

COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
September 30, 2024

The Jewell County Commissioners met September 30, 2024, at 8:30 a.m. Commissioners Keith Roe, Ed Duskie and Brent Beck were present. Myka Zadina and Carla J. Waugh was present for the meeting.

The following were present for the office head meeting and provided an update for their department: Anna Porter, County Appraiser; Cindy Becker, Health Administrator; Carla J. Waugh, County Clerk; Myka Zadina; Brenda Eakins, Treasurer, Shannon Meier, Ambulance Director; Chris Petet, Custodian; and Kevin Peroutek, Noxious Weed Director, Emergency Preparedness Director and 911 Coordinator. Those absent: Amanda Davis, Register of Deeds; Don Jacobs, Sheriff; James A. Vaughan IV, Solid Waste Director; Nora Rhoades, Post Rock Extension District Director Scott Wright, County Attorney; and Joel Elkins, General Superintendent.

Anna Porter said they are working to complete the 17% re-inspection. They have certified real estate and personal property values to the County Clerk.

Cindy Becker said they have received flu vaccines and will have a walk-in clinic this Tuesday. They also have the vaccine for RSV and Moderna. The Health Department will provide vaccines from 8 to 1 at the Jewell Corn Show. Cindy said they have been doing a lot of covid testing. The Health Department also provides fluoride treatment. Cindy reported Jewell County has a rabies' case from a wild farm cat.

Shannon Meier said they have had a busy month. He applied for a grant through the Patterson Family Foundation for equipment.

Kevin Peroutek discussed purchasing bulk chemicals for a discounted price. He attended the October weed Director's meeting in Russell County and Jewell County will co-host the November meeting. He said that 12 warning letters were sent out to property owners to spray noxious weeds. They have until October 18th to reply with their plan to control the weeds. Kevin reported for the Emergency Preparedness that he and Don Jacobs attended the KEMA conference. He said the location for the LEPC meeting on October 16th is to be determined.

Brenda Eakins reported that they are working to get caught up in the Treasurer's Office. Brenda said she attended a training for Commercial Motor Vehicle licensing.

Carla Waugh said she completed the KCAMP Insurance renewal. The Clerk's Office has received several requests for advance ballots by mail with the first date to mail them being October 16th. They received the real and personal property certification from the Appraiser's Office and will be working on the tax list to set levies. Carla discussed KWORCC's underwriting program and the scoring for the renewal.

Brent Beck said that he and Ed Duskie attended the Multi-Co meeting hosted by Osborne County.

Ed Duskie said that he and Brent Beck had a fence viewing dispute meeting last week. Ed attended the LEPC meeting. He continues to check on road complaints.

Mark Stenson discussed the warning letter he received from the Noxious Weed Department. He also discussed his fence issues with a neighbor. Kevin Peroutek, Noxious Weed Director, explained the process and thanked Mark for explaining what actions he has taken.

Joel Elkins, General Superintendent, discussed equipment repairs and maintenance. The Commissioners discussed road concerns.

Ed Duskie moved, and Keith Roe seconded the motion for the 750 Fax Page eGoldfax Solution with Eakes Office Solutions. Motion passed unanimously.

Brent Beck moved, and Ed Duskie seconded to appoint Dr. Walker as Jewell County's part-time coroner. Motion passed unanimously.

The minutes of the September 23, 2024, Commissioners meeting were approved.

Ed Duskie moved, to purchase a Lenovo notebook from Nex-Tech for the County Clerk's office. Brent Beck seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Laura Leite, Cottonwood Consulting, telephoned to discuss the ARPA funding commitment. Kevin Peroutek was present for the discussion.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Brent Beck, Member

Keith Roe, Chairman

Carla J. Waugh, County Clerk

Ed Duskie, Vice-Chairman