Commissioner Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, October 13, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Justin Clark (arrived at 10:03 a.m.), Kevin Stuber, Jerry Sedlacek, Roberta Wilkes, and Amanda DeWitt.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

- Kevin Stuber moved to approve the agenda. Jerry Sedlacek 2nd, motion passed.
- Kevin Stuber moved to approve the minutes from October 6, 2026. Jerry Sedlacek 2nd, motion passed.

COUNTY COUNSELOR

- Roberta Wilkes, County Counselor, provided a written report to the Commissioners.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

- Jacob Morrison, Sheriff, had nothing new to report.
- Jerry Sedlacek discussed a right-of-way issue he had mentioned at a prior meeting.

ROAD & BRIDGE

- Jerry Sedlacek moved to recess into executive session pursuant to KSA 75-4319(b)(1) for non-elected personnel to discuss employee performance to protect employee confidentiality with Commissioners, County Counselor, County Clerk, Gary Ward, and Todd Green until 9:15 a.m. Kevin Stuber 2nd, motion passed.
- Todd Green, Road & Bridge Assistant Supervisor, provided an update on a bridge where the department had completed some work.

SOLID WASTE

- David Waddell, Solid Waste Supervisor, shared that dumpsters were picked up following HayFest.
- David Waddell provided an evaluation for an employee who completed the 90-day probationary period.
    - Kevin Stuber moved to approve the wage change sheet for Tristen Cartright for completing the 90-day probationary period. Jerry Sedlacek 2nd, motion passed.
- David Waddell is hoping to get the truck back from the shop this week.

KWORCC

- Jerry Sedlacek moved to nominate Kevin Stuber to be the voting delegate for KWORCC during the annual meeting. Kevin Stuber 2nd, motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- Jerry Sedlacek moved to recess into executive session pursuant to KSA 75-4319(b)(1) for non-elected personnel to discuss employee performance to protect employee confidentiality, with the Commissioners, County Counselor, and County Clerk, until 9:35 a.m. Kevin Stuber 2nd, motion passed.

TREASURER

- Michelle Zimmerman, Treasurer, presented her delinquent personal property tax list.
    - Kevin Stuber moved to accept the 2025 delinquent personal property tax list. Jerry Sedlacek 2nd, motion passed.
- Michelle Zimmerman presented the August department reports.
    - Kevin Stuber moved to approve the August monthly department reports. Jerry Sedlacek 2nd, motion passed.
- Michelle Zimmerman presented the third-quarter investment report, which showed two quarters of interest.
    - Jerry Sedlacek moved to accept the investment of idle funds report for July 1 through September 30, 2026. Kevin Stuber 2nd, motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- Jerry Sedlacek moved to recess into executive session pursuant to KSA 75-4319(b)(1) for non-elected personnel to discuss employee performance to protect employee confidentiality, with the Commissioners, County Counselor, and County Clerk, until 9:55 a.m. Kevin Stuber 2nd, motion passed.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT / EMS

- John Atkin, EM/EMS Director, is still working on the West Tower.
- John Atkin shared that things have gone smoothly during recent mutual aid calls.

ROAD & BRIDGE / GRANT DISCUSSION

- Kevin Stuber discussed a contact he had regarding a grant to pave the road to Stillwaters Edge.
- Concerns were discussed regarding maintaining the road afterward and paying the matching portion.
- The Commission would consider the grant application if the costs could be covered 100%.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- Jerry Sedlacek moved to recess into executive session pursuant to KSA 75-4319(b)(1) for non-elected personnel to discuss employee performance to protect employee confidentiality, with the Commissioners, County Counselor, and County Clerk, until 10:10 a.m. Kevin Stuber 2nd, motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- Jerry Sedlacek moved to recess into executive session pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2) to discuss attorney-client privileged communications relating to potential litigation resulting from a vendor default, with the Commissioners, County Counselor, and Sheriff, until 10:30 a.m.
    - Justin Clark moved to enter into a contract and pay a $2,000 retainer fee with Kevin Case to pursue and file against ESU Pursuits LLC and Richard Todd Berry, and to have Roberta Wilkes review the retainer contract. Kevin Stuber 2nd, motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- Justin Clark moved to recess into executive session pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1) for non-elected personnel to discuss employee performance to protect employee confidentiality, with the Commissioners and EM/EMS Director, until 10:45 a.m. Jerry Sedlacek 2nd, motion passed.

KWORCC

- Justin Clark moved to nominate Kevin Stuber as the voting delegate and Justin Clark as the alternate for the KWORCC annual meeting. Kevin Stuber 2nd, motion passed.

INDIGENT DEFENSE

- Roberta Wilkes, County Counselor, provided an updated contract for the indigent defense attorney with Jacob Green.
    - Kevin Stuber moved to enter into a contract with Green Law to provide indigent defense services for Woodson County. Jerry Sedlacek 2nd, motion passed.

DEPARTMENT HEADS

- Department heads met to discuss the scheduled training day, holiday party, and AirMedCare options.

NOXIOUS WEED

- Jarrod McVey, Noxious Weed Director, provided spray reports.
- Jerry Sedlacek discussed a concern regarding chemicals not being paid for.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- Justin Clark moved to recess into executive session pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2) for attorney-client privilege to discuss potential liability, with the Commissioners and County Counselor, until 12:00 p.m. Jerry Sedlacek 2nd, motion passed.

SOLID WASTE

- There was discussion regarding transfer station fees.

VOUCHERS

- Kevin Stuber moved to pay vouchers in the amount of $35,951.86. Justin Clark 2nd, motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

- Justin Clark moved to adjourn at 12:40 p.m. Kevin Stuber 2nd, motion passed.

Justin Clark, Chairman

Kevin Stuber, Vice-Chairman

Attest: Amanda A DeWitt
Amanda A DeWitt, County Clerk

Jerry Sedlacek, Member