

FEBRUARY 9, 2026

REGULAR SESSION

PULASKI COUNTY COUNCIL

The Pulaski County Council met in regular session Monday February 9, 2026 6:00PM at the Pulaski County Courthouse meeting room. Councilmembers present were Sheila Hazemi, Michael Tiede, Jeffrey Richwine, Bradley Bonnell, Tim Overmyer, Albert Gutwein, Kenneth Boswell with County Auditor Teresa Bryant and County Attorney Jacob Ahler.

Also present were Natasha Daugherty, Chris Schramm, Bob Barger, James Faler, Joe Moyer, Darlene Olds, David Olds, Gail Lambert, Judge Mary Welker, Darrel Gudeman, Kayla Clemons, Stephanie Foust, Joe Moyer, John Poisel, Gary Kruger, Deke DeMarco, Kaila Stukofski, Josh Stamper, Sherry Fagner, Brandi Larkin, Connie Ehrlich, Tonya Connell, Bob Barger, Franna Barger, Ed Shank, Andrea Smith, Pay Goodman, Randy Davis, Steven Tabler.

IN RE: NATASHA DAUGHERTY, EMS

Natasha is concerned about recent changes made on the Matrix concerning EMS. The handbook doesn't include a working department head. She was working 40 hours before overtime but now 35 hours. Last change to Matrix actually reduced wages. Albert presented worksheet to show the changes. Sheila wants a Matrix committee. Matrix has been used for many years to deal with longevity and goes along with the State. Natasha said EMS revenue has increased by \$81,000. with a full staff. Bradley made a motion to reinstate wages and see what survey says, Albert seconded. After more discussion, Bradley rescinded his motion. Sheila made a motion to rescind her motion from January 12, 2026 regarding Matrix, Kenneth seconded. With no further discussion, motion carried unanimously. Further discussion on Matrix was tabled until survey received.

IN RE: CHRIS SCHRAMM, SHERIFF

Chris presented 2 transfers. \$3,200.16 from insurance reimbursement to repair vehicle and \$20,000.00 from computer systems to communication equipment (new radios). Michael made a motion to approve transfer, Bradley seconded. With no further discussion, motion carried unanimously.

From: 1000-00890 Reimbursement Refund	\$3,200.16
To: 1000-36100 Equipment Repair	\$3,200.16
From: 1222-44600 Computer Systems	\$20,000.00
To: 1222-44601 Communication Equipment	\$20,000.00

Jail Commander Stephen Tabler tried for 6 months to find a company that could replace the jail showers and was finally able to get quote from SteelCo Services for \$543,847.00. Lights had been purchased previously but unable to install due to water leaks. Jail population low now so good time to do. 24 stainless steel stalls will be installed, 4 every 2 weeks. Chris does not think the showers could make it through another inspection. Will use federal inmate funds to pay for this. Bradley asked if a warranty and Stephen will ask. Bradley made a motion to advertise \$600,000. From Federal Housing to Building Repairs, Albert seconded. With no further discussion, motion carried unanimously.

Chris suggested an animal control building could be located near EMS of Highway. He has talked to towns if willing to help. Right now deputies are covering these calls.

IN RE: APPROVE AND SIGN

Jeffrey made a motion to approve and sign minutes from 12/1/2025 Special Session and 10/7/2025 Public Hearing, Tim seconded. With no further discussion, motion carried unanimously.

Jeffrey made a motion to approve and sign minutes from 1/12/2026 regular session, Kenneth seconded. With no further discussion, motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: TRANSFERS

Health department had requested 4 transfers from SB4: \$200.00 to postage, \$1,000.00 to Dues/Subscriptions, \$1,000.00 to Official Records and \$10,000.00 to Travel. Sheila ask Auditor if they were able to make these transfers from SB4 and Auditor will check. Michael made a motion to table request, Kenneth seconded. With no further discussion, motion carried unanimously. Jeffrey asked that an explanation be given for the \$10,000. to travel


IN RE; PUBLIC COMMENT

Bob Barger: Confused as he thought Ken Boswell resigned from Council. He only resigned as President. Questioned why Nathan is able to speak out during meetings when no one else can. Is he on all of the boards? Why does he keep answering? County Attorney should be able to answer any questions.

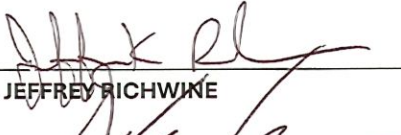
James Faler: Thanked Council for wage change for EMS. Should throw Matrix away.

Joe Moyer: Do not cut wages, lose morale.

With no more public comment nor business to discuss, Kenneth made a motion to adjourn at 6:45PM, Tim seconded. With no further discussion, motion carried unanimously.



SHEILA HAZEMI


MICHAEL TIEDE


JEFFREY RICHWINE


TIM OVERMYER


BRADLEY ZELLERS
Bonnell


TIM OVERMYER *Albert Gufwein*

ABSENT
KENNETH BOSWELL

ATTEST: 
TERESA BRYANT, AUDITOR, PULASKI COUNTY, IN.