

MINUTES
MASSAC COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
September 1, 2026

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

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

On a motion by Mr. Brugger, 2nd by Mr. Burnham, the commissioners approved the minutes as written from 8/4/2026.

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

On a motion by Mr. Farmer, 2nd by Mr. Brugger, the commissioners approved the minutes as written from 8/14/2026.

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

On a motion by Mr. Farmer, 2nd by Mr. Burnham, the commissioners approved the minutes as written from 8/18/2026.

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

County Highway Engineer Brad Watson attended the meeting with claims to be signed.

Deputy Harvey Baxter attended the meeting with a list of bills. He reports that the jail count is 22.

EMA Director Brian Horn attended the meeting. He brought in his budget to date for the year. He reports the river is at 15.8 ft. and expected to hold.

The commissioners agreed to sponsor a table for the Steele Wings Swing dance on September 19, 2026.

On a motion by Mr. Brugger, 2nd by Mr. Burnham, the commissioners appointed Brook Jacobs to the Massac Memorial Hospital Board to fill the vacancy left by Amanda Hannan.

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

Jessica Ditterline and Betty Stoner with Happy Hearts attended the meeting to discuss funding assistance in the amount of \$12,000.

Tiffany George with Southern 5 RPC attended the meeting to discuss the Energy Transition Grant Funding. Ms. George broke down each round of grant funding and what is left. FY 26 is not open yet. The last year of eligibility will be 2028.

Treasurer Sarah Bremer attended the meeting to discuss the law regarding tax sales in the future. The new bill allows the commissioners the right to decide if the sale is held. The commissioners all agree that if it helps the tax payers then they will not hold a tax sale. Mrs. Bremer will present a copy of an ordinance to be passed at the next meeting.

Chairman Farmer appointed Mark Hunter as State's Attorney through November 30, 2028. Mark Hunter was recommended by the Republican Party to fill the vacancy left by Josh Stratemeyer.

The commissioners discussed finding people to fill vacancies on SIEDA, 911 Board, and Southern 7 Health Department. The commissioners tabled all three until the next meeting.

On a motion by Mr. Farmer, 2nd by Mr. Brugger, the commissioners voted to enter closed session at 10:27 A.M. to discuss pending litigation.

On a motion by Mr. Brugger, 2nd by Mr. Burnham, the commissioners voted to exit closed session at 11:22 A.M.

Chairman Farmer signed Trustee Resolution Quit Claim Deed for 08-02-201-009.

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