

BOARD OF COUNTY CANVASSERS
March 9, 2026

The Jewell County Commissioners, Brent Beck, Ervin Underwood, and Ed Duskie, met on March 9, 2026, at 8:00 a.m. as the Board of County Canvassers. The meeting was opened to canvass the ballots from the March 3, 2026, USD 107 Special Election. Myka Zadina, Jewell County Clerk/Election Officer, was also present.

Myka Zadina, County Election Officer, reviewed the election night tabulation and the advance ballot count received after election night. Myka Zadina then reviewed the six provisional ballots and the reasons for their provisional status. She reviewed the guidelines in the Kansas Election Standards Chapter 3, which provides direction for each situation and determines whether a ballot should be counted. The Board of Canvassers agreed that five provisional ballots should be counted and deemed one invalid. The board opened and counted the five provisional ballots. The board tallied the votes, and Myka Zadina recorded the votes in the official abstract.

The canvassing was completed, and the board adjourned at 8:20 a.m.

COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
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The Jewell County Commissioners met Monday, March 9th, 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.

Amanda Davis, Register of Deeds, presented quotes from Navrats for sheets for her books. She stated this should be the last of the sheets needed to fill their books before transitioning to paperless. She noted that the public can use Laredo and Tapestry services for a fee, or they can visit her office to search Laredo for free (though they must pay for copies). She also stated the office needs new chairs. Brent Beck moved and Ed Duskie seconded to approve the purchase of books and new office chairs for \$4,468.06. Motion passed unanimously. Amanda also discussed obtaining a new countertop for her front desk and presented a quote of \$411.00 from Navrats. She stated she would also need to purchase two locking file cabinets to replace those currently in use, though she is not in a rush to make the purchase at this time.

Don Jacobs, Sheriff, discussed leaving a patrol vehicle near the county line for his new employee from Republic County. Ervin Underwood recommended checking with the fire department in Formoso.

Jay Johanek, Road and Bridge General Supervisor, stated he plans to attend the City of Mankato's meeting this week to discuss shared roads between the City and Jewell County. Randy Fogo's crew is working out of the Frost pit south of Esbon and will be moving to the Harris pit. Road projects were discussed. Johanek visited Ace/Eaton Metals to inspect tube construction and also visited the Smith Center tube yard. Lynn Burgess from KDOT will be

present to conduct quality inspections on several bridges this week, and PEC will also be performing inspections.

Dawn Snyder, Assistant Director, 12th Judicial District Community Corrections, stated they are working on grant applications for FY2027. Ed Duskie moved and Ervin Underwood seconded to approve the FY2027 Comprehensive Plan Grant Application for Adult Community Corrections and Juvenile Services. Motion passed unanimously.

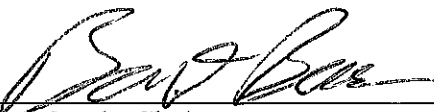
Vincent Urbaniak, Ambulance Director, presented the monthly report for February, stating they had 29 responses. Vincent also noted that he works with a great team of employees. Ed Duskie moved and Ervin Underwood seconded to go into executive session starting at 9:45 a.m. for 15 minutes with Vincent Urbaniak present to discuss non-elected personnel. Motion passed unanimously; regular session resumed at 10:00 a.m. with no action taken.

Ervin Underwood moved and Ed Duskie seconded to approve abatement #2665. Motion passed unanimously.

Ervin Underwood moved and Ed Duskie seconded to approve the February 23 and March 2 minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

County Commissioners discussed merit pay bonuses and decided the best option would be to plan for FY2027. They stated they will evaluate how it factors into the budget and affects the mill levy.

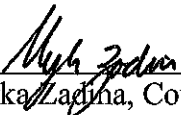
Meeting adjourned at 10:37 a.m.



Brent Beck, Chairman



Ervin Underwood, Vice-Chairman



Myka Ladina, County Clerk



Ed Duskie, Member