PERRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
August 14, 2026

The Perry County Board of Commissioners met at 2:00 pm, as was duly advertised. Commissioners: President Randy Cole (RC), Vice President Pam Jamniczky (PJ), and Rebecca Thorn (RT) were in attendance. Auditor Kristinia Hammack was also present. There was no *Attorney* or *Sheriff* in attendance.
News Representative from 14 WFIE was in attendance.
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The meeting opened with all present reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA
There was no agenda. The purpose of this special meeting was to confirm the purchase of millings that were ground from Interstate 64 and the approval for sending out bids for placement.

PUBLIC COMMENT

a) Steve Howell from the Highway Department stated his concern over the Canada Road project.
    - Time frame for getting the road ready for millings?
    - How is the work going to be paid for?
    - Fixing roads with washed out places is priority at this time.
    - Cattail road ready for pavement, was already approved.
    - Binder on Cottonwood and Apricot.

    Steve asked the Commissioners how this can be done when the Highway Department is still short of staff? Steve asked for an explanation and RC stated that this was public comments. Steve went on to state that while it looks like the Highway Department has money in their funds, there are items that are being purchased and many on-going repairs to roads with the severe flooding the county had. Howell added that there is a lot that is going on and money has already been committed.
b) Tabitha Crosby stated that she is also concerned about Canada road, specifically the timeline that this is happening. Her understanding is that millings have been purchased or been negotiated for purchase, with the intention to pave Canada road. PJ stated that was not correct. T Crosby asked for more information and PJ told her they would discuss that in this Special M after public comments were finished.
c) Howell commented again about slag being in the millings. He was told that Interstate 64 had slag and the shoulders do not. The slag millings will not compact very well leading to a disaster. Howell added that to go through all of this, and then have a wash board road.

COMMISSIONERS

a) RC read a statement that "millings are better quality of asphalt simply because it's on an interstate. It's a lot more traffic. So, the quality of the asphalt and the rock that's used is better than that used on a county road or something of this nature." The millings that are going to be used became available Tuesday morning. There was no opportunity to have a 48-hour notice and have a meeting. Milling cost is $180 a ton which happens to be a significant savings to the county. RC stated that this is a first come, first serve basis, and since these opportunities don't come up very often, we had to take advantage of it when the county could. This will get the county further along for less money with quality roads.

RC said that Steve Howell gave the Commissioners a list of roads that needed work. After going through the entire list, there are only 2 roads remaining, Canada and Liberty. Once Canada gets hard surfaced, it will be a connecting road from Highway 37 to Highway 145. That's why it was picked, turning it into a better-quality road. At this time, the county needs to get the millings approved, and then the next step is to advertise to have someone place them. The Commissioners were having this Special Meeting due to the weather is getting cooler and there a number of steps that need to be completed beforehand.

PJ made a motion to accept the proposal from E & B Paving for $180 a load for placement, with the intention that after these are placed, the county will put some

kind of seal coat on top of them so that water doesn't penetrate and freeze through the winter, seconded by. Motion carried 3-0.

b) RC stated the second item on the agenda was for the approval of the advertisement for bids to place millings on the road. Requirements are that they truck them, compact them up to the specifications, all within the time frame to still have warm weather. PJ made the motion, RT seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

The meeting adjourned at 2:22 pm.
PJ made the motion, RT seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Randy Cole	Pam Jamniczky	Rebecca Thorn
President	Vice-President	

Minutes reviewed by:
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