Tremendous support has been given to the Village of Des Arc and surrounding area. Emergency Management and the volunteer fire departments that responded did an outstanding job! The EM Director was available any time he was needed. He may not have always been onsite but was a phone call away. Communication has been the big issue with no electricity, land lines out and no cell service available. East Missouri Action Agency (EMAA) has been a huge help. MO Baptist Disaster Relief has been there. Scott Oatman has been fantastic with getting assistance down there. There have been food trucks, individual & business donations, dump trucks, equipment donations, etc. The Health Department has been there as well. Sen. Jamie Burger, Rep. Tony Harbison, and Congressman Jason Smith have all been there to survey damage and find out the needs. The mail for the Des Arc Post Office (which was destroyed) will be transferred to Annapolis at this time. Zones have been set up to organize and plan on a daily basis. The county may have to rent a skid steer with grapple to assist with debris removal. Deputies and Road & Bridge employees will have overtime. After reviewing the Personnel Policy, AC Campbell made the motion to pay overtime to R&B employees and deputies for cleanup & security. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. AC Campbell made the motion to give PC Scaggs authority to rent and sign a contract for the rental of a skid steer with grapple if they find there is a need. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

IRON CO HEALTH COALITION-Opioid Funds: Vicki Branstetter introduced the ICHC members and explained their mission is to improve the health of Iron County citizens. Iron County contributed opioid settlement funds to the ICHC to be used to assist in the prevention of opioid use. They discussed the 2024 accomplishments of the Iron Co Health Coalition. There are drug drop-off locations, kits to destroy opioid drugs at home and kits for securing opioid drugs. Pamphlets are available for opioid prevention education and resources for connecting the citizens of Iron County with assistance. Narcan use training is available with Missouri Highlands. They have been making presentations at schools. They have a Youth Coalition in which students give presentations about drug prevention to their peers. 988 is the mental health number for texting and calling for assistance. AC Campbell made the motion to extend the ICHC contract for another year. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

COUNTY CLERK COPIER: Co Clerk Womble discussed her copier being very old and parts were getting harder to find. She presented a contract from The Rite Group for a new copier and a decrease in the copier maintenance fee. AC Hinkle made the motion to give PC Scaggs authority to sign the copier lease with The Rite Group Co. AC Campbell seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

SHERIFF: The Donation account has been transferred to the Co Treasurer as requested by State Auditors.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS: A.) Jail-Four bids have been received for the fencing at the front of the Sheriff House (admin). Commission will review the options and decide at a later date. B.) TAP-tabled C.) Other-RFP for Co Clerk's office due March 27th. RFP's for the 3rd floor are still being prepared by AC Campbell.

ROAD & BRIDGE: A.)FLAP/RAC- TABLED B.)Material bid awards- TABLED C.) County Road 32A-AC Campbell discussed state statute that says if a co road is not maintained for a number of years it is considered vacated. The portion of the road in question has not been maintained for many years and is actually fenced off. The Commission discussed the owners' deed still showing the road. The landowner needs to petition the Commission to amend the deed to have the easement removed.

FINANCIAL: A.) Claims presented and approved for payment B.) Other-Treasurer Hardy discussed the upcoming maturity of CD's

With no further business, AC Hinkle made the motion to adjourn at 12:00 pm. AC Campbell seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Jim Scaggs, Presiding Commissioner

April 3, 2025

1st Day of the April Adjournment Term

Commission met pursuant to March 20, 2025

Members Present: Presiding Commissioner (PC), Jim Scaggs
Associate Commissioner (AC), Southern, Dustin Hinkle
Associate Commissioner (AC), Western, Josh Campbell
County Clerk, Marsha Womble

Others Present: Chuck Helton, Sheriff & Roger Medley, deputy; Carol Hardy, Treasurer; Crystal Skaggs, Collector; Bill Thompson, 911 Director

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by PC Scaggs.

AC Campbell made the motion to approve the agenda with the addition of 5a.) Budget Review and the removal of 9c.) Co Road 32A. AC Hinkle seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried. AC Campbell made the motion to approve Minutes of previous meeting. AC Hinkle seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMISSION REPORT: PC Scaggs will be attending Legislative Day on April 15th in Jefferson City.

Discussed sales tax review on random utility bills from different citizens. There are discrepancies in the sales tax calculations on certain invoices issued by various companies. PC Scaggs met with FEMA, SEMA & Flood plain management last week. Governor Kehoe has asked for a declaration from the federal government. Iron County's storm assessment is just over \$3m. Efforts are currently underway to clear the creeks to safeguard the bridges from potential flooding. Donations for the Des Arc community have been outstanding.

5a.) 2025 Quarterly Budget Review-Expenditures are right on target at 24.6% however, we did miss on the revenues. Forest crop land revenues are expected to be down by \$200k; Railroad & Utilities are down; sales tax has been reduced statewide by 24%. The Road & Bridge Fund hasn't received Mineral Royalties yet, CART is on target. R&B Expenditures are at 19.5%. If the federal government does not disburse Secure Rural Schools funds it will be a big hit for the Road & Bridge Department.

IRON COUNTY HEALTH COALITION: AC Hinkle made the motion to approve the Court Order 2025-08 to be paid to the Iron County Health Coalition for opioid abuse treatment and prevention. AC Campbell seconded. All in favor, motion carried. Also, discussed was investing the Opioid Funds into a CD. The commission agreed to the treasurer investing the Opioid Funds in a CD.

SHERIFF: Brush guards on the vehicles purchased through LERF was a worthwhile investment and protected the vehicles from damage. Sheriff Helton hasn't heard if he will receive the DPS grant for new equipment yet. He is reviewing the possibility of charging weekend prisoner holds in advance as other counties are doing.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS: RFP for the tuckpointing/paint removal is out for bid. Currently, there are no bids. One bid from Brockmiller was received for the Co Clerk's Office RFP. PC Scaggs will contact them for more information. Discussed bids for railing around the pea gravel in front of the Sheriff Administration building.

ROAD & BRIDGE: A.) FLAP/RAC-waiting on the environmentalist. Discussed cost estimates discussed were from 4 years ago. This will need to be addressed. B.) Material bids-AC Hinkle made the motion to approve bids at the recommendation of Foreman Turner. AC Campbell seconded. All in favor, motion carried. Bids awarded as follows (all bids on file in the County Clerk's Office):

SALT: Thompson Farm Supply

FUEL/OIL: Bauman Oil

SNOWPLOW BLADES: Lacal

ASPHALT: Leadbelt

ROCK QUARRIES: Due to the various locations where needed, all quarries were accepted.

C.) Other-The contractor has been working on the Hogan shed. Roads put the two freightliners out of commission 2 weeks ago per EPA grant requirements. County Road 60 & 61A maintenance was discussed. FCC license is up for renewal this year. Bill Thompson said he would take care of it. There will be a lot of hand patching taking place this year. A quote on a grapple attachment for the loader was discussed. Commission agreed to proceed with getting measurements, etc. for quote accuracy.

FINANCIAL: A.) Claims were presented and approved for payment. B.) Treasurer Hardy presented the February and March balanced reconciliation reports. AC Campbell made the motion to accept the reconciliations. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. C.) Other-Collector Skaggs presented 2 tax sale redemption requests. AC Campbell made the motion to approve the requests. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

With no other business, AC Hinkle made a motion to adjourn at 11:42 am. AC Campbell seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Jim Scaggs, Presiding Commissioner

April 17, 2025

2nd Day of the April Adjournment Term

Commission met pursuant to April 3, 2025

Members Present: Presiding Commissioner (PC), Jim Scaggs
Associate Commissioner (AC), Southern, Dustin Hinkle
Associate Commissioner (AC), Western, Josh Campbell
County Clerk, Marsha Womble

Others Present: Chuck Helton, Sheriff; Crystal Skaggs, Collector; Connie Reed, Recorder

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m. by PC Scaggs.

