MINUTES
MASSAC COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
November 10, 2026

Meeting convened at 8:45 A.M. with Commissioners Burnham, Brugger, and Farmer present.

On a motion by Mr. Brugger, 2nd by Mr. Burnham, the commissioners approved the minutes as written from 10/27/2026, 10/30/26, 11/2/2026 & 11/4/2026.

Jeff Brugger	Votes	AYE
Jimmy Burnham	Votes	AYE
Jayson Farmer	Votes	AYE

GA Administrator Lorie Walters attended the meeting with a check register sheet to be signed.

Ty Peterson with AFSCME Council 31 attended the meeting with a resolution urging IL Department of Human Services to reverse it's decision to drastically downsize Choate Mental Health and Development Center. Ty states it has been adopted in most all counties in Southern IL.

On a motion by Mr. Burnham, 2nd by Mr. Farmer, the commissioners approved the above resolution.

Jeff Brugger	Votes	AYE
Jimmy Burnham	Votes	AYE
Jayson Farmer	Votes	AYE

County Highway Engineer Brad Watson attended the meeting with claims to be signed. Mr. Farmer inquired about mowing, he has gotten several complaints from different areas in the county. Mr. Watson states they have three mowers running.

Metropolis Mayor Gregg Jeffords, Brookport Mayor Rance Phillips and State's Attorney Mark Hunter attended the meeting to discuss county animal control. Mayor Jeffords expressed some concerns about the amount the city of Metropolis will contribute to the county for a county wide animal control officer. Mr. Farmer and Mr. Burnham asked Mayor Jeffords to come up with a number the city could manage and the commissioners will make a decision based on that. Brookport City Attorney Rick Abell attended the meeting. He explained how a neighboring county operates using a county wide animal control. The commissioners asked if everyone could meet again at the next commissioner's meeting in two weeks. Mr. Jeffords states their attorney will come up with an intergovernmental agreement and pass it along to the other attorneys and go from there.

The commissioners did not have anyone to appoint to the Southern 7 Health Dept vacancies.

Brad Watson explained the process in accepting Adams Way into the county road district. He has to get some information to IDOT.

On a motion by Mr. Brugger, 2nd by Mr. Farmer, the commissioners entered into closed session at 10:13 A.M. to discuss personnel.

Jeff Brugger	Votes	AYE
Jimmy Burnham	Votes	AYE
Jayson Farmer	Votes	AYE

On a motion by Mr. Farmer, 2nd by Mr. Brugger, the commissioners exited closed session at 10:26 A.M.

Jeff Brugger	Votes	AYE
Jimmy Burnham	Votes	AYE
Jayson Farmer	Votes	AYE

Kassy Medley brought in a list of accounts totaling $5,546,338.57 from the Treasurer's office.

The commissioners tabled the budget workshop until next week.

On a motion by Mr. Farmer, 2nd by Mr. Brugger, the commissioners adjourned.