

COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

May 12th, 2025

The Jewell County Commissioners met on May 12th, 2025, at 8:30 a.m. Commissioners Ed Duskie, Brent Beck and Ervin Underwood were present. Myka Zadina, County Clerk, was present at the meeting.

The commissioners reviewed abatement number 2614.

Ervin Underwood stated that the volunteer trees that are coming up behind the solid waste facility need to be removed before they ruin the building.

Ervin Underwood moved, and Ed Duskie seconded to approve the May 5th commissioner minutes.

The commissioners discussed what topics they would like to discuss at the tri-county meeting on June 16th.

The commissioners stated they would like to do 2027 raises based on evaluations and will be looking into what the process would look like.

Nate Saathoff discussed a right of way that goes through his property. He stated he would like to have the ROW in his name, and he was told by the previous property owner that it was given to them when they gave up a piece of ground for the new highway. He stated he had a survey conducted and the property is still owned by the county.

Nate Saathoff presented a bid to fix the west exit of the courthouse parking lot. Brent Beck moved, and Ervin Underwood seconded to approve the \$5500.00 bid for the repairs of the west driveway. Motion passed unanimously.

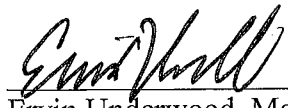
Cindy Becker stated that she applied for and received a suicide awareness grant for \$35,000.00. Cindy also gave an update on the measles. She also stated she has hired Jenny Scarrow. Cindy also stated she applied for a Congressionally Directed Spending grant for the courthouse stairs and is waiting to hear back from them.

Don Jacobs requested executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. Ed Duskie moved, and Brent Beck seconded to go into an executive session for 10 minutes with Don Jacobs present starting at 9:02 a.m. to discuss non-elected personnel. Motion passed unanimously with regular session resuming at 9:12 a.m. with no action taken.

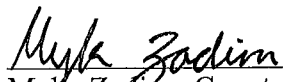
Joel Elkins stated they are patching rock roads and have been hauling gravel. He stated all roads that the commissioners have called him about have been graded. Ervin Underwood stated he had someone get ahold of him and they mentioned X Rd needs more work done on it since it got torn up during the last blizzard. Joel stated the scraper is in Salina getting worked on. Joel stated he has a new employee starting this week that will be running a motor grader. Brent Beck stated that he would like Joel to reach out to CAT and have them come in to train new motor-grader operators.

The commissioners discussed purchasing a new 50 ft trailer for the solid waste department from Wilkens in Stockton.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:56 am.



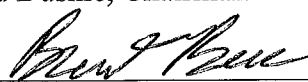
Ervin Underwood, Member



Myka Zadin, County Clerk



Ed Duskie, Chairman



Brent Beck, Vice-Chairman