

ESDA & CLAIMS COMMITTEE

July 15, 2025

The ESDA & Claims Committee held its monthly meeting on Tuesday, July 15, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the McDonough County Courthouse, 3rd floor, Law Library. Committee Members present were Chair Eric Chapman, Vice Chair Clayton Murphy, Larry Aurelio, Joe Erlandson, Craig Foster, Mike Kirby, and Jarad Royer. Also present was ESDA Director Edgar Rodriguez, County Board Chair Eric Blakeley, Deputy Clerk Kyah Beck, and County Clerk Jeremy Benson. Members absent were Jack Lowderman.

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

Approval of June, 2025 Minutes

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

ESDA Director Report

Director Edgar Rodriguez gave the report. He is currently finalizing the HMGP grant for new tornado sirens. Director Rodriguez has been reaching out to towns in McDonough County to see if they are interested in partnering with Macomb for the installation of new sirens. Industry and Bushnell have expressed interest.

Approval of Committee Claims

Member Aurelio moved with a second by Member Foster, to approve the claims as submitted. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Approval of County Claims

Member Aurelio moved with a second by Member Royer, to approve the claims as submitted. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Other Items as Needed

None.

Executive Session

Member Erlandson moved with a second by Member Foster to enter into Executive Session at 7:10 p.m. pursuant to Chapter 5, Illinois Compiled Statutes Section 120/2 c (1). Motion carried with a roll call vote of 7 yeas, 0 nays, 0 pass and 1 absent.

Member Erlandson made a motion to exit Executive Session moved with a second by Member Aurelio at 7:26 p.m. with no action taken. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 7 yeas, 0 nays, 0 pass, and 1 absent.

Public Comment

None.

County Board Chair Comments

Solar Farm siting permits will be approved at the County Board meeting.

Adjourn

Member Foster moved with a second by Member Aurelio to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Motion carried on a voice vote.