

Jo Daviess County Board Strategic Plan 2009 Accomplishments

County Board accomplishments for 2009 include:

- Completed Phase II of the Courthouse Re-Roofing Project.
- Completed the Courthouse/Public Safety Building parking lot renovation project.
- Developed and implemented a plan using information technology that transitioned the County Board to paperless board and committee packets.
- Completed transition from an outside IT vendor support system to an in-house GIS/IT Department.
- Continued development of the Jo Daviess County website.
- Began implementation of recommendations associated with a computer network study.
- Completed Courthouse office improvements for Room 101 GIS/IT/Assessor and Room 105 Assessor.
- Held public hearings and adopted the rewrite of the JDC Zoning Ordinance.
- Completed codification of the County Code book and made the County Code available to the public on the JDC website.
- Established a County Board Structure Committee; said committee researched and provided recommendations for possible County Board structure changes.
- Established a Communications Upgrade Subcommittee to work with and under the County Board to research and develop a plan to upgrade, enhance, replace and/or redesign and fund a communications network that will better serve JDC emergency service members.
- Began implementation of a plan to improve the timeliness of the property tax cycle including implementation of a Township Assessor pilot program.
- Completed several economic development projects including the JDC Agricultural Impact Study and the JDC Business and Expansion Report.
- Began implementation of the County Safety Manual/Risk Management Plan.

- Adopted the Jo Daviess County Greenways & Trails Plan.
- Implemented the JDC Purchasing Card Policy.
- Implemented new audit standards.
- Entered into a professional services agreement with Lindgren, Callihan, VanOsdal for a comprehensive cost study of county charges and user fees.
- Entered into a professional services agreement with Shive-Hattery for inspecting and engineering services associated with an HVAC system feasibility study/report of the County Courthouse and Public Safety Building.
- Entered into a professional services agreement with Sota Venture, LLC as marketing agency of record for marketing and advertising services for the Galena/Jo Daviess County Convention & Visitors Bureau.