Wednesday September 23, 2026

Name	Position	Present	Quorum
Becky Plattner	Presiding Commissioner	Yes	Yes
Monte Fenner	Southern Commissioner	Yes	
Stephanie Gooden	Northern Commissioner	Yes	

Becky Plattner called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

Becky Plattner asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the August 26, 2026 tax hearing, the August 26, 2026 session, and the September 8, 2026 session. Monte Fenner made a motion to approve. Stephanie Gooden seconded. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Becky Plattner asked for a motion to approve a payment schedule. Stephanie Gooden made a motion to approve the payment schedule as presented. Monte Fenner seconded. Motion carried 3-0-0.

County Clerk Brittni Burton presented commission order #6813 in the amount of $202,818.23 for a cash transfer of payroll, order #6814 in the amount of $35,720.76 for 941 taxes, and order #6815 in the amount of $4,979.48 for CERF .7% and elective savings. Becky Plattner asked for a motion to approve. Monte Fenner made a motion to approve the commission orders as presented. Stephanie Gooden seconded. Motion carried 3-0-0.

County Clerk Brittni Burton presented commission order #6816 in the amount of $14,857.13 for the August 2026 CERF collections, and order #6817 in the amount of $400,000 for the 3rd quarter transfer to the Jail-Justice fund. Monte Fenner made a motion to approve the commission orders as presented. Stephanie Gooden seconded. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Road and Bridge Supervisor WC Tuckwiller submitted a request to hire Jonathon Newsome for a full-time position as an Equipment Operator/Laborer. His start date was set for September 14, 2026 and his rate of pay is $20 per hour. Becky Plattner asked for a motion to approve the new hire. Stephanie Gooden made a motion to approve. Monte Fenner seconded. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Monte Fenner reported that he will attend an Extension meeting tonight at 5:30 pm.

Stephanie Gooden reported that the total collections of the Countywide Cleanup were received. A total of 33.48 tons were collected and diverted from landfills. There were 2.85 tons of tires, 17.5 tons of metal, 1 ton of textiles, 1.13 tons of e-scrap, and 12 tons of repurposed items. She attended the Region F meeting last Thursday in Pettis County and was elected as chair of the Region F Solid Waste Management board. A settlement between the Collector and Assessor has been reached. The funds being held in escrow by the Collector are to be deposited into the Assessment fund within 10 days of the settlement date which was signed by the judge on September 21st. Collector Cindi Sims has already made the check in the amount of $650,924.25. The County has spent approximately $181,000 on legal fees so far. The County has received its annual health insurance renewal, which came in at a 43% increase. The County is working with its broker and other insurance companies for suggestions and solutions to avoid a 43% increase in premiums. Currently, employees are covered at a rate of $681.57 per month.

County Clerk Brittni Burton announced that absentee voting for the November election started yesterday. Absentee ballots that have already been requested will be mailed out today. There were 4 citizens who came into the office to vote yesterday. Based on direction given to Election Authorities, they are using the 2022 map for congressional districts but are still waiting to hear from the Supreme Court, which is expected on September 28th.

Prosecuting Attorney Tim Thompson commented that he appreciates the Countywide Cleanup and suggested more advertising for the next year. Stephanie Gooden stated that she agrees with that, and since they normally schedule two weeks, she asked for an extension for next year at the Solid Waste Management board meeting. PA Thompson explained that he requested an opinion from the Attorney General for the issue between the Collector and Assessor, but the lawsuit was filed before an opinion could be received.

Auditor Karlin Breshears said that she is preparing for the annual budget. Budget worksheets will be sent out to Office Holders. She has received a huge Sunshine request and is working on that on top of her day-to-day duties. They requested vendor information dating back to 2022. Stephanie Gooden asked if Auditor Breshears could give a year-to-date total on the Jail-Justice transfers. Auditor Breshears replied that there have been 3 transfers of $400,000 so far from general revenue, and they transfer as needed per quarter.

Becky Plattner asked for a motion to adjourn at 9:13 am. Stephanie Gooden made a motion to adjourn. Monte Fenner seconded. Motion carried 3-0-0.

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Presiding Commissioner

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Certified by:
Brittni Allison Burton
County Clerk

SALINE COUNTY CLERK & ELECTION AUTHORITY