

LYON COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES
OCTOBER 17, 2024

The Board of Lyon County Commissioners met in Action Session at 9:00 a.m. in the Commission Chambers with the following people in attendance:

Rollie Martin, Chairman
Ken Duft, Commissioner
Molly Priest, County Counselor
Vici Smith, Public Relations

Doug Peck, Vice Chairman
Joe Torres, Deputy County Clerk
Dan Williams, County Controller

Others attending the meeting:
Brad St. Bonnett, resident
Robbie Weiss, Facilities Manager
Wendy Weiss, Register of Deeds

Ty Miller, resident
Sharon Gaede, County Treasurer

Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance

Motion: To Approve the Agenda as Amended. Martin/Duft 3-0

Motion: To Approve the Minutes of the 10-10-2024 meeting as Amended. Duft/Peck 3-0

Motion: To Approve Warrants Payable 10-18-2024 in the amount of \$89,293.64. Peck/Duft 3-0

Appointments: Consider re-appointment of Rebeca Herrera to the Newman Regional Health Board of Trustees.

Motion: To re-appoint Rebeca Herrera to the Newman Regional Health Board of Trustees for a 4 year term from January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2028. Martin/Duft 3-0

Sharon Gaede and Wendy Weiss joined the meeting to discuss with the Commissioners the 2025 Lyon County Holiday Schedule. After much discussion, it was decided to table this item until next week's meeting.

Motion: To table the consideration of the 2025 Lyon County Holiday Schedule until the meeting on October 24, 2024. Martin/Duft 3-0

Personnel changes: Commissioners reviewed payroll authorization changes.

Motion: To Approve the Personnel and Payroll Change Authorizations for October 17, 2024 as presented. Martin/Peck 3-0

Permits: no action taken.

Robbie Weiss presented Commissioners with a request to consider the annual fire alarm testing.

Motion: To Approve the 2024 Teck Electronics Annual Fire Alarm Test & Inspection for the courthouse in the amount of \$4,090.00 to be paid from Fund 010-70-7661-10; for the Annex \$875.00 from Fund 010-70-7661-09, the Sheriff's Office/Jail for \$8,130.00 from Fund 010-70-7661-17, for the Anderson/Bowyer Buildings for \$605.00 from Fund 010-70-7661-12. This will be for a total cost of \$13,700.00.

Martin/Peck 3-0

Chip Woods was to present the Commissioners with a request from Kim Meyers to consider closing the 700 block of Main Street in Americus from 2:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. on October 27, 2024 for their Trunk R Treat event. He did not attend the meeting, so the Commissioners decided to proceed with the request for the closure without his presence.

Motion: To Approve closing the 700 block of Main Street (Road F or Americus Road) from 2:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. on October 27, 2024 for the annual Trunk R Treat event. The City to provide the necessary barricades.

Peck/Duft 3-0

Reports

Commissioner Martin

- I attended the Lyon County Extension Board meeting on Monday.
- We will have a road viewing of Road 250 east of Road G on December 11, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.
- The public hearing for this road closure will be on December 12, 2024.

Commissioner Peck:

- I attended the LEPC meeting last Thursday at the Anderson Building.
- I attended the RDA last Friday.
- I attended the candidate forum this past Tuesday.
- I will be attending the funeral for Judge John Conklin tomorrow.

Commissioner Duft:

- I attended the Danny Pearson Memorial Roping last Saturday at the Fairgrounds.
- I attended the LEPC meeting last Thursday.
- I attended the city work session yesterday.
- I will be attending the ESU cyber security dedication at the Emporia Senior Center.
- I will be attending the Emporia Economic Outlook put on by Wichita State University tomorrow.

Deputy Torres:

- No report.

Counselor Priest:

- I attended the city work session yesterday.
- I will be at the Emporia Economic Outlook conference tomorrow.
- Next week on Wednesday at 1:00 p.m. will be the annual public building commission meeting.

Controller Williams:

- I attended the city work session yesterday.
- I met with Jim Witt yesterday morning.

Consider accepting the settlement of the 2023 tax abstract certification as presented by Lyon County Treasurer Sharon Gaede. It is stated on this documentation that 97.84% was collected and 2.16% is uncollected.

Motion: To accept the settlement of the 2023 tax abstract certification presented by the Lyon County Treasurer. Martin/Duft 3-0

Public comment: Brad St. Bonnett asked about the Emporia Economic Outlook. He stated that it was something that peaked his interest.

Break until 9:55 a.m.

Erin Rodriguez presented Commissioners with a request to consider approval for 5 staff to attend the American Probation and Parole Association's National Conference in Las Vegas, Nevada from January 26-29, 2025. The last time a national conference was attended by staff was in 2022. Registration for each individual person is \$620. Flights are roughly around \$450 round trip. The amount for flights fluctuates on a daily basis. Hotel accommodations can be obtained through the conference for \$685 per person for the entire stay. Meals are estimated at \$100 per day.

Motion: To Approve the travel for 5 staff to attend the American Probation and Parole Association's National Conference in Las Vega, Nevada from January 26-29, 2025 and the county paying registration costs from Fund 010-11-7411 and flights from Fund 010-11-7420, not to exceed \$5,500.00. Casey Family Program funds will cover additional costs up to \$6,000.00. Martin/Peck 3-0

Motion: To move to Legal Executive Session for attorney/client privilege and confidential exchange of information with Commissioners, Controller Williams, Counselor Priest, Cathy Pimple, Luke Arndt, Nancy Wells and Vici Smith to return at 11:00 a.m. Martin/Duft 3-0

Meeting reconvened at 11:00 a.m.

Motion: To Adjourn. Martin/Duft 2-0

There being no further business before the Board, the next Action Session will take place on October 24, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in the Commission Chambers. Martin/Duft 2-0

Attest:

Affirm:

Joe Torres
Lyon County Deputy Clerk

Rollie Martin, Chairman
Lyon County Commission