

COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

October 28, 2019

The Jewell County Commissioners met October 28, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. Commissioners, Steve Greene, Mark Fleming and Keith Roe were present. Carla J Waugh, County Clerk was present for the meeting.

The minutes of the October 21, 2019 County Commissioners meeting were approved.

The following were present for office head meeting: Travis Garst, Solid Waste Director; Chris Petet, Custodian; Don Jacobs, Sheriff; Kevin Peroutek, Noxious Weed Director, Emergency Preparedness Director and 911 Coordinator; Nancy Marihugh, Health Administrator and Carla J Waugh, County Clerk. Those absent: Brenda Eakins, Treasurer; Shannon Meier, Ambulance Director; Anna Morgan, Register of Deeds; Anna Porter, County Appraiser and Joel Elkins, General Superintendent.

Nancy Marihugh said they have provided 294 flu shots and have ordered more vaccines. They provided flu shot clinics throughout the county. Nancy reported on the meetings she has attended and plans to attend. She is working on grant reporting. The department will provide hearing and vision testing for the School District in November. Nancy reported on the unconfirmed bacterial meningitis case and the steps to provide information to the public.

Kevin Peroutek said that the Noxious Weed Department notice for fall treatment was in the newspaper. He said they have had good response on the fall warning notices. Kevin said he attended the District meeting on October 10th in Russell. Kevin reported for the Emergency Management that the Regional Emergency Management meeting would be hosted by Jewell County at the Farmway Credit Union, Mankato. He said the Local Emergency Committee meeting is November 6th.

Travis Garst said they are preparing equipment for winter.

Chris Petet said the water softener will be installed soon and the boiler heat is working.

Don Jacobs said they had the first SAFE meeting. He reported that they are currently holding 6 prisoners.

Carla Waugh said she had completed the valuation, set levies and calculated the tax statements for the County Treasurer to print. She said she is working on the Abstract for the County Treasurer and the Property Valuation Department. Carla said she assisted the Health Department with the unconfirmed bacterial meningitis case by providing the press releases as Public Information Officer. She said the General Election is November 5th and the election board training is October 29th with the election equipment to be tested October 30th. Carla said that a post-election audit is required after the election but before the canvass. The canvass is scheduled for Tuesday, November 12th at 8:30 a.m. She said the voter turn out is extremely low with only 7 voting in the office and 10 requested mail ballots. Carla reported that she and Houston Becker attended the KPERS Designated Agent meeting in Concordia.

Mark Fleming said he plans to attend the North Central Regional Planning Commission meeting on October 31st. Mark said that the County credit cards are a privilege and convenience for the departments so please be sure to get receipts.

Keith Roe said the GOP met and voted to appoint Amanda Davis to serve the unexpired term of Anna Morgan, Register of Deeds.

Keith Roe moved and Mark Fleming seconded to appoint Karen Boden to another term on the Pawnee Mental Health Services Governing Board of Directors. Motion passed unanimously.

Paul Wilson requested that the county use the scarifier blade on the rock roads.

Joel Elkins, General Superintendent, discussed personnel, training and road maintenance. The Commissioners discussed road concerns.

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

Keith Roe, Member

Steve Greene, Chairman

Carla J Waugh, County Clerk

Mark Fleming, Member