

The Board reviewed a request by Joe Langhauser, on behalf of the owners of 3-Points Estate, for multiple variances. After discussion, a motion to deny the request was made by Wes Pourchot second by Bernard Myers. Roll Call Vote: 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

The Board reviewed and discussed Highway Engineer Mike McCormick's September 2025 report (see attached). The 2025 Budget Report was presented (see attached).

After discussion, the Board approved **Resolution 10-07-25-01** appropriating funds and approving signing authority for Old Ripley Road bridge over Little Dry Fork Creek. The Board approved with a motion made by Jeff Rehkemper, second by Bernard Myers. Roll Call Vote: 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

After discussion, the Board approved **Resolution 10-07-25-02** approving Joint Funding Agreement with IDOT for Old Ripley Road bridge over Little Dry Fork Creek. The Board approved with a motion made by Jeff Rehkemper, second by Bernard Myers. Roll Call Vote: 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

Highway Engineer Mike McCormick informed the Board of an upcoming \$2 million funding opportunity. He suggested allocating \$1 million for the reconstruction of West Keyesport Road and \$1 million for the reconstruction of South Pokey Road. The goal of both projects is to upgrade the roads to support truck routes.

Highway Engineer Mike McCormick gave a presentation on the update of the Redball Trail wooden bridge replacement project. He provided documents showing the site plan (*see attached*) and addressed questions regarding the project.

The Board approved Dale Hawkins' request to use the Courthouse lawn for a peaceful protest on the following dates: October 18, 2025; November 1, 2025; and November 15, 2025. The motion was made by Jeff Rehkemper and second by Wes Pourchot. Roll Call Vote: 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried. The additional requested dates of November 29, 2025, and December 6, 2025, were denied due to approval of other scheduled events.

The Board approved use of the Courthouse lawn requested by Robyn Florian of Greenville University on October 23, 2025 for Panther Palooza, October 24, 2025 for GU Homecoming Events, and December 5-7, 2025 for Fill the Ville with a motion made by Jeff Rehkemper second by Wes Pourchot. Roll Call Vote: 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

County Clerk Meg Sybert presented the Board with the second draft of the 2025–2026 budget for review (see attached). She noted that there were no changes to the General Fund. Additionally, the total current deficit is not as high as initially projected in the first draft of the budget.

The Board announced an opening on the Highland Pierron Fire District with Ryan Goodwin being recommended.

The Board appointed Dr. Philip Siefken, Emily Korte, RN, and Diane Lippert, RPh to the Bond County Board of Health for the term 07/01/2025 – 06/30/2028. with a motion made by Jeff Rehkemper second by Wes Pourchot. Roll Call Vote: 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

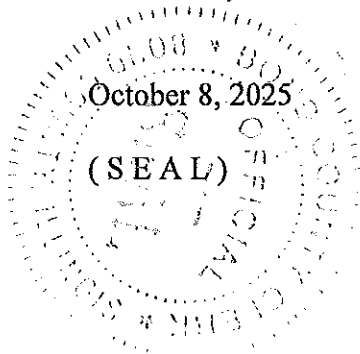
The Board appointed Dan Sidwell, Adam Evans, Brenna Garnett Hopkins, Rachel Horihan, and Ed Evans to the Bond County Housing Authority Commission. with a motion made by Wes Pourchot second by Jeff Rehkemper. Roll Call Vote: 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

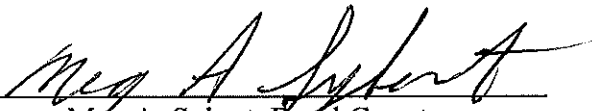
The Board approved the Coroner’s September 2025 Report with a motion made by Wes Pourchot second by Jeff Rehkemper. Roll Call Vote: 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

Under Old Business, Jeff Rehkemper reported that he has submitted bids for the communications tower located at the College and is currently awaiting responses. He emphasized the importance of the tower, noting that it supports critical communications for the Sheriff’s Department and 911 services.

Under New Business, Jeff Rehkemper suggested exploring the possibility of housing the ambulances at the Health Department. This proposal will require further discussion and evaluation.

This meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m. with a motion made by Wes Pourchot second by Bernard Myers. Roll Call Vote: 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.




Meg A. Sybert, Bond County