

MARSHALL COUNTY BOARD MEETING

AUGUST 13, 2026

The Marshall County Board met for the August Board meeting on August 13th, 2026; at 8:30 A.M. Chairperson Travis McGlasson called the meeting to order. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call shows: McGlasson, Balensiefen, Lindstrom, Minnick, Durham, Meierkord, McLaughlin, Fecht, Lueders, Stash, Perona and Schmitt were present.

It was moved by Lindstrom and seconded by Balensiefen to **approve** July 16th, 2026, minutes as presented.

Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

It was moved by Perona and seconded by Schmitt to **approve** the payment of the bills.

Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

Public Comments:

Margaret Toniny was present and was happy to see the committees were back on the agenda. She thanked Charlotte for sending her the Tri-County Opportunities minutes. She questioned why the meeting is recessed & not adjourned. She asked that the board check into the Roberts Rules of Order.

Chairperson McGlasson stated that we recess during budget season and we adjourn once the budget is done. This is the way it has been done for a long time.

Colleen Soon were present. She wants to talk about flock cameras. She showed a picture from 2014 of a bike that was left unattended for an hour. The reason this is brought up is because she lived in Skokie growing up and in 1969 her brother's bike was stolen & he did get it back, but they learned that you never leave anything unattended. When they moved to Lacon, she saw bikes unattended all the time. We are very safe in Marshall County with a crime rate of 14.8 (97%). Marshall County is a treasure & she would like to see flock cameras gone so everyone isn't walking on eggshells. She would like the board to come up with a resolution to get rid of flock cameras.

Chairperson McGlasson commented that the county only owns 2 of the flock cameras in the county. The county would only be able to do a resolution for the cameras the county owns.

Hans Soon was present. Hans said he appreciated getting a copy of the Sheriff Departments Policy #423, regarding automated License Plate Readers. He also read a report on this. Hans would like to know when & how the contract or contracts for these cameras were approved.

Chairperson McGlasson stated that the Marshall County Data Policy will be investigated.

Bill Maupin was present and said thank you for the Agenda Packet and would like this from now on.

#26-22 A It was moved by Lindstrom and seconded by Minnick to **approve the consent agenda**.

Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays & 0 absent.

Consent Agenda:

- a. **Approve Annual Membership fees for NCICG in the amount of \$1191.00**

Health Department:

Lindstrom reported that the Health Department has hired a new Administrator and her name is Jennifer Shinnick, and they will be hiring a couple of assistants.

Zoning:

Ryan Giacometti gave an update. They are having a ZBA hearing on Thursday, August 20th with 2 action items. The first being 1035 Woodview special use & the second being a variance for Storage Buildings in Varna. A list of building permits were handed out.

Highway:

County Engineer Catherine Terando was present. Under Operations & Maintenance the maintainers repaired the ditch mower that was broken down, they are mowing on the west side of the county, doing some shoulder work, and entrances were installed. Catherine did some bridge inspections, the roof is coming along, floors have been cleaned from water damage & they may add more insulation.

#26-23 It was moved by McLaughlin and seconded by Minnick **to approve resolution awarding bid for LaPrairie Township maintenance.**

Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays & 0 absent.

Recycling: Routine operations. She has checked into Battery Network for recycling batteries, and it seems like a lot of extra work.

New Business:

#26-24 It was moved by Lueders and seconded by Perona **to approve resolution for Community Mental Health Fund to move funds from 58102 to 58109.**

Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays & 0 absent.

#26-25 It was moved by Meierkord and seconded by Minnick **to approve the Trustee Tax Resolution 03-16-331-008 (Henry Township).**

Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays & 0 absent.

#26-26 It was moved by Durham and seconded by Balensiefen **to approve the Marshall County Animal Control Act Ordinance.**

Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays & 0 absent.

Meierkord stated that the Animal Control Ordinance is a matter of cleaning up our existing ordinance and following with the state. The committee met & agreed to increase rates. The surrounding communities are going to conform to our ordinance.

Miscellaneous Committee Reports

Finance Committee: Chairperson McGlasson reported that the Finance Committee met with all the department heads on August 4th and went over all the proposed budgets. The committee will meet again, and the budget will go on display in October, and approval will be in November.

Tri-County Opportunities: Balensiefen reported that there will be a Resource Rally on August 28th during Old Settlers. There will be lots of children's activities and vendors available to answer questions or provide resources. Liheap will be there for families, their qualifications have changed and there is a lot more available.

Sheriff: Perona reported that there were some community events last month and they were pleased with the turn out. Also, the jail population is down.

Various Correspondence:

The federal standard mileage reimbursement rate went from 72.5 cents to .76 cents per mile effective July 1, 2026.

At 9:10 A.M. it was moved by Lindstrom and seconded by McLaughlin to **recess** the meeting.