AC Hinkle made the motion to approve the agenda. AC Campbell seconded. All in favor, motion carried. AC Campbell made the motion to approve Minutes of previous meeting. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMISSION REPORT: AC Campbell discussed reviewing a washout of a culvert. It is not the county's responsibility to repair the citizen's culvert. PC Scaggs discussed FEMA & SEMA assessments for the tornado. No word on a declaration. Flood damage was also reviewed this week with FEMA & SEMA. Open Door Church in Sabula inquired about holding an open-air meeting May 23-24, 2025. Commission has agreed.

MAC LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE: PC Scaggs attended and met with some of the Governor's staff to discuss some of the bills that could impact the County. Watching HB903-Personal Property tax reduction. (could be 1.7m loss to Iron County including all entities) and HB185-Sales tax exemption for broadband and solar farms. PC Scaggs will be attending at Northeast Regional meeting to explain the effect the passing of the bills could have on rural counties.

IRON COUNTY HEALTH DEPT: ICHD receive notification they will receive a \$200k cut in DHSS funds. EMAA Headstart programs across the nation are being cut.

SB190/753: General discussion was held.

SHERIFF: Discussed the Sheriff Retirement fund and bills that have been presented to fund it. Sheriffs no longer qualify for any county retirement program due to bills that have been passed.

Sheriff Helton has applied for a grant with Wal-Mart. He has also received some used laptops & tough books from 2 other counties, and the computers are being updated for use in his department. Upcoming DPS inspection and a monitoring system that is available for single cells. He is also working on finding funds to update vehicle laptops.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS: A.) Jail-discussed pea gravel area & updating cell doors. B.) TAP-tabled C.) RFP Co Clerk to be re-bid. Discussed the layout of the office.

ROADS: A.) FLAP/RAC-PC Scaggs signed an extended contract this week. A zoom meeting will be held to discuss allocation of funds. B.) Other-Questions concerning Co Road 124 & 131. No funds are available currently. Flood repair has depleted the road & bridge budget. Co Road 163 to Des Arc-almost lost an abutment. Repairs have been made to stabilize it. Co Road 142 needs major repairs due to a mud slide. The road department is doing the best they can to repair roads as soon as possible.

FINANCIAL: A.) Claims presented and approved for payment. B.) Other-AC Campbell made the motion to renew MULES agreement with St. Francois County. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. AC Hinkle made the motion to go out for bids for the 2024 Single year audit. AC Campbell seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

With no other business, AC Campbell made the motion to adjourn at 12:40 pm. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Jim Scaggs, Presiding Commissioner

May 1, 2025

3rd Day of the April Adjournment Term

Commission met pursuant to April 17, 2025

Members Present: Presiding Commissioner (PC), Jim Scaggs
Associate Commissioner (AC), Southern, Dustin Hinkle
Associate Commissioner (AC), Western, Josh Campbell
County Clerk, Marsha Womble

Others Present: Chuck Helton, Sheriff; Crystal Skaggs, Collector; David Huff & Ben Young, Assessor's office; Rick Turner & Roger Hampton, Road & Bridge; Beau Cotton, McCoy Construction

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by PC Scaggs.

AC Hinkle made the motion to approve the agenda. AC Campbell seconded. All in favor, motion carried. AC Campbell made the motion to approve Minutes of previous meeting. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMISSION REPORT: AC Campbell discussed a private bridge that was lost in the flood. The owners are inquiring about FEMA assistance. Nothing new on cannon repair. AC Hinkle discussed a road that a citizen asked about the county taking over. He needs to research the process in statutes. He also discussed a contractor dumping old construction materials on the side of a county road. PC Scaggs spoke at the NE Regional Commission & Co Clerk meeting about sales tax exemptions and bills at the state. Adair Co. recently had a solar farm installed and will receive no sales tax revenue from it. He attended MAC Legislative Day in Jefferson City and met with numerous legislators about the sales tax exemption bills. MAC boarding meeting is next week. The Department of Revenue has agreed to investigate sales tax discrepancies on utility bills. SB190 discussed.

SHERIFF: Discussed board bill collection options. Sheriff Helton will be purchasing a shipping/storage container to use instead of paying for storage units. He is looking into a new reporting system that does more than the current system does and could save the county money.

SPECTRUM: Transition of phone/internet service to Spectrum and the new IT company will begin in the next couple weeks. AC Campbell made the motion to give PC Scaggs authority to make decisions as needed during the transition and with email & website transition to the new provider. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

FEMA: No declaration has been made. There is a meeting scheduled for citizens of Des Arc this evening.

BUILDING & GROUNDS: A.) Jail-waiting for price quote on chuck holes for cell doors. B.) TAP sidewalk-tabled C.) RFP Co Clerk Office-Received one new bid. AC Campbell made the motion to accept the bid from Jetta Contracting. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

D.) Other-AC Campbell made the motion to accept the bid for paint removal of the section of the courthouse from Eddings Masonry. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

ROAD & BRIDGE: A.) FLAP/RAC-tabled B.) County Road 139-discussed road closure request. C.) McCoy Construction-Beau Cotton reviewed bid for a grapple attachment for a loader.

FINANCIAL: A.) Claims presented for payment and approved. B.) Other- AC Campbell made the motion to renew Air Evac. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. AC Campbell made the motion to approve the request for payment of materials to Jetta Contracting for the Hogan Shed. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

With no other business, AC Campbell made a motion to adjourn @ 11:33 pm. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Jim Scaggs, Presiding Commissioner

May 15, 2025

3rd Day of the April Adjournment Term

Commission met pursuant to April 17, 2025

Members Present: Presiding Commissioner (PC), Jim Scaggs
Associate Commissioner (AC), Southern, Dustin Hinkle
Associate Commissioner (AC), Western, Josh Campbell
County Clerk, Marsha Womble

Others Present: Chuck Helton, Sheriff; Crystal Skaggs, Collector; Rick Turner & Roger Hampton, Road & Bridge;
Carol Hardy, Treasurer; Frank Cameron, CR 109

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by PC Scaggs.

AC Campbell made the motion to approve the agenda with addition of RPC dues. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. AC Campbell made the motion to approve Minutes of previous meeting. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMISSION REPORT: AC Hinkle stated that a window company is wanting to donate some windows to the Des Arc Community. He'll need to contact Des Arc Council. AC Campbell discussed more siding being dumped on another county road, but he thinks it's been taken care of. PC Scaggs presented a thank you card that the County received from the South Iron High School students that toured the courthouse. They really enjoyed it. The MAC meeting was 05/07/2025. There was a lot of discussion concerning solar farms and sales tax exemptions. Discussion was held concerning the lack of funding to the Sheriff's Retirement fund. Funding options were discussed at the meeting. SB190 was discussed also and there were many different opinions whether the senior tax freeze includes school bonds. Spectrum will be working on transitioning our current telephone & internet system next week. MODOT projects are underway in the surrounding area. Work on Tip Top continues and there will be traffic delays this summer. Royal Gorge work is supposed to start after July 4th.

HEALTH INSURANCE: Bidding for the upcoming year was discussed. AC Campbell stated that he may check with some surrounding agencies. Co Clerk Womble will contact our current agent to come to a Commission meeting to give an overview of our current health insurance situation.

GRANTS: MDNR non-playground equipment grant is available. The picnic tables and benches are made from recycled tires. AC Campbell made the motion for AC Hinkle to pursue the grant. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

ANNUAL SETTLEMENT: PC Scaggs asked Collector Skaggs if she had completed the Annual Settlement yet. She is finishing the 2023 settlement and will begin 2024 soon. She will have to put the totals on MO Form 205 as required by Auditors. She gave Co Clerk Womble a copy of the collections book for 2024.

