



Knox County Board

Regular Monthly Meeting – February 2026

Galesburg City Hall, Galesburg, Illinois

And Via Teleconference for

Public Viewing Access

February 25, 2026

BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Special Events		
5:30 p.m.		Closed Session for Personnel, Collective Negotiations, Security Procedures, Property, and Pending Litigation. (5 ILCS 120/2c-1,2,8, & 11)
Opening Ceremonies		
6:00 p.m.		Call to Order (Chairman)
		Roll Call (Clerk)
		Declaration of Quorum (Chairman)
		Proclamation (Sheriff)
		Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America (Chairman)
		Moment of Silence. (In lieu of a formal Invocation).
		Additions to the Agenda (for discussion only)
Public Comment		
Consent Agenda (R/C)		
Item 1	Approve	Minutes of the Board Meeting on January 28, 2026 and Special Board Meeting on January 19, 2026.
Item 2	Presentation	Sales tax and various taxes for month of November 2025 in the amounts of \$174,907.25 and \$82,921.92 and public safety tax in the amount of \$303,540.12
Items for the Chairman		
Item 3	Approve R/C	Approve ZBA Case# CU-01-26 a Request for a Solar Energy Farm in the "A" Agricultural Zoning District, Under Appendix F, Knox County Commercial Solar Facility Siting Ordinance, Filed by Applicant, Wataga Solar LLC and is a wholly Owned Subsidiary of Navisun, LLC 18 Shipyard Drive, Suite 2A, Hingham, MA 02042, along with the Owners James H and Rebecca Harrell of Harrell Farms, 240 Knox Road 2500N, Rio, IL 61472. (Assessor)

Item 4	Present and Approve R/C	Review and Approve Annual Health Department Report.
Report – Committee on Ways and Means.		
Item 5	Presentation	Monthly Report from Committee.
Item 6	Approve R/C	Approve Animal Kill Claims for 2025. (Treasurer)
Item 7	Approve R/C	Approve Bid and Bring Back for Health/Life/Dental/Vision Insurance. (Treasurer)
Item 8	Approve R/C	Approve Bid and Bring Back for Scanning and Indexing of Real Estate Books.
Report – Committee on Public Service.		
Item 9	Presentation	Monthly Report from Committee.
Report – Committee on Infrastructure		
Item 10	Presentation	Monthly Report from Committee.
Item 11	Approve R/C	Approve Bid for Scale House Roof Replacement of \$53,065.00 from Economy Roofing. (Landfill)
Item 12	Approve R/C	Approve Request for Pay Application #6 for Nursing Home Performance Project for \$398,977.97
Item 13	Approve R/C	Approve Pay Request from Hein Construction for Courthouse Ramp Project Application #2 for \$16,650.00
Item 14	Approve R/C	Approve Pay Request Final from Hein Construction for Courthouse Ramp Project for \$25,661.65
Item 15	Approve R/C	Approve Purchase of Used Semi-Tractor, Not to Exceed \$125,000.00. (Highway)
Item 16	Approve R/C	Approve Bid and Bring Back for New Tandem Truck Cab/Chassis. (Highway)
Report – Committee on Health and Human Services		
Item 17	Presentation	Monthly Report from Committee.
Reports – External Committees Assigned to Board Members		
Reports from these Committees will be placed on file in the County Clerk's office. No presentations will be provided during the meeting. If you have specific questions, please direct them to the specific Board representative.		
Knox County Board of Health (Bondi)		
Galesburg Convention and Visitors Bureau (Pugh)		
9-1-1 Committee (Hawkinson)		
Knox County Area Partnership for Economic Development		
Prairie Hills Resources Board (Robertson)		
United Council of Counties (J. Fredrick)		
Western Illinois Regional Council (Cohen)		
Knox County Mental Health 708 Board (Weiss)		
University of Illinois Extension Office (Boone)		
Knox County Civic Center Authority – Orpheum Board (Sandoval)		
Claims Against the County – R/C		
Item 18	Approve R/C	Approve Opening of Budget for Line Item Changes. (If Necessary)
Item 19	Presentation	Presentation of the Proposed Budget Line Item Changes
Item 20	Approve R/C	Approval of Proposed Line Item Changes. (If Necessary)

Item 21	Presentation	Review of Manual Checks Issued for Current Cycle.
Item 22	Approve R/C	Claims by Members for per diem and mileage for the Committee Meetings of February 2026, Board Meeting in January 2026, and other claims for per diem from Meetings.
Item 23	Approve R/C	Claims against Knox County, Illinois, for the period of January 28, 2026 through February 25, 2026 (ordering that invoices be accepted and approved and that the County Clerk and County Treasurer be authorized and directed to issue County Warrants in payment of the bills in the aggregate amount approved by the County Board)
Announcements		
Item 24	Presentation	The next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 25, 2026 , 6:00 p.m., at Galesburg City Hall Council Chambers.
Closing Ceremonies		
Item 25	Presentation	Adjournment of meeting until next scheduled meeting of the Board.

* CONSENT AGENDA: All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Board and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Member or citizen so requests; in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

** Action item to be used only if previous Motion to Remove from Table is approved.

VOTING CHART: R/C = Roll Call Vote; Voice = Voice Vote; 2/3 = 2/3rds Vote

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