County Council Meeting
February 17, 2026

Present: Aaron Benton, David Gogel, Brian Greulich, Justin Grose, Susan Harris, Steve Haaff, David Fromme, Auditor Melissa L. Bunner, and Attorney Andrew Foster.

Meeting was called to order by President Benton at 5:00 P.M.

Minutes
Fromme made a motion to approve the minutes for January 20, 2026. Haaff seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Additionals

	Amount Requested	Approved
Fund Name: 1000 COUNTY GENERAL / EMA 0068		
Other Services & Charges: Radio/Util/Tower/Repeat/Annten	$11,500	$11,500

Grose made a motion to approve. Greulich seconded the motion. Motion carried.

	Amount Requested	Approved
Fund Name: 1000 COUNTY GENERAL / CIRCUIT COURT 0232		
Personal Services: Gal/Casa Services	$10,000	$10,000

Gogel made a motion to approve. Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried.

	Amount Requested	Approved
Fund Name: 1191 RIVERBOAT		
Capital Outlay: The Way of Rockport	$22,000	$22,000

Haaff made a motion to approve. Fromme seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Transfers No Transfers for February

Encumbrances

1000 County General	$173,339.52	
1161 Health	$2,130.00	
2501 Pre-Trial Diversion	$79.95	
1237 Opioid	$29,031.92	
1238 Opioid	$14,530.30	
8950 ARPA	$587,388.11	Totals: $806,499.80

Greulich made a motion to approve encumbrances. Gogel seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Sheriff's Department / Sherri Heichelbech
Heichelbech presented the contract for the Spencer County Justice Center Feasibility Study. The County Commissioners approved the contract at the Friday, February 13, 2026, meeting. The cost is $50,000. ***Greulich motioned to approve and to advertise out of Riverboat. Haaff seconded the motion. Motion carried.***

Legal Report
No Report

Old Business
No Report.

New Business
Coroner / Layla Thayer needs a new laptop to replace the one she currently has. Eck-Mundy provided four (4) options:

Option 1	Lenova 32GB Ram / 512 GB SSD	$2,395
Option 2	Lenova 16GM Ram / 512 GB SSD	$2,180
Option 3	Lenova 16GM Ram / 512 GB SSD	$1,720
Option 4	Lenova 16GM Ram / 512 GB SSD	$1,150

Gogel motioned to advertise $1,500, for Option 4, out of County General. Grose seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Opioid Funding

Luce Fire Territory has submitted a request for $28,000 for the purchase of a Lucas Device out of the Opioid funding. The County Commissioners approved the request at their meeting on Friday, February 13, 2026.

Fromme motioned to table this request until the Opioid Advisory Council can meet and discuss. Haaff seconded the motion. Motion carried.

RJL / Christy Powell

Powell came to discuss the proposal approved by the County Commissioners at the Friday, February 13, 2026, meeting. They are currently funded through March 2026. They are looking for additional funding and an extension to keep working with the county. ***Gogel motioned to approve advertising $108,000 out of Riverboat to fund through end of year. Greulich seconded the motion. Motion carried.***

Animal Control

Commissioner Jim Seiler came to discuss the conditions at the Animal Control building. It needs serious repairs including a new pump as soon as possible. ***Gogel motioned to advertise $40,000 out of County General. Grose seconded the motion. Motion carried.***

Spencer County Emergency Ambulance / Jane Stout

Stout came to ask for approval to apply for the Mobile Integrated Health grant.

Haaff motioned to approve. Greulich seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Grandview Civic Center is hosting a pancake dinner tonight if anyone is interested in going.

Greulich made a motion to adjourn. Gross seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 5:48 P.M.

President

Attest: Auditor, Melissa L. Bunner