

COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

June 12, 2023

The Jewell County Commissioners met June 12, 2023, at 8:30 a.m. Commissioners Brent Beck, Keith Roe, and Ed Duskie were present. Carla J. Waugh, County Clerk, was present for the meeting.

Don Jacobs, Sheriff, requested an executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. Keith Roe moved, and Ed Duskie seconded the motion to go into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel beginning at 8:37 a.m. with Don Jacobs and Carla Waugh present. Motion passed unanimously. Regular session resumed at 8:42 a.m. with no action taken.

Travis Garst, Solid Waste Director, had quotes for a lawn mower with trade in of the old mower: C&W Farm Supply - 2022 Gravely Mach 1 mower with trade-in \$8,000; Jewell Implement – 2022 Hustler XL with trade-in \$11,200. Keith Roe moved to approve the Solid Waste Department’s purchase of the Gravely Mach 1 Mower from C&W Farm Supply for \$8,000 with trade-in. Brent Beck seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Joel Elkins, General Superintendent, said they should finish hauling asphalt today. Commissioners discussed road concerns.

Shannon Meier, Ambulance Director, reviewed the monthly activity and billing reports for May. He discussed a quote for a generator for the Ambulance Department. The Commissioners requested he get an additional quote.

Robbin Cole, Pawnee Mental Health Services, presented the 2024 budget request of a 3% increase of \$808 and she reviewed services provided. Robbin discussed the agriculture assistance program they have available.

Sheila Nelson-Stout, President/CEO of OCCK, provided an overview of services available and provided to Jewell County residents. Sheila said they are requesting a 3% increase of \$740 for the 2024 budget. Susan Sprague, Expansion & Communication Supervisor for OCCK, discussed the services provided for Alzheimer, Autism, and Veteran patients. Kendra Krier, Vice President of Rural Services and Outreach reviewed the independent living services and crisis services that have been provided. Patrick Wallerius, Chief Financial Officer, was present for the discussion.

Ed Duskie moved, and Brent Beck seconded, to proclaim June as Elder Abuse Awareness Month. Motion passed unanimously.

The minutes of June 5, 2023, County Commissioners meeting were approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

The Jewell County Commissioners hosted the Multi-County meeting at the Jewell Community Center. Mitchell, Smith, and Osborne Counties joined the meeting. The group discussed burn bans, road department employees, salaries, and employee incentives. Jordan Dettmer, PENCO Engineering, discussed the possibility of pursuing a federal grant among several counties which would target small bridges. The group discussed the new requirement of inspection for Elevators in Courthouses and all other buildings. Phil Murrow, Sanitarian said the bylaws need updated and approved by each county. The next Multi-County meeting will be hosted by Mitchell County on September 18th.

Ed Duskie, Member

Brent Beck, Chairman

Carla J. Waugh, County Clerk

Keith Roe, Vice-Chairman