# Labette County Board of Commissioners March 31, 2025

## Convene

Chairman Vincent B. Schibi called the regular session of the Labette County Board of Commissioners to order at 9:01 a.m. on March 31, 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**

Ray Nolting from the Parsons Sun.

# **Approval of Minutes**

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to approve the minutes of March 24, 2025. Vincent B. Schibi seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

# Dispatch

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to authorize the purchase of radio equipment and firmware from Uplink, Pittsburg, KS for \$22,449.84 from the Dispatch fund. Tom Barrett seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

## Recess

Commissioners recessed their meeting for three minutes, and reconvened at 9:46 a.m.

#### **Accounts Payable**

Chairman Vincent B. Schibi made a motion to approve the following checks: Accounts Payable check numbers 37058 through 37103 in the amount of \$511,867.00. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

## Payroll

Chairman Vincent B. Schibi made a motion to approve the following checks: Payroll check numbers 1810 to 1811 in the amount of \$4,474.32 and Direct Deposit numbers 826369 through 826492 in the amount of \$379,910.37 for a total amount of \$384,384.69. Tom Barrett seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

#### **Executive Session**

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to go into executive session for non-elected personnel, to protect the privacy of the individual(s) to be discussed. Tom Barrett 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 and County Clerk Gena Landis for a period of five minutes to reconvene at 10:28 a.m. in the commission room.

#### Recess

Commissioners recessed their meeting for five minutes, and reconvened at 10:33 a.m.

#### **Executive Session**

Commissioner Terry Weidert 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.) Tom Barrett 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 five minutes to reconvene at 10:43 a.m. in the commission room.

#### **Health Insurance Benefits**

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion that due to the nature of state and federal law, the board of Labette County Commissioners revoke full insurance benefits for any county employees who do not have enough hours to qualify. If said employees no longer qualify for benefits, they may contact the Labette County Clerk to discuss COBRA coverage. This is being done due to the inefficiency and lack of the County Attorney, Mandy Johnson, to comply with state and federal employment laws after being constantly warned by local and state officials. Tom Barrett seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

# Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners, the meeting adjourned at 11:02 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. Monday, April 7, 2025.

Attest

County Clerk, Gena Landis

Chairman, Vincent B. Schibi