



WELCOME TO
LYON COUNTY
KANSAS

LYON COUNTY COMMISSION ACTION SESSION
THURSDAY, MAY 14, 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:

Robbie Weiss, Lyon County Facilities Director
Shane Brunner, LCAT
Misty Norton, Mobility Manager
Wayne Scritchfield, Lyon County Engineer
Seth Snyder, Lyon County Road Manager
John Alvarado, resident
Trey Donovan, Emporia Gazette

Jean Barnett, Lyon County IT Director
Jamie Williams, Lyon County IT
Rochelle Birk, America 250
Ashley Mitchell, America 250
Will Spencer, America 250
Clay Childs, America 250

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

II. APPROVE/AMEND AGENDA

Motion: To Approve the agenda.

RESULT: Approved

MOTION: Chairman Duft

SECOND: Vice-Chair Bartel

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

NAYS: None

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Consider the Minutes of the 05/07/26 meeting.

Motion: To Approve the minutes as amended.

RESULT: Approved

MOTION: Chairman Duft

SECOND: Commissioner Peck

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

NAYS: None

B. Consider Warrants Payable for 05/15/26, in the amount of \$149,813.66.

Motion: To Approve Warrants Payable for May 15, 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 Personnel and Payroll changes.

VI. PERMITS

None.

VII. CONSIDER SIGNING THE "AMERICA 250 WEEKEND" PROCLAMATION

Clay Childs and Rochelle Birk, spoke to the Commissioners about what the "America 250 Weekend" Proclamation is and what plans they have for the Veteran Legacy Fund organization. The purpose behind the organization is to "Honor the Past, Serve Today and Inspire the Future." They provided information about the parade along with other events happening on that day. First they will have the parade, and continue out to the fairgrounds where a community event will be held. The parade will be on July 3rd, starting at 9:30 a.m. Visit vlfemporia.org for event information and be able to purchase memorabilia.

Motion: To Approve signing of the "America 250th Weekend" Proclamation July 3–6, 2026 in Emporia, KS.

RESULT: Approved

MOTION: Commissioner Peck

SECOND: Vice-Chair Bartel

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

NAYS: None

VIII. ROBBIE WEISS - FACILITIES

A. Consider approving out-of-state travel expenses for Jeramia Linden to attend the Detention Equipment Training Program in San Diego, CA, June 8–11, 2026, for an amount not to exceed \$1,700.00 to be paid from account [010-70-7260] Facilities Travel.

Motion: To Approve out-of-state travel expenses for Jeramiah Linden to attend the Detention Equipment Training Program in San Diego, CA, June 8–11, 2026, for an amount not to exceed \$1,700.00 to be paid from account 010-70-7420, Facilities Travel.

RESULT: Approved

MOTION: Vice-Chair Bartel

SECOND: Commissioner Peck

AYES: Chairman Duft, Vice-Chair Bartel, Commissioner Peck
NAYS: None

Note: The account number was corrected from the agenda.

- B. Consider approving out-of-state class & travel expenses for Chris Wilkinson to attend MAPCON PRO Fundamentals in Des Moines, IA, August 11–13, 2026, for an amount not to exceed \$2,700.00 to be paid from account [010-70-7260] Facilities Travel.

Motion: To Approve out-of-state class & travel expenses for Chris Wilkinson to attend MAPCON PRO Fundamentals in Des Moines, IA, August 11–13, 2026, for an amount not to exceed \$2,700.00 to be paid from account 010-70-7420, Facilities Travel.

RESULT: Approved

MOTION: Vice-Chair Bartel

SECOND: Commissioner Peck

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

NAYS: None

Note: The account number was corrected from the agenda.

IX. SHANE BRUNNER & MISTY NORTON - LCAT

- A. Consider approving Misty Norton's attendance at the Advancing Mobility Management Course in Edmond, OK, on June 7–9, 2026. Spending will not exceed \$1,500.00 from account [010-62-7420]. All expenses are fully reimbursable from KDOT.

Motion: To Approve Misty Norton's attendance at the Advancing Mobility Management Course in Edmond, OK, on June 7–9, 2026, not exceed \$1,500.00 from account 010-62-7420.

RESULT: Approved

MOTION: Chairman Duft

SECOND: Commissioner Peck

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

NAYS: None

Note: All expenses are fully reimbursable from KDOT.

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION - LEGAL

This Executive Session for Attorney Client Privilege has been postponed for this week.

XI. WAYNE SCRITCHFIELD - LYON COUNTY ENGINEER

- A. Consider approving the purchase of a rebuild kit from Murphy Tractor and Equipment for an estimated \$7,650.00, including shipping. Funds will be taken from [011-00-8315] Repair Supplies.

Motion: To Approve the purchase of a rebuild kit from Murphy Tractor and Equipment for an estimated \$7,650.00, including shipping, to be paid from 011-00-8315, Repair Supplies.

