

REVISED AGENDA

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JO DAVIESS COUNTY BOARD

Tuesday, January 13, 2026 at 7:00 PM

**Jo Daviess County Courthouse - Third Floor Board Room
330 North Bench Street, Galena, IL 61036**

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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 meeting minutes from the December 9, 2025, County Board meeting
2. Ad-Hoc Mental Health Committee minutes from final meeting December 18, 2025
3. Ad-Hoc Zoning Committee minutes from final meeting December 16, 2025

B. Appointments/Resignations

C. Contracts/Agreements/Petitions

D. Ordinances/Resolutions/Proclamations

E. Reports/Correspondence

1. Department of the Army: Public Review and Comment Period on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS)
2. December 2025 Pending State's Attorney Cases
3. November 2025 Galena Country Tourism Reports
4. December 2025 County Clerk Financial Report

F. Claims

1. Claims approval in the amount of **\$2,441,733.53** as follows:
 - i. **\$787,152.88** (Regular Claims)
 - ii. **\$28,391.49** (Claims associated w/ LIT's)
 - iii. **\$1,518,316.72** (Claims associated w/ IFT's)
 - iv. **\$6,528.53** (Over Budget Claims)
 - v. **\$101,343.91** (GGMI Hotel/Motel Tax Reimbursement)

G. Line Item Transfers

1. FY2025 Line-Item Transfers over \$500.00:
 - i. **\$4,063.50** from 001-40101-701 Maintenance Service to 001-40101-711 Utilities
 - ii. **\$503.10** from 001-41122-401 Salaries FT to 001-41122-441 Uniform Allowance
 - iii. **\$600.00** from 001-41123-401 Salaries FT to 001-41123-704 Telephone
 - iv. **\$1,400.52** from 001-41122-601 Maintenance Supplies to 001-41122-711 Utilities
2. FY2026 Line-Item Transfers over \$500.00:
 - i. **\$6,670.00** from 088-46182-805 Buildings to 088-46182-702 Professional Service
 - ii. **\$11,773.12** from 088-46182-805 Buildings to 088-46182-815 Furniture
 - iii. **\$5,000.00** from 001-41121-701 Maintenance Service to 001-41121-725 Union Legal Services

H. Over Budget Claims

1. **\$8,388.45** Sheriff General Fund budget 001-41121 (FY2025)
2. **\$2,153.72** Emergency Management 001-41125-920 Unbudgeted Grant Expense (FY2025)

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. Unfinished Business

VIII. New Business & Committee Reports

A. Ad-Hoc Zoning

1. Final Report Presentation of the Jo Daviess County Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment Recommendations - Cory Cassens, Chairperson
2. Discussion and possible action to direct Planning & Development staff to formulate proposed amendments to the Jo Daviess County Zoning Ordinance, based on recommendations from the Ad-Hoc Zoning Committee's final report, for presentation to the Jo Daviess County Planning Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals for consideration at a future, duly-noticed public hearing

B. Finance

1. The fund balance for the Contingency Fund (016) on November 30, 2025 was **\$605,589.62**
2. Consideration of a recommendation to approve a Resolution to Amend the FY2025 Jo Daviess County Tourism Promotion Fund (027) Budget (*Recommendation of the Finance, Tax, & Budgets Committee meeting held on January 13, 2026*)
3. Consideration of a recommendation to approve amending P2025-1 County Board Per Diem/Mileage Allowance Policy to include members of committees statutorily required by Illinois law (*Recommendation of the Finance, Tax, & Budgets Committee meeting held on*

January 13, 2026)

4. Consideration of a recommendation to approve a Resolution to Transfer Funds in FY2026 from the Contingency Fund (016) to the Natural Hazard Mitigation Fund (072) for Expenses Related to Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Training to be Reimbursed with HMEP Grant Funding in FY2027 and FY2028 *(Recommendation of the Finance, Tax, & Budgets Committee meeting held on January 13, 2026)*

C. Planning Commission/ZBA/Building Code of Appeals

D. Development & Planning

E. Legislative

F. Social & Environmental

1. Consideration of a recommendation to approve contract changes between West Galena Township and Jo Daviess County Transit; reducing the contract amount from \$4,000.00 to \$2,000.00 and the term from June 2025-June 2026 to June 2025-December 2025 *(Recommendation of the Social & Environmental Committee meeting held on December 18, 2025)*
2. Discussion and possible action to send a letter to the Senior Resource Center (SRC) requesting additional information regarding funding reductions for Jo Daviess County senior citizens *(This was not an agenda item of the Social & Environmental Committee meeting held on December 18, 2025)*

G. Executive

1. Consideration of a recommendation to approve a resolution for the Appointment of Regional Superintendent of the Carroll, Jo Daviess, and Stephenson County Regional Office of Education to fill a vacancy created by the retirement of Aaron Mercier *(Recommendation of the Executive Committee meeting held on January 5, 2026)*

H. Information & Technology

I. Public Works

1. Discussion and possible action to recommend an engineering agreement with Willett Hoffman in the amount of \$27,710.00 to perform a traffic study for a proposed Blackjack Road Realignment project *(Not a recommendation of the Public Works Committee)*

J. Law & Courts

1. Discussion and possible action to approve the required upgrade to the Sheriff's digital recording system to ensure uninterrupted compatibility with the new Motorola Starcom system. The upgrade requires the acquisition of new hardware and software through Nelson Systems, Inc., at a cost of \$101,531.50, to be paid from line item 007-41128-810, Equipment Purchase *(Not a recommendation of the Law & Courts committee due to time constraints; recommendation of the Emergency Telephone System Board meeting on January 7, 2026)*

IX. Other Committees & Boards

X. 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."

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."

XI. Reconvene to Open Session

XII. Possible Actions as a Result of Closed Session

XIII. Board Member Concerns

XIV. Citizens' Comments

XV. Adjourn

Next County Board meeting is Tuesday, February 10, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.