

COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

March 23, 2026

The Jewell County Commissioners met Monday, March 23, 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.

David Walton, Solid Waste Director, discussed getting quotes for tires for the dozer. He also discussed a fender bender that happened at the C&D pit and stated the Jewell County Deputy documented it. He also stated that the radiator will be installed tomorrow and then he will be able to push trash again.

Ervin Underwood asked David Walton what the policy is regarding people sorting and hauling items from the C&D pit. David stated that it is not allowed.

Don Jacobs, Sheriff, stated he received a quote from GT Distributors, Inc. for six Glock 17 Gen 6 9mm. He also will be trading in six used Glock 22 Gen 3 .40 Pistols to offset the purchase price. Ervin Underwood moved and Ed Duskie seconded to purchase six Glock 17 from GT Distributors, Inc. for \$3,418.78. Motion passed unanimously.

Cindy Becker, Health Administrator, presented resolutions for 26-06 through 26-15 and the commissioners stated they would review them for next week. She also discussed two grant opportunities for State Fiscal Year 2027. The first grant is KPCCI for \$40,000.00 and a Suicide Prevention Grant for \$50,000.00. As the fiscal agent the Health Department/County will receive a 10% administrative funding. She also stated she attended the tabletop exercise where they focused on measles and preparedness related to the World Cup coming to Kansas City. She also attended the LEPC meeting. She stated that she will be attending the Governor's public Health Conference in Wichita, Dakota will be attending the WIC training in Hays, Abby will be attending the National Drug Endangered Children Conference in Las Vegas with grant funds and Cindy and Jenny will be attending a 2-day Bill Symposium in Wichita.

Rhonda Fernandez, PIC and Harrison Lambert, Difference Card, discussed an alternative to our current two card insurance plan with FCMI. The commissioners stated they would like them to come back with more information and price comparisons.

Vincent Urbaniak, Ambulance Director and Sheriff Don Jacobs, presented a letter stating why we need a local deputy coroner is needed. The commissioners agreed to continue having Andy Walker as the Deputy Coroner with the pay of \$6,000.00 a year.

Ed Duskie moved and Ervin Underwood seconded to go into executive session for 10 minutes starting at 10:06 a.m. with Vincent Urbaniak present to discuss non-elected personnel. Motion passed unanimously Regular session resumed at 10:16 a.m. with Ervin Underwood moving to write off \$4,661.32 for the quarter. Ed Duskie seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ed Duskie moved and Ervin Underwood seconded to approve abatement #2667. Motion passed unanimously.

Ervin Underwood moved and Brent Beck seconded to approve the March 16th, 2026, minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Brent Beck moved and Ervin Underwood seconded to pass resolution 26-05 to establish a speed limit of 40 mph for the Webber Blacktop. Motion passed unanimously.

Ed Duskie moved and Ervin Underwood seconded to appoint Beth Walker as Highland Township Trustee. Motion passed unanimously.

At 10:26 a.m. the County Commissioners opened sealed bids for Culverts, and two bids were submitted. The bids were to be for ten 48" x 40' 14 gauge & corrugated configuration 2 2/3" x 1/2" galvanized culverts and ten 60"x42' and six 72" x 42' 12 gauge & corrugated configurations 5" x 1" culverts.

BID 1: J&J Drainage for \$96,967.72

BID 2: Ace/Eaton – \$76,716.00

Ervin Underwood moved and Ed Duskie seconded to accept Ace/Eaton's bid of \$76,716.00. Motion passed unanimously.

The Commissioners Signed bill pay checks and vouchers.


The meeting adjourned at 10:36 a.m.




Brent Beck, Chairman



Ervin Underwood, Vice-Chairman



Myka Zadina, County Clerk



Ed Duskie, Member