

AGENDA

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JO DAVIESS COUNTY BOARD
Tuesday, September 8, 2026 at 7:00 PM

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Courthouse - 3rd Floor Board Room
330 North Bench Street, Galena, IL 61036

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Invocation & Thought for the Day

V. Consent Agenda

A. Minutes Approval

1. County Board minutes from the August 11, 2026, County Board meeting

B. Appointments/Resignations

1. Appointment of John Creighton (CB), John Schultz (CB), Brad Petersburg (Property Owner), and Bryson Winsky (At-Large; City Engineer) to serve on the Ad-Hoc Blackjack Watershed Planning Committee with Brad Petersburg to serve as Chairperson and John Creighton to serve as Vice-Chair
2. Appointment of David Schmit to serve as a member of the Jo-Carroll Local Redevelopment Authority (LRA) for a three-year term commencing on August 1, 2026, and ending on July 31, 2029
3. Appointment of Tony Jones to serve on the Social & Environmental Committee
4. Appointment of Tony Jones to serve on the Development & Planning Committee
5. Appointment of Tony Jones to serve on the Public Works Committee
6. Appointment of Tony Jones to serve as County Board liaison to the Planning Commission & Zoning Board of Appeals
7. Appointment of LaDon Trost to serve as Vice-Chair of the Public Works Committee

C. Contracts/Agreements/Petitions

D. Ordinances/Resolutions/Proclamations

1. Domestic Violence Awareness Month, October 2026, Proclamation

E. Reports/Correspondence

1. August 2026 Pending State's Attorney Cases

2. August 2026 County Clerk Financial Report

3. July 2026 Galena Country Tourism Reports

F. Claims

1. Claims approval in the amount of **\$1,257,247.82** as follows:

i. **\$940,498.22** (Regular Claims)

ii. **\$9,469.29** (Claims associated w/ LIT's)

iii. **\$9,945.25** (Claims associated w/ IFT's)

iv. **\$_____** (GGMI Hotel/Motel Tax Reimbursement)

v. **\$12,250.00** (Economic Development Home Loan)

vi. **\$285,085.06** (Special Service Area Providers)

\$65,867.35 - SSA #1 to Warren Area Ambulance Service, Inc.

\$126,376.48 - SSA #6 to Galena Area Emergency Medical Service

\$92,841.23 - SSA #7 to Elizabeth Community Ambulance Service

G. Line Item Transfers

1. FY2026 Line-Item Transfers over \$500.00:

i. **\$1,589.04** from 001-41121-603 Operating Supplies to 001-41121-701 Maintenance Service

ii. **\$2,281.62** from 001-41122-720 Inmate Mental Health to 001-41122-931 Inmate Groceries

iii. **\$3,768.73** from 002-43141-701 Maintenance Service to 002-43141-724 Rentals

iv. **\$712.97** from 001-40108-702 Professional Service to 001-40108-605 Office Supplies

v. **\$950.00** from 001-40108-702 Professional Service to 001-40108-706 Printing

End of Consent Agenda

VI. Citizens' Comments

In accordance with Section 1-5-22 of the Jo Daviess County Code of Ordinances, members of the public may speak during the designated public comment period. Speakers must state their name and address for the record and limit comments to three (3) minutes. Remarks must be respectful, relevant to County business, and directed to the Board as a whole. Questions must go through the presiding officer. It is the policy of the County Board to not allow public comment on those agenda items coming to the board from a public hearing where sworn testimony was taken. Those wishing to comment on these items should attend and speak at the public hearings.

VII. Presentations

A. Entrepreneur of the Month

VIII. Unfinished Business

IX. New Business & Committee Reports

A. Acceptance of Resignation Submitted by Dylan Oppold, Acting County Engineer

B. Law & Courts

1. Consideration of a recommendation to approve a Resolution Authorizing Payment of Additional Upfitting Costs for a Replacement Sheriff's Squad Vehicle from the Contingency Fund (016) to be Reimbursed in FY2027 from the Sheriff Vehicle Fund (038) *(Possible recommendation of the Special Law & Courts Committee meeting held on September 8, 2026)*
2. If Item IX.B.1. is approved, the adjusted claims total for September 2026 is \$_____.

