

ESDA & CLAIMS COMMITTEE

MAY 20, 2025

The ESDA & Claims Committee held its monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 20, 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, Jack Lowderman, and Jarad Royer. Also present was ESDA Director Edgar Rodriguez, County Board Chair Eric Blakeley, Deputy Clerk Deanna Bisby, and County Clerk Jeremy Benson.

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

Approval of April 15, 2025 Minutes

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

ESDA Director Report

Director Edgar Rodriguez gave the report. Rodriguez informed the Committee that he found a grant to help fund new storm sirens. He is applying for 19 sites, 75% of the cost would be covered by the grant and we would be responsible for 25%. Our total cost would be \$2,500 per site.

Member Foster made a motion to act on this at the June 17th meeting, moved with a second by Member Kirby. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Approval of Committee Claims

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

Approval of County Claims

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

Other Items as Needed

Member Erlandson held a brief discussion regarding the Burn Ordinance.

Executive Session

None.

Public Comment

None.

County Board Chair Comments

County Chair Blakeley informed the Committee that there will be quite a few items at the full Board meeting that will be voted on.

Adjourn

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