

MONROE COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES

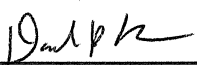
January 5, 2026

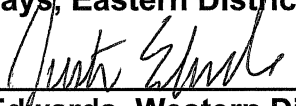
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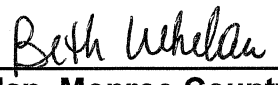
1. The Commission approved the Minutes from the meeting held on December 29, 2025, as well as the closed session minutes.
2. The Commission approved destroying past election ballots from 2020, 2021, and 2022.
3. The commission discussed finding a CPA office to do an audit of the county. The State of Missouri usually provides an audit for us, but they will not be here until June of 2027. It may be in the best interest of the county to have an audit.
4. The Commission approved opening a new checking account for the new health insurance. This will enable the Insurance Company to pull the amount needed to pay the premium each month and not have access to the other accounts.
5. The Commission continues to work on the 2026 Budget.
6. The Commission will begin working on the bidding process for gravel, fuel, culverts, and other etc.

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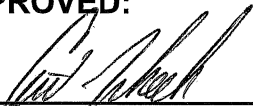
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January 8, 2026

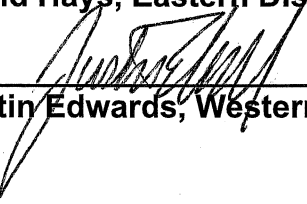
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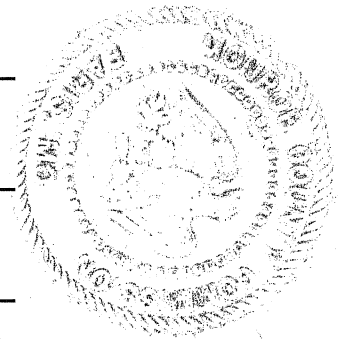
1. The Commission approved the Minutes from the meeting held on January 5, 2026.
2. The Commission is working on the 2026 Budget.
3. The Commission approved the first payroll of 2026.
4. The Commission is working diligently on the 2026 Budget. The budget will be available for review by January 12, 2026. Changes will be allowed to be made to the budget.
5. The Commission met with Monroe County Attorney John Russell to provide a rejection letter regarding Senate Bill 190, which was presented to the Clerk's office on December 30, 2025. The ballot language used for the petition is not legal and cannot be placed on the ballot as proposed. John Russell will provide the correct ballot language, which will be reviewed next week.

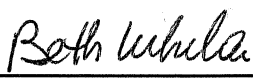
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January 12, 2026

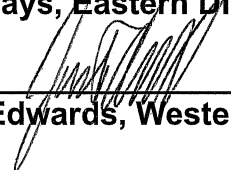
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1. The Commission approved the Minutes from the meeting held on January 8, 2026
2. The Commission is moving forward with the 2026 Budget.

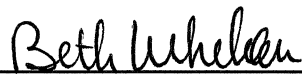
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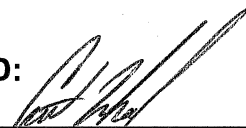
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January 15, 2026

The Commission met according to adjournment with Curt Wheeler, Presiding Commissioner, and Associate Commissioners David Hays and Justin Edwards present, and among other proceedings, the following orders were had:

1. The Commission approved the Minutes from the meeting held on January 12, 2026
2. The Commission is moving forward with the 2026 Budget. Each Elected Official met with the Commission to do a final review of each budget line.
3. Minimum Wage was raised to \$15.00 for all employees, including part-time.
4. The Commission met with each elected official to review the budget line items. (continued).
5. The Commission will not be in session due to observance of the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday on Monday, January 19, 2026.