C. Finance

1. The fund balance for the Contingency Fund (016) on July 31, 2026, was **\$447,994.29**.
2. Consideration of a recommendation to approve a Resolution to Dissolve and Rescind the Election Equipment Upgrade Fund (049) *(Recommendation of the Finance, Tax, & Budgets Committee meeting held on August 27, 2026)*
3. Consideration of a recommendation to approve a FY2027 contract renewal with United Health Care to provide voluntary employee benefit options for dental insurance with a 7.5% premium increase *(Recommendation of the Finance, Tax, & Budgets Committee meeting held on August 27, 2026)*
4. Consideration of a recommendation to approve a FY2027 contract renewal with 3E Partners to provide voluntary employee benefit options for accident insurance, critical illness insurance, and hospitalization insurance from Colonial Life & Accident Insurance Company with 0% premium increase *(Recommendation of the Finance, Tax, & Budgets Committee meeting held on August 27, 2026)*
5. Consideration of a recommendation to approve a FY2027 health insurance contract renewal with Medical Associates Health Plans to provide a Medical QHDHP Non-Embedded 2000 Single-only health insurance plan with a 10.5% premium increase *(Recommendation of the Finance, Tax, & Budgets Committee meeting held on August 27, 2026)*
6. Consideration of a recommendation to approve a FY2027 health insurance contract renewal with Medical Associates Health Plans to provide a Medical QHDHP 3400/6800 health insurance plan with a 10.5% premium increase *(Recommendation of the Finance, Tax, & Budgets Committee meeting held on August 27, 2026)*
7. Consideration of a recommendation to approve a FY2027 health insurance contract renewal with Medical Associates Health Plans to provide a Medical Copay 3000/6000 health insurance plan with a 10.5% premium increase *(Recommendation of the Finance, Tax, & Budgets Committee meeting held on August 27, 2026)*
8. Consideration of a recommendation to approve FY2027 Employer HSA contribution amounts of \$2,000 for single contracts and \$3,400 for family contracts to be deposited in January and July *(Recommendation of the Finance, Tax, & Budgets Committee meeting held on August 27, 2026)*
9. Consideration of a recommendation to approve a FY2027 Health Insurance Premium Allocation Policy with an HSA family contribution amount change to \$3,400 *(Recommendation of the Finance, Tax, & Budgets Committee meeting held on August 27, 2026)*

10. Consideration of a recommendation to approve a FY2027 Alternative Insurance Assistance Program Policy with no change (*Recommendation of the Finance, Tax, & Budgets Committee meeting held on August 27, 2026*)
11. Consideration of a recommendation to approve a FY2027 Voluntary Employee Furlough Program Policy as presented (*Recommendation of the Finance, Tax, & Budgets Committee meeting held on August 27, 2026*)
12. Consideration of a recommendation to approve a Resolution to Establish a Surplus Equity Fund (094), Fund Description, and Proposed FY2027 Budget Appropriation of \$75,000(*Recommendation of the Finance, Tax, & Budgets Committee meeting held on August 27, 2026*)

D. Planning Commission/Building Code of Appeals

1. Discussion and possible action regarding the Planning Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals (PC/ZBA) recommendations for amendments to the Jo Daviess County Zoning Ordinance regarding minimum lot area
 - i. **Recommendation of the Planning Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals (PC/ZBA):** A motion to approve the Planning Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals recommendation to deny the proposed amendment to Title 8, Chapter 3, District Regulations, to reduce the minimum lot area in the Agricultural (AG) zone from 40-acres to ten-acres (***This motion requires only a simple majority approval vote***)
- IF THE PREVIOUS MOTION FAILS**
- ii. **Not a recommendation by the Planning Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals (PC/ZBA):** A motion to adopt a text amendment to Title 8, Chapter 3, District Regulations, to reduce the minimum lot area in the Agricultural (AG) zone from forty (40) acres to ten (10) acres (***Pursuant to a citizen petition under 8-2E-6 of the Jo Daviess County Code of Ordinances, this vote requires a three-fourths (3/4) majority approval vote***)
2. Discussion and possible action regarding the Planning Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals (PC/ZBA) recommendation for amendments to the Jo Daviess County Zoning Ordinance regarding maximum amount of non-agricultural accessory areas
 - i. **Recommendation of the Planning Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals (PC/ZBA):** A motion to approve the Planning Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals recommendation to deny the proposed amendment to Title 8, Chapter 5, Use Table and Regulations, to eliminate restrictions on the maximum amount of non-agricultural accessory areas that may be placed on properties zoned Agricultural (AG) (***This motion requires only a simple majority approval vote***)

IF THE PREVIOUS MOTION FAILS

- ii. **Not a recommendation by the Planning Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals (PC/ZBA):** A motion to adopt a text amendment to Title 8, Chapter 5, Use Table and Regulations, to eliminate restrictions on the maximum amount of non-agricultural accessory areas that may be placed on properties zone Agricultural (AG) (***This motion requires only a simple majority approval vote***)

3. Discussion and possible action to approve an Ordinance Amending Title 8 Zoning Regulations of the Jo Daviess County Code of Ordinances incorporating all County Board approved amendments with an effective date of October 1, 2026

E. Development & Planning

1. Consideration of a recommendation to approve developing a Forgivable Loan Program for Childcare for FY2027 with a maximum loaned of \$80,000 (*Recommendation of the Development & Planning Committee meeting held on August 25, 2026*)

