

Minutes approved 8.18.26



HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

James Carius Community Room

Tuesday, July 21, 2026 – 4:29 p.m.

Committee Members Present: Chairman Mike Harris, Vice Chairman Max Schneider, Russ Crawford, Eric Schmidgall, Nancy Proehl, Joe Woodrow, Dave Mingus, Deene Milam, Eugene Glueck

Committee Members Absent: Kim Joesting, Eric Stahl

Others Attending: Mindy Darcy, County Administrator

MOTION **MOTION BY MEMBER MINGUS, SECOND BY MEMBER GLUECK** to approve the minutes from the June 16, 2026 meeting

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

PUBLIC COMMENT County Clerk John Ackerman stated that this was the second executive session held to discuss matters concerning him. He stated that he did not receive the report that was discussed during the executive session. He further stated that the mileage identified as belonging to another individual was, in fact, his own mileage. He commented that no one had requested additional documentation from him and that the information could have been clarified simply by asking. He also stated that the flowers referenced in the report were approved by the County Board on behalf of the Korean War veterans. County Clerk Ackerman was asked repeatedly by Vice Chairman Schneider to stop shouting at committee members. County Clerk Ackerman replied, "I am going to shout. You have degraded me twice now. This is public comment, and I am allowed to speak."

Finally, he stated that his travel to Washington, D.C., where he spoke in his capacity as Recorder of Deeds, was appropriately paid from the Recorder's Fee Fund. County Clerk Ackerman stated that most of the issues discussed could have been resolved in a five-minute conversation. He further stated that he had spoken at PAAR regarding property fraud. He stated that the meeting was nothing more than an attempt to smear him and that it was a one-sided process. He concluded by stating that people wonder why he is not a member of "Team Tazewell."

RECESS Chairman Harris recessed the meeting at 4:32 p.m.

(transcribed by S. Gullette)