

IN RAY COUNTY COURT WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 2026

Present in Ray County Court today were: Sheila Tracy, Presiding Commissioner
Bobby Don Davis, Western Commissioner
Heather Maulsby, County Clerk

Commissioner Davis made a motion to go into session. Commissioner Tracy 2nd the motion. Carried 2-0.

Pastor Issacson led Pledge & prayer.

Ray County Resident, Kurt Croix, and Miranda Jamison, a recorder with the Richmond News, announced at the start of the Commission meeting that they were recording.

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Tracy 2nd the motion. Carried 2-0.

Commissioners approved payables from Payables Clerk, Trina Hudson and Treasurer, Melissa Holloway.

Commissioners were presented with the balance report for the month of February from Ray County Treasurer, Melissa Holloway.

Commissioners approved the following payables as presented by Ray County Treasurer, Melissa Holloway:

- Orrick R-XI School District, Hardin-Central School District, Lawson R-XIV School District, and Richmond R-XVI for Opioid Fund, Historical Society for March Monthly Allocation, Diamond Mowers for Noxious Weed, Woodshed Lumbar & Hardware Supply for Noxious Weed, Woodshed Lumbar & Hardware Supply for Capital Improvement, Stockton Builders & Remodeling LLC for Capital Improvement, Ellis, Ellis, Hammons & Johnson, P.C. for LATCF Fund, Ellis, Ellis, Hammons & Johnson, P.C. for ARPA, Earthworks Excavation for ARPA, and Card Services for Capital Improvement.

Card Services for Capital Improvement

Chris Russo, Superintendent of Orrick R-XI School District, Austin Purvis, Superintendent of Hardin-Central School District, Michael Stephenson, Superintendent of Lawson R-XIV School District, and Bryan Copple, Superintendent of Richmond R-XVI School District, met with Commissioners to discuss the D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program and the opportunity to work together to increase drug awareness and prevention efforts for students throughout the County. The Commissioners expressed interest in utilizing opioid settlement funds to support prevention and awareness programs in local schools. Commissioner Davis made a motion to enter into a partnership with Orrick R-XI School District, Hardin-Central School District, Lawson R-XIV School District, and Richmond R-XVI School District to establish and strengthen a school-based drug awareness and prevention program known as D.A.R.E. Commissioner Tracy 2nd the motion. Carried 2-0. Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve the use of opioid settlement funds in the amount of \$20,000.00 for each of the four school districts present. The partnership will be reviewed in December 2026, and upon a positive review then, the program may continue through 2027. Commissioner Tracy 2nd the motion. Carried 2-0. Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve and sign the agreements with Orrick, Hardin-Central, Lawson, and Richmond School Districts as well as approving the award letters for each participating school district in the amount of \$20,000.00 per district. Commissioner Tracy 2nd the motion. Carried 2-0.

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve the following Plats & Rezoning Ordinances as presented by Stacy Wolfe, Planning & Zoning. Commissioner Tracy 2nd the motion. Carried 2-0.

- Plats (7): Putts Ranch, Katherine's Estates, Coyote Ridge Replat, The Oaks Replat Lots 13 & 14, C. Hill Acres, Rittmiller & Clark Replat Lot 2, and Sundance Ranch; Rezoning Ordinances (6): PZ 25-48 Eire Acres, PZ 25-49 Rustic Oaks Rplc Lots 2 & 3, PZ 26-04 Ivy's Corner, PZ 26-05 Proffitt Farm, PZ 26-06 Josephine Acres, and PZ 26-07 McCoy's Vista View Rplc Lot 1A.

Camille Johnston, Ray County Prosecuting Attorney, met with Commissioners to discuss changes that needed to be made to her budget. Commissioner Davis made a motion to table the budget discussion until Thursday, March 5, when all Commissioners will be present. Commissioner Tracy 2nd the motion. Carried 2-0.

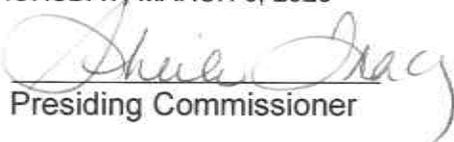
Commissioner Davis made a motion to table approving the 2026 budget until tomorrow's Commission meeting on Thursday, March 5, 2026. Commissioner Tracy 2nd the motion. Carried 2-0.

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve and sign the request for Richmond Parks & Recreation Youth Soccer League to use the Ray County Lot in front of the Fair Ground for their practices and games this year. Commissioner Tracy 2nd the motion. Carried 2-0.

