

Wednesday January 14, 2026

Name	Position	Present	Quorum
Becky Plattner	Presiding Commissioner	No	Yes
Monte Fenner	Southern Commissioner	Yes	
Stephanie Gooden	Northern Commissioner	Yes	

Stephanie Gooden called the meeting to order at 8:59 am.

Stephanie Gooden asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the December 31, 2025 session. Monte Fenner made a motion to approve. Stephanie Gooden seconded. Motion carried 2-0-0.

Stephanie Gooden made a motion to approve a payment schedule as presented. Monte Fenner seconded. Motion carried 2-0-0.

County Clerk Brittni Burton presented commission order #6738 in the amount of \$192,583.32 for a cash transfer of payroll, order #6739 in the amount of \$33,798.18 for 941 taxes, and order #6740 in the amount of \$4,412.17 for CERF .7% and elective savings. Monte Fenner made a motion to approve the commission orders as presented. Stephanie Gooden seconded. Motion carried 2-0-0.

County Clerk Brittni Burton presented commission order #6741 in the amount of \$44,459.42 for the December 2025 CERF collections. Monte Fenner made a motion to approve the commission orders as presented. Stephanie Gooden seconded. Motion carried 2-0-0.

Legal Assistant Karen Crosby submitted a request to extend 27.5 hours of unused vacation time for 90 days. She intends to use them by March 31, 2026. Stephanie Gooden made a motion to approve the extension. Monte Fenner seconded. Motion carried 2-0-0.

Sheriff Daniel Kirchhoff submitted a request to hire Earl Adams for a full-time position in the Jail Division. His start date was set for January 12, 2026, and his rate of pay will be \$17 per hour with a \$600 annual uniform allowance. Stephanie Gooden made a motion to approve. Monte Fenner seconded. Motion carried 2-0-0.

Stephanie Gooden presented two reappointments to the Transportation Advisory Council (TAC) board. Paul Porter and Keith Windmeyer were reappointed. Monte Fenner made a motion to approve. Stephanie Gooden seconded. Motion carried 2-0-0.

County Clerk Brittni Burton presented December additions and abatements. Personal Property additions totaled \$184,403.11. Personal Property abatements totaled \$6,057.02. Real Estate additions totaled \$0. Real Estate abatements totaled \$12,871.14. Stephanie Gooden made a motion to table the additions and abatements until the Real Estate abatements could be explained. Monte Fenner seconded. Motion carried 2-0-0.

Monte Fenner reported that the Commission met with Great River Engineering yesterday and the wastewater facility is currently 68% complete. They will be pouring concrete on Thursday and next Monday, which will finish the concrete work.

Stephanie Gooden reported that she attended a Marshall Chamber of Commerce meeting. The Chamber will be hosting a hot air balloon festival on September 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>.

Treasurer Jared Brewer gave a report on the various sales taxes received for the month of January. Sales tax collected in the amount of \$111,482.47. Law enforcement tax #1 collected in the amount of \$83,611.77. Use tax collected in the amount of \$85,047.70. Law enforcement tax #2 collected in the amount of \$27,870.64. Economic development tax collected in the amount of \$111,482.72.

Collector Cindi Sims presented the December distribution report. Collections totaled \$7,904,397.82 for railroad and utilities, and \$19,534,792.65 for personal property, real estate, and surtax.

Recorder Jessica Baker reported that her office recorded 3,152 documents, sold 132 marriage licenses, and completed several thousand in back indexing for last year. They are back to the early 1960s with their system and are back to mid-1948 with available document images. She explained that there were 495 new signups for the free Fraud Alert program last year, which brings them to a total of 1,067 subscribers. When she started as Recorder, there were less than 50 signed up. The 10 books that were sent to Sutterfield Technologies for digitizing and to be cleaned up are expected to come back next month.

Auditor Karlin Breshears reported that everybody got their budget worksheets turned in and the Commission is meeting with office holders this week to discuss any changes that are needed. She is expecting the budget to be laid and to have a scheduled budget meeting in the next few weeks.

Monte Fenner announced that the Paw Paw Trail bridge is expected to be open in March and the construction is coming along nicely.

Stephanie Gooden asked for a motion to adjourn at 9:12 am. Monte Fenner made a motion to adjourn. Stephanie Gooden seconded. Motion carried 2-0-0.

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