PARKLAND REDI: AC Hinkle made the motion to renew with Parkland Redi for economic development research. SEMO RPC manages the program for the counties sharing the expenses. AC Campbell seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

SEMO RPC Dues-AC Campbell made a motion to approve the SEMO RPC dues as presented. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

SHERIFF: A.) MO Blue Shield Program designation for the county was discussed. It allows more opportunities for receiving grants and funds for the Sheriff Department. We will need to pass a resolution & provide a letter from the county. The deadline is the end of the month. AC Campbell made the motion to approve the Court Order 2025-09 to adopt the designation of Iron County as a MO Blue Shield Program County. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. B.) DSSSF Grant application will need to be signed soon. It will fund an additional \$2,000 annually to full-time deputies. C.) Other-discussed collecting board bill payments and a new reporting system that is available for the admin office & jail that will save the county money.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS: A.) Jail-AC Hinkle made the motion to purchase and install chuck holes in three cell doors from Brockmiller Construction. AC Campbell seconded. All in favor, motion carried. B.) TAP-tabled. C.) CDBG Grant-\$750,000 grant opportunity. Possible uses were discussed. AC Campbell will pursue the grant. D.) Other-Work on the Hogan shed is still in progress.

ROAD & BRIDGE: A.) FLAP/RAC-Project is moving forward. A partial fund release will be in 2025 and the other in 2026. The funds need to be released at the same time. They are trying to coordinate laying base with the RAC Grant. B.) County Road 139-the road needs to be marked where the owner wants to place the gate and needs to be reviewed for a suitable place for a turnaround. C.) County Road 109-Frank Cameron discussed the condition of the road. Maintenance was delayed due to the recent storms. Equipment had to be moved to those areas to address storms, and they have just made it back to his area. He also asked about a landfill permit and discussed an area on Highway 72 that there is a lot of trash. Iron County does not have landfill permits and the area he is concerned with is on the State Highway. Iron County has no jurisdiction for it. D.) Other-discussed repairs need on the motor grader. AC Campbell made the motion to replace the long block engine on the motor grader. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. Road Maintenance on County Road 102 discussed.

FINANCIAL: A.) Claims presented and approved for payment. B.) Other-AC Campbell made the motion to accept the April reconciliation as presented by Treasurer Hardy. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

With no other business, AC Campbell made the motion to adjourn at 12:06 pm. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Jim Scaggs, Presiding Commissioner

May 29, 2025

4th Day of the April Adjournment Term

Commission met pursuant to May 15, 2025

Members Present: Presiding Commissioner (PC), Jim Scaggs
Associate Commissioner (AC), Southern, Dustin Hinkle
Associate Commissioner (AC), Western, Josh Campbell
County Clerk, Marsha Womble

Others Present: Chuck Helton, Sheriff; Rick Turner & Roger Hampton, Road & Bridge; Tony Harbison, Rep. 144th;
Brian Parker, Pros. Attorney; David McKinney, Custom Insurance

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by PC Scaggs.

AC Campbell made the motion to approve the agenda. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. AC Campbell made the motion to approve Minutes of previous meeting. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMISSION REPORT: AC Campbell spoke with Brick Autry about the cannon restoration, and it will probably be in the fall. PC Scaggs discussed the FEMA declaration for tornadoes and floods. The RPC meeting was this week as well as SEMO Commissioners meeting. There was a discussion concerning the Sheriff's Retirement bill that is now on the Governor's desk for signature. A lot of discussion was held about sales tax exemptions bills with numerous State Reps in attendance. The RPC in NE Missouri has researched how local sales tax exemptions can hamper local entities. They also discussed RSMo 259.220 taxation of Mineral Rights. Rep. Harbison discussed the things that happened in the legislature this year. He feels next year will be a better year for passing legislation to help rural counties. He was instrumental in establishing an advisory committee to work on some of the legislation that will help us survive. Rep. Harbison also filed a bill for reimbursement of timber sales from MDC like USFS does. PC Scaggs also discussed the incorrect taxes on Brightspeed bills. He asked Rep. Harbison if he could assist and he stated that he would reach out to some people. The city of Annapolis was awarded a grant to assist with water treatment.

HEALTH INSURANCE: David McKinney, Iron County's agent with Custom Insurance, gave an overview of the processes the county has used in the past and to date to provide health insurance to employees. Iron County in a fully insured ACA plan which is for 2-50 employees. The ratings are established by a massive pool. There are currently two carriers for ACA plans left in MO. If we break 50 FT employees, we will have to go to the open market, which will cause a massive increase in premiums. Iron County currently provides health coverage for qualified full-time employees with no cost to employees in the base plan. We've seen an average increase of 7.23% annually since going to the ACA plan. Without this type of coverage, we could have potentially been paying \$70k per month. If we go above the 50 employees, threshold annually, we will have to pay a penalty.

COUNTY POLICIES: A.) Audit review-discussed establishing a grant policy as well as reviewing the things the Auditors recommended: Annual Collector Settlement on proper form; Closed Session properly recorded in minutes; eliminated County paid annual employee meeting; Sheriff salary mid-term increase-letter was sent to previous Sheriff requesting reimbursement; County Commission policy for quarterly password changes; backup of computers; County Commission sunshine request policy. We will continue to work on implementation.

SHERIFF: Board bills for prisoners were sent out from March 2023 to current. Discussed warrant service for municipalities and reimbursement. Chow holes for the cell doors have been ordered. The contractor will have to coordinate with the jail for installation. Block Grant application needs to be signed. DSSSF Grant has been submitted. MO Blue Shield Program designation documents have been submitted. The shipping container has been purchased, and storage units will be cleared soon.

BUILDING & GROUNDS: A.) Jail -tabled B.) TAP GRANT-tabled C.) CDBG Grant due July 28th. D.) DNR Grant – 3 tables & 5 benches for each side. Due June 18, 2025

ROAD & BRIDGE: A.) FLAP/RAC-tabled B.) County Road 139-discussed statute requirements for closure. We need to find out where the property line is. C.) Other-discussed preparation for FEMA. Road maintenance reviewed and the need for a road grader while the 2nd one is being repaired. Discussed Royal Gorge closure and the planned detour for at least 45 days. The beginning date is July 7th. The wall must be hammered. MODOT's recommendation for detour is through Lesterville to Highway N. Highway 49 & BB bypass is expected to be put back in mid-June. New trucks are expected to be 6 weeks out.

AC Campbell made a motion to move into closed session per RSMO 610.021 (1) to discuss legal issues at 12:15 am. AC Hinkle seconded. Roll call: AC Campbell-aye; PC Scaggs-aye; AC Hinkle-aye. All in favor, motion carried.

AC Campbell made a motion to move out of closed session and back into regular session at 12:40 pm. AC Hinkle seconded. Roll call: AC Campbell-aye; PC Scaggs-aye; AC Hinkle-aye All in favor, motion carried. No action taken during the closed session.

FINANCIAL: A.) Claims presented and approved for payment. B.) Other- AC Campbell made the motion to accept the only bid received for the 2024 Single Audit from Mueller Oberkfell & Jones, LLC AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. Being as they were the only bid and we needed to move forward for scheduling due to the deadline of September 30, the company was contacted to proceed with scheduling. This company took over for Daniel Jones and Associates who has completed our audits for numerous years. The County Clerk reached out to 3 companies and received 2 responses. One company responded with a decline due to scheduling and Mueller responded with a bid. No response was received from the 3rd company. AC Campbell made the motion to approve Court Order 2025-10 for disbursement of Mineral Receipts. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. AC Campbell made the motion to approve Court Order 2025-11 for disbursement of National Forest Minerals/1908 Act to schools. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

With no other business, AC Hinkle made the motion to adjourn at 12:56 pm. AC Campbell seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

June 12, 2025

5th Day of the April Adjournment Term

Commission met pursuant to May 29, 2025

Members Present: Presiding Commissioner (PC), Jim Scaggs
Associate Commissioner (AC), Southern, Dustin Hinkle (arrived late)
Associate Commissioner (AC), Western, Josh Campbell
County Clerk, Marsha Womble

Others Present: Chuck Helton, Sheriff; Rick Turner & Roger Hampton, Road & Bridge; Carol Hardy, Treasurer; Connie Reed, Recorder

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by PC Scaggs.

AC Campbell made the motion to approve the agenda. PC Scaggs seconded. All in favor, motion carried. AC Campbell made the motion to approve Minutes of previous meeting. PC Scaggs seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMISSION REPORT: PC Scaggs will be speaking next Thursday at the Northwest Commissioners' meeting about sales tax exemption bills. He also participated in a SEMA meeting & a FEMA meeting last week for the FEMA declaration for the recent severe storms. Disaster survival set up for the next 2 days in Des Arc as well as from June 30-July 3rd. Next week there will be an emergency management meeting to discuss the MODOT closure of Highway 21 at the Royal Gorge and the emergency response plan.

