

JO DAVIESS COUNTY
SPECIAL PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 9, 2025

I. Call to Order

Committee Chairperson Grizzoffi called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM on Tuesday, September 9, 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, Steve Endress, John Grizzoffi, Joseph Heitkamp, Robert Heuerman, LaDon Trost. Present: 6. Present electronically – Jacob Ambrosia. Present electronically: 1. Absent – . Absent: 0.

III. Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve minutes of the August 12, 2025 Special Public Works Committee meeting was made by Joseph Heitkamp and seconded by Steve Endress. The motion carried by voice vote.

IV. Citizens' Comments

James Boho, Rice Township, voiced concerns regarding Blackjack Road and persistent flooding issues within the watershed.

V. Unfinished Business

The committee did not review the FY2025/FY2027 Strategic Goals.

VI. New Business

A motion to recommend the approval of a bid from Henderson for body work and equipment installation at a cost not to exceed \$118,846.24 was made by Joseph Heitkamp and seconded by Steve Endress. The motion carried by voice vote.

Dylan Oppold, County Engineer gave a report that detailed all FY2025 projects to date, which included completing the asphalt overlay of 6.8 miles of Canyon Park Road, a bridge repair on Fiedler Road, a triple box culvert on Willow Road, a culvert on Groezinger Road, recycle and asphalt overlay of 8.2 miles of Scout Camp Road, bridge repair on Pleasant Hill Road, and a 70' single span bridge on Guilford Road. Upcoming projects include bridge work on Ridge Road, Quarry Hill Road, Railroad Roberts Road, Dewey Avenue, and Route 5, culvert replacements on Elizabeth/Scales Mound Road, and asphalt overlay on Menominee Road.

VII. Citizens' Comments

There were no citizens' comments.

VIII. Committee Member Concerns

Joseph Heitkamp asked Oppold who is responsible for lowering the speed limit on a township road. Oppold replied it would be done by County Board ordinance after a request from the township and favorable speed study results.

Steve Endress complimented Oppold on both Scout Camp and Canyon Park Roads, stating they turned out very nice.

IX. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn was made at 6:46 PM by Steve Endress and seconded by Joseph Heitkamp. Motion carried by voice vote.

Next meeting will be Monday, September 22, 2025, at 5:30 p.m., for the Joint Budget Review meeting with the Public Works, Info & Communications, Social & Environmental, and Finance Committees.