

Legislative and Public Safety Committee Meeting
Tuesday, June 13, 2023 5:00 PM
Jackson County Sheriff's Office Conference Room

Call to Order

(5:00pm)

Present: Snyder, Battrell, Knust, Lister, Miller

Absent: Comparato, Mueller (each arrived later in the meeting)

Also Present: Kerri Gale, Mark Kuhns, Joni Bailey, CJ Calandro, Andrew Erbes

Approval of Minutes

- I. 2023- Approval of May 9, 2023 Minutes
163

A motion was made by Lister, seconded by Battrell, to approve the May 9, 2023 minutes as presented. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Heath Department & Solid Waste

- III. 2023- Jackson County Health Department
165

Snyder moved the Health Department section to the beginning of the meeting.

Ms. Gale reported the following:

- *Received grant to distribute 50 at-home colorectal screening test kits during the month of June.*
- *Hosted a brief visit by the IDPH Director on May 12. Discussed local health department funding and data access.*
- *Tracking several bills of potential impact which passed both State houses this spring.*
- *Four health department staff are being trained to assist EMA with emergency operations center functions.*
- *Health Dept staff attended the Pride festival in Carbondale last weekend, and provided Covid and Mpox vaccinations, as well as sexual health information.*
- *Later in June the Health Dept will be releasing an online community health survey and we'd appreciate help in distributing it far and wide. It is aimed at measuring the greatest health concerns of those who live, work, or go to school in Jackson County. The survey is required every five years as part of our Community Health Improvement Plan process. A news release and social media announcements will kick off the survey period.*

- IV. 2023- Solid Waste Enforcement
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Ms. Gale reported the following:

Activities Completed 5/5/23 – 6/13/23:

- 1 SIRLI landfill inspection
- 1 new citizen complaints
- 8 Field Visits conducted for new and ongoing open dumping and burning files.
- Trapped and collected mosquitoes once a week and designated locations throughout Jackson County.
- Attended larvicide training to be able to apply larvicide at sites if necessary.

V. 2023- Solid Waste Fund Update
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Ms. Gale reported the following:

Current month Solid Waste Fund Transactions

Transfers: \$6,260.98-Shredding, Medical Waste and Trash bills for county agencies for May

Interest: \$4,010.76-Interest for May

Deposits: \$0

Current Month Household Hazardous Waste Fund Transactions

Transfers: \$0

Interest: \$717.53-Interest for May

Deposits: \$0

Host Fee Deposited

Deposits: \$0

VI. 2023- Recycling Program
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Ms. Gale reported the following:

Activities Completed for General Recycling Programming –5/5/23 – 6/13/23:

- Angie Kuehl started as Recycling Coordinator on 5/30/23. She has been the recycling educator for schools for the last 9 years. We are very excited to have her as a part of the Environmental Health Division.
- Household Chemical Collection on June 24, 2023 – Schedule is open online at www.jchdonline.org . Check out our videos on Facebook for all the items we will be accepting and some of the items we will not accept.
- Planning meeting with Greater Egypt Regional Planning & Development Commission for the Solid Waste Plan Advisory Committee.
- Waste Hauler licensing has been sent out for the July 2023 – June 2024 annual hauler license.
- Continuing Recycling Coordinator program training.

Activities Completed for K-12 Recycling Education –5/5/23 – 6/13/23:

- End of school year data collection for program numbers.
 - A survey will go out to the schools on Recycling Education program activities and to gather data for future programming.
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Animal Control

II. 2023- Animal Control Monthly Update 164

(5:16pm Mueller arrived)

The County Administrator updated the committee on the County Animal Control officer. The update included information on the May rabies clinic, the Prairie State Animal Welfare Conference, and questions concerning the Animal Control Ordinance. The committee briefly discussed the Animal Control Ordinance proposal changes before Snyder suggested the committee wait until later in the meeting so they could stay on track with the agenda.

Emergency Management

The County Administrator commented that new fire escape maps are in the works by the new architect of record. She also noted that she had been working with EMA on possible emergency training for employees and possibly board members.

(5:29 Comparato arrived)

Ambulance Service

VII. 2023- Payment of Ambulance Monthly Claims 169

A motion was made by Knust, seconded by Comparato, to approve the payment of Ambulance Monthly Claims in the amount of \$352,149.28. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

VIII. 2023- Director's Report 170

Kuhns reported the following:

Monthly Claims: \$352,149.28

Accounts Receivable Cash: \$385,971.38

Activity Report: 918

Other Information:

We have officially closed on the property at 10169 Old Highway 13. Preparations have begun and we look forward to officially moving in ASAP. Thank you for supporting our department through this building purchase and transition.

State's Attorney

ASA Bailey reported the following:

Ambulance

Recently completed:

- 6/2/23 closed on purchase of building

Ongoing:

- assist with collecting delinquent accounts at local skilled nursing facilities
- assist with filing creditor claim in Bankruptcy court and probate cases
- review and advise re: paramedic training cost reimbursement agreement
- review and advise re: Shawnee College clinical training agreement
- review and advise re: conflict of interest issue-outside employment

Animal Control

Ongoing:

- review proposed Amended Animal Control Ordinance Draft from May meeting

Health Department

Recently completed:

- Lease at Eurma Hayes Center-review, draft, advise and negotiate

Ongoing:

- Administrative citations for solid waste sites-meeting on 6/15/23 for new cases
- Collection of fines from 2019 case (Bruce/Reese)

Highway Department

Ongoing:

- Review and advise re: Reed Station Road Substantial Completion Documents
- Review and advise re: speed limit changes-two locations-pending results of studies
- Review and advise re: solar and wind power siting requirements-new legislation

Legislative

IX. 2023- Animal Control Ordinance Proposal
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The committee discussed the various suggested changes to the Animal Control Ordinance. The committee came to the consensus to have the State's Attorney's Office work with the County Administrator to create a refined version of the ordinance to present at next month's legislative meeting. Mueller requested that the Animal Control Officer attend the July meeting to help answer any questions the committee may have.

Citizen Comments

Old Business

New Business

Executive Session

Adjourn

(5:53pm)

A motion was made by Mueller, seconded by Battrell, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by unanimous vote.