

## COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

June 8, 2026

The Jewell County Commissioners met Monday, June 8th, 2026, at 8:30 a.m. Commissioners Brent Beck, Ervin Underwood, and Ed Duskie were present. Myka Zadina, County Clerk, was present for the meeting.

Jay Johaneck stated that Jewell County has been awarded grant money for Bridge No. 183 on M Road and discussed the rules and requirements for bridges eligible for grant funding. He also stated that recent rainfall has been beneficial and that work on rock roads is progressing well. He discussed mowing and stated that the new mower is expected to arrive within seven to ten days, while repairs are being made to a brush cutter experiencing electrical issues.

Randy Fogo reported that crews are patching roads north of Esbon and that operations are running smoothly. Commissioner Beck noted positive feedback from community members regarding road conditions and encouraged staff to continue identifying and addressing problem areas throughout the county.

Ervin Underwood moved and Ed Duskie seconded to approve the June 1<sup>st</sup> commissioner meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

Don Jacobs discussed purchasing new cabinets for the dispatcher's office to improve organization. He also reported that a patrol vehicle parked behind the courthouse is being repaired after a window was found broken. The cause of the damage is unknown. Jacobs also reported that a meeting with local emergency departments was scheduled to discuss a new date for the community event at the park. In addition, a new deputy has started, bringing the department to full staffing.

Ed Duskie moved, seconded by Ervin Underwood, to enter executive session for 15 minutes beginning at 9:53 a.m., with Vincent Urbaniak and Myka Zadina present to discuss non-elected personnel. The motion passed unanimously. Regular session resumed at 10:10 a.m. with no action taken.

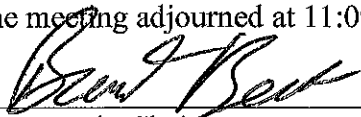
Vincent Urbaniak presented his FY2027 budget request and reported that the recent EMT class had been very successful, resulting in four active EMTs currently serving the county.

Myriah Wanklyn discussed the FY2027 Unified Court budget. She noted that jury and bench trials are scheduled throughout the summer and expressed concerns about the courthouse's window air-conditioning units, which are noisy and must be turned off during proceedings, causing the courtroom to become uncomfortably warm. The noise also makes it difficult for the judge to hear, and recording equipment does not function properly under those conditions. Quotes are being obtained for mini-split HVAC systems as a potential solution.

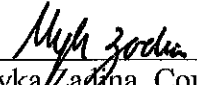
The commissioners also reviewed FY2027 budget request for the following departments; Road and Bridge, Appraiser, Noxious Weed, Emergency Management, County Clerk, Election and Attorney.


The commissioners reviewed and signed bill payment checks and vouchers.

The meeting adjourned at 11:09 a.m.

  
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Brent Beck, Chairman

  
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Ervin Underwood, Vice-Chairman

  
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Myka Ladina, County Clerk

  
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Ed Duskie, Member