SB40: AC Campbell made the motion to approve the requested re-appointment of Marcy Smith. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

COUNTY POLICIES: AC Campbell made the motion to approve the Iron County Grant policy. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

SHERIFF: Blue Shield Program Designation discussed. He should receive communication in July with how to proceed with grant opportunities. DSSSF application has been submitted.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS: A.) Jail-only thing left is the chow hole installation in cell doors. B.) TAP-tabled C.) CDBG Grant – AC Campbell selected 4 engineering firms to request RFQ's. The plan is to add a storm shelter onto the Tax Office. Application is due July 28th. D.) DNR Scrap tire grant – AC Hinkle made the motion to approve the application. AC Campbell seconded. All in favor, motion carried. E.) Other-Recorder stated she did not receive the shelving grant from the state. Renovations to the County Clerk's Office should start within the next 2 weeks. The RFP for the 3rd floor needs to be prepared soon.

ROAD & BRIDGE: A.) FLAP/RAC – nothing new B.) County Road 139 – AC Hinkle made the motion to approve vacating a portion of County Road 139. AC Campbell seconded. All in favor, motion carried. Public notice was posted in 3 places.

C.) Workforce Development Block Grant – PC Scaggs requested two workers but can now get 3 workers. People must meet qualifications of displacement. The county will be notified when they locate individuals that qualify. D.) FEMA/SEMA – Usual reimbursement is 75% from federal and 25% from state. We haven't received notification that the state will pay. There are two projects. One is from tornadoes, and the other is the flood. Discussed bridges that may need to be replaced due to storm damage. DR4867 tornado March 14-15 has public assistance & individual and DR4872 March 30-April 8 has public assistance but no individual assistance yet. E.) Other – Road Department is trying to keep up with maintenance but it's difficult with as much rain as we've received. Both new trucks should be here by the end of June. Tentative schedule for the county auction is October 11th.

FINANCIAL: A.) Claims approved for payment. B.) Other – AC Campbell made the motion to accept the May reconciliation report as presented. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. CD renewal discussed. AC Campbell made a motion to renew both CDs for 6 months. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

With no other business, AC Campbell made the motion to adjourn at 12:04 pm. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Jim Scaggs, Presiding Commissioner

June 17, 2025

6th Day of the April Adjournment Term

Commission met pursuant to June 12, 2025

Members Present: Presiding Commissioner (PC), Jim Scaggs
Associate Commissioner (AC), Southern, Dustin Hinkle
Associate Commissioner (AC), Western, Josh Campbell
County Clerk, Marsha Womble

Others Present: Connie Reed, Recorder

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m. by PC Scaggs.

AC Campbell made the motion to approve the agenda with addition of Court Order 2025-12. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. Minutes unavailable.

COMMISSION REPORT: Disaster Survey Assistance was last Thursday & Friday in Des Arc. Disaster Recovery Center will be setup June 30 – July 3 in Des Arc.

CDBG Grant – AC Hinkle made the motion to approve the Resolution for funding to apply for the CDBG application. AC Campbell seconded. All in favor, motion carried. AC Hinkle made the motion to approve the RFQ for engineering services qualifications. AC Campbell seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Court Order 2025-12- AC Campbell made the motion to approve Court Order 2025-12 for the Code of Ethics for 2 years. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

AC Campbell made a motion to move into closed session per RSMO 610.021 (1) to discuss legal issues at 11:26 am. AC Hinkle seconded. Roll call: AC Campbell-aye; PC Scaggs-aye; AC Hinkle-aye. All in favor, motion carried.

AC Campbell made a motion to move out of closed session and back into regular session at 11:36 pm. AC Hinkle seconded. Roll call: AC Campbell-aye; PC Scaggs-aye; AC Hinkle-aye All in favor, motion carried. AC Campbell made the motion to join Ste. Genevieve Co as co-plaintiff as relates to SB157 & 93 which amended 144.054 Rsmo to exempt mining, manufacturing, energy production & utility industries from paying local sales tax. AC Hinkle seconded. Roll call: AC Campbell-aye; PC Scaggs-aye; AC Hinkle-aye All in favor, motion carried.

Discussed the staining schedule of the tan brick on the back of the courthouse.

With no other business, AC Campbell made the motion to adjourn at 11:41 am. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Jim Scaggs, Presiding Commissioner

June 27, 2025
7th Day of the April Adjournment Term
Commission met pursuant to June 17, 2025
Members Present: Associate Commissioner (AC), Southern, Dustin Hinkle
Associate Commissioner (AC), Western, Josh Campbell
County Clerk, Marsha Womble
Other Present: Carol Hardy, Treasurer

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by AC Campbell.

AC Hinkle made the motion to approve the agenda. AC Campbell seconded. All in favor, motion carried.
Minutes unavailable.

DEPOSITORY AGREEMENT: One depository agreement was received by the deadline of June 26th at 10 am. The agreement was received from the First State Community Bank and was reviewed with the Treasurer and County Clerk. AC Hinkle made the motion to approve and accept the agreement as presented by First State Community Bank. AC Campbell seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

With no other business, AC Hinkle made the motion to adjourn at 10:20 am. AC Campbell seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Jim Scaggs, Presiding Commissioner

July 3, 2025

8th Day of the April Adjournment Term

Commission met pursuant to June 27, 2025

Members Present: Presiding Commissioner (PC), Jim Scaggs
Associate Commissioner (AC), Southern, Dustin Hinkle (late)
Associate Commissioner (AC), Western, Josh Campbell
County Clerk, Marsha Womble

Others Present: Connie Reed, Recorder; Chuck Helton, Sheriff

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by PC Scaggs.

AC Campbell made the motion to approve the agenda. PC Scaggs seconded. All in favor, motion carried. AC Campbell made the motion to approve the minutes of June 12, 17, & 27, 2025. PC Scaggs seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMISSION REPORT: PC Scaggs has attended numerous meetings this past week working on legislation concerning sales tax exemptions & mineral rights. FEMA Disaster Recovery setup through today in Des Arc.

SHERIFF: AC Campbell made the motion to give PC Scaggs authority to approve and sign LLEBG grant for 2025. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. Blue Shield Designation for Iron County has been accepted. Sheriff Helton will be pursuing grants for equipment. Board bills have been mailed to the other counties. Other jail issues discussed.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS: A.) Jail-tabled B.) Sidewalk-tabled C.) CDBG-Engineering firms have not responded to the RFQ due to timing. An architect report is also required. There doesn't appear to be enough time to get quality submissions for the grant this year. D.) DNR-Scrap tire grant has been submitted for picnic tables and benches. AC Hinkle to follow-up that it was received.

R&B: A.) FLAP-new application deadline for county roads that have to lead to federal land. Discussed roads that qualify. B.) County Road 139-AC Hinkle made the motion to proceed with the partial closure of County Road 139 per statute. AC Campbell seconded. All in favor, motion carried. The first reading of the impending closure was held.

C.) Workforce Development Program-no approved workers are available yet.

D.) FEMA/SEMA-Reimbursement of SEMA from 2023 is still pending. We are supposed to be moved to the top of the list. E.) Other-Children at play signs have been requested in the western district. Discussed a few road issues.

FINANCIAL: A.) Claims submitted and approved for payment. B.) Other – Assessor personal property tax book changes (court order) approved for June 2025. BOE convenes on July 21st at 10 am.

With no other business, AC Campbell made the motion to adjourn at 12:00 pm. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Jim Scaggs, Presiding Commissioner

July 17, 2025

9th Day of the April Adjournment Term

Commission met pursuant to July 3, 2025

Members Present: Presiding Commissioner (PC), Jim Scaggs
Associate Commissioner (AC), Southern, Dustin Hinkle
Associate Commissioner (AC), Western, Josh Campbell
County Clerk, Marsha Womble

Others Present: Rick Turner & Roger Hampton, R&B; Connie Reed, Recorder; Chuck Helton, Sheriff; Crystal Skaggs, Collector; Ben Young, Assessor's Office
Citizens-Tina Zangara, Brenda Barton, Debbie & Gary Eudy

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by PC Scaggs.

