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Joe Woodrow, Dist. 1
Jon Hopkins, Dist. 2
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Cathryn Stump, Dist. 2
Eric Stahl, Dist. 2
Russ Crawford, Dist. 3
Eugene Glueck, Dist. 3
Greg Longfellow, Dist. 3

**TAZEWELL COUNTY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2026
6:00 PM**

James Carius Community Room, Tazewell Law & Justice Center,
101 S. Capitol Street, Pekin, Illinois 61554

ROLL CALL BY COUNTY CLERK

Attendance was taken by Roll Call, and the following members of the board were present: Vice Chairman Harris, Members Crawford, Glueck, Graff, Hall, Hopkins, Joesting, Menold, Milam, Nelms, Proehl, Rich-Stimson, Schmidgall, Sinn, Stump, Woodrow -16. Absent Members were Chairman Grimm, Goddard, Longfellow, Mingus, Schneider, Stahl – 6.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Member Hall led the invocation followed by Vice Chairman Harris leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, COUNTY EMPLOYEES,
ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS**

No communications from members of the public, county employees, elected and appointed officials at this time.

FISCAL YEAR 2027 BUDGET OVERVIEW

County Administrator Mindy Darcy provided an overview of the FY27 Tentative Budget. She provided a power point presentation that discussed Inter-Fund Transfers, 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan, General Fund Summary, All Funds Summary, General Fund – Operating Surplus, General Fund Spenddown, 2027 recommended Tax Levy, Levied Fund Dependency on Tax Levy Dollars and Proposed FY27 Property Tax. Administrator Darcy recommended a 6% increase to health insurance premiums in FY27. She discussed the revenues and expenditures of the General Fund. The

estimated projected revenue for FY2027 would be \$45,927,246.00. She spoke on the Capital Improvement Plan and provided a list of proposed projects. Administrator Darcy indicated the General Fund operating surplus was \$987,298.00. She explained the recommended tax levy and stated the funds that were part of the levy were as follows: General Fund, University of Illinois Extension, Risk Management, IMRF, Social Security, County Highway, County Bridge, Matching Tax, Health Department, Veterans and People with Developmental Disabilities. She explained the proposed Tazewell County's Property Tax rate increase for FY2027.

She thanked Kelly Johnigk and Sade Turner for their assistance in the budget process.

GENERAL FUND

Motion by Member Rich-Stimson to open discussion of the General Fund Budget; seconded by Member Milam.

A handout of the items that required amendments to the General Fund Budget was distributed to the board members.

Discussions occurred pertaining to the individual budget lines for the General Fund Budget. Some department budgets did not require any discussions prior to approval.

Circuit Clerk: Member Glueck moved to amend the Circuit Clerk's budget with a \$2,400.00 increase; seconded by Member Crawford. Amended motion was passed by the board.

States Attorney: Member Crawford moved to amend the States Attorney budget with a \$5716.00 increase; seconded by Member Rich-Stimson. Amended motion was passed by the board.

Public Defender: Member Rich-Stimson moved to amend the Public Defender budget with a \$2061.00 increase; seconded by Member Nelms. Amended motion was passed by the board.

Courts: Member Hopkins moved to amend the Courts budget with a \$293.00 increase; seconded by Member Woodrow. Amended motion was passed by the board.

Court Services: Member Woodrow moved to amend the Court Services budget with a \$7.00 increase; seconded by Member Graff. Amended motion was passed by the board.

Court Security: Member Proehl moved to amend the Court Security budget with a decrease of \$3227.00; seconded by Member Schmidgall. Amended motion was passed by the board.

Sheriff: Member Graff moved to amend the Sheriff's budget with an increase of \$131,231.00; seconded by Member Rich-Stimson. Amended motion was passed by the board.

EMA: Member Stump moved to amend the EMA budget with an increase of \$131.00; seconded by Member Menold. Amended motion was passed by the board.

Coroner: Member Hall moved to amend the Coroner budget with an increase of \$768.00; seconded by Member Nelms. Amended motion was passed by the board.

Community Development: Member Crawford moved to amend the Community Development budget with an increase of \$809.00; seconded by Member Schmidgall. Amended motion was passed by the board.

County Board: Member Hopkins moved to amend the County Board budget with an increase of \$472.00; seconded by Member Joesting. Amended motion was passed by the board.

