

Minutes of the Daviess County Commission
April 2, 2025

The Honorable Daviess County Commission met on Wednesday, April 2, 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.

James Lewis, Road and Bridge Supervisor updated the Commission on the projects they have been working on since last Wednesday. The crew completed the bridge repairs on the prairie bridge. The crew dug a ditch at BRO 39 and replaced the runway on a bridge on 185th Street.

OLD BUSINESS:

SB190 ordinance is still in consideration and being researched. The Commission plans to notify all entities they haven't already spoken to.

BRIDGES:

The Commission received and reviewed BRO 001 Progressive Invoice #5 and BRO 002 Progressive Invoice #8, David made a motion to approve both invoices and Wayne Uthe seconded the motion. 3 – Aye, 0 – No. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Commission discussed the Grant Writing bid for the Coffey Fire Community Development Block Grant. The bid ad will go to the paper and emails requesting bids have already been sent to a list of grant-writing companies. Bids will be due April 16th by 10:00 am.

The Commission reviewed a legal service agreement with Travis Elliot. David Cox made a motion to accept and sign the agreement, Wayne Uthe seconded the motion. 3- Aye, 0 – No. Motion passed.

The Commission approved and signed the CART and pipe contracts for the 2025 year.

Aaron Piburn, Assessor presented the Commission with his 2025 training certificate for 32 hours.

Larry Adams, Sheriff met with the Commission to discuss purchasing two pursuit vehicles in 2025.

The County received a request from DDRJ asking for help paying for expenses. The request is for Daviess and Dekalb County to split a health insurance invoice for \$33,01.24 and payroll of \$48,000. Wayne Uthe made a motion to pay the DDRJ invoice and payroll in the amount of \$40,600.62, David Cox seconded the motion. 3 – Aye 0 – No. Motion passed.

10:00 a.m. – BID OPENING

Courthouse and Sheriff Mowing bids – Mowing bids were opened. Present were The Commission, Rachel Taylor County Clerk, Ryan Clark, and Dakota Coleman with Legendary Lawn Care. Three mowing bids were received and read: Wes Bridgeman, Get Err Done Lawn Care, LLC, and Legendary Lawn Care. The lowest bid with the most offered services was from Legendary Lawn; at \$75 per mowing with all trimming, weeding, and fertilizing included for the Courthouse lawn and \$30 per mowing with all trimming, weeding, and fertilizing included for the Sheriff's Dept. David Cox made a motion to accept the bid from Legendary Lawn Care, Wayne Uthe seconded the motion. 3 – Aye, 0 – No.