AC Campbell made the motion to approve the agenda. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. AC Campbell made the motion to approve the minutes of July 3, 2025. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMISSION REPORT: PC Scaggs reviewed the local TAC (Transportation Advisory Committee) meeting & discussed the Iron County projects that will be submitted & voted on by the Regional TAC meeting comprised of 7 counties. AC Campbell commended the organizers of the Iron County Fair for a job well done.

SENIOR TAX FREEZE: Citizens-Tina Zangara, Brenda Barton, Debbie & Gary Eudy presented a petition to the Commission concerning placing a Senior Tax Freeze before the voters. The petition will need to be reviewed, and signatures verified before Commission approval. PC Scaggs explained the levies the Commission has control of which are General Revenue and Road & Bridge and how the levies are established. He discussed why the Commission did not implement an ordinance and the possible liability concerns for the county because of the wording in SB190/756. Another county is already involved in litigation because of implementation. PC Scaggs also discussed the order that was issued by the State Tax Commission to raise property values to reach the tolerance level of 90-110% of market value. The Assessor has tried to keep the assessment as low as possible, but the STC is trying to force this increase on taxpayers statewide. The Assessor did not want to do this to the citizens of Iron County but is now being forced to by the State. The Assessor & Collector's office acknowledges the concerns of citizens; however, they are obligated to adhere to established laws and respectfully request that individuals interact courteously with staff when making inquiries.

RITE GROUP CONTRACT: Recorder Reed received a verbal negotiated rate from the Rite Group that decreased the monthly maintenance fee on her copier. AC Hinkle made the motion to give Connie Reed, Recorder authority, to sign the contract with Rite Group at the reduced rate. AC Campbell seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

SHERIFF: Sheriff Helton discussed a large invoice received from Wayne County for a back payment request of medical expenses from housing of prisoners. Discussed landscaping at the entrance of the Administration building.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS: A.) Jail-tabled B.) Sidewalk-tabled C.) CDBG-AC Campbell is working ahead to get documentation/estimates ready for applying next year. D.) Other-we are slightly behind on the brick work which has also delayed the replacement of the windows in the County Clerk's office. The interior of the office renovations is progressing. Discussed the need to replace the fire panel for the elevator. A quote will be sent to us.

ROAD & BRIDGE: A.) FLAP-waiting on letter to proceed from MODOT B.) Co Road 139-tabled. C.) Co Road 27-AC Campbell received a call from a citizen about fence damage and the detour from the recent storm/tornado in Belleview area. AC Campbell made a motion to reimburse the citizen for the damage. AC Hinkle seconded. After discussion, PC Scaggs asked all in favor. No response, motion failed. D.) Road closure-there has been a lot of confusion with the signage that has been placed for the Royal Gorge detour on Hwy 21. MODOT's detour around the Royal Gorge is Hwy N & 21/72 through Lesterville. MODOT cannot and has not detoured to county roads however county roads are public roads, and per legal advice we can't stop people from choosing to take a different route than the designate state detour around the Royal Gorge. E.) Other-Road maintenance & equipment maintenance was discussed. Also, discussed using Purple Wave for auctioning of equipment.

FINANCIAL: A.) Claims presented and approved for payment. B.) Other-AC Hinkle made the motion to accept Treasurer Hardy's semi-annual settlement of county funds. AC Campbell seconded. All in favor, motion carried. AC Campbell made the motion to approve the Surplus funds to be turned over to the treasurer. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. AC Campbell made the motion to approve and give PC Scaggs the authority to sign the revised contract from Jetta Contracting. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. AC Campbell made the motion to approve the partial payment request to Jetta Contracting for the Co Clerk's office renovation. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

With no other business, AC Hinkle made the motion to adjourn at 12:45 pm. AC Campbell seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Jim Scaggs, Presiding Commissioner

July 31, 2025

10th Day of the April Adjournment Term

Commission met pursuant to July 17, 2025

Members Present: Presiding Commissioner (PC), Jim Scaggs
Associate Commissioner (AC), Southern, Dustin Hinkle
Associate Commissioner (AC), Western, Josh Campbell
County Clerk, Marsha Womble

Others Present: Carol Hardy, Treasurer; Crystal Skaggs, Collector; Connie Reed, Recorder; Chuck Helton, Sheriff; Roger Hampton, R&B Foreman; Brian Parker, PA

The meeting was called to order at 2:12 pm. by PC Scaggs.

AC Campbell made the motion to approve the agenda. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. AC Campbell made the motion to approve the minutes of July 17, 2025. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMISSION REPORT: AC Campbell welcomed Roger Hampton as the new Road & Bridge Foreman. PC Scaggs discussed tax legislation he'd like Senator Burger to file. Confirmation was received of the opening of the road at Royal Gorge tomorrow at noon.

COMMISSION INTERNAL CONTROLS: AC Campbell made a motion to approve the addition of ARPA wording in the Internal Controls document. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

CAREER TECH PROJECT: AC Campbell made a motion to approve the Career Tech Program at AV to restore the cannons. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

TEXTMY GOV APP: Collector Skaggs discussed an app that is available to send text notifications/alerts out to the public. The County doesn't have funds in the budget to do this. Also, discussed was SB3.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS: A.) Jail-tabled B.) Sidewalk-tabled C.) Other-Co Clerk's office renovation is almost complete. Next will be the 3rd floor.

ROAD & BRIDGE: A.) FLAP-tabled B.) CR 139-tabled C.) DRA Grant-A Community Infrastructure Fund grant that can be used on county roads that have economic development potential. D.) Other-Discussed equipment and road maintenance. Purplewave.com will be here next week to take pictures of the trucks that will be for sale.

SHERIFF: A contract with Justice Solutions software was presented for review.

FINANCIAL: Claims submitted and approved for payment.

AC Campbell made a motion to recess and move into closed session per statute 610.021(1) for legal discussion at 3:40 pm. AC Hinkle seconded. Roll call: PC Scaggs-aye; AC Campbell-aye; AC Hinkle-aye. All in favor, motion carried.

AC Campbell made a motion to move out of closed session and back into regular session at 4:24 pm. AC Hinkle seconded. Roll call: AC Campbell-aye; PC Scaggs-aye; AC Hinkle-aye All in favor, motion carried. NO ACTION TAKEN

With no other business, AC Campbell made the motion to adjourn at 4:25 Pm. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Jim Scaggs, Presiding Commissioner

August 14, 2025
11th Day of the April Adjournment Term
Commission met pursuant to July 31, 2025
Members Present: Presiding Commissioner (PC), Jim Scaggs
 Associate Commissioner (AC), Southern, Dustin Hinkle
 Associate Commissioner (AC), Western, Josh Campbell
 County Clerk, Marsha Womble
Others Present: Carol Hardy, Treasurer; Crystal Skaggs, Collector; Roger Hampton, R&B Foreman; Tina Zangara & Debbie Eudy, citizens

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by PC Scaggs.

AC Hinkle made the motion to approve the agenda. AC Campbell seconded. All in favor, motion carried. AC Campbell made the motion to approve the minutes of July 31, 2025. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMISSION REPORT: PC Scaggs attended MAC board of directors meeting. There was discussion concerning tax legislative issues. An SB3 lawsuit has been filed. The wording for placement on a ballot has not been clarified and makes it difficult for counties. There are questions about whether it applies to municipalities. PC Scaggs explained a destination sales tax vs. use tax. He has been asked to speak about the destination sales tax at the Northwest Commissioner’s meeting in September.

PETITION: Commission discussed the Senior tax freeze petition that was presented on July 17th. Legal counsel’s opinion is that the petition is not in the proper format, etc. to be placed on a ballot. The County does not disagree with the concept however it will need to be in proper format and wording to place a question before the vote of the people.

COLLECTOR AGREEMENT: Commission reviewed a revised agreement between the County Collector and the City of Viburnum.