County Auditor: Member Hall moved to amend the Auditor's budget with an increase of \$33.00; seconded by Member Stump. Amended motion was passed by the board.

County Clerk: Member Rich-Stimson moved to amend the County Clerk's budget with a decrease of \$22.00; seconded by Member Proehl. Amended motion was passed by the board. Vice Chairman Harris reminded the board that previous cuts were already made to the Clerk's budget during the finance committee meetings.

County Treasurer: Member Hopkins moved to amend the Treasurer's budget with an increase of \$394.00; seconded by Member Stump. Amended motion was passed by the board.

County Administration: Member Glueck moved to amend the County Administration budget with an increase of \$9092.00; seconded by Member Graff. Amended motion was passed by the board.

Information Technology: Member Rich-Stimson moved to amend the Information Technology budget with an increase of \$150,000; seconded by Member Hall. Amended motion was passed by the board.

Human Resources: Member Glueck moved to amend the Human Resources budget with an increase of \$109.00; seconded by Member Schmidgall. Amended motion was passed by the board.

Finance: Member Crawford moved to amend the Finance budget with a decrease of \$12,853.00; seconded by Member Joesting. Amended motion was passed by the board.

Supervisor of Assessments: Member Crawford moved to amend the Assessments budget with an increase of \$21,130.00; seconded by Member Graff. Amended motion was passed by the board, with Member Hopkins voting Nay.

Board of Review: Member Graff moved to amend the Board of Review budget with a decrease of \$11.00; seconded by Member Crawford. Amended motion was passed by the board.

Building Administration: Member Hall moved to amend the Building Administration budget with an increase of \$24,463.00; seconded by Member Stump. Amended motion was passed by the board.

General County Operations: Member Rich-Stimson moved to amend the General County Operations budget with an increase of \$10,777; seconded by Member Graff. Amended motion was passed by the board.

Motion to approve the General Fund budget as amended was passed by voice vote of 16 Yeas; 0 Nays.

Amended General Fund Amounts are as follows:

Circuit Clerk \$1,808,476.00
Jury Commission \$248,618.00
State's Attorney \$3,897,263.00
Public Defender \$2,176,454.00
Courts \$602,801.00
Court Services \$3,420,998.00
Court Security \$1,199,355.00
Sheriff \$18,245,601.00
EMA \$375,877.00
Coroner \$662,230.00
Community Development \$581,316.00
County Board \$327,193.00
Auditor \$93,012.00
County Clerk/Elections \$1,772,619.00
Recorder of Deeds \$293,342.00
Treasurer and Tax Collector \$643,083.00
County Administration \$4,334,994.00
Information Technology \$2,300,000.00
Human Resources \$323,115.00
Finance \$844,736.00
External Audit \$177,000.00
County General Farm \$28,500.00
Assessments \$631,182.00
Board of Review \$133,294.00
Building Maintenance \$2,391,037.00

General County Operations \$15,000

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Finance Chairman Harris began discussion on the Special Revenue Funds. The Special Revenue Funds were discussed and approved as follows:

Member Graff motioned to approve IMRF budget; seconded by Member Hopkings. Motion passed by voice vote of 16 Yeas; 0 Nays. Budget amount approved was \$2,448,575.00.

Member Crawford motioned to approve Social Security budget; seconded by Member Proehl. Motion passed by voice vote of 16 Yeas; 0 Nays. Budget amount approved was \$2,490,443.00.

Member Crawford motioned to amend the Health Internal Services budget; seconded by Member Proehl. Amended motion passed by voice vote of 16 Yeas; 0 Nays. Budget amount approved was \$8,154,850.00

Member Schmidgall motioned to approve Township Bridge Fund budget; seconded by Member Nelms. Motion passed by voice vote of 16 Yeas; 0 Nays. Budget amount approved was \$1,041,894.00.

Member Hall motioned to amend County Highway budget; seconded by Member Proehl. Amended motion passed by voice vote of 16 Yeas; 0 Nays. Budget amount approved was \$3,605,347.00.

Member Crawford motioned to amend County Motor Fuel Tax budget; seconded by Member Hopkins. Motion passed by voice vote of 16 Yeas; 0 Nays. Budget amount approved was \$4,742,172.00.

Member Rich-Stimson motioned to approve Township Road Fuel Tax budget; seconded by Member Glueck. Motion passed by voice vote of 16 Yeas; 0 Nays. Budget amount approved was \$3,087,000.00.

