

Legislative and Public Safety Committee Meeting
Tuesday, May 13, 2025 5:00 PM
Jackson County Sheriff's Office Conference Room

Call to Order

(5:00pm)

Present: Comparato, Knust, Lister, Miller, Mueller, Phillips

Absent: Snyder

Also present: Nel Battrell, Kenton Schafer, Ben Killman, Barb Stevenson, Kerri Gale, Andrew Erbes, Joni Bailey, Brian Chapman

Approval of Minutes

I. 2025-528 Approval of April 15, 2025, Minutes

A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Phillips to approve the April 15, 2025, Minutes as presented. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Animal Control

II. 2025-529 Animal Control Monthly Update

Killman updated the committee on his monthly calls and gave a euthanasia update.

III. 2025-530 Approval of Animal Control Facility Standard Operating Procedures: Facility Operations

This item was discussed by the committee. Several update suggestions were offered. The consensus of the committee was to have the Board office make the suggested changes and bring the item back to the next Legislative meeting.

IV. 2025-531 Approval of Animal Control Facility Standard Operating Procedures: Field Operations

This item was discussed by the committee. Several update suggestions were offered. The consensus of the committee was to have the Board office make the suggested changes and bring the item back to the next Legislative meeting.

Heath Department & Solid Waste

V. 2025-533 Jackson County Health Department

(Mueller arrived)

Director Stevenson reported the following:

- *Measles cases and outbreak: As of 5/9/2025 Illinois has 8 cases*
<https://www.cdc.gov/measles/data-research/>
 1. *May Over 1000 cases in 31 jurisdiction Alaska, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana,*

Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York City, New York State, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia and Washington. *96% of the cases are unvaccinated status* April over 800 cases in 22 jurisdictions.

2. 14 outbreaks (over doubled) that 93% of cases are associated, 13% of cases hospitalized and 3 death
 3. IDPH Measles Exposure Location information is provided via the link below. This will be updated as needed each day by IDPH. The information will include Exposure Location, address, date/time, and the timeframe of expiration.
<https://dph.illinois.gov/topics-services/diseases-and-conditions/measles/exposure-locations.html>
 - Current Southern IL location include the towns of Carbondale, Marion, and Herrin.
 4. I am also including the information provided by the CDC on the US cases and outbreaks. <https://www.cdc.gov/measles/data-research/>
- Measles Signs and Symptoms and Vaccination Information
 1. Jackson County Health Department web page includes: What are Symptoms of Measles, How Can I protect Myself and My Child, Am I Protected against Measles, What Should I do If I have Been Exposed
<https://jchdonline.org/measles/>
 2. IDPH Measles Resources <https://dph.illinois.gov/topics-services/diseases-and-conditions/measles.html>
 3. Jackson County Health Department Facebook
<https://www.facebook.com/JCHDonline/>
 - Jackson County Health Department roles and responsibilities for Measles outbreak

VI. 2025-534 Solid Waste Enforcement

Ms. Gale reported the following:

Activities Completed: 4/10/25 – 5/7/25

- 2 Landfill Inspection
- 8 Citizen Complaints
- 1 new site opened
- 15 Field Visits conducted at new or ongoing open dumping / burning files

VII. 2025-535 Solid Waste Fund Update

Ms. Gale reported the following:

Current Month Solid Waste Fund Transactions

Transfers: \$7,232.67-Shredding, Medical Waste and Trash bills for county agencies for April 2025

Interest: \$67.20-Interest for April 2025

Deposits: \$67,776.60

Current Month Household Hazardous Waste Fund Transactions

Transfers: \$0

Interest: \$68.78-Interest for April 2025
Deposits: \$0

Host Fee Deposited

Deposits: \$53,637.40

VIII. 2025-536 Recycling Program

Ms. Gale reported the following:

Activities Completed for County Recycling Program: 4/10/25 – 5/7/25

- Compost Bin sale has started for 2025 (see attached flyer)
- Attended SIU Move-Out Day Planning Committee mtg. 4/10
- Attended Illinois Food Scrap and Composting Coalition mtg. 4/7
- On-going monitoring of medical sharps kiosks 57.85 lbs collected in the last month.
- Coordinated Bid process for the 4-county recycling roll-offs. Bid packets are available for pick-up at JCHD. Bid closed on 5/1/25.
- Household Chemical Collection scheduled for Saturday, 6/7/25 (see attached flyer).
- Shred/Med & More 175 cars – Collected 139lbs meds; 163lbs sharps; 7 gaylords of paper

IX. 2025-555 Approval of Household Hazardous Waste Funds for June 2025 Household Chemical Collection

Ms. Gale explained this item to the committee and answered various questions. A motion made by Knust, seconded by Mueller, to approve recommending to the full Board for authorization to expend HHW funds up to \$100,000 to coordinate and conduct a household chemical collection in June 2025 to include a transfer of \$10,000 to JCHD for event supplies and advertising and payment of the contractor's invoice following the event. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

X. 2025-557 Approval of Solid Waste Management Funds for the Compost Bin Sale for Jackson County Residents

A motion was made by Knust, seconded by Mueller, to approve recommending to the full Board the authorization to expend Solid Waste Funds up to \$4,000 for purchase of supplies and advertising on the backyard composting. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Emergency Management

Ambulance Service

XI. 2025-537 Payment of Ambulance Monthly Claims

A motion was made by Knust, seconded by Miller, to approve payment of Ambulance Monthly Claims in the amount of \$41,041.53. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

XII. 2025-538 Director's Report

Director Schafer reported the following:

Monthly Claims: \$41,041.53

Accounts Receivable Cash: \$484,324.52

Activity Report: 944 patient contact reports

Other Information:

Thanks to Josh and Parker from the IT department for developing a QR code for us so we can

provide easier access for the community to easily sign up for our CPR training.

SIH OB and our local high schools have been presented with informational flyers to help us promote our no-cost CPR program for new parents and high school students interested in learning CPR.

Last month we trained 50 candidates in CPR.

We attended the LEPC meeting and discussed the pre-planning of our next disaster training with EMA.

We attended the Region 5 Advisory and Trauma meeting discussing the regional trauma patient protocols.

The health department has been helping us with a grant opportunity to provide more access for community CPR training.

State's Attorney

XIII. 2025-539 State's Attorney Monthly Update

ASA Bailey gave the committee an oral update of the various items she had been working on for the county.

Legislative

XIV. 2025-540 County Board By-Laws Discussion

Comparato commented that since he was filling in for Chair Snyder, he thought it best to push this agenda item to next month, which would also allow additional time for any board member to make comments and suggestions. The committee requested the board office resend the draft by-laws to all board members, reminding them to provide suggestions prior to the June meeting.

Citizen Comments

Old Business

New Business

Executive Session

Adjourn

(5:48pm)

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

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