

The Shelby County Commissioners met on Monday, February 2, 2026, at 8:00 a.m., present were Commissioners Abel, Lawson, Runnebohm, County Attorney and County Auditor.

**MINUTES:**

Motion to approve January 20, 2026, minutes was made by Lawson, seconded by Runnebohm, approved 3-0.

Motion to approve January 26, 2026, minutes (Meeting Canceled) was made by Runnebohm, seconded by Lawson, approved 3-0.

**ALLEY VACATION/ 406 S. CENTRAL STREET, WALDRON:**

Robert Dewhurst is requesting the Commissioners to set a date to have a hearing to vacate the alley east of his residence. The property sits between his property and the Waldron Schools. He advised he is willing to put in the Ordinance that the school has access to the alley/street for their uses such as Cross Country, July 4<sup>th</sup> activities, Concession, etc. Runnebohm advised he has spoke with the school and they use this access a lot and would still like access. Runnebohm advises he feels they do not need to leave it as is or give it to the school since they use it. Motion to set the hearing date for February 23, 2026 @ the 8:00 a.m. meeting and request someone from the schools to be in attendance was made by Abel, seconded by Lawson, approved 3-0.

**UTILITY REQUEST:**

BSM Groups is requesting three Right-of-Way Permits

1. Replace duct & fiber optic cable along N. Sand Creed Rd, near 520 N, Sand Creek Rd, Needham, motion to approve was made by Lawson, seconded by Runnebohm, approved 3-0.
2. Replace duct & fiber optic cable along S 600 W, near 56 S 600 W, Shelbyville under Range Road, motion to approve was made by Lawson, seconded by Runnebohm, approved 3-0.
3. Replace duct & fiber optic cable along E 650 S, near 408 W Dorsey St, St. Paul, motion to approve was made by Lawson, seconded by Runnebohm, approved 3-0.

Rush Shelby Energy is requesting a right of way permit running overhead lines underground at 160 E. Mille Road, Shelbyville, motion to approve was made by Lawson, seconded by Runnebohm, approved 3-0.

**SHERIFF:**

N/A

**HIGHWAY:**

Ben wanted to publicly thank the employees at the Highway Department for all of their dedication and hard work put into clearing the roads after the winter storm. He advised that one of the classes at Triton colored snowplow pictures and brought them out to us and we hung them in the hallway. This really made everyone's day. This was information only, no action was needed.

**CLAIMS:**

Claims- Motion to approve monthly claims was made by Runnebohm, seconded by Lawson, approved 3-0.

Payroll – Motion to approve payroll was made by Lawson, seconded by Runnebohm, approved 3-0.

Refund- Motion to approve a refund in the amount of \$702.56 was made by Lawson, seconded by Runnebohm, approved 3-0.

**TRANSFER / ADDITIONALS:**

N/A

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

**EMA:**

Commissioner Abel asked EMA Director if he would come up and for the record tell us where warming shelters are and talk about the different travel levels and what they mean.

Denis advised the County currently has one warming shelter called the Sunshine House located behind the church on E. Washington. They have been opened the whole time, they did have some heat issues but that is all fixed now. They have had around 15 people during the day and anywhere from 10-20 at night. The Health Department has also reached out to the Fresh Fire Street Church on Vine Street but has not heard anything back from them.

As far as the Travel Levels these are set by State Statute and are supposed to be for the whole County, you cannot say the City is a certain level and the County is another level. Whatever the County Commissioners make it, that is it for the whole County. It would be too hard to keep track of the levels otherwise. This is not something the Commissioners take lightly.

Yellow – use caution.

Orange – Essential Employees – To and from work or going to the hospital things of that nature.

Red – Emergency Personnel Only – Emergency Vehicle and Workers only.

Commissioner Abel wanted to thank the Sheriff’s Department, Dispatch, Highway Department, EMA for keeping everyone safe and doing such a great job.

This was information only, no action was taken.

**CHANGE OF BID DUE DATE FOR BUILDING:**

Commissioner Abel advised they needed to change the deadline to receive bids for the new building. The new deadline will be Thursday March 5<sup>th</sup> by 3:00 p.m. and they will hold a question-and-answer session on Monday February 23, 2026 @ 11:00 a.m., Motion to approve was made by Lawson, seconded by Runnebohm, approved 3-0.

There being no further business to come before board. A motion to adjourn was made by Lawson, seconded by Runnebohm, approved 3-0.

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**AMY L. GLACKMAN**  
**SHELBY COUNTY AUDITOR**