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Randolph County Board of Commissioners

September 11, 2026

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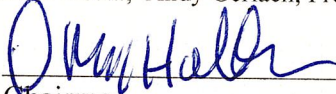
Chairman David Holder called the meeting of the Randolph County Board of Commissioners to order at 9:00 AM on September 11, 2026 at the Boardroom.

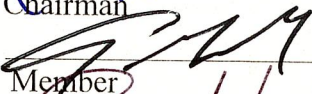
PLEDGE

The meeting started with the PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. The pledge was led by Chairman Holder.

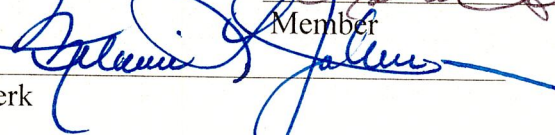
ROLL CALL

Attendance taken at 9:00: David Holder, Present; Andy Gerlach, Present; Ronald G White, Present.

David Holder 
Chairman

Andy Gerlach 
Member

Ronald G White 
Member

ATTEST: 
County Clerk

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MINUTES

After reviewing the minutes from the previous meeting, Andy Gerlach made a motion to approve prior commission minutes dated 8/28/2026 9:00 AM. Ronald G White seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote.

RANDOLPH COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

The HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT held a general discussion with the Board on the current operations of the department and presented the claims for consideration.

Motion/Vote - HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT CLAIMS

Andy Gerlach made a motion to allow and pay all claims as presented. Ronald G White seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote.

A Letter of Understanding was presented from the Illinois Department of Transportation for resurfacing a 7.5 mile stretch of pavement from the Steeleville "T" to IL 154 in Sparta.

Motion/Vote - LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING

Ronald G White made a motion to to accept the LOU as presented. Andy Gerlach seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote.

CARE CENTER

The CARE CENTER held a general discussion with the Board on the current operations of the facility and presented the claims for consideration.

Motion/Vote - CARE CENTER CLAIMS

Andy Gerlach made a motion to allow and pay all claims as presented. Ronald G White seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

The HEALTH DEPARTMENT held a general discussion with the Board on the current operations of the department and presented the claims for consideration.

Motion/Vote - HEALTH DEPARTMENT CLAIMS

Ronald G White made a motion to allow and pay all claims as presented. Andy Gerlach seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote.

GENERAL ASSISTANCE

There were no GENERAL ASSISTANCE claims for this meeting.

CLAIMS

The CLAIMS against the County were presented and reviewed for consideration.

Motion/Vote - CLAIMS

Andy Gerlach made a motion to allow and pay all claims as presented. Ronald G White seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Economic Development Director Mark Wilson gave the Board a report on the upcoming bridge demolition and informed them of a meeting for the Enterprise Zone being held on Monday.

APPOINTMENTS

Chairman Holder announced the following appointments.

Randolph County Tourism Committee
Keni Farris
Three year term expiring October 1, 2029

Motion/Vote - APPOINTMENT/FARRIS

Ronald G White made a motion to concur with this appointment. Andy Gerlach seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Ronald G White (Yes), Andy Gerlach (Yes), David Holder (Yes).

Randolph County Tourism Committee
Emily Lyons
Three year term expiring October 1, 2029

Motion/Vote - APPOINTMENT/LYONS

Ronald G White made a motion to concur with this appointment. Andy Gerlach seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Ronald G White (Yes), Andy Gerlach (Yes), David Holder (Yes).

Randolph County Tourism Committee
Ronald G White
Three year term expiring October 1, 2029

Motion/Vote - APPOINTMENT/WHITE

Andy Gerlach made a motion to concur with this appointment. Chairman David Holder seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Andy Gerlach (Yes), David Holder (Yes), Ronald G White (Abstain).

Randolph County Tourism Committee
Aaron Smith
Three year term expiring October 1, 2029

Motion/Vote - APPOINTMENT/SMITH

Ronald G White made a motion to concur with this appointment. Andy Gerlach seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Ronald G White (Yes), Andy Gerlach (Yes), David Holder (Yes).

Randolph County Extension Board

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Mike Schmitz
One year term expiring September 1, 2027

Motion/Vote - APPOINTMENT/SCHMITZ

Andy Gerlach made a motion to concur with this appointment. Ronald G White seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Andy Gerlach (Yes), Ronald G White (Yes), David Holder (Yes).

