

Labette County Board of Commissioners
June 16, 2025

Convene

Vice-Chairman Terry Weidert called the regular session of the Labette County Board of Commissioners to order at 9:00 a.m. on June 16, 2025, at the Commission Room. Attendance: Tom Barrett, Present, Vincent B. Schibi, Absent, 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.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Tom Barrett made a motion to approve the minutes of June 9, 2025. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Absent).

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Commissioner Tom Barrett made a motion to approve the minutes of June 13, 2025. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Absent).

Postalocity Estimate

Commissioner Tom Barrett made a motion to approve the quote from Postalocity for the approximate cost of mailing the RNR notices for 2025 for \$14,298.62. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Absent).

Cereal Malt Beverage License Renewal – Good Luck Bait Shop

Commissioner Tom Barrett made a motion to authorize the chairman's signature on the Cereal Malt Beverage License renewal for Anthony D. Housley dba Good Luck Bait Shop, 1807 24000 Road, Parsons. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Absent).

Public Transportation

Scott Christiansen and Casey Brown with SEK-CAP met with commissioners to discuss statistics of ridership over the last year that SEK-CAP public transportation has been available in Labette County. Commissioners will decide what the allocation will be to continue this service as they go through the budget process.

NetWatch

NetWatch Account Manager John Mark Bell met with commissioners to give an overview of his company's services that may serve the county.

Recess

Commissioners recessed their meeting for eight minutes, and reconvened at 9:45 a.m.

Labette County Historical Society – 2026 Budget

Commissioners met with members of the Labette County Historical Society to discuss their 2026 budget request with an increase of a quarter (.25) of a mill.

Motorola Solutions Service Agreement (800 Communications Tower)

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to authorize the vice-chairman's signature on a Service Agreement with Motorola Solutions for the 800 megahertz service tower; the agreement covers hardware, software, cyber security, parts, labor but not the actual tower (the actual tower is owned by Wave Wireless) for the period beginning June 1, 2025 thru May 31, 2026 for a total amount of \$67,122.43, payable from the General Fund – 911 Dispatch – Maintenance (001-016-2012). Tom Barrett seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Absent).

City of Edna – Mowing and Chip and Seal

Edna Mayor Sam Vail, met with Commissioners to discuss the use of county equipment for city street repair. Commissioners agreed, with the understanding that the City of Edna would be using county equipment, Public Works Employees would be hired by the City of Edna and the work would be done after normal working hours. The city would also be responsible for the fuel, equipment maintenance and employee workers compensation during this time.

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to allow Public Works Employees to work on the mowing and chip and seal project for the City of Edna. Tom Barrett seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Absent).

Executive Session

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to go into an 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.) Tom Barrett seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Absent). Also present was County Counselor Brian K. Johnson and County Clerk Gena Landis for a period of ten minutes to reconvene at 10:37 a.m. in the commission room.

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Work Session

Commissioners recessed into a budget work session at 10:54 a.m.

Reconvene

The regular session reconvened at 12:07 p.m.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners, the meeting adjourned at 12:07 p.m. until 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, June 17, 2025.

Attest

County Clerk, Gena Landis

Vice-Chairman, Terry Weidert