SHERIFF: tabled

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS: A.) Jail tabled B.) Sidewalk tabled C.) Other-discussed water issues within the Courthouse. AC Campbell will acquire estimates to restore old windows vs. replacement. Discussed preparing the RFP for the 3rd floor.

ROAD & BRIDGE: A.) FLAP-tabled B.) County Road 139-tabled C.) DRA Grant-PC Scaggs will be reviewing potential qualifying roads with an engineer. D.) BRO-Discussion on the need to choose roads/bridges to submit for replacement & how much we qualify for. E.) Other-road and equipment maintenance discussed.

FINANCIAL: A.) Claims submitted and approved for payment. B.) July Reconciliation-AC Campbell made the motion to accept the Treasurer’s reconciliation as presented. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

With no other business, AC Hinkle made the motion to adjourn at 12:30 pm. AC Campbell seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Jim Scaggs, Presiding Commissioner

August 28, 2025

11th Day of the April Adjournment Term

Commission met pursuant to August 14, 2025

Members Present: Presiding Commissioner (PC), Jim Scaggs
Associate Commissioner (AC), Southern, Dustin Hinkle
Associate Commissioner (AC), Western, Josh Campbell
County Clerk, Marsha Womble

Others Present: Crystal Skaggs, Collector; Connie Reed, Recorder; Roger Hampton, R&B Foreman;
Chuck Helton, Sheriff; Carol Hardy, Treasurer; Dave Huff (& Cheryl), Assessor

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by PC Scaggs.

AC Campbell made the motion to approve the agenda. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. AC Campbell made the motion to approve the minutes of August 14, 2025. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMISSION REPORT: PC Scaggs reported that it appears that most counties that have received a petition concerning SB190 are making an ordinance to place it on the ballot. He also attended RPC & SEMO Regional Commission meetings with lots of discussion about whether it would affect the municipalities.

HIGGENBOTHAM GROUP: re-scheduled

COLLECTOR AGREEMENT WITH VIBURNUM: Viburnum approved the agreement but there are some corrections that are needed to the documents. Collector Skaggs will contact Viburnum.

WORK READY AWARD: Only 4 counties maintained the Work Ready certification in SEMO. Iron County has had it since 2014 and has the highest rating of the 4 counties for preparing students. There are 35 active business supporters in Iron County.

SHERIFF: Sheriff Helton spoke with the vendor about scheduling the installation of fencing around the front of the administrative building. Also discussed repairing some plumbing and chow hole installation in the new cell doors. Emergency cell service equipment purchase discussed for temporary service in emergency situations.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS: A.) Jail-PC Scaggs will follow up with the chow-hole installation.

B.) TAP sidewalk Grant-discussed concerns with the plans. The engineer will be reviewing and possibly making some changes. There is a 20% match by the county required for this grant.

C.) Other- AC Campbell made the motion to approve Court Order 2025-13 for payment to Bo Layton Wood Working from ARPA funds for the installation of countertops/desk with partition in the County Clerk's office. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. AC Campbell will be working on acquiring a quote for window restoration of the old windows.

ROAD & BRIDGE: A.) FLAP/RAC-Current FLAP grant extension has been renewed. Discussed a new FLAP Grant that will be available. RPC will be working on the application. B.) County Road 139-tabled C.) DRA Grant- An engineer will prepare preliminary review of county roads that could qualify. D.) BRO-received soft match estimate from the engineer & cost max. available. E.) Other-discussed bridge on County Road 154 for possible FEMA replacement. Purple Wave Auction ends next Tuesday. The new motor in the grader is doing well.

FINANCIAL: A.) Claims presented and approved for payment. B.) 2025 Tax Levy Hearing- Assessed Valuation for 2025 is \$236,164,515 including Real Estate, Personal Property, & Railroad & Utilities minus TIF. The proposed General Revenue levy is .3571 per \$100; Road & Bridge is .3096 per \$100; The SB40 board made a recommendation to approve their levy as .0999 per \$100. AC Campbell made the motion to accept the 2025 levies as presented by County Clerk Womble. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. The levies are calculated by a formula established by the State. Increases or decreases in the levy are also based on the amount of sales tax received in the prior year and estimates for the current year. The reduction in sales tax revenue may be due to the sales tax exemption law for mining, manufacturing and solar power. Higher sales tax revenue results in a lower General Revenue levy.

With no other business, AC Campbell made the motion to adjourn at 11:47 am. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Jim Scaggs, Presiding Commissioner

September 11, 2025

12th Day of the July Adjournment Term

Commission met pursuant to August 28, 2025

Members Present: Presiding Commissioner (PC), Jim Scaggs
Associate Commissioner (AC), Southern, Dustin Hinkle
Associate Commissioner (AC), Western, Josh Campbell
County Clerk, Marsha Womble

Others Present: Crystal Skaggs, Collector; Connie Reed, Recorder; Roger Hampton, R&B Foreman; Chuck Helton, Sheriff; Carol Hardy, Treasurer

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by PC Scaggs.

AC Campbell made the motion to approve the agenda with the addition of burn ban. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. AC Campbell made the motion to approve the minutes of August 28, 2025. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMISSION REPORT: AC Campbell requested a moment of silence in remembrance of 9/11 and for the recent death of Charlie Kirk. PC Scaggs discussed his mileage reimbursement request for 2025. He has attended numerous meetings in 2025 and has more scheduled for the remainder of the year. A work session is scheduled for September 18 to discuss the goals and plans of the Commission for the remainder of 2025 and what they would like to accomplish over the next three years. SEMO RPC dinner will be on September 23rd at 6 pm. SEMO County Commission meeting is September 24th. PC Scaggs is also scheduled to meet with the Governor soon.

HIGGENBOTHAM GROUP: Chase Marable with Higgenbotham Group discussed what they can offer the County in regard to property and liabilities insurance.

COLLECTOR AGREEMENT WITH VIBURNUM: Collector Skaggs presented the agreement that was approved by the City of Viburnum July 12th and signed by the City on September 9, 2025. AC Campbell made a motion to approve the agreement that renews annually with the option to change the contract six months in advance. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. SB190 was also discussed.

SUNSHINE REQUEST POLICY: AC Campbell made a motion to approve the Sunshine request policy as presented. AC Hinkle would like to review more prior to approval. Motion died.

SHERIFF: Sheriff Helton discussed chow hole installation and prisoner relocation. The vendor that was contracted to complete the fencing at the administrative building is supposed to confirm location of the fencing today with the Sheriff. The Sheriff department is now responsible for the reporting of DOC reimbursement reports. It was previously handled by the Circuit Clerk's office. Commission and the sheriff discussed training options for the administrative assistant on the software. Prisoner boarding bills have been sent out. Also discussed was new admin software and grant applications.

BUILDING & GROUNDS: A.) Jail-discussed under sheriff B.) TAP-tabled C.) Other -sealing/staining of the brick on newer end of the Courthouse and repair of the lawn discussed. Maintenance on the elevator and other renovations discussed. C.) Other-AC Hinkle made the motion to add an additional component to the new telephone system to allow a better call flow. AC Campbell seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

In other business, the Recorder stated she will be looking for a part-time person to help in her office.

BURN BAN: State fire marshal communication stated the level of drought in our area does not warrant a burn ban at this time. However, an advisory can be issued by the Fire Districts.

ROAD & BRIDGE: A.) FLAP/RAC-a cost proposal has been received for the new FLAP grant from RPC. The application needs to be submitted by the end of September. B.) Co Road 139-tabled until new term. C.) DRA Grant – tabled D.) BRO – discussed bridge to be submitted. E.) Other – discussed New Construction projects that are being completed and other road & equipment maintenance. The vehicles sold on Purple Wave have been sold and pick up is being scheduled. The proceeds from the sale will be used to purchase a new plow. R&B has held off on blading roads due to the ground being too hard to make any progress. A FEMA meeting was held on September 8th to discuss repairs. Also discussed was a call from the US Forest Service concerning easements on some county roads and access to a cemetery.

