



WELCOME TO
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LYON COUNTY COMMISSION ACTION SESSION
THURSDAY, JULY 9, 2026

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

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

Others attending the meeting:

Roxy VanGundy, LCECC Director
John Alvarado, resident

Trey Donovan, Emporia Gazette

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: Vice-Chair Bartel

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

NAYS: None

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

No one present.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Consider the Minutes of the 7/2/26 meeting.

Motion: To Approve the minutes as written.

RESULT: Approved

MOTION: Chairman Duft

SECOND: Commissioner Peck

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

NAYS