COUNTY COMMISSION RECORD, CAMDEN COUNTY, MISSOURI

Tuesday 10/13/2026

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 made a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Gohagan seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Commissioner Dougan (aye) and Commissioner Gohagan (aye). Session opened at 10:00 A.M.

Prior Minutes

Commissioner Dougan made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes of October 6, 2026. Commissioner Gohagan seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Commissioner Dougan (aye) and Commissioner Gohagan (aye).

New Business

Public Administrator Budget Amendment $12,000.00 – This amendment is for admin fees to be put in the miscellaneous expense line. Public Administrator Tom Gorsline was present and stated that so far, as of September, they have collected $53,586 and per the resolution they are allowed to spend 25% of that amount. 25% of said amount is $13,396, and he is asking for $12,000.00 to pay for maintenance and landscaping. Commissioner Dougan made a motion to approve the budget amendment. Commissioner Gohagan seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Commissioner Dougan (aye) and Commissioner Gohagan (aye).

Purchasing Department Budget Amendment $57.30 – This amendment is for an increase to the Central Supply expense line. Commissioner Dougan made a motion to approve the budget amendment. Commissioner Gohagan seconded the motion.

The motion passed by vote: Commissioner Dougan (aye) and Commissioner Gohagan (aye).

MetLife Renewal Approval – David Von Gunten with McGrath Insurance Group was present to request the Commission's approval for renewal. David stated 15 other carriers were looked at and MetLife was still the best offer from a pricing standpoint. He also stated that 6 years ago the County made the decision to choose MetLife as their provider, and 6 years later they are still the best option based on cost and quality. Commissioner Dougan made a motion to approve MetLife for the County's Dental and other insurance. Commissioner Gohagan seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Commissioner Dougan (aye) and Commissioner Gohagan (aye).

Surplus Interpleader Lawsuit Approval – Commissioner Skelton read County Counselor's request for Interpleader. At this time James Crowe, the requester, was present to speak on this topic. Mr. Crowe asked the Commission to table the vote to file an Interpleader lawsuit for 2 weeks. He explained the situation and his concerns. Discussion was had. Commissioner Gohagan made a motion to table the request for the County to file an Interpleader for 2 weeks. Commissioner Dougan seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Commissioner Gohagan (aye) and Commissioner Dougan (aye).

Sunshine Law Policy – Commissioner Skelton stated the County had a policy in place that needed to be cleaned up. Commissioner Skelton opened the floor for discussion. It was asked what changes have been made to the policy. Commissioner Skelton stated that there aren't a lot of changes, mostly directing how the process should go, which is beginning with the Clerk's office and then disseminated out to the appropriate office(s). Discussion was had. Commissioner Skelton stated the policy will be tabled until the October 15th meeting to allow time for review.

At this time Commissioner Skelton asked if anyone had anything to bring before the Commission that is not otherwise on the agenda. Kris Franken, Republican nominee for Camden County Auditor, wanted to address the feedback he received

from the passing of the hiring freeze at last Monday, October 5, 2026 Commission meeting. He also stated that in the October 5, 2026 meeting it was identified, as a group, that a 10% across-the-board budget cut was needed, adding that we need to be careful about who the Commission would accept on the hiring freeze policy to allow positions to be filled, because we don't want to get in a position where an officeholder decides to fill a vacant slot and it is not funded, and then the employee has to be terminated.

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 10:47 A.M.

Ordered that the Commission adjourn until further notice.

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Ike Skelton, Presiding Commissioner *Alyssa Ross, Admin. Assistant*