FINANCIAL: A.) Claims presented and approved for payment except for a reimbursement request by PC Scaggs for mileage reimbursement. PC Scaggs recommended the Commission not approve the entire reimbursement request due to budget balance available. Reimbursement was approved for the remainder of the balance available. B.) Treasurer August Reconciliation – AC Campbell made a motion to approve the reconciliation as presented by Treasurer Hardy. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. C.) Other – Assessor Personal Property Court Orders approved and signed for August.

AC Hinkle made a motion to recess and move into closed session at 12:28 pm. pursuant to State Statute 610.021(1) to discuss possible legal, confidential, or personnel issues. AC Campbell seconded the motion. Roll Call: PC Scaggs- aye; AC Campbell-aye; AC Hinkle-aye All in favor, motion carried.

At 12:48 pm AC Campbell made the motion to adjourn from closed session and move back into regular session. AC Hinkle seconded. Roll Call: PC Scaggs- aye; AC Campbell-aye; AC Hinkle-aye All in favor, motion carried. No action was taken during the closed session.

With no further business, AC Campbell made the motion to adjourn at 12:50 pm. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Jim Scaggs, Presiding Commissioner

September 25, 2025

13th Day of the July Adjournment Term

Commission met pursuant to September 11, 2025

Members Present: Presiding Commissioner (PC), Jim Scaggs
Associate Commissioner (AC), Western, Josh Campbell
County Clerk, Marsha Womble

Others Present: Crystal Skaggs, Collector; Connie Reed, Recorder; Roger Hampton, R&B Foreman; Ben Young, Assessor

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 am by PC Scaggs.

AC Campbell made the motion to approve the agenda. PC Scaggs seconded. All in favor, motion carried. AC Campbell made the motion to approve the minutes of September 11, 2025. PC Scaggs seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMISSION REPORT: A.) PC Scaggs discussed draft legislation for Rsmo 259.220 concerning mineral extraction; new legislation to change from origin sales tax to destination sales tax. Thirty-four states have destination sales tax. You pay sales tax based on your zip code with exclusion of business that provides a service such as restaurants, hotels, movies, etc. PC Scaggs discussed the difference in a few tax bills for 2024 vs 2025. Discussion was held concerning pros and cons if the county would implement sb190 senior tax freeze if it is based on 2024. Also, discussed was SB3-what is the wording that needs to be placed before the voters? B.) Commission schedule-Oct. 2 work session; October 9-Commission meeting; October 29-SEMO Regional Commission meeting 10 am (officeholders are invited) C.) Telephone system status-a work in progress. Anna from the Co Clerk's office has been working on making corrections as she can. We did not receive instructions for the ring central portal.

MAC DELEGATES: AC Campbell selected PC Scaggs to be the delegate for Iron County at the MAC conference.

SUNSHINE REQUEST POLICY: AC Campbell made the motion to approve the Sunshine Request as presented. PC Scaggs seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

HEALTH INSURANCE: AC Campbell made the motion to renew with UHC for plan year 2025-2026. PC Scaggs seconded. All in favor, motion carried. There was a 9.5% avg increase in premiums for the new plan year which runs from 12/01 to 11/30.

LIBRARY APPOINTMENTS: AC Campbell made the motion to approve the requests presented by the Library Board for re-appointment of Linda Shockley-Watson and Allison Bryson for 3-year terms. PC Scaggs seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

SHERIFF: tabled

BUILDING & GROUNDS: A.) Jail-chow holes have been installed in cell doors. Vendor that was supposed to do the small fencing at the front of the admin building backed out so we will have to find someone else. B.) TAP-tabled C.) Other- AC Campbell made the motion to approve Court Order 2025-14 for payment to Brockmiller Construction for mural removal, install & framing from Courthouse Preservation funds. PC Scaggs seconded. All in favor, motion carried. AC Campbell made the motion to approve Court Order 2025-15 for payment to Eddings Masonry for paint removal and staining of the brick on the new section of the courthouse. PC Scaggs seconded. All in favor, motion carried. RFP Draft reviewed for approval to publish. Bids are due by October 22, 2025. Completion date must be on or before January 15, 2026.

ROAD & BRIDGE: A.) FLAP078/RAC-Received approval to move forward. Award estimate is a little low based on the original estimate that was received four years ago. Commission will work with them on an amendment due to cost increases. RAC grant will pay for the base.

B.) Co Road 139-tabled C.) DRA Grant-tabled D.) BRO-funding unknown however the county will apply. E.) Other-Maintenance discussed and FEMA repairs. Discussed open employment positions within the road department.

FINANCIAL: A.) Claims presented and approved for payment. B.) Other-AC Campbell made the motion to approve and give the Collector & Recorder (if required) to enter into contract and sign with credit card processing company CSG Forte. PC Scaggs seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

AC Campbell made the motion to recess and moved into closed session per Rsmo 610.021 (1)(3)(17) to discuss legal, confidential or privileged matters at 12:45 pm. PC Scaggs seconded. Roll call: PC Scaggs – aye; AC Campbell-aye All in favor, motion carried.

AC Campbell made the motion to adjourn from closed session and moved back into session at 12:45 pm. PC Scaggs seconded. Roll call: PC Scaggs – aye; AC Campbell-aye All in favor, motion carried. No action was taken in closed session.

Iron County received ACT Work Ready Communities award for 2025 and was recognized by the Work Force Development Board at the SEMO Commissioners meeting on September 14th. Iron County was one of four counties to receive the award.

With no other business, PC Scaggs made the motion to adjourn at 1:20 pm. AC Campbell seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Jim Scaggs, Presiding Commissioner

October 9, 2025

1st Day of the October Adjournment Term

Commission met pursuant to September 11, 2025

Members Present: Presiding Commissioner (PC), Jim Scaggs
Associate Commissioner (AC), Western, Josh Campbell
Associate Commissioner (AC), Southern, Dustin Hinkle
County Clerk, Marsha Womble

Others Present: Crystal Skaggs, Collector; Connie Reed, Recorder; Roger Hampton, R&B Foreman; Anna Harbison, Dep. Co. Clerk; Chuck Helton, Sheriff; Deb & Gary Eudy, citizens; Adam Portell, C4 Superintendent

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by PC Scaggs.

AC Campbell made the motion to approve the agenda. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. AC Campbell made the motion to approve the minutes of September 25, 2025, with the correction of one word. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMISSION REPORT: PC Scaggs will be making a presentation at the Chamber luncheon today and at an upcoming South-Central Commission meeting. He briefly discussed 3 proposed bills that are being drafted. PC Scaggs announced that he will be seeking re-election next year.

SB190: Lengthy discussion was held concerning the pros and cons for implementation of SB190 Senior Tax Freeze Ordinance, what year to use as the base year 2024 or 2025, and changing the wording to just say 62 years old. The legislature revised who qualifies in SB756. If the ordinance is approved, it will not take effect on the 2025 tax bills. If Commission approves the ordinance, it will also affect municipalities. PC Scaggs read the proposed Ordinance. AC Campbell made the motion to consider the reading as the 1st reading and to table a vote on the ordinance until the next commission meeting on October 16, 2025. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

2024 AUDIT MANAGEMENT REP LETTER: AC Campbell made the motion approve and give PC Scaggs authority to sign. AC Hinkle abstained from voting, motion carried.

CERF CONTRIBUTION: AC Campbell made the motion to renew CERF contributions with no changes. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

SHERIFF: Discussed department software; plumbing repairs to cell shower; and placement of plaque at the front of the administrative building. Sheriff's department received Blue Shield grant that will be used to purchase new equipment for the department.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS: A.) Jail-AC Campbell made the motion to approve Pauley Jail for installation of chow holes. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. B.) Sidewalk-tabled C.) Other-AC Hinkle made the motion to approve Nicholson Insulation to replace HVAC insulation on outside of the courthouse. AC Campbell seconded. All in favor, motion carried. Third floor renovation RFP due Oct. 22nd. AC Campbell also discussed purchasing anti-algae tablets and cleaning foam for HVAC units.