RESULT: Approved

MOTION: Vice-Chair Bartel

SECOND: Commissioner Peck

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

NAYS: None

- B. Consider approving the quote from Murphy Tractor for an estimated \$12,352.00 for the purchase of an excavator tilting bucket for ditch cleaning. Funds to be taken from Capital Outlay Fund [017-00-9026].

Motion: To Approve the quote from Murphy Tractor for an estimated \$12,352.00 for the purchase of an excavator tilting bucket for ditch cleaning, to be paid from Capital Outlay Fund, 017-00-9026.

RESULT: Approved

MOTION: Vice-Chair Bartel

SECOND: Chairman Duft

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

NAYS: None

- C. Consider approving the bid for 440 tons of CMS-1PC from Ergon Asphalt at a unit cost of \$904.00 for an estimated total of \$397,760.00 from Fund [011-00-8344] Road Oil. Alternatively, the Commission could accept the bid of \$713.00 per ton of CRS-1HP from Ergon Asphalt for an estimated total of \$313,720.00.

Motion: To Approve the bid for 440 tons of CMS-1PC oil from Ergon Asphalt at a unit cost of \$904.00 for an estimated total of \$397,760.00 from Fund 011-00-8344, Road Oil.

RESULT: Approved

MOTION: Vice-Chair Bartel

SECOND: Commissioner Peck

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

NAYS: None

Engineer Scritchfield and Mr. Snyder provided the Commissioners with the following updates:

- Met with Don Stout last Friday, and viewed areas of concerns and came up with a plan.
- Closing the intersection of Americus Rd and Hwy 56 to asphalt the intersection on Friday.
- Currently working at Road 20 and Road U, that area will continue being closed through next week.

XII. JEAN BARNETT & JAMIE WILLIAMS - IT

- A. Consider approving the renewal of the budgeted annual software assurance from Optus for the County's VoIP phone system to be paid from fund [010-08-7210], Telephone, for the amount of \$9,910.00.

Motion: To Approve the renewal of the budgeted annual software assurance from Optus for the County's VoIP phone system to be paid from fund 010-08-7210, Telephone, for the amount of \$9,910.00.

RESULT: Approved

MOTION: Commissioner Peck

SECOND: Vice-Chair Bartel

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

NAYS: None

Note: This is the Counties portion and is a yearly budgeted item.

XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION - CONFIDENTIAL DATA & SECURITY

Motion: To move into an Executive Session for Confidential Data & Security exchange with Commissioners, Counselor Priest, Controller Williams, Jean Barnett and Jamie Williams to return at 10:35am.

RESULT: Approved

MOTION: Chairman Duft

SECOND: Vice-Chair Bartel

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

NAYS: None

Meeting reconvened at 10:35 a.m. with no action taken.

XIV. COMMISSION/STAFF REPORTS

Commissioner Duft:

- Attended the Fair Board Meeting on Monday
- Calls from residents
- Congratulations to all the graduates this week and weekend.
- The Council on Aging meeting Monday canceled
- Attended the 911 meeting last week
- Will attend the 911 meeting next week

Commissioner Bartel:

- Student email about road safety
- Visited with R&B
- Road Conversations with residents

Commissioner Peck:

- Will attend the Community Corrections meeting via Zoom today

Clerk Jones:

- Would like to congratulate Tiffany Pike on completing all 9 classes to receive her Certified Election Official certificate through the SOS office.

Counselor Priest:

- Attended RDA Friday
- Will attend the FHEA meeting this afternoon

Controller Williams:

- Attended RDA
- Attended zoom with Sparklight yesterday
- Will attend the FHEA meeting this afternoon
- Received an email from the MUPP board about possible improvements — lighting on the east side, water fountain somewhere, cement for bench.
- Attended the 911 meeting last week
- Will attend the 911 meeting next week

PIO Smith:

- Attended the MUPP board meeting
- Met with Halle and Deputy Briggs along with the City of Emporia and filmed cyclist and motorist safety short videos to be released soon.
- Attended a preparedness fair planning meeting
- Preparedness Fair will be on June 13 at the Anderson Bldg from 10-2pm
- Will attend the quarterly KAPIO meeting next Wednesday in Andover.

XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION - NEP (1) - EMPLOYEE EVALUATION

Motion: To move into Non-Elected Personnel for Employee evaluation with Commissioners and Amy Welch and to return at 11:15 am.

RESULT: Approved

MOTION: Chairman Duft

SECOND: Commissioner Peck

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

NAYS: None

Meeting reconvened at 11:15 a.m.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: To Approve to adjourn.

RESULT: Approved

MOTION: Chairman Duft

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 May 21, 2026, at 9:00 am, in the Commission Chambers.

Attest:

Affirm:

Amie Jones
Lyon County Master Clerk

Ken Duft, Chairman
Lyon County Commission