



WELCOME TO
LYON COUNTY
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LYON COUNTY COMMISSION ACTION SESSION
THURSDAY, JANUARY 8, 2026

Ken Duft, Chairman
Doug Peck, Commissioner
Dan Williams, County Controller
Vici Smith, Public Relations Manager

Chris Bartel, Vice Chairman
Molly Priest, County Counselor
Amie Jones, County Clerk

Others attending the meeting:

Melissa Landis, Empower House Ministries
Craig Schreiner, Empower House Board President
Robbie Weiss, Lyon County Facilities
Paul Brouillard, Motorola
Aaron Corcoran, Motorola

Roxy VanGundy, LCECC
Austin Hoagland, Emporia Gazette
Rolland Trahoon, resident
Jarrod Fell, Lyon Co. Emergency Mgmt Director

9:00 A.M. I. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. APPROVE/AMEND AGENDA

Motion: To Approve the agenda as written.

RESULT: Approved

MOTION: Chairman Duft

SECOND: Commissioner Peck

AYES: Chairman Duft, Vice-Chair Bartel, Commissioner Peck

NAYS: None

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Consider the Minutes of the January 2, 2026 meeting.

Motion: To Approve the minutes from January 2, 2026, as written.

RESULT: Approved

MOTION: Vice-Chair Bartel

SECOND: Commissioner Peck

AYES: Chairman Duft, Vice-Chair Bartel, Commissioner Peck

NAYS: None

- B. Consider Warrants Payable for January 8, 2026, in the amount of \$417,779.97.

Motion: To Approve Warrants Payable for January 8, 2026.

RESULT: Approved

MOTION: Commissioner Peck

SECOND: Vice-Chair Bartel

AYES: Chairman Duft, Vice-Chair Bartel, Commissioner Peck

NAYS: None

- C. Consider Appointments.

None.

V. DISCUSS PERSONNEL CHANGES

Commissioners reviewed the Personnel and Payroll changes.

VI. PERMITS

One permit for Bin There Trucking to move a 33 Ton overhead feed bin. From Road 140 and Hwy 99 to the Chase County line.

VII. MELISSA LANDIS - EMPOWER HOUSE MINISTRIES

- A. Ministry operational updates

Melissa Landis gave Commissioners an overall update on the men's and women's houses. She went over the goals, life skill clinics, and the annual impact Empower House Ministries provides for the residents.

VIII. ROXY VANGUNDY - LCECC911

- A. Request approval to pay Priority Dispatch \$16,800.00 from account# 19-00-7600 for the annual 2026 EMD/EFD license renewal, service, support and maintenance. This is an annual expense from 911 funds, not tax dollars.

Motion: To Approve to pay Priority Dispatch \$16,800.00 from account # 19-00-7600 for the annual 2026 EMD/EFD license renewal, service, support and maintenance.

RESULT: Approved

MOTION: Commissioner Peck

SECOND: Vice-Chair Bartel

AYES: Chairman Duft, Vice-Chair Bartel, Commissioner Peck

NAYS: None

Note: This is an annual expense paid from 911 funds, not tax dollars.

- B. Request approval to pay Kansas 911 Coordinating Council the 2026 NG911 call handling billing for \$73,820.00 to be paid from account# 19-00-7600. This is an annual expense and is also paid from 911 Funds, not tax dollars.

Motion: To Approve to pay Kansas 911 Coordinating Council the 2026 NG911 call handling billing for \$73,820.00 to be paid from account # 19-00-7600.

RESULT: Approved

MOTION: Vice-Chair Bartel

SECOND: Commissioner Peck

AYES: Chairman Duft, Vice-Chair Bartel, Commissioner Peck

NAYS: None

Note: This is an annual expense paid from 911 funds, not tax dollars.

- C. Request approval to pay Motorola SUAll service contract for the 800 radio system for the coming year. Total to be paid is \$170,730.44 from account# 17-00-9001.

Motion: To Approve to pay for the Motorola SUAll service contract for the 800 radio system for the coming year in the amount of \$170,730.44 from account 017-00-9001, along with a 5-year service agreement.

RESULT: Approved

MOTION: Vice-Chair Bartel

SECOND: Chairman Duft

AYES: Chairman Duft, Vice-Chair Bartel, Commissioner Peck

NAYS: None

Note: First year \$170,730.44; Second year \$177,559.65; Third year \$185,662.03; Fourth year \$192,048.51 and Fifth year \$199,730.43. These rates are locked in at 4% for the next five years.

IX. ROBBIE WEISS - FACILITIES

- A. Request approval to have Funk Electric Inc. furnish & install LED flat panels & LED bulbs at the Anderson building to be paid from account# 017-00-9021, Facilities Capitol Fund in the amount of \$8,620.19.

Motion: To Approve to have Funk Electric Inc. quote to furnish and install LED flat panels and LED bulbs at the Anderson building to be paid from account # 017-00-9021, Facilities Capitol Fund in the amount of \$8,620.19.

RESULT: Approved

MOTION: Vice-Chair Bartel

SECOND: Commissioner Peck

AYES: Chairman Duft, Vice-Chair Bartel, Commissioner Peck

NAYS: None

Note: Evergy rebate is \$6,090.00 from the original bid price \$14,710.19.

X. COMMISSIONER/COUNSELOR/CONTROLLER/CLERK REPORT

Commissioner Duft:

- Phone calls about roads
- Will attend the Fair board annual dinner this weekend
- Will attend a meeting with Cathy from NRH on Wednesday

Commissioner Bartel:

- Got with Seth about the list of ditches that are being farmed all the way to the road and how it is going. They are still working on some of them.
- Attended the City Commission meeting yesterday
- Call from Hartford
- Congratulated Roxy on the news report done
- Multiple conversations about the A1 topic coming soon

Commissioner Peck:

- Will attend the LEPC today
- Will attend the RDA meeting tomorrow
- Will attend the Fair board annual dinner this weekend
- Will attend JEDAC on Wednesday

Clerk Jones:

- Will attend the LEPC today

Counselor Priest:

- Will attend the RDA meeting tomorrow
- Will attend the Fair board annual dinner this weekend
- Will attend a meeting with Cathy from NRH on Wednesday

Controller Williams:

- Will attend the RDA meeting tomorrow
- Will attend JEDAC on Wednesday
- Will attend the Fair board annual dinner this weekend

PIO Smith:

- Working with Department Heads about website planning for the upcoming year

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. NEP - Employee Evaluation

Motion: To move to a Non-Elected Personnel session for employee evaluation with Commissioners and Controller Williams to return at 10:15 a.m.

RESULT: Approved

MOTION: Chairman Duft

SECOND: Vice-Chair Bartel

AYES: Chairman Duft, Vice-Chair Bartel, Commissioner Peck

NAYS: None

Meeting reconvened at 10:15 am.

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. NEP - Employee Evaluation

Motion: To move to a Non-Elected Personnel session for employee evaluation with Commissioners and Jean Barnett to return at 10:30 am.

RESULT: Approved

MOTION: Chairman Duft

SECOND: Vice-Chair Bartel

AYES: Chairman Duft, Vice-Chair Bartel, Commissioner Peck

NAYS: None

Meeting reconvened at 10:30 am

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: To Adjourn.

RESULT: Approved

MOTION: None

SECOND: Vice-Chair Bartel

AYES: Chairman Duft, Vice-Chair Bartel, Commissioner Peck

NAYS: None

There being no further business before the Board, an Action Session will take place on January 15, 2026 at 9:00 a.m., in the Commission Chambers.

Attest:

Affirm:

Amie Jones
Lyon County Master Clerk

Ken Duft, Chairman
Lyon County Commission