

LYON COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES
JANUARY 2, 2025

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

Doug Peck, Vice Chairman
Tammy Vopat, County Clerk
Dan Williams, County Controller

Others attending the meeting:

Jerry Campbell, resident
Bradley St. Bonnett, resident
Seth Snyder, Road & Bridge
Jeff Hodges, Metal Roof Systems of Kansas
Alicia Rumold, H. R. Director

Amanda Davis, Gazette reporter
Chris Bartel, resident
Chip Woods, County Engineer
Bruce Boettcher, BG Consultants
Tagan Trahoon, KVOE reporter

Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance

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

Motion: To Approve the Minutes of the 12-26-2024 meeting as corrected. Duft/Peck 3-0

Motion: To Approve Warrants Payable 1-3-2025 in the amount of \$35,813.60. Peck/Duft 3-0

Motion: To Approve Payroll Payable 1-3-2025 in the amount of \$386,494.37. Martin/Duft 3-0

Motion: To Approve Payroll Withholdings Payable 1-3-2025 in the amount of \$285,166.27.
Martin/Peck 3-0

Appointments: no action taken.

Personnel changes: Commissioners reviewed the payroll authorizations.

Permits: no action taken.

Tobey Kelly presented Commissioners with a request to consider the purchase of two trucks for the Sheriff's Office.

Motion: To Approve the purchase of two 2025 Dodge Durango trucks from Clint Bowyer Autoplex in the amount of \$92,504.00 to be paid from Fund 017-00-9016. Duft/Martin 3-0

Note: This purchase is being made with sales tax revenue.

Chip Woods presented Commissioners with a request to consider land acquisition and a bid for a metal roof for the highway department.

Motion: To Approve the land acquisition for the bridge over the Cottonwood River in the amount of \$61,960.00, to be paid from Fund 033-00-9427. Peck/Duft 3-0

Note: Landowners: Kevin Farr \$1,000.00 / Fowler Family Rev. Trust \$14,960.00 / Joann E. Brammel Rev. Trust \$36,000.00 / Randall /S. Ikerd \$10,000.00

Motion: To Approve the low bid from Metal Roofing Systems of Kansas for a covered truck parking building at the Lyon County Highway Department in the amount of \$107,226.00, to be paid from Fund 017-00-9026. Peck/Duft 3-0

Note: Sales tax revenue will be used for this construction.

Public comment: Jerry Campbell commented presented a copy of a deposition he gave in Colby, Kansas related to their hospital. He appreciated the support in working with the county. He was in opposition of the zoning changes by the City of Emporia and gave his opinion of the RDA and Recreation Center.

Break until 10:00 a.m.

Commissioners and Counselor Priest discussed a Resolution for support for the Regional Development Association. Commissioner Martin asked for input and opinions of Controller Duft and RDA County Representative, Bruce Boettcher.

Motion: To Adopt Resolution 01-25, a Resolution of the Lyon County Board of Commissioners Declaring Support for the Structure of the Regional Development Authority (RDA) Board. Martin/Peck 3-0

Alicia Rumold presented Commissioners with a request to consider the invoice from KWORCC for the workers compensation insurance.

Motion: To Approve the invoice from KWORCC for the Workers Compensation Insurance in the amount of \$236,989.00, to be paid from Fund 010-58-7236. Duft/Peck 3-0

Reports

Commissioner Martin:

- The swearing in of elected officials will be on Monday, January 13th at 9:00 a.m.
- Congratulations to USD 252 for raising funds for the fitness park, 2.6 million dollars were raised for the project.

Commissioner Peck:

- No report.

Commissioner Duft:

- Next week is the LEPC meeting.

Clerk Vopat:

- No report.

Counselor Priest:

- No report.

Controller Williams:

- Year end was finalized this week.

Motion: To move to Non-Elected Personnel Executive Session with Commissioners and Controller Williams for an evaluation, to return at 11:00 a.m. Martin/Duft 3-0
Meeting reconvened at 11:00 a.m.

Motion: To move to Non-Elected Personnel Executive Session for an evaluation with Commissioners, to return at 11:15 a.m. Martin/Peck 3-0
Meeting reconvened at 11:15 a.m.

Motion: To Adjourn. Martin/Duft 3-0

There being no further business before the Board, the next Action Session will take place on January 9, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in the Commission Chambers.

Attest:

Affirm:

Tammy Vopat
Lyon County Master Clerk

Rollie Martin, Chairman
Lyon County Commission