

COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

June 26, 2023

The Jewell County Commissioners met June 26, 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.

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

Joel Ekins said they have been busy laying asphalt on Y Road. They will now focus on tubes.

Kevin Peroutek reported for Emergency Preparedness that he attended the Regional Director's meeting in Abilene. He said that he has assisted Daniel Pierce with delivery of the new radios to the Fire Departments. Kevin said the Jewell County Hospital set-up notifications through Ever Bridge and had a successful test. He reported for the Noxious Weed Department that he attended the Regional Director's meeting in Great Bend. Kevin said he has not received applications for sprayer or office help. He has been spraying when weather conditions permit.

Anna Porter said they submitted the certified valuation to the County Clerk. She said they are working on the yearly property checks.

Shannon Meier said they have had a busy month. He reported that the billing computer crashed and purchased a new computer.

Carla Waugh said her office is busy with budgets. She requested permission to contact Secure Shred of NCK for the County Offices.

Alex Pierce reported the following cases: 175 traffic which included 5 DUI's; 3 Juvenile pending; 3 Juvenile transfer for sentencing; 4 child in need of care; 18 criminal cases; a bench trial in June with 8 counts and jury trial scheduled for July. She said that she has all her CLE credits for the year. Alex contacted a law firm for their services to conduct the Tax Foreclosure Sale for Jewell County.

Keith Roe said that Jewell County hosted the multi-county meeting in Jewell this month. He attended the Regional Planning meeting and the JCCDA meeting.

Brent Beck said the Commissioners have been working on the County budget. He attended the Juvenile Detention Center meeting at Abilene. Brent thanked Jewell County EMS and Kevin Peroutek for their assistance Friday night. This concluded office head meeting.

Keith Roe moved, and Ed Duskie seconded to go into executive session to discuss legal matters for 5 minutes beginning at 8:53 a.m. with Shannon Meier and Alex Pierce present. Motion passed unanimously. Regular session resumed at 8:58 with no action taken.

The minutes of June 19, 2023, County Commissioners meeting were approved.

Ed Duskie moved, and Keith Roe seconded to approve the agreement with Lindburg Vogel Pierce Faris, Chartered for the 2024 budget preparations. Motion passed unanimously.

Brent Beck moved, and Keith Roe seconded to approve the IBM Software Support Extension for V7R3. Motion passed unanimously.

Keith Roe moved, and Brent Beck seconded to approve the Fee for Service/Consultant of Record Agreement with Freedom Claims Management Inc. Motion passed unanimously.

Don Jacobs, Sheriff, and Kevin Peroutek discussed the service contract renewal for the phone line recorder with Equature for a 5 year pre-paid warranty. Ed Duskie moved to accept the Equature Premier Partner Program Agreement for 5 years for a total of \$28,882.39 to be paid from 911 funds. Keith Roe seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Don Jacobs presented the quote from Pierce Electronics for the Zetron Max Solutions for a total of \$18,100.00 to be paid from the 911 funds. Brent moved to approve Zetron Max Solutions Membership for an upgrade to the equipment for a total of \$18,100 to be paid out of the 911 fund. Ed Duskie seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Don discussed hiring personnel.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Ed Duskie, Member

Brent Beck, Chairman

Carla J. Waugh, County Clerk

Keith Roe, Vice-Chairman