

SHELBY COUNTY BOARD MEETING

June 11, 2026 – 7:00 P.M.

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The Shelby County Board met on Thursday, June 11, 2026, at 7:00 P.M in Courtroom A of the Shelby County Courthouse.

Chairman Tad Mayhall called the meeting to order. All those present said the Pledge of Allegiance, and Board member Carol Cole gave the prayer.

County Clerk Jessica Fox called the roll. Edwards, Grant, McCormick, Matlock, Mitchell, Tate, and Wallace were absent.

Minutes for the May 14, 2026, county board meeting were presented for approval. Boehm made motion to approve the minutes. Yantis seconded said motion, which passed by voice vote (13 yes, 0 no).

At this time, Chairman Mayhall called for Public Body Comment.

Jake Cole referenced budget reports on the website and addressed concerns he had about those reports.

Joanna Hardy spoke about the USA's upcoming 250th birthday on July 4 and stressed the importance of keeping our history alive, by remembering holidays that reflect our former President's, telling historical events, and instill in our youth the importance of people and events that have made our nation what it is.

Chairman Mayhall announces a vacancy in Board of Review district 2 due to the resignation of Gregg Brown.

Cole made motion, seconded by Boehm to appoint Sara Helton to fill the vacancy in board of review district #2. Discussion was held. Helton was in attendance and introduced herself to the board, she is a lifelong resident of Shelby County, relocating for a brief time to the Bloomington-Normal area before moving back to town. Helton looks forward to serving in this position. Mayhall stated filling this position was important so the Board of Review could start their session next week and address several pending issues. Helton's appointment passed by voice vote (13 yes, 0 no). Helton will be sworn in on June 17 by Associate Judge Frisch.

Mayhall informed the board with Effingham County taking over the rural transportation services and grants, it was necessary for this board to rescind items previously passed for those services which included:

- FY 27 Section 5311/DOAP Transportation Ordinance (26-01- "O")
- Resolution 2026-11 authorizing the board chair to apply for 5311 grant funds for FY 2027 Intergovernmental Agreements with Moultrie, Christian, Clay, Montgomery, and Fayette counties for Rural Transportation provided by Shelby County
- Purchase of Service agreement with CEFS
- Vehicle Lease Agreement between CEFS and Shelby County
- Acceptance of FY 2027 Special Warranty

Pritchard made motion to approve rescinding these items. Gregg seconded said motion, which passed by voice vote (13 yes, 0 no).

Chairman Mayhall called for the Highway Engineer report.

Michael Tappendorf, County Highway Engineer, addressed the board to request approval for: "No Through Trucks" signage and restrictions on 1500N, 2200E, 2300E, 2550E, 2700E, and 2800E. See attached map.

Refund County Highway Account from County Bridge account for the installation of culverts on County Highway 19. Pursuant to 605 ILCS 5/5-409. Details of time and expenses as attached.

Morse made motion to approve the Highway items. Wood seconded said motion, which passed by roll call vote (13 yes, 0 no). Ayes: Boehm, Brown, Cole, Gregg, Hardy, Mayhall, Morse, Pritchard, Strohl, Syfert, Wafford, Wood, and Yantis. Nays: none.

Mayhall called for committee reports.

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Wood reported she attended her first Regional Office of Education committee meeting in Charleston on Monday and stated she is going to enjoy being on this committee.

Finance Chair Boehm reported Circuit Clerk Otis had not submitted an invoice for payment of his Visa bill in May, but the bill showed as paid in June. Boehm asked Otis how the bill had been paid and for the invoices related to that bill which showed he had paid the registration for his wife to attend a circuit clerk conference with the county Visa in the amount of \$175. The county travel ordinance clearly states the county will not pay for the expenses of a spouse and stated Otis had not been transparent by paying this bill out of the Clerk Operating account. Boehm stated she had spoken to both State's Attorney Woolery and the resident circuit Judge about this issue.

Chairman Mayhall requested the following appointments:

Airport and Landing Fields Commission – Dr. Richard Brown and Ryan Spain (3-year terms)

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County Health Board – Dr. Doris Bowers, Julie Edwards, and Paul Canaday (3-year terms)

Tourism Committee – Cynthia Alepra, Greg Miller, Maria Shafer, Annie Fafara, and Mark Shanks (1-year terms)

There was no old business to come before the board.

Boehm made motion to pay the claims. Pritchard seconded said motion. Approval to pay claims passed by roll call vote (20 yes, 0 no). Ayes: Boehm, Brown, Cole, Edwards, Grant, Gregg, Hardy, McCormick, Matlock, Mayhall, Miller, Mitchell, Morse, Price, Pritchard, Ross, Syfert, Wafford, Wallace, Wood, and Yantis. Nays: none.

Chairman Mayhall called for public body comment.

Comments/opinions expressed are summarized as follows:

John Kraft told the board and those in attendance they need to contact their state representative and senator and push for both circuit clerk's and probation offices to be foiable, as they currently are not.

There was no further business to come before the Shelby County Board.

Boehm made motion to adjourn until the next regular meeting to be held on July 9, 2026. Cole seconded said motion, which passed by voice vote (13 yes, 0 no) and the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 P.M.

Jessica Fox
Shelby County Clerk and Recorder