Commissioner Davis made a motion to go out of session. Commissioner Tracy 2nd the motion. Carried 2-0.

Court Adjourned

Until THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2026


Presiding Commissioner


Associate Commissioner

IN RAY COUNTY COURT THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2026

Present in Ray County Court today were: Sheila Tracy, Presiding Commissioner
Bobby Don Davis, Western Commissioner
Max Hockemeier, Eastern Commissioner
Heather Maulsby, County Clerk

Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to go into session. Commissioner Davis 2nd the motion. Carried 3-0.

Commissioners opened 2 entry door bids for the Ray County Courthouse. Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to table the bids until a future meeting is had on it. Commissioner Davis 2nd the motion. Carried 3-0.

Commissioners opened 2 HVAC bids for the Ray County Jail. Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to table the HVAC bids until they are able to research it further. Commissioner Davis 2nd the motion. Carried 3-0.

Jeff Chronister with Ollis/Akers/Arney, met with Commissioners to present and review the renewal for Property & Liability through MoPerm Insurance. The Commissioners stated that they would like additional time to review the information before making a decision regarding the renewal. Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to table the renewal until further research can be conducted. Commissioner Davis 2nd the motion. Carried 3-0.

Commissioners discussed the former Humane Society building located at 200 South College Street in Richmond. Commissioner Tracy reported that she had met with City Hall to discuss potential options for the property prior to placing it on the market. It was noted that the possible uses for the building are fairly open. The Commission will share the information with Justin Wrisinger to obtain his input and expertise regarding the property.

Commissioners discussed the sidewalk projects for concrete work at the Courthouse and noted that work should begin soon. Additionally, the Commissioners noted that there may be grant opportunities available to assist with future County building repairs, which they plan to explore in the upcoming year.

Commissioner Davis made a motion to un-table the budget discussion with Camille Johnston, Ray County Prosecuting Attorney. Commissioner Hockemeier 2nd the motion. Carried 3-0. Camille had stated that she would like changes made to her budget and necessary line items added back.

Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to approve the necessary changes to the budget. Commissioner Davis 2nd the motion. Carried 3-0.

Commissioner Davis made a motion to un-table the approval of the 2026 budget. Commissioner Hockemeier 2nd the motion. Carried 3-0.

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve the 2026 budget. Commissioner Hockemeier 2nd the motion. Carried 3-0.

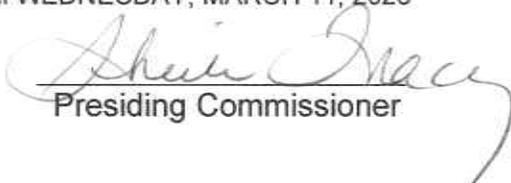
Other business:

- Commissioners reviewed previously tabled bids. Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to un-table auto motor bids. Commissioner Tracy 2nd the motion. Carried 2-0. Commissioner Davis recused himself. Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to accept the auto motor bids in the following order of lowest cost: Richmond Muffler & Auto Repair first, Max Motors second, followed by the best service response from other auto repair shop thereafter. Commissioner Tracy 2nd the motion. Carried 2-0. Commissioner Davis recused himself.
- Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to un-table the plumbing bids for the Jail. Commissioner Davis 2nd the motion. Carried 3-0. Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to accept the bid from Stockton Builders and Remodeling LLC for plumbing work at the Jail. Commissioner Davis 2nd the motion. Carried 3-0.

Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to go out of session. Commissioner Davis 2nd the motion. Carried 3-0.

Court Adjourned

Until WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 2026


Presiding Commissioner


Associate Commissioner

IN RAY COUNTY COURT WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 2026

Present in Ray County Court today were: Sheila Tracy, Presiding Commissioner
Bobby Don Davis, Western Commissioner
Max Hockemeier, Eastern Commissioner
Heather Maulsby, County Clerk

Commissioner Davis made a motion to go into session. Commissioner Hockemeier 2nd the motion. Carried 3-0.

Pastor Issacson led Pledge & prayer.

Ray County Resident, Kirk Croix, and Miranda Jamson, a recorder with the Richmond News, announced at the start of the Commission meeting that they were recording

Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to table the minutes until Thursday, February 12th. Commissioner Davis 2nd the motion. Carried 3-0.

Commissioners approved payables from Payables Clerk, Trina Hudson and Treasurer, Melissa Holloway.

Commissioners were presented with the sales & use tax report for the month of March from Ray County Treasurer, Melissa Holloway.

