

Jo Daviess County Board Strategic Plan 2011 Accomplishments

County Board accomplishments for 2011 include:

- Adopted the Jo Daviess County Continuity of Operations Plan.
- Adopted an agreement with Johnson, Depp, and Quesenberry to develop a Jo Daviess County Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan.
- Completed an Apportionment Plan for Jo Daviess County.
- Adopted the Final Report of the Jo Daviess County Public Safety Radio Communications System as prepared by Ira Wiesenfeld & Associates.
- Approved Addendum #2 to the professional service agreement with Ira Wiesenfeld & Associates for Phase II (design & technical specifications) & Phase III (bidding process, construction management) for the Public Safety Radio Communications System.
- Considered options for funding the Public Safety Radio Communications System Upgrade Project, determined that it was in the best interest of the County to bid out and complete the entire project and to pay for the project by entering into an installment contract for the purchase and construction of the improvements, and to place a referendum question on the March 20, 2012 ballot.
- Awarded a contract (on December 13, 2011) to Comelec Services, LLC for the JDC Radio Communications System Enhancement Project and the Public Safety Radio Communications Narrowbanding Project.
- Completed the Veta Grande Road Railroad Bridge in Scales Mound Township.
- Completed the Welsh Creek Bridge on Scout Camp Road
- Completed construction of the Little Rush Creek Bridge on Bethel Road, and opened for winter traffic with approach paving to be completed in spring of 2012.
- Authorized the County Engineer to proceed with FHWA Emergency Repair work at four locations throughout the county caused by the July flooding.
- Completed the Courthouse/Public Safety Building HVAC systems project.
- Appointed Katherine Walker Executive Director of the Galena/Jo Daviess County Convention & Visitors Bureau.
- Adopted text amendments to the Jo Daviess County Zoning Ordinance.
- Held a County Board Retreat on April 4, 2011.

- Completed the 2011 Jo Daviess County Orthophotography Project
- Continued development of the Jo Daviess County website.
- Completed a recommended computer equipment replacement plan for all County Departments and Offices.
- Developed a complete and accurate computer network inventory and documentation.
- Adopted revisions and amended the Jo Daviess County Purchasing Ordinance.
- Continued to implement the Jo Daviess County Safety Manual/Risk Management Plan.
- Approved a new collective bargaining agreement with the Policemen's Benevolent Labor Committee.
- Continued implementation of a plan to improve the timeliness of the property tax cycle including implementation of a Township Assessor pilot program, completed an agreement with Devnet to enter property building sketches into the Devnet CAMA system, began implementation of a plan to enter property cost data into the Devnet CAMA system, and reviewed the process to redistrict township assessment districts.
- Reapplied for a Brownfields grant for Jo Daviess County