Regular County Commission Meeting Minutes Tuesday, October 7, 2025

The Board of County Commission met in regular session Tuesday, October 7, 2025 at 9:00 am. Those present were Chairman Wayne Wilt, Vice Chairman Jim Maxwell, Commissioner Alan Groom absent, Lucas Goff, County Administrator, Mark Krusor, County Counselor and Karen Madison, County Clerk. Also present were Jon Jordan, Brennan Hadley, Alan Marcotte and Rebecca McCutcheon.

- Chairman Wayne Wilt delivered the invocation.
- Items on the consent agenda:
 - September 16, 2025 Regular Commission Minutes
 - Payment Register for period ending October 7, 2025
 - Abatement corrections for October 7, 2025
 - Third Quarter financial statement for publication

Vice Chairman Maxwell moved, Chairman Wilt seconded to approve the consent agenda as presented. Vote 2-0

- Lucas Goff, County Administrator, addressed Commissioners regarding changing to a
 County Unit System. Lucas would like to put out an RFP to have an outside company
 look at our situation and assess what it would take for the County to take on all the
 roads in the county. An independent company would give the Commissioners the
 correct information to make the decision to move forward with a Resolution to move to
 a county unit system. Commissioners agreed they would like to have as much
 information as possible.
- Jon Jordan, Public Works Superintendent, addressed Commissioners regarding repair of the Winfield Shop front end loader. The loader was purchased new in 2004. Two of the three requests for bid declined to bid the project. Vice Chairman Maxwell moved, Chairman Wilt seconded to approve the repair of the Winfield Shop front end loader not to exceed \$39,951.75. Vote 2-0
- Jon Jordan, Public Works Superintendent, addressed commissioners regarding engineering services for OS 101 (Brown Bridge). Only two of the six firms submitted Statements of Qualifications for the project, Kirkham Michael and Schwab Eaton. After some discussion, Chairman Wilt moved, Vice Chairman Maxwell seconded to approve the contract for engineering services on OS 101 (Brown Bridge) with Kirkham Michael as presented. Vote 2-0
- Lucas Goff, County Administrator, addressed Commissioners regarding a Memorandum
 of Understanding with the City of Arkansas City for outdoor warning sirens. The
 memorandum distinguishes ownership of the sirens and who has the first responsibility

to sound the sirens. Vice Chairman Maxwell moved, Chairman Wilt seconded to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Arkansas City for outdoor warning sirens as presented. Vote 2-0

- Brennan Hadley, Community Based Services Director, addressed Commissioners regarding FY26 Agency Case Plan. Brennan stated that in FY25 they had a 79% success rate. Kansas Department of Corrections recommends at least a 75% success rate. Brennan listed several other positive milestones Community Based Services has reached this past fiscal year. Vice Chairman Maxwell moved, Chairman Wilt seconded to approve Community Based Services Case Plans as presented. Vote 2-0
- Lucas Goff, County Administrator, presented the Road and Bridge Project Reports for October 2025.
- Lucas Goff, County Administrator, addressed Commissioners regarding the November 2025 Meeting Schedule. Lucas requested the November meeting schedule be changed to accommodate HVAC displacement of offices in the South Annex to the Commission Meeting room. The request is to have one meeting November 13th at 8:00 am with the election canvass following at 9:00 am. Vice Chairman Maxwell moved, Chairman Wilt seconded to reschedule the November meetings into one meeting on November 13th at 8:00 AM. Vote 2-0
- Lucas Goff, County Administrator, addressed Commissioners regarding a request from Twin Rivers Developmental Supports, Inc for a support letter from the Commission for a General Public Transportation Grant Application. Chairman Wilt moved, Vice Chairman Maxwell seconded to sign the letter of support to Twin Rivers Developmental Supports, Inc as presented. Vote 2-0
- Lucas Goff, County Administrator, addressed Commissioners regarding the ministerial alliance request to begin providing the opening prayer at Commission meetings. Lucas will provide a Resolution at future meeting to begin the process in January 2026.
- Lucas Goff, County Administrator, shared Kansas Public Notice No. KS-Q-22-156 for Winfield Municipal Power Plant.
- There being no further business, Chairman Wilt moved, Vice Chairman Maxwell seconded to adjourn at 9:26 am. Vote 2-0

Karen Madison Cowley County Clerk