Commissioners approved the following payable as presented by Ray County Treasurer, Melissa Holloway:

- Great River Engineering for ARPA

Commissioners reviewed and discussed a resolution concerning Kratom and Synthetic 7-OH products, which have become a serious public health and public safety concern in the County and throughout the State of Missouri. Commissioner Tracy read the resolution as presented. The Commission supports and urges the State of Missouri to adopt regulations to ban or restrict these products for manufacturers and retailers who sell them. The Commissioners will continue to support the efforts of the Missouri Attorney General and law enforcement in their investigation of these unsafe products. Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to approve the resolution, which has been reviewed by legal counsel. Commissioner Davis 2nd the motion. Carried 3-0.

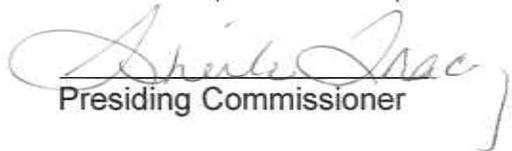
Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to table the discussion on Sunshine request charges until further review. Commissioner Davis 2nd the motion. Carried 3-0.

Commissioners approved monthly abatements and reviewed settlements from Ray County Collector, Julie Chowning.

Commissioner Tracy left the Commission meeting early.

Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to go out of session. Commissioner Davis 2nd the motion. Carried 2-0.

Court Adjourned
Until THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 2026



Presiding Commissioner



Associate Commissioner

IN RAY COUNTY COURT THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 2026

Present in Ray County Court today were: Sheila Tracy, Presiding Commissioner
Bobby Don Davis, Western Commissioner
Max Hockemeier, Eastern Commissioner
Heather Maulsby, County Clerk

Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to go into session. Commissioner Davis 2nd the motion. Carried 3-0.

Miranda Jamison, a recorder with the Richmond News, announced at the start of the Commission meeting that she was recording.

Commissioners approved the following payable as presented by Ray County Treasurer, Melissa Holloway:

- Diamond Mowers for Noxious Weed

A public forum was held with community members and Missouri Department of Transportation representatives, Alex Seda and Ravi Neupane, to discuss the W. 216th Bridge located in Lawson, which was knocked down by Union Pacific Railroad on July 17, 2024. Residents reported that the loss of the bridge has significantly impacted daily travel, safety, and access, leaving the area with only one point of entry and exit. The bridge has previously served as a vital, high-traffic connector for the community. Residents and the County expressed their belief that the railroad should replace or repair the bridge due to the damage that was caused by them. Mr. Seda and Mr. Neupane from MoDot were both present to gather feedback and information from residents to assist in preparing a response to Union Pacific regarding the importance of restoring the bridge within the County. Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to pass a resolution that Union Pacific Railroad repair the bridge that was damaged. Commissioner Davis 2nd the motion. Carried 3-0.

Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to share the resolution regarding Union Pacific Railroad with the press as presented.

Commissioner Davis 2nd the motion. Carried 3-0.

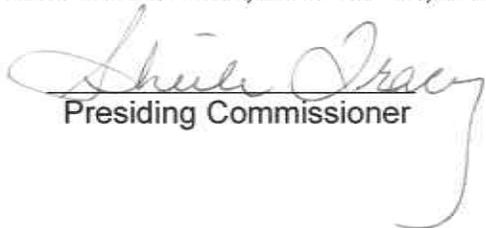
Ray County Prosecuting Attorney, Camille Johnston, met with Commissioners to discuss proposed adjustments to specific budget line items. The Commissioners requested that she provide copies of the supporting document she brought for their review; however, they did state that both the budget and previous changes to her budget had already been approved at the prior Commission meeting.

Captain Amy Sission and Major Tom Noon of the Ray County Sheriff's Department, met with Commissioners to review the current jail intake system and proposed transition to the Omnigo software platform. They noted that Omnigo would enhance security and operational efficiency by integrating and automating processes such as inmate assessments, cell assignments, and security checks within a single system, while securely maintaining and backing up all records. Major Noon highlighted that the transition to this integrated software system for the jail would improve accuracy, compliance, and overall safety. He also added that the cost of the new system is already accounted for, and no action would be required by the Commission to implement the change. The purpose of the discussion was to review the possible transition to a new jail intake system with the Commissioners.

Commissioner Davis left the Commission meeting early.

Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to go out of session. Commissioner Tracy 2nd the motion. Carried 2-0.

Court Adjourned
Until WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 2026



Presiding Commissioner



Associate Commissioner