

Labette County Board of Commissioners
April 21, 2025

Convene

Chairman Vincent B. Schibi called the regular session of the Labette County Board of Commissioners to order at 9:00 a.m. on April 21, 2025, at the Commission Room. Attendance: Tom Barrett, Present, Vincent B. Schibi, Present, Terry Weidert, Present.

Others Present for the Meeting

County Counselor Brian K. Johnson, and County Clerk Gena Landis.

Media Present

Jessica Preble of the Labette Avenue and Ray Nolting from the Parsons Sun.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Tom Barrett made a motion to approve the minutes of April 14, 2025. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Grave Markers

Chairman Vincent B. Schibi spoke briefly about the need to order more veteran grave markers before Memorial Day. Commissioners agreed that the order should be paid out of county general.

Appraiser's Parcel Search Agreement – Shockley Appraisals

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to authorize the Chairman's signature on an Appraiser's Parcel Search Agreement between Labette County and Shockley Appraisals; the fee of \$225.00 has been paid. Tom Barrett seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Resolution No. 2025-26-A GPDA Beachner

Chairman Vincent B. Schibi made a motion to adopt and execute Resolution No. 2025-26-A reappointing Gary Eugene Beachner to the Great Plains Development Board Position #1 to serve until December 31, 2026, or until replaced or reassigned. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Resolution No. 2025-27-A GPDA Proehl

Chairman Vincent B. Schibi made a motion to adopt and execute Resolution No. 2025-27-A reappointing Linda Proehl to the Great Plains Development Board Position #2 to serve until December 31, 2026, or until replaced or reassigned. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion was defeated by vote: Tom Barrett (No), Terry Weidert (No), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Resolution No. 2025-28-A GPDA Manners

Chairman Vincent B. Schibi made a motion to adopt and execute Resolution No. 2025-28-A reappointing Dan Manners to the Great Plains Development Board Position #3 to serve until December 31, 2026, or until replaced or reassigned. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion was defeated by vote: Tom Barrett (No), Terry Weidert (No), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Letter of Support for SEK-CAP

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to approve the commission signatures on a letter of support for SEK-CAP aid in their Community Services Block Grant funding.

Recess

Commissioners recessed their meeting for ten minutes, and reconvened at 9:32 a.m.

County Food Sales Tax Elimination Request

Lauren Coover with Grow Labette met with commissioners to request that the county food sales tax be eliminated or at least eliminated for farmers' market produce vendors. County Counselor Brian K. Johnson will research if this is possible.

High Risk Rural Road Grant

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to approve the commission signatures on DOT Form 1302 HRRR Grant Request for 24,000 Road from Gray Road to 24,500 Road updates. Vincent B. Schibi Seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Recess

Commissioners recessed their meeting for five minutes, and reconvened at 10:00 a.m.

Great Plains Development Authority

GPDA Board Chairman Bob Wood and Board Members Gary Beachner, Monty Taylor, Dan Manners, Brian Williams, and GPIP Director Brad Reams met with commissioners to discuss Great Plains.

Executive Session

Chairman Vincent B. Schibi made a motion to go into executive session for consultation with our attorney, a matter protected by the attorney-client privilege. To protect the privilege and the board's position (in litigation, potential litigation, administrative proceedings, etc.) Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes). Also present was County Counselor Brian K. Johnson for a period of ten minutes to reconvene at 11:43 a.m. in the commission room.

Work Session

Commissioners recessed into a work session at 11:45 a.m.

Reconvene

The regular session reconvened at 11:59 a.m.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners, the meeting adjourned at 11:59 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. Wednesday, April 30, 2025.

Attest

County Clerk, Gena Landis

Chairman, Vincent B. Schibi