F. Legislative

G. Social & Environmental

1. Consideration of a recommendation to approve a contract between Galena Public Library District and Jo Daviess County Transit (*Recommendation of the Social & Environmental Committee meeting held on August 20, 2026*)
2. Consideration of a recommendation to approve a contract between East Dubuque School District #119 and Jo Daviess County Transit (*Recommendation of the Social & Environmental Committee meeting held on August 20, 2026*)
3. Consideration of a recommendation to approve a contract between The Galena ARC and Jo Daviess County Transit (*Recommendation of the Social & Environmental Committee meeting held on August 20, 2026*)
4. Consideration of a recommendation to approve a contract between Crescent Community Health Center and Jo Daviess County Transit (*Recommendation of the Social & Environmental Committee meeting held on August 20, 2026*)
5. Consideration of a recommendation to approve a contract between Allure of Stockton and Jo Daviess County Transit (*Recommendation of the Social & Environmental Committee meeting held on August 20, 2026*)
6. Consideration of a recommendation to approve a contract between The United Methodist Church and Jo Daviess County Transit (*Recommendation of the Social & Environmental Committee meeting held on August 20, 2026*)
7. Consideration of a recommendation to approve an Intergovernmental Agreement between The Regional Office of Education #8 and Jo Daviess County Transit (*Recommendation of the Social & Environmental Committee meeting held on August 20, 2026*)
8. Consideration of a recommendation to approve a contract between The Galena Territory Association and Jo Daviess County Transit (*Recommendation of the Social & Environmental Committee meeting held on August 20, 2026*)
9. Consideration of a recommendation to approve a contract between Midwest Medical Center and Jo Daviess County Transit (*Recommendation of the Social & Environmental Committee meeting held on August 20, 2026*)

10. Consideration of a recommendation to approve a contract between The Senior Resource Center and Jo Daviess County Transit (*Recommendation of the Social & Environmental Committee meeting held on August 20, 2026*)
11. Consideration of a recommendation to approve a contract between The Riverview Center and Jo Daviess County Transit (*Recommendation of the Social & Environmental Committee meeting held on August 20, 2026*)
12. Consideration of a recommendation to approve a Resolution Authorizing Application for a Capital Assistance Grant for Paratransit Vehicles under the Illinois Department of Transportation's General Authority to make such grants (*Recommendation of the Social & Environmental Committee meeting held on August 20, 2026*)

H. Executive

1. Consideration of a recommendation to approve a Resolution to Amend R2023-18 to Provide Retiree Health Insurance Benefits for the Chief Deputy Sheriff and Lieutenant Sheriff Positions (*Recommendation of the Executive Committee meeting held on August 31, 2026*)
2. Consideration of a recommendation to approve authorizing the Public Health Administrator to pursue an opioid settlement agreement and to create a special fund for the deposit of monies (*Recommendation of the Executive Committee meeting held on August 31, 2026*)
3. Consideration of a recommendation to approve a Resolution to Authorize Payment of FY2026 Mandatory Accelerated Payments to the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF) from the Contingency Fund (016) to be Reimbursed in FY2027 from the Municipal Retirement Fund (013) in the amount of \$9,257.32 (*Recommendation of the Executive Committee meeting held on August 31, 2026*)
4. If Item IX.H.3. is approved, the adjusted claims total for September 2026 is \$_____.
5. Discussion and possible action on approval of a proposed parking ramp design agreement by Origin Design at a cost not to exceed \$316,000.00 to be split evenly (\$158,000.00) between the City of Galena and Jo Daviess County, to be paid from 042-46171-805 Buildings (*Not a recommendation of the Executive Committee meeting held on August 31, 2026*)

I. Information & Technology

1. Discussion and possible action on approving intergovernmental agreements with the following communities/entities on cost-sharing for the 2026 Digital Orthophotography Project (*The cost-share was previously approved at the County Board meeting held on July 14, 2026*)
 - i. Village of Elizabeth
 - ii. City of Galena
 - iii. The Galena Territory
 - iv. Village of Hanover
 - v. Jo-Carroll Depot Local Redevelopment Authority (LRA)
 - vi. Village of Warren

J. Public Works

X. Other Committees & Boards

XI. Closed Session

A. Personnel section 2(c)1

"The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity."

1. Topic of discussion:

1. Transit
2. County Engineer

B. Collective bargaining section 2(c)2

"Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees."

C. Purchase/lease property section 2(c)5

"The purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired."

D. Pursuant to 5 ILCS Litigation Section 120/2(c)11

"Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting."

XII. Reconvene to Open Session

XIII. Possible Actions as a Result of Closed Session

A. Discussion and possible action to approve a Resolution Requesting Consent to the Appointment of an Acting County Engineer

XIV. Board Member Concerns

XV. Citizens' Comments

XVI. Adjourn

Next County Board meeting: Tuesday, October 13, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.