Randolph County Extension Board
Deb Opel
One year term expiring September 1, 2027

Motion/Vote - APPOINTMENT/OPEL

Andy Gerlach made a motion to concur with this appointment. Ronald G White seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Andy Gerlach (Yes), Ronald G White (Yes), David Holder (Yes).

Prairie du Rocher & Modoc Levee/Drainage District
Steve Gonzalez
Three year term expiring August 31, 2029

Motion/Vote - APPOINTMENT/GONZALEZ

Ronald G White made a motion to concur with this appointment. Andy Gerlach seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Ronald G White (Yes), Andy Gerlach (Yes), David Holder (Yes).

Sparta Community Airport Authority
Richard J Graff
Five year term expiring May 31, 2031

Motion/Vote - APPOINTMENT/GRAFF

Andy Gerlach made a motion to concur with this appointment. Ronald G White seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Andy Gerlach (Yes), Ronald G White (Yes), David Holder (Yes).

PROCLAMATION

A proclamation was presented to designate September 17th through 23rd as Constitution Week in Randolph County. The proclamation asks citizens to ring church and school bells at 3:00pm on September 17, 2026 as part of a nationwide commemoration of the signing of the U.S. Constitution in 1787.

Motion/Vote - PROCLAMATION

Andy Gerlach made a motion to accept the proclamation as presented. Ronald G White seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote.

GIS AGREEMENT

A proposal was presented by HUBTECH, INC to provide comprehensive Geographic Information System (GIS) support and professional services to Randolph County through a three year Countywide Enterprise GIS Support & Services Agreement. The agreement provides the County with dedicated support in day to day GIS operations and assistance to departments in developing new GIS capabilities that improve operational efficiency and public service.

Motion/Vote - COUNTYWIDE GIS AGREEMENT

Ronald G White made a motion to approve the agreement as presented. Andy Gerlach seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote.

ELECTION JUDGE CERTIFICATION

Certified lists were presented by the Chairman of each political party consisting of persons to serve as Judges of Election in their respective precincts for a period of two years.

Motion/Vote - ELECTION JUDGE CERTIFICATION

Andy Gerlach made a motion to approve the lists as presented. Ronald G White seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote.

ENERGY CONTRACT

A contract was presented between Direct Energy and Randolph County to provide electricity at 10.894 cents per kilowatt for all County facilities for a period of 36 months.

Motion/Vote - ENERGY CONTRACT

Ronald G White made a motion to accept the contract as presented. Andy Gerlach seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Ronald G White (Yes), Andy Gerlach (Yes), David Holder (Yes).

JSIRP PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

An intergovernmental agreement between the Health Options for Public Entities Joint Self-Insurance Risk Pool (JSIRP) Association and Randolph County was presented for approval. The agreement would enter the County into the association in order to allow their employees, former employees and dependents to be entitled to the plans or benefits available through JSIRP.

Motion/Vote - JSIRP PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

Ronald G White made a motion to accept the agreement as presented. Andy Gerlach seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Ronald G White (Yes), Andy Gerlach (Yes), David Holder (Yes).

RAFFLE APPLICATION

A raffle application was presented on behalf of St. Mary's Catholic School. The application is requesting a raffle to be held at Fort Kaskaskia State Park on October 11, 2026.

Motion/Vote - RAFFLE APPLICATION/ST MARY'S

Andy Gerlach made a motion to approve the application as presented and issue raffle license no. 26-05. Ronald G White seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote.

SIMRPC INTERGOVERNMENTAL RESOLUTION

A resolution was presented to authorize Randolph County to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Southwestern Illinois Metropolitan and Regional Planning Commission. The County would like SIMRPC to assist with preparing a joint Randolph-Washington County Five-Year Solid Waste Management Plan to satisfy requirements of the IEPA.

Motion/Vote - SIMRPC RESOLUTION

Andy Gerlach made a motion to approve resolution no. 26-18 as presented. Ronald G White seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Commissioner White informed those in attendance that a \$12,000.00 donation from the 708 Mental Health Board was made to assist Home Healing Harbor with funding to help provide services. He stated that the Sheriff's Office has made use of these services.

RECESS

There being no further business to come before the Board, Andy Gerlach made a motion to recess this meeting until 9/25/2026. Ronald G White seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote. This meeting recessed at 10:10 am.

David Holder

Chairman

Andy Gerlach

Member

Ronald G White

Member

ATTEST:

County Clerk