

Labette County Board of Commissioners
September 15, 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 September 15, 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

Rudy Taylor, Labette Avenue.

Public Hearing - RNR Hearing

Chairman Vincent B. Schibi opened the public hearing for the Special Districts and Labette County RNR Hearing at 9:01 a.m. for public or commission comment. Several citizens asked questions or made comments, and the public comment was closed at 9:11 a.m.

Resolution 2025-38-A Richland Township RNR

Chairman Vincent B. Schibi made the following motion. Whereas, the Revenue Neutral Rate for the Richland Township was calculated as 1.332 mills by the Labette County Clerk; and Whereas, the budget proposed by the Governing Body of the Richland Township will require the levy of a property tax rate exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate; and Whereas, the Governing Body held a hearing on September 15, 2025 allowing all interested taxpayers desiring to be heard an opportunity to give oral testimony; and Whereas, the Governing Body of the Richland Township, having heard testimony, still finds it necessary to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate. Now, therefore, be it resolved by the governing body of the Richland Township: The Richland Township shall levy a property tax rate exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate of 1.332 mills. This resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption and shall remain in effect until future action is taken by the Governing Body. Adopted this 15th day of September 2025 and authorize the commission signatures. Tom Barrett seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Resolution 2025-39-A Labette County RNR

Chairman Vincent B. Schibi made the following motion. Whereas, the Revenue Neutral Rate for the Labette County was calculated as 57.093 mills by the Labette County Clerk; and Whereas, the budget proposed by the Governing Body of the Labette County will require the levy of a property tax rate exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate; and Whereas, the Governing Body held a hearing on September 15, 2025 allowing all interested taxpayers desiring to be heard an opportunity to give oral testimony; and Whereas, the Governing Body of Labette County, having heard testimony, still finds it necessary to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate. Now therefore, be it resolved by the governing body of Labette County: Labette County shall levy a property tax rate exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate of 57.093 mills. This resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption and shall remain in effect until future action is taken by the Governing Body. Adopted this 15th day of September 2025 and authorize the commission signatures. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

The RNR hearing was closed at 9:18 a.m.

Public Hearing – Labette County 2026 Budget

Chairman Vincent B. Schibi opened the public hearing for the Labette County 2026 Budget at 9:19 a.m. for public or commission comment. Several Citizens asked questions or made comments, and the public comment was closed at 9:49 a.m.

Chairman Vincent B. Schibi made a motion to authorize the Board of Commissioners' signatures on the Labette County 2026 Budget as presented at 58.428 mills. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

The budget hearing was closed at 9:50 a.m.

Recess

Commissioners recessed their meeting for four minutes, and reconvened at 9:58 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to approve the minutes of September 8, 2025. Tom Barrett seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

EAP

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to approve the Emergency Action Plans for the Courthouse, JJA/Emergency Management Building, Health Department, Public Works and Dispatch. Tom Barrett seconded the motion. Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

911 Addressing

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to approve the 911 Addressing personnel to reset the 911 addresses for the driveway at 24051 Irving Road to add letter distinctions for the houses associated with 24051 Irving. The school address will be 24055 Irving Road. Tom Barrett seconded the motion. Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

KWORCC Letter of Authority

Chairman Vincent B. Schibi made a motion to authorize the chairman's signature on a Letter of Authority for Kansas Workers Risk Cooperative for Counties to obtain the county's National Council on Compensation Insurance experience rating. 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 four minutes, and reconvened at 11:06 a.m.

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 ten minutes to reconvene at 11:17 a.m. in the commission room.

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.) Vincent B. Schibi 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 11:34 a.m. in the commission room.

Surplus Property

Chairman Vincent B. Schibi made a motion to declare a MacBook Pro Serial #FVFFT3MQQ05F as surplus property and donate it to former commissioner Cole Proehl. Tom Barrett seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Abstain), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners, the meeting adjourned at 11:39 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. Monday, September 15, 2025.

Attest

County Clerk, Gena Landis

Chairman, Vincent B. Schibi