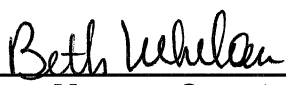
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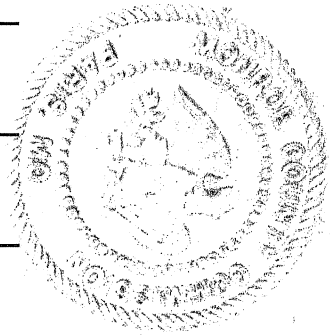

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January 22, 2026

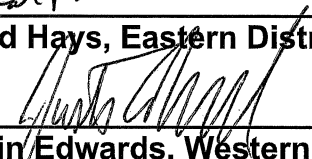
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1. The Commission approved the Minutes from the meeting held on January 15, 2026.
2. The Commission held the public hearing to approve the 2026 Budget. All Elected Officials were invited to attend. Once the budget is approved, it will be submitted to the Missouri State Auditor's office on Monday, January 26, 2026.
3. The Commission reviewed a public service message provided by John Russell to answer questions about SB190.
4. The Commission attended the Rotary meeting held at the Paris Nutrition Center.
5. Payroll was approved for January 5-18, 2026.

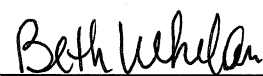
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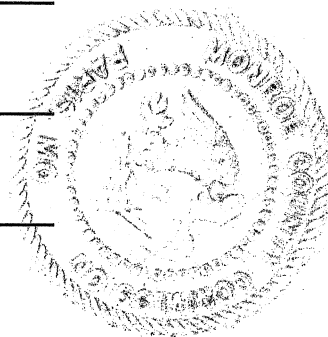

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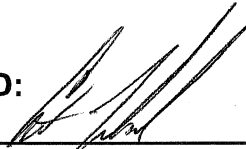
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January 26, 2026

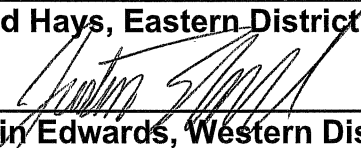
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1. The Commission approved the Minutes from the meeting held on January 22, 2026.
2. The Commission emailed invitations to all tax entities to attend an information meeting regarding SB190 scheduled for February 5th, 2026, at the Paris AG building at 8 am.
3. The Commission met with Ron Staggs, Kevin Wicks, and Attorney John Russell regarding SB190 and the ballot language that will be used.
4. The Commission reviewed tax abatements and signed them.
5. 2:30 p.m. The Commission went into CLOSED SESSION.
6. 2:40 p.m. The Commission came out of CLOSED SESSION.

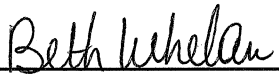
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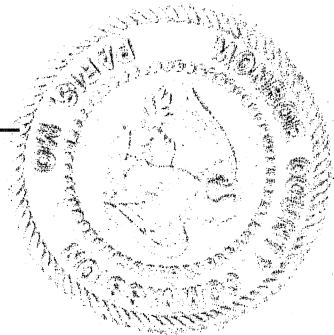

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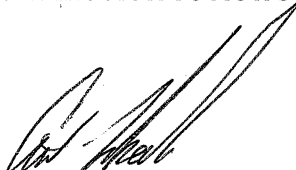
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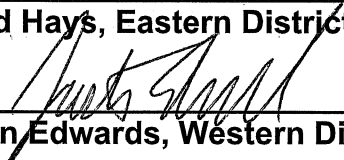
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1. The Commission approved the Minutes from the meeting held on January 26, 2026.
2. The Commission approved payment of all POs presented for payment.
3. The Commission signed the supplemental contract from Hutchison Engineering.
4. The Commission met with the Paris Rural Fire District regarding PILT payments and grant opportunities.
5. The Commission reviewed the proposals for Auction Services. David Hays made the motion to accept the proposal from Wheeler Auction Services. Justin Edwards seconded the motion, motion passed. Curt Wheeler abstained from voting.
6. The Commission met with Ollis/Akers/Arney via phone to discuss and review 2026 Property and Liability Insurance policies.
7. The Commission checked out the leak in the basement. Curt called Billy Secoy to check it out.
8. The Commission reviewed and approved the 12/2025 Tax abatements.

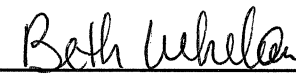
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