

MARION COUNTY SPECIAL FULL BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

Tuesday, October 7, 2025

6:00 P.M.

Marion County Courthouse, Room 302

Meeting convened at 6:00 P.M. with Steve Whritenour, Marion County Board Chairman, leading the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Invocation presented by Marion County Board Member Brock Waggoner.

Roll Call taken by Lori Linder, Marion County Board Secretary. Present were Tracy Murray, Brock Waggoner, Dr. Mike Douglas, Jack Riley, Deb Reed, Tim McCance, Josh Dunahee, Steven Whritenour, Cody Rose, Chris Krupp, Debbie Smith, and David Iossi. Absent were Sharon Woodward, Judith Meeks-Hakim, and Adam Smith.

RECOGNITION OF GUEST: Bill Smith and Bruce Kropp, WJBD.

THOSE WHO WISH TO ADDRESS THE BOARD: No one.

Marion County Board Chairman Steve Whritenour began by allowing Building & Historical Committee Chairwoman Deb Reed to address the roof replacement at the Marion County Public Service Building. Mrs. Reed conveyed that a Committee Meeting was conducted prior to this Special Board Meeting, and that 2 Sealed Bids were opened and discussed. The first bid was from ARS Construction for the amount of \$89,880.00, and the second bid was from Elite Contracting for the amount of \$124,680.00. She stated that the Committee Members approved to submit the ARS Construction bid to the Full Board. Following, Deb Reed made a Motion to accept the ARS Construction bid and was seconded by Debbie Smith. Prior to Roll Call Vote, Chairwoman Mrs. Reed indicated that the replacement would begin approximately on October 14, 2025 with an anticipated completion date of October 31, 2025. Roll Call Vote: All ayes – No nays. Motion passed. Chairman Steve Whritenour and several Board Members commended Deb Reed for her accelerated and thorough work on this project.


Next, Board Chairman Mr. Whritenour addressed the Block 15 Enterprises LLC D.B.A. Iron Saddle Restaurant Liquor License. He stated that a Liquor Committee Meeting was also held prior to this evening's Meeting. He provided information with respect to the Iron Saddle leasing the restaurant portion to the current chef at the facility. He has been with the establishment for several years. A complete Liquor License application and pre-approval process has been completed, including the Illinois State Police Background Check. During their Meeting, the Marion County Liquor Committee approved submitting the leasees' application to the Full Board. Tracy Murray made a Motion to accept the Block 15 Enterprises LLC D.B.A. Iron Saddle Restaurant Liquor License and was seconded by Chris Krupp. Roll Call Vote: 11 ayes – No nays – 1 Abstain (Brock Waggoner). Motion Passed.

Nothing further to come before the Board, Debbie Smith made a motion to adjourn with mileage and per diem and seconded by David Iossi. Roll Call Vote: All ayes – No nays. Motion passed.

Time: 6:08 P.M.

Approved: ✓

Date: 10-28-25


Steve Fox, Marion County Clerk and
Clerk of Marion County Board