ROAD & BRIDGE: A.) FLAP-Bids due November 20th. B.) Co Road 139-tabled C.) DRA Grant-tabled. D.) BRO-AC Campbell made the motion to submit Co Road 20 bridge for 2026 BRO project. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. E.) Other-road & equipment maintenance discussed. Grading of the county roads delayed until we receive some rain. Equipment list for MOPERM has been reviewed.

With no other business, AC Campbell made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:30 am. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Jim Scaggs, Presiding Commissioner

October 16, 2025

2nd Day of the October Adjournment Term

Commission met pursuant to October 9, 2025

Members Present: Presiding Commissioner (PC), Jim Scaggs
Associate Commissioner (AC), Western, Josh Campbell
Associate Commissioner (AC), Southern, Dustin Hinkle
County Clerk, Marsha Womble

Others Present: Crystal Skaggs, Collector; Connie Reed, Recorder; Roger Hampton, R&B Foreman; Carol Hardy, Treasurer; Ben Young, Assessor; Chuck Helton, Sheriff

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by PC Scaggs.

AC Campbell made the motion to approve the agenda. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. AC Campbell made the motion to approve the minutes of October 9, 2025. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMISSION REPORT: AC Hinkle discussed a request for additional speed limit signs on Co. Road 211. It was discussed that the road is posted, and it is a very short distance for placing more signs. PC Scaggs discussed invoicing for the annual web hosting. Invoicing for the mural was received and will be presented at the next meeting. PC Scaggs discussed the change for minimum wage for public employees will also be \$15 effective January 1, 2025. Rsmo 290.502

REQUEST FOR USE OF COURTHOUSE LAWN: AC Campbell made the motion to approve the use of courthouse lawn as there is no conflict with events, and we receive a month's notice. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

SB190/756: AC Hinkle made the motion to approve Court Order 2025-17 to implement an SB190/756 Ordinance to freeze residential property taxes for seniors age 62 and older and using 2025 as the base year. AC Campbell seconded. Discussion was held on the changes that were made to the original ordinance draft. Correction made from just SB190 to include 756. The words "eligible age of 62 for social security benefits" was changed to "the age of 62 or older" as reflected in SB 756. The base year will be 2025 to give the Collector's office time to update software, etc. All in favor, motion carried. Commission held discussion about SB 3 also.

SHERIFF: No business to discuss.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS: A.) Jail-tabled B.) Sidewalk-tabled C.) Court Order 2025-19- AC Campbell made the motion to approve Court Order 2025-19 for payment from ARPA funds to WeManage Tech for assistance in upgrading of telephone and internet to Spectrum at the Courthouse, Tax Office, Sheriff Office & Road & Bridge. Invoice #'s 6258-6263. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. D.) 3rd Floor RFP-bids are due October 22nd.

ROAD & BRIDGE: A.) FLAP-tabled B.) Co Road 139- AC Hinkle made the motion to approve Court Order 2025-18 for partial vacating of Co Road 139. AC Campbell seconded. All in favor, motion carried. C.) DRA Grant – tabled D.) BRO-Co Road 20 tabled. E.) Other-Roads and equipment maintenance discussed. Posting a help wanted ad discussed.

FINANCIAL: A.) Claims unavailable. B.) AC Campbell made the motion to approve and accept the September Reconciliation as presented by Treasurer Hardy. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. C.) Other-Assessor Court Orders signed.

AC Campbell made a motion to recess and move into closed session per statute 610.021(1)(3)(17) to discuss legal, confidential, or privileged matters at 11:40 am. AC Hinkle seconded. Roll call: PC Scaggs-aye; AC Campbell-aye; AC Hinkle-aye. All in favor, motion carried.

AC Campbell made a motion to move out of closed session and back into regular session at 12:10 pm. AC Hinkle seconded. Roll call: AC Campbell-aye; PC Scaggs-aye; AC Hinkle-aye All in favor, motion carried. NO ACTION TAKEN

With no other business, AC Campbell made the motion to adjourn at 12:11 pm. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Jim Scaggs, Presiding Commissioner

October 23, 2025

3rd Day of the October Adjournment Term

Commission met pursuant to October 16, 2025

Members Present: Presiding Commissioner (PC), Jim Scaggs
Associate Commissioner (AC), Western, Josh Campbell
Associate Commissioner (AC), Southern, Dustin Hinkle
County Clerk, Marsha Womble

Others Present: Crystal Skaggs, Collector; Connie Reed, Recorder; Roger Hampton, R&B Foreman; Jody-Congressman Smith's Office; Gail White, Circuit Clerk

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by PC Scaggs.

AC Campbell made the motion to approve the agenda. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. AC Campbell made the motion to approve the minutes of October 16, 2025. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMISSION REPORT: PC Scaggs discussed press releases that will be coming out. PC Scaggs & AC Campbell attended the RPC meeting this week. Critical minerals and the mine royalty's distribution was discussed. SB28 -paying sales tax at dealerships when vehicles are purchased was discussed. The wording is "point of sale" which means that the sales tax will be paid to the county where the vehicle is purchased. This means rural counties with no dealerships will once again lose sales tax revenue and citizens could potentially be paying a higher sales tax rate than they would if sales tax was paid based on the county they live in. The loss of this revenue will be devastating to rural counties. HVAC lines insulation is scheduled to be replaced November 3 & 4th. There was also state legislative discussion concerning splitting re-assessment on different sub-classes in Personal property and Real Estate properties. Again, this will be very difficult for counties and would have a negative effect on revenues. Discussion was held on webhosting of the county website.

DEVNET CONTRACT: Increased financial cost of switching to Devnet software to implement sb190 senior tax freeze was held. Collector Skaggs presented the 5-year contract with Devnet. She will pay for online payment accessibility from the Tax Maintenance Fund. It will cost approximately \$6000 to get our data from our current software company. AC Campbell made the motion to approve the agreement effective immediately. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. Collector Skaggs was asked to get an estimate of the cost of running our current software until Devnet is completely implemented.

SB218-The legislative increase in compensation to jurors at the expense of counties was discussed. AC Campbell made a motion to approve payment of the current juror script presented. AC Hinkle seconded. PC Scaggs objected to the increase mandated by legislature on counties. Motion carried.

SHERIFF: tabled

BUILDING & GROUNDS: A.) Jail-waiting for final payment documents for ARPA. B.) TAP-Addendum signed. C.) RFP 3rd Floor-Bids were received and opened. Brockmiller Construction; Jetta Contracting; Mitchel Hale; a bid was also received for electrical work and moving of the offices. AC Campbell made the motion to accept the bid from Mitchel Hale without the moving of the offices option that was in his bid. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried. D.) Soil & Water Building-a bid was received for repairing the front of the Soil and Water building by Level 1 Construction. AC Campbell made the motion to accept the bid as presented. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

ROAD & BRIDGE: A.) FLAP-waiting for bid opening. B.) DRA Grant-tabled C.) Other-discussed approximate reimbursement from FEMA for tornado & flood 2025. Maintenance on equipment and roads discussed. Fire extinguishers were inspected this week and there are at least 23 that will need to be replaced next year. Help wanted ad was posted in the newspaper this past week.

FINANCIAL: A.) Claims presented and approved for payment. B.) Property Insurance-AC Campbell made the motion to renew with MOPERM for 2026. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

AC Campbell made a motion to recess and move into closed session per statute 610.021(1)(3)(17) to discuss legal, confidential, or privileged matters at 12:03 pm. AC Hinkle seconded. Roll call: PC Scaggs-aye; AC Campbell-aye; AC Hinkle-aye. All in favor, motion carried.

AC Campbell made a motion to move out of closed session and back into regular session at 12:18 pm. AC Hinkle seconded. Roll call: AC Campbell-aye; PC Scaggs-aye; AC Hinkle-aye All in favor, motion carried. NO ACTION TAKEN

RPC meeting will be held October 28, 2025 at 12:30 pm; SEMO Commissioner's meeting will be held October 29, 2025, at 10 am at The Abbey Kitchen. Officeholders are welcome to attend lunch. Next session will be a work session on November 4th. If needed business will be attended to before the Work Session.

With no other business, AC Campbell made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:03 pm. AC Hinkle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Jim Scaggs, Presiding Commissioner