## Minutes of the Daviess County Commission September 24, 2025

The Honorable Daviess County Commission met on Wednesday, September 24, 2025, at 8:00 a.m. Jim Ruse, Presiding Commissioner, called the meeting to order. David Cox, 1st District, and Wayne Uthe, 2nd District, are present.

The Commission approved last week's minutes and invoices. The Commission approved brush letters and abates if presented.

James Lewis, Road and Bridge Supervisor, updated the Commission on the projects they have been working on since last Wednesday. The crew continued putting rip rap around a tube on 140<sup>th</sup> Street in Jefferson Township. The crew put rip rap on Key Avenue off of Hwy 69. The Commission asked the Road and Bridge crew to put gravel on the employee parking lot.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

The Mini-split expansion project should continue with installation this fall. The Commission is still updating various County policies.

## **BRIDGES:**

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Sherrie Haverstick with Mike Keith Insurance called the Commission with the Blue Cross Blue Shield's final rate for 2025. The rate increase is 15%. The other companies that reached out with bids were at higher rates and with inferior insurance coverage. The Commission decided to renew with Blue Cross Blue Shield since employees are satisfied with the coverage and service. The Commission will review the breakdown and let Sherrie know how they would like to proceed.

The Commission received a call from a Monroe Township resident asking them to look at a tube on Unity Avenue that has a large washout. The Commission asked the Road and Bridge crew to look into this.

Rachel Taylor, County Clerk, updated the Commission that she received a draft of our Financial Audit Report from the private company that conducted the 2023 and 2024 audit years.

The Commission received a letter about damage to a tractor tire due to a discarded culvert. The Commission will reach out to the insurance company to see how to proceed.

Rachel Taylor, County Clerk, presented her 2025 Training Certificate for 20 hours. She has completed her required training for the year.

Sheriff Larry Adams Jr. met with the Commission to discuss his 2025 budget. At this time, he is still under budget, and an amendment is not needed.

In the afternoon, the Commission inspected roads, culverts, bridges, and brush in Liberty, Monroe, and Sheridan Townships.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m. Approved: Presiding Commissioner 1<sup>st</sup> District Commissioner 2<sup>nd</sup> District Commissioner Attest: Date \_\_ County Clerk

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