

JO DAVIESS COUNTY
FINANCE, TAX, & BUDGETS COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 28, 2025

I. Call to Order

Committee Chairperson Schultz called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM on Thursday, August 28, 2025 in the Jo Daviess County Board Room, Jo Daviess County Administrative Offices in Galena, Illinois.

II. Roll Call

Roll Call was answered as follows: Present – John Creighton, Michael Dittmar, Diane Gallagher, John Schultz, John Lang. Present: 5. Present electronically – 0. Present electronically: 0. Absent – Michael Holt, LaDon Trost. Absent: 2.

III. Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve minutes of the July 31, 2025, Finance, Tax & Budgets Committee meeting was made by John Lang and seconded by Diane Gallagher. The motion carried by voice vote.

IV. Citizens' Comments

There were no citizens' comments.

V. Unfinished Business

None.

VI. New Business

A motion to recommend a FY2026 contract renewal with United Health Care to provide voluntary employee benefit options for dental insurance was made by John Lang and seconded by John Creighton. The motion carried by voice vote.

A motion to recommend a FY2026 contract renewal with 3E Partners to provide voluntary employee benefit options for accident insurance, critical illness insurance, and hospitalization insurance) was made by John Lang and seconded by Diane Gallagher. The motion carried by voice vote.

A motion to recommend a FY2026 health insurance contract renewal with Medical Associates Health Plans to provide a Medical QHDHP Non-Embedded 2000 Single-only health insurance plan was made by John Schultz and seconded by John Lang. The motion carried by voice vote.

A motion to recommend a FY2026 health insurance contract renewal with Medical Associates Health Plans to provide a Medical QHDHP 3300/6600 health insurance plan was made by John Schultz and seconded by John Lang. The motion carried by voice vote.

A motion to recommend a FY2026 health insurance contract renewal with Medical Associates Health Plans to provide a Medical Copay 3000/6000 health insurance plan was made by John Schultz and seconded by John Lang. The motion carried by voice vote.

A motion to recommend FY2026 Employer HSA contribution amounts of \$2,000 for single contracts and \$3,300 for family contracts to be deposited in January and July was made by John Schultz and seconded by Michael Dittmar. The motion carried by voice vote.

A motion to recommend a FY2026 Health Insurance Premium Allocation Policy as revised was made by John Schultz and seconded by Michael Dittmar. The motion carried by voice vote.

A motion to recommend a FY2026 Voluntary Employee Furlough Program Policy was made by John Schultz and seconded by Michael Dittmar. The motion carried by voice vote.

A motion to recommend a FY2026 Alternative Insurance Assistance Program Policy pending States Attorney review was made by John Schultz and seconded by John Lang. The motion carried by voice vote.

VII. Reports

Laura Edmonds, Assessor provided a written report and summarized the month. She has rolled property values to the Supervisor of Assessments Equalized level and is working on factors. She hopes to publish the assessment list on September 24, 2025.

Melisa Hammer, Treasurer provided a written report and summarized the month of tax collections and interviewing candidates for an open position. She believes the job description should be revised, as it is her opinion the position has a high level of responsibility. A lengthy discussion followed.

Tammy Cahill, Grants Administrator provided a written report and summarized the month's activities working with department heads on existing grants and possible opportunities.

VIII. Citizens' Comments

There were no citizens' comments.

IX. Committee Member Concerns

None.

X. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn was made at 6:53 PM by John Lang and seconded by John Creighton. Motion carried by voice vote.

Next committee meeting is Monday, September 15, 2025, at 5:30 p.m., for a Joint Budget Review meeting with Law Enforcement & Courts and Finance, Tax & Budgets Committees