

Richland County Public Works Standing Committee

August 14, 2025

The Richland County Public Works Standing Committee convened on Thursday, August 14, 2025, in-person and virtually at 4:00 PM in the County Boardroom of the Richland County Courthouse.

Call To Order: Committee Chair Couey called the meeting to order at 4:08 PM.

Roll Call: County Clerk Kalish conducted roll call. Committee member(s) present: Steve Carrow, Kerry Severson, Marc Couey, and Daniel McGuire. Committee member(s) not present: Gary Manning, Chad Cosgrove, and Steve Williamson.

Verification of Open Meetings Law Compliance: County Clerk Kalish confirmed the meeting had been properly noticed.

Approval Of Agenda: Motion by Carrow, second by McGuire to approve agenda. Motion carried and agenda declared approved.

Approval Of Minutes From July 10, 2025 Meeting: Committee Chair Couey asked if there were any corrections to the minutes from the July 10, 2025 meeting. Hearing none, Committee Chair Couey declared the minutes approved as presented.

Public Comment: None.

Reports:

A. Property Management Report - Departmental Activities: County Maintenance Manager Randall Nelson reported on various activities and noted that the new boilers were delivered today and that the water leak at the fairgrounds has been repaired.

B. Highway Commissioner Administrative Report - Departmental Activities & Review Of Monthly Bills: County Highway Commissioner Josh Elder provided brief summary of departmental activities and highway projects. Elder noted the campus bridge is complete and reviewed the monthly bills. Elder reviewed the proposed 2026 budget. Discussion regarding the ability to complete future projects at the current departmental funding level and use highway equipment followed.

C. County Highway O Project Update: County Highway Commissioner Elder provided a brief update on the County Highway O Project. Elder noted that weather and vendor communication were a few delay factors.

D. Update On Air Conditioners In Courthouse: Bennie Green (Ash Creek Plumbing) and Paul Kruckow (Winona Heating & Ventilating) provided updates on the current condition of the air conditioning units and reviewed possible solutions to address the cooling problems.

E. Radio Tower Project Update: Administrator Clements provided a brief update on radio tower project.

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Future Agenda Items:

Discussion & Possible Action: Air Conditioning Units In The Courthouse

Correspondence: None

Adjourn: Motion by Carrow second by Severson to adjourn. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 5:24 PM.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Derek S. Kalish", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Derek S. Kalish
Richland County Clerk