

**PERRY COUNTY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
July 16, 2025**

The Perry County Council met on the above date at 4:00 p.m. as was duly advertised. Council members in attendance were David Etienne (DE), Stan Goffinet (SG), Gale Garner (GG), Cory Filley (CF) and Brad Harth (BH). Auditor First Deputy Kelli Wilgus was also present. There was no *Sheriff, Attorney* or *News Representative* present.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA

SG made the motion to accept as presented, seconded by CF. Motion carried 5-0.

JOAN HESS, CLERK

a) Deputy resignation/vacancy

Hess appeared requesting to fill the vacancy in her office, and this person would become the first deputy. SG asked Hess how many people she has in her office, and she responded there are two fulltime and herself. SG asked why does one of the other people in her office want to step up? Hess responded that the current interim first deputy this week moved to Spencer County. She can still serve in the office, but cannot serve as the first deputy. The other person in her office is not interested in the first deputy position.

BH made a motion to allow the Clerk to interview and hire a fulltime position, seconded by GG. Motion carried 4-1.

The next meeting is Thursday, July 24, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:05 p.m. CST.

SG made a motion to adjourn, seconded by CF. Motion carried 5-0.

Minutes approved this 24th day of July, 2025.

President, Perry County Council

Minutes reviewed by:

Kristinia L. Hammack, Perry County Auditor

Minutes prepared by:

Leisa M. Ecker, Deputy Auditor