

COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

June 2nd, 2025

The Jewell County Commissioners met on June 2nd, 2025, at 8:30 a.m. Commissioners Ed Duskie, Brent Beck and Ervin Underwood were present. Myka Zadina, County Clerk, was present at the meeting.

Chris Petet stated he hired Rodney Broeckelman.

Don Jacobs discussed his 2026 budget and gave an update on the 287G agreement.

Vincent Urbaniak reviewed his quarterly activity report and stated they had a big write off this quarter. He stated that last week they had state inspections, and all the ambulances passed inspection. He also said he is working on the 2026 budget. Ed Duskie mentioned that we need to be looking into when we need a new ambulance since it takes a couple years to receive one once ordered.

The commissioners reviewed budget requests and discussed solid waste fees.

Ed Duskie moved, and Brent Beck seconded to approve the May 19th Commissioner minutes. Motion passed unanimously

Ervin Underwood moved, and Brent Beck seconded to approve the May 26th Commissioner minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Joel Elkins presented a flyer for an event held in Republic County that is put on by Foley CAT, to view a rebuilt motor grader and he stated that he is interested in having a machine rebuilt. Joel stated they are working on dirt roads and patching rock roads.

Ed Duskie informed Joel that he received a complaint from Wayne Frost regarding the dirt road west of his parents' house and stated he broke the tongue off his gooseneck trailer. Wayne stated the roads were rough and wanted to know if they could come grade it. Ed stated he also drove the Randall Road and stated holes needed to be filled south of the bridge and requested it to be done before harvest. Ed also stated he drove the dispatch road and would like it re-rocked south of dispatch church. Joel was also informed that on 150TH north of D rd. there are holes all along that bridge. Brent Beck discussed 50 rd west of Burr Oak and discussed the options of ripping out the old asphalt starting at the end of the blacktop and then resurfacing it.

Kyra Gritten, Jen Urbaniak and Brian Shulda with Jewell County Community Development gave an update and Jen Urbaniak presented reports for 2025. Jewell County Community Development is requesting the same amount as last year for the budget. Ervin Underwood stated that the Jewell County Community Development are doing a lot of good things for the community. Jen stated that they have been working in the courthouse basement and is working alongside the post rock extension district with a copier agreement. They stated having a physical space will help bring attention to what they do for the community.


Karen Boden discussed concerns that she had from the Pawnee Mental Health meeting regarding where the proceeds from the Inspiring Hope and Help auction would be going. She stated she wanted to inform the commissioners of her actions. The Commissioners stated that they appreciate her speaking up and fighting for the Jewell County. Karen also stated she would like to talk more with the Health Department and with the superintendent about what more they are needing from Pawnee Mental Health and what needs they feel are not being addressed.

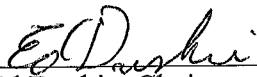
Cindy Becker presented quotes for termite treatment for the health department. The first quote was from World Pest Control for \$1500.00 with a 1-year renewal of \$310.00 and it would include the main building and the shed. The second quote was from Schendel Pest Control for \$1600.00 with a yearly renewal of \$150.00 for the

main building. The commissioners accepted the bid for World Pest Control. Cindy also presented a policy for meal reimbursements for her department and stated it was based off the state guidelines. Cindy gave an update on the KPCCI grant and stated they approved for two people to go to Baltimore for 5 days in April 2026.

Brent Beck moved, and Ervin Underwood seconded to go into executive session for 5 min to discuss non-elected personnel starting at 10:51 a.m. with Cindy Becker present. Motion passed unanimously with regular session resuming at 10:56 a.m. with no action taken.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:02 a.m.


Ervin Underwood, Member


Ed Duskie, Chairman


Myka Zadina, County Clerk


Brent Beck, Vice-Chairman