Labette County Board of Commissioners
September 8, 2026

Convene
Chairman Tom Barrett called the regular session of the Labette County Board of Commissioners to order at 9:00 a.m. on September 8, 2026, 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 and Matt Jordan from KGGF.

Approval of Minutes
Commissioner Vincent B. Schibi made a motion to approve the minutes of August 31, 2026. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Countywide Neighborhood Revitalization Plan Application
Chairman Tom Barrett made a motion to authorize the chairman's signature on a Neighborhood Revitalization Plan Application for Douglas and Charlotte Ecoff. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Zoning Administrator Update
Zoning Administrator Mel Hass gave commissioners an update on potential projects in the county.

Economic Development Discussion
Chetopa Resident Rufus Crank met with commissioners to discuss possible economic development in the county.

Dispatch Generator
Dispatch Director Brandy Scott met with commissioners to give them an update on repairs to the generator.

Meeting Cancellation
Commissioners agreed to cancel the October 5th meeting.

Courthouse Closure
Commissioner Vincent B. Schibi made a motion to close the courthouse to the public, on October 12th, 2026, for the annual employee health fair. Tom Barrett seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Executive Session
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Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners, the meeting adjourned at 11:22 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. Monday, September 14, 2026.

Attest

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County Clerk, Gena Landis Chairman, Tom Barrett