MINUTES OF THE MCDONOUGH COUNTY BOARD JULY 16, 2025

The monthly meeting of the McDonough County Board was held at the McDonough County Courthouse, in Courtroom 201 at 7:00 p.m. Roll call resulted in 19 present, and 2 absent. Members Larry Aurelio and Jack Lowderman were absent. Sheriff Nick Petitgout made the opening declaration. Chair Blakeley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

EXHIBIT 1

Board Member Heil moved with a second by Board Member Durkin to approve the minutes of June, 2025. Motion carried with a voice vote.

EXHIBIT 2

The report from Public Defender, Scott Terry for the month of June, 2025 was received and filed.

EXHIBIT 3

The report of Sales Tax collected in April, 2025 was received and filed. County Sales Tax, Public Safety Tax, Cannabis Tax, and Transportation Tax.

EXHIBIT 4

The report of Balances and Investments from County Treasurer Moon for the month of June, 2025 was received and filed.

EXHIBIT 5

The report of Circuit Clerk Fischer for the month of June, 2025 was received and filed.

EXHIBIT 6

The report from County Clerk Benson on Warrants Issued in Vacation for the month of June, 2025 was received and filed.

EXHIBIT 7

The Transfer of Appropriations of Monies was referred to the Finance Committee. Finance Chair Hiel reported the Finance Committee did not transfer any funds as **Exhibit 7A**

EXHIBIT 8

Board Member Erlandson moved with a second by Board Member Royer to approve the report of the Finance Committee as read. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 19 yeas, 0 pass, and 2 absent as **Exhibit 8A**.

EXHIBIT 9

Board Member Chapman moved with a second by Board Member Foster to dispense with the reading of the claims report and to approve it as approved by the Claims Committee. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 19 yeas, 0 pass, and 2 absent as **Exhibit 9A**.

EXHIBIT 10

Board Member Walker moved with a second by Board Member Berg to approve both siting permits (Embersun & 1150th Sun). Motion carried with a roll call vote of 17 yeas, 2 nays, 0 pass, and 2 absent as **Exhibit 10A.**

EXHIBIT 11

Board Member Foster moved with a second by Board Member Cook to approve the RWE Road Use Agreement. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 19 yeas, 0 pass, and 2 absent as **Exhibit 11A**.

EXHIBIT 12

Board Member Berg moved with a second by Member Kirby to appoint Andrea Henderson, Cheryl McGowan, and Stephanie Olson another three-year term to Housing Authority of McDonough County. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 19 yeas, 0 pass, and 2 absent as **Exhibit 12A**.

EXHIBIT 13

No Executive session.

EXHIBIT 14

Member Kipling made a public comment about the employee appreciation lunch on August 14th. Volunteers are needed.

EXHIBIT 15

None.

EXHIBIT 16

Chair Blakeley entertained a motion that Days and Miles are checked, roll be called, and the Board adjourn until Wednesday, August 20th, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. Board Member Kipling moved with a second by Board Member T. Litchfield to adjourn the meeting. A roll call was taken for days and miles and the motion to adjourn carried with a voice vote. With no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m. Sheriff Petitgout gave the closing declaration.