

LEGISLATIVE AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2022 5:00 PM
Jackson County Sheriff's Office Conference Room

Call to Order (5:00 PM)

Members Present: Basden II, Calandro, Comparato and Erbes

Members Absent: Morris, Scott and Snyder

Also present: Kenton Schafer, Ben Killman, Jennifer Lindsey, Orval Rowe, Kerri Gale, Yara Hindi, Robert Burns

Approval of Minutes

- I. [22-6878](#) Approval of February 15, 2022 Minutes
A motion was made by Comparato, seconded by Erbes, to approve the February 15, 2022 minutes as presented. The motion carried by unanimous vote.
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Communication

- II. [22-6879](#) Mediacom Rate Change
The County Administrator informed the committee of the Mediacom rate change.
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Animal Control

- III. [22-6880](#) Animal Control Monthly Update
The County Administrator updated the committee on the intergovernmental agreements that had been implemented with Vergennes and Dowell. She noted a third agreement would be forthcoming.
- IV. [22-6881](#) Animal Control Ordinance Update
Killman discussed the need to update the language in the Animal Control Ordinance to include the Humane Care for Animals Act.
A motion was made by Comparato, seconded by Basden II, to approve the Animal Control Ordinance update. The motion carried by unanimous vote.
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Health Department & Solid Waste

- V. [22-6882](#) Jackson County Health Department
Ms. Gale updated the committee on Covid-19, mask requirements, booster shots, and current labor negotiations between JCHD and the bargaining unit.
- VI. [22-6908](#) Ordinance Amending the Jackson County Food Service Sanitation Ordinance
Ms. Gale commented that this amended ordinance would include a fee increase and that the language in this amended ordinance was consistent with the State of Illinois Food Handling Regulation Enforcement Act.
A motion was made by Comparato, seconded by Erbes, to approve the Ordinance amending the Jackson County Food Service Sanitation Ordinance. The motion carried by unanimous vote.
- VII. [22-6883](#) Solid Waste Enforcement
Ms. Gale noted the following: 6 open dumping inspections conducted, 4 revisits to existing sites, 2 visits to new sites, 1 revisit to site resulted in closure due to compliance, 65 cubic yards
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of waste removed from sites, 3 citizen complaints received, 0 routine landfill inspections, 0 field visits, and 1 meeting with landfill.

VIII. [22-6907](#)

Approval of Household Hazardous Waste Funds for the 2022 Collection

Ms. Gale commented that this was an annual item from the Health Department asking for funds to plan and coordinate for the 2022 Household Waste Collection event.

A motion was made by Erbes, seconded by Comparato, to approve the Household Hazardous Waste Funds for the 2022 Collection. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

IX. [22-6909](#)

Approval of IEPA Letter of Clarification

Ms. Gale asked to allow time for the committee to read the proposed letter, commenting that the reason for requesting approval of the letter was that IEPA needed clarification that the submitted slope changes and siting approval language agree.

A motion was made by Erbes, seconded by Comparato, to approve the IEPA Letter of Clarification. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

X. [22-6884](#)

Solid Waste Fund Update

Ms. Gale included the last two months of solid waste funds updates in the meeting packet.

XI. [22-6885](#)

Recycling Program

Ms. Gale informed the committee of the following:

Activities Completed for General Recycling Programming – 2/16/22 - 3/8/22:

- Attended Illinois Recycle Association's Plastic Solutions webinar February 24.
- Attended Illinois Counties Solid Waste Management Association Meeting as the Southern Region Representative
- Working to update the recycling and solid waste website to mirror the green guide.
- Planning for household chemical collection event, document shredding & medical disposal event, and developing backyard compost bin program.

Activities Completed for K-12 Recycling Education – 2/2/22 – 3/10/22

- No school presentations in the last month. Presentations are being scheduled for the end of March and into April.

Emergency Management

Rowe updated the committee on the following items:

- Continue to order and supply County Stakeholders with PPE supplies to combat the spread of COVID.
- Successful launch and positive resident response to rollout of CodeRED Mass Notification System.
- Continued working with Greater Egypt Regional Planning and Development on the County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan.
- Attended and Participated in the Jackson County MHMP Planning Meeting #3 (ZOOM).
- Attended the SIH-MHC Monthly Emergency Preparedness Meeting in Carbondale.
- Attended And Participated in the SIH-SJMH Monthly Emergency Preparedness Meeting.
- Attended And Participated in the Hurst Haz-Mat Response AAR/IP Hotwash Meeting (ZOOM).
- Continued completing meetings and documents to host the Jackson County/Carbondale Hazardous Material/Train Derailment Full Scale Exercise on April 12.
- Attended the IEMA Region 11 Flood Preparedness Meeting on WebEx.
- Rescheduled NWS Basic Storm Spotter Class at the Murphysboro High School Auditorium for March 29, due to winter storm.

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- Attended And Participated in the SIH/SJMH Hazard Vulnerability Assessment Meeting.
 - Attended And Participated in the Southern Illinois Airport Annual AEP Meeting (ZOOM)
 - Attended and Participated in the Williamson County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) Meeting (ZOOM).
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Ambulance Service

- XII. [22-6886](#) Ambulance Monthly Claims in the amount of \$30,266.99
A motion was made by Basden II, seconded by Comparato, to approve the Ambulance Monthly Claims in the amount of \$30,266.99. The motion carried by the following vote:
Yes: 4 - Basden II, Calandro, Comparato and Erbes
Absent: 3 - Morris, Scott and Snyder
- XIII. [22-6887](#) Director's Report
Schafer updated the committee on the following:
Monthly Claims: \$30,266.99
Accounts Receivable Cash: \$531,240.88
Activity Report: 757 patient contacts for 747 incidents
- XIV. [22-6888](#) Resolution 2022-29 Authorizing the Application for and the Policy Governing the Use of a County Issued Credit Card for the Benefit of the Ambulance Department
Schafer commented that some vendors will not allow a purchase order-net/30 payment system. For the department to purchase needed supplies from these vendors it is requesting a credit card be issued to the ambulance service. The same resolution has been used as was approved for the County and Highway Department credit cards.
A motion was made by Erbes, seconded by Comparato, to approve Resolution 2022-29 Authorizing the Application for and the Policy Governing the Use of a County Issued Credit Card for the Benefit of the Ambulance Department. The motion carried by unanimous vote.
- XV. [22-6889](#) Jackson County Ambulance Bid Specifications
Schafer commented that the department is requesting approval of the RFP to obtain bids for a new ambulance. It is the intent to replace a 2012 Chevrolet Express 4500 with a current odometer reading of 325,000 miles. It has been determined that the engine is failing.
A motion was made by Basden II, seconded by Erbes, to approve the Jackson County Ambulance Bid Specifications. The motion carried by unanimous vote.
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Legislative

Citizen Comments

Old Business

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New Business

Executive Session

Adjourn (5:23 PM)

Comparato moved and Basden seconded to adjourn, motion carried.