

HUMAN RESOURCES AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

July 10, 2025

The Human Resources and Planning Committee met on Thursday, July 10, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the McDonough County Courthouse, 3rd Floor, Law Library. Committee Members in attendance included Chair Ken Durkin, Dustin Berg, Clayton Cook, Mike Kirby, Jerry Raby, and Dana Walker. Others in attendance included Animal Control Officer Zach Welch, Bonnie Skripps, John Vigezzi, County Chair Eric Blakeley, Deputy Clerk Kyah Beck and County Clerk Jeremy Benson. Members absent were Vice Chair Vicki Kipling and Ryan Litchfield.

Chair Durkin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Review and Approve Minutes from June, 2025

Member Kirby moved with a second by Member Walker to approve the minutes as submitted. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Animal Control Report

Animal Control Officer, Zach Welch gave the report. There was 27 dogs and 39 cats in the shelter at the end of June.

Humane Society

The Animal Shelter was nominated and awarded a \$5,000 grant. August 23rd, Farm King will be working with the animal shelter. They will have animals ready for adoption, as well as a starter kit with food and informational pamphlets. Many great volunteers have been coming to the animal shelter, as well as the WIU Football Team.

Policies and Procedures

None.

GIS Update

None.

Approval of FS Invoice

Member Cook moved with a second by Member Raby to approve the West Central FS Invoice. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 6 yeas, 0 nays, 0 pass, and 2 absent.

Approval of HR & Planning Claims

Member Cook moved with a second by Member Raby to approve the HR & Planning claims as submitted. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Other Items as Needed

An employee appreciation luncheon will be held in August at the Courthouse. Volunteers will be needed for this event.

Executive Session

None.

Public Comment

None.

County Board Chair Comments

Ameren came in and gave a site generator review and approved for it. Painting is still waiting to be done. The new Spoon River campus is starting to come along. Chair Blakeley toured the facility and made positive comments about it.

Adjourn

Member Berg moved with a second by Member Raby to adjourn the meeting at 7:18 p.m. Motion carried on a voice vote.