

COUNTY COMMISSION RECORD, CAMDEN COUNTY, MISSOURI

Tuesday 09/16/2025

The Camden County Commission met with Presiding Commissioner Ike Skelton, First District Commissioner James Gohagan and Second District Commissioner Steve Dougan.

Meeting Agenda

Commissioner Dougan motioned to approve the agenda. Commissioner Gohagan seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Commissioner Dougan (aye) and Commissioner Gohagan (aye). Session opened at 7:36 P.M.

Prior Minutes

Commissioner Dougan made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes of September 11, 2025. Commissioner Gohagan seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Commissioner Dougan (aye) and Commissioner Gohagan (aye).

New Business

2nd Public Hearing- speed limit reduction on Purvis Road- This was the second of three hearings, so no motions were made. An email was received by Ron Sells, who could not be in attendance, stating that he and his wife are in favor of reducing the speed limit to twenty-five miles per hour. Also listed in the email were ten more supporting parties. At this time, Commissioner Skelton opened the floor to opposing parties. Nathan Rinne spoke at this time. He stated his opposition to reducing the speed limit on this road and any road in Camden County because he believes the Camden County Prosecutor, Richelle Grosvenor, will not prosecute offenders of Camden County Ordinances. He continued by saying she has admitted she does not work for Camden County, she works for the State of Missouri. His final comment on this matter was that the Commission

should do away with all County Ordinances—especially ones that generate revenue for the Camden County Prosecutor.

2026 Tax Levy- Commissioner Skelton made a motion to keep the 2026 General Revenue tax levy at 0.2118. Commissioner Gohagan seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Commissioner Skelton (aye) and Commissioner Gohagan (aye). Commissioner Gohagan made a motion to keep the 2026 Road and Bridge tax levy at 0.110. Commissioner Dougan seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Commissioner Gohagan (aye) and Commissioner Dougan (aye).

Town Hall Meeting- At this time, each Commissioner took the floor to introduce themselves and speak about County accomplishments, future goals, and overall general discussion. The floor was then opened for public comment. **Please note: this was not a typical Commission meeting—there was no sign-in sheet, so the names listed below are potentially misspelled.**

1. Nathan Rinne—Commended Ike Skelton and James Gohagan for what they've done so far to date for Camden County by creating and providing transparency, necessary investigations and employee terminations, and thanked them for doing a job well done.
2. Mike Keehler (sp?)—Asked the Commission about dust control on his gravel road. Camden County does not currently use or have in place any dust control measures, but it is something that can be looked into.
3. Greg Bouch (sp?)—Asked if there was going to be a way that seniors would not have to reapply for the SB-190 tax freeze every year. The Commissioners directed him to the Assessor.
4. Matt Burns—Stated he had a question for each Commissioner; wanted an update on the Administration Building's HVAC system from James Gohagan, wanted an update on the 2025 budget from Ike Skelton, and stated he wanted an answer to a question about EMA that he emailed Steve Dougan about some time ago. Commissioner Gohagan said there's potential for the HVAC system to fail, and they will have to come up with the money to fix it when that occurs. Commissioner Skelton stated that Camden County is down some 2% overall for the projected 2025 budget and foresees some budget cuts. Commissioner Dougan stated he had an envelope with the answers to Mr. Burns' questions and had been waiting to see him and talk in person.

5. Ranita Jones—Advocate for Emergency Management; wanted to know if a new EMA Director had been hired and if the position would stay full-time or be bumped to part-time. She stated that many people do not understand how important emergency management is and what all they really do for their county. Commissioner Gohagan and Skelton stated there is a new director, Christopher McNail, and he will be a full-time employee.
6. John Fallon (sp?)—Asked the Commissioners how they feel about the overall security of Camden County voting machines. Commissioner Gohagan stated that when the School Board election occurred this last time, there was a call for accuracy because the results were so close, so he and the Sheriff alongside the School Board President and some others actually handcounted the ballots and the results were nearly the same. He stated there were only a couple of minor anomalies associated with voters filling the circles in but then handwriting an answer below. Commissioner Skelton stated he is confident in the County's election process.

There were no other questions or comments at this time.

Adjourn: With no further official business on the agenda, Commissioner Dougan made a motion to adjourn to any unofficial business that may develop during the day. Commissioner Gohagan seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Commissioner Dougan (aye) and Commissioner Gohagan (aye). Session closed at 8:31 P.M.

Ordered that the Commission adjourn until further notice.

The Skelton, Presiding Commissioner

Jordan Stanton, Admin. Assistant