

Minutes of the Daviess County Commission
July 16, 2025

The Honorable Daviess County Commission met on Wednesday, July 16, 2025, at 8:00 a.m. Jim Ruse, Presiding Commissioner, called the meeting to order. Wayne Uthe, 2nd District, is present, and David Cox, 1st District, had a personal matter and arrived late.

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 finished installing the tube at 151st Street in Benton Township.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Mini-split expansion project is still in the planning phase. Waiting on the Electrical phase to be completed, on the electrician's schedule.

The Commission is still updating various County policies.

The approval soft match exchange was sent to MoDOT.

The money for the opioid settlement should be deposited in the near future.

BRIDGES:

The Commission reviewed multiple BRO invoices. Wayne Uthe made a motion to approve BRO 40 Progressive Invoice #13, BRO 001 Progressive Invoice #7, and BRO 003 Progressive Invoice #1, Jim Ruse seconded the motion. 2 – Aye, 0 – No. Motion passed.

The Commission reviewed and signed BRO 001 Right of Way Clearance Certificate, and reviewed MoDOT Memorandum for BRO 001.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Commission reviewed correspondence from Grand River Mutual Telephone Company about the County’s requirements on burying fiber optic cable along County roads.

The Assessor requested an additional phone in his office. The Commission approved.

The Commission discussed the financial request from DDRJ for payroll and insurance for \$

Rachel Taylor, County Clerk, updated the Commission that no Board of Equalization applications were received by the Monday, July 14th, deadline. The Commission did officially appoint two BOE members in order for them to be paid for their willingness to serve and to be available if needed.

The Commission signed the Assessor First Quarterly Reimbursement
The Missouri Extension, Becky Simpson, Todd Higgins, and Jen Osborn met with the Commission to give updates on what the Daviess County Extension office has been doing.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Approved:

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Presiding Commissioner	1 st District Commissioner	2 nd District Commissioner

Attest: _____ Date _____
County Clerk