

Legislative and Public Safety Committee Meeting
Tuesday, June 9, 2026 5:00 PM
Jackson County Sheriff's Office Conference Room

Call to Order

Present: Presley, Snyder, Miller, Lister, Phillips

Absent: Knust

Also Present: Erbes, Battrell, Stevenson, Kuhnz, Gale, Lyon, Bailey, Cascio-Hale

Approval of Minutes

I. 2026-487 Approval of May 12, 2026, Meeting Minutes

Miller motioned and Snyder seconded approval of the minutes with the addition of any known attendance information being added, motion carried.

Ambulance Service

II. 2026-488 Director's Report

Kuhnz presented the Chief's Report and answered questions from the committee.

III. 2026-489 Approval of Payment of Ambulance Monthly Claims in the amount of \$58,685.42

Snyder moved and Miller seconded payment of the Ambulance monthly claims, roll call vote, motion carried.

Knust joined the meeting.

Animal Control

IV. 2026-490 Animal Control Facility Update

Lyon reviewed the report provided and answered questions regarding tree removal at the facility.

Heath Department & Solid Waste

V. 2026-491 Jackson County Health Department

Stevenson provided a monthly updated and answered questions from the committee.

VI. 2026-492 Solid Waste Enforcement

Gale presented the monthly report along with the Solid Waste Fund update and answered questions from the committee.

VII. 2026-493 Solid Waste Fund Update

VIII. 2026-494 Recycling Program

Gale explained recycling operations and answered questions from the committee.

IX. 2026-495 Approval of Opioid Funding for the Health Department

Health Department staff presented information regarding opioid settlement-funded educational and prevention programming. Discussion included outreach efforts to smaller school districts, existing partnerships with local schools, hearing and vision programs, and potential collaboration opportunities involving dental health initiatives. Committee members expressed support for expanding program access to smaller school districts and discussed opportunities for collaboration with existing school-based health initiatives.

Snyder motioned and Miller seconded approval of Opioid Funding for the Health Department, motion carried.

Emergency Management

State's Attorney

Assistant State's Attorney Joni Bailey reported on ongoing review of issues involving wind, solar, and battery energy storage regulations; proposed raffle ordinance revisions; FOIA and Open Meetings Act training requirements; intergovernmental agreements involving Animal Control; mutual aid agreement discussions; and ongoing monitoring of potential litigation.

Legislative

X. 2026-496 Approval of an Ordinance Amending the Jackson County Raffles and Poker Runs Ordinance

Snyder moved and Miller seconded to approve the ordinance amending raffle and poker run regulations. Discussion followed regarding prior committee recommendations, statutory language, progressive raffles, 50/50 raffle language, application procedures, fees, parking-related provisions, and customer service concerns related to application processing. Snyder offered an amendment to remove language regarding 50/50 raffles. The amendment was accepted by the seconder, Miller. The ordinance was approved by roll call vote:

Yea: Presley, Snyder, Miller, Lister

Nay: Knust, Phillips

Lister requested that the record state that his vote was cast solely to allow the matter to proceed to the full Board.

Citizen Comments

Old Business

XI. 2026-497 Jackson County By-Laws

The committee continued discussion regarding proposed County Board bylaw revisions.

Committee members discussed whether potential bylaw revisions should be considered by the current County Board or deferred to the newly elected Board that will take office in December. Discussion also included committee structure, meeting schedules, election procedures, representation concerns, operational efficiencies, and the general organizational structure. The State's Attorney reminded the committee that a current County Board may not bind a future County Board. They noted that bylaws may allow for some flexibility, but advised that it is generally good practice to allow the newly elected Board, which will be seated in December, to make its own decisions regarding governance matters and potential bylaw revisions.

New Business

Executive Session

Miller moved and Knust seconded entering into Executive Session, motion carried.

Adjourn

Phillips moved and Snyder seconded to adjourn, motion carried.

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