Member Crawford motioned to approve County Bridge Fund budget; seconded by Member Graff. Motion passed by voice vote of 16 Yeas; 0 Nays. Budget amount approved was \$2,260,650.00.

Member Menold motioned to approve Matching Tax budget; seconded by Member Joesting. Motion passed by voice vote of 16 Yeas; 0 Nays. Budget amount approved was \$2,431,688.00.

Member Graff motioned to amend County Health budget to reflect a decrease of \$2,789.00; seconded by Member Stump. Motion to amend passed by voice vote of 16 Yeas; 0 Nays. Amended Budget amount approved was \$7,043,510.00.

Member Menold motioned to amend Solid Waste Fund; seconded by Member Graff. Amended motion to decrease budget by \$105.00, passed by voice vote of 16 Yeas; 0 Nays. Budget amount approved was \$497,709.00.

Member Graff motioned to amend Strengthening IL Public Health Admin Grant budget; seconded by Member Nelms. Amended motion to decrease budget by \$27.00, passed by voice vote of 16 Yeas; 0 Nays. Budget amount approved was \$106,932.00.

Motion by Member Proehl to amend Veterans' Assistance Fund budget; seconded by Member Hall. Amended motion to increase budget by \$62,192.00, passed by voice vote of 16 Yeas; 0 Nays. Budget amount approved was \$751,512.00.

Member Hopkins motioned to Amend the Animal Control budget to decrease budget by \$784.00; seconded by Member Hall. Amended motion passed by voice vote of 16 Yeas; 0 Nays. Amended Budget amount approved was \$1,010,223.00.

Member Rich-Stimson motioned to approve GIS budget; seconded by Member Glueck. Motion passed by voice vote of 16 Yeas; 0 Nays. Budget amount approved was \$324,427.00

Member Graff motioned to approve Persons with Developmental Disabilities budget; seconded by Member Stump. Motion passed by voice vote of 16 Yeas; 0 Nays. Budget amount approved was \$540,188.00.

Member Crawford motioned to Amend National Opioid Settlement budget to reflect an decrease of \$5,235.00; seconded by Member Hopkins. Motion to amend passed by voice vote of 16 Yeas; 0 Nays. Amended Budget amount approved was \$134,066.00.

Member Menold motioned to approve LATCF Grant budget; seconded by Member Schmidgall. Motion passed by voice vote of 16 Yeas; 0 Nays. Budget amount approved was \$11,111.00.

Member Stump motioned to approve Energy Transition Community Grant; seconded by Member Joesting. Motion passed by voice vote of 16 Yeas; 0 Nays. Budget amount approved was \$300,000.00.

Member Hopkins motioned to approve Sheriff Grant Fund; seconded by Member Crawford. Motion passed by voice vote of 16 Yeas; 0 Nays. Budget amount approved was \$91,577.00.

Member Graff motioned to approve Treasurer's Automation Fund; seconded by Member Menold. Motion passed by voice vote of 16 Yeas; 0 Nays. Budget amount approved was \$16,536.00.

Member Graff motioned to approve Probation Upgrade Fund; seconded by Member Milan. Motion passed by voice vote of 16 Yeas; 0 Nays. Budget amount approved was \$249,464.00.

Member Schmidgall motioned to amend the Risk Management & Liability Fund; seconded by Member Graff. Amended motion to increase budget by \$19,047.00, passed by voice vote of 16 Yeas; 0 Nays. Budget amount approved was \$2,445,473.00.

Member Menold motioned to approve Drug Court Fund; seconded by Member Crawford. Motion passed by voice vote of 16 Yeas; 0 Nays. Budget amount approved was \$30,600.00.

Member Crawford motioned to Amend the Capital Improvement Fund to increase budget by \$437,486.00; seconded by Member Glueck. Amended motion passed by voice vote of 16 Yeas; 0 Nays. Amended Budget amount approved was \$27,874,053.00.

Member Crawford motioned to approve Recorder's Special Document Storage Fund; seconded by Member Graff. Motion passed by voice vote of 16 Yeas; 0 Nays. Budget amount approved was \$273,215.00.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, Finance Chairman Mike Harris announced the meeting was adjourned. The Tazewell County Board Tentative Budget Meeting was adjourned at 7:36 P.M. The next regular scheduled County Board and Final Budget meeting will take place October 28, 2026.