

Labette County Board of Commissioners
October 14, 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 October 14, 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

Hannah Emberton from the Parsons Sun.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to approve the minutes of October 6, 2025. Tom Barrett seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Appraiser's Parcel Search Agreement – Steven D. Hight

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

Indigent Defense Agreement – French– 2025-2026

Commissioner Tom Barrett made a motion to authorize the Board of Commissioners' signatures on an Agreement between the Labette County Board of Commissioners and Dawson French as Indigent Defense Attorney for the remainder of the year of 2025 and 2026 at a rate of \$3,500.00 per month plus any associated expenses. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Executive Session

Chairman Vincent B. Schibi made a motion to go into executive session to discuss confidential financial data or trade secrets of a business to protect the interests of the business to be discussed. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes). Also present were Evergy Representatives Kari West, Travis Young, Grant Wilkerson and Brandon Sack for a period of twenty minutes to reconvene at 9:36 a.m. in the commission room.

Recess

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

Sanitation Update

Emergency Manager/Sanitation Officer Charles Morse gave commissioners a department update.

Commissioners agreed to offer employees a holiday turkey or ham that will be delivered to the employees early in December.

Commissioners authorized out of state travel for the Four Corners Conference in Branson, Missouri in December.

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 ten minutes to reconvene at 10:20 a.m. in the commission room.

Appraisal Update

Appraiser Melody Kikkert gave commissioners a department update and was granted authorization to purchase two tablets for \$2,191.95 each from Higher Calling Technologies.

Accounts Payable

Chairman Vincent B. Schibi made a motion to approve the following checks: Accounts Payable check numbers 38577 through 38699 in the amount of \$271,510.70. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Surplus Property

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to declare the following seven Sheriff vehicles as surplus property. They will be sold on Purple Wave. Tom Barrett seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Surplus Vehicle

2015 DODGE CHARGER	VIN 2CE3CDXAG5FH889473
2021 FORD F-150	VIN 1FTFW1E59MFA09527
2016 FORD F-150	VIN 1FTEW1EF1GKE98067
2020 FORD F-150	VIN 1FTEW1E52LKE04926
2018 DODGE CHARGER	VIN 2C3CDXAG4JH221205
2021 FORD EXPEDITION	VIN 1FMJU1GT2MEA37196
2019 FORD TRANSIT	VIN 1FMZK1YM1KKA26768

Policy Exemption Request

Labette County held employee health fair events on Monday, October 13, and Tuesday, October 14. An employee requested authorization to get a blood test at the hospital due to being out of town and in court. There was no motion made to authorize the request.

Resolution 2025-42-L

Commissioner Tom Barrett made a motion to authorize the commission signatures on Resolution 2025-42-L Prohibiting the use of designated roadways as through ways by certain vehicles. This restricts commercial vehicles on Saline Road between 17,500 Road and 16,500 Road and on to Gate 7 of the Great Plains Industrial Park. It also restricts the speed limit from the intersection with 17,500 Road to 16,500 Road and on to Gate 7 of the Great Plains Industrial Park shall be 45 miles per hour. Stop signs shall be placed at the following intersections:

- 18,000 Road and Saline Road controlling the east and west traffic on 18,000 Road
- 17,500 Road and Saline Road controlling the east and west traffic on 17,500 Road
- 16,500 Road and Saline Road controlling the east and west traffic on 16,500 Road

This resolution is effective upon publication in the official county newspaper. This resolution shall apply to agricultural transportation purposes. Labette County sets the fine amount for a commercial vehicle traveling in the designated area described above shall be a violation in the amount of up to \$500.00 per incident. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

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Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners, the meeting adjourned at 11:42 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. Monday, October 20, 2025.

Attest

County Clerk, Gena Landis

Chairman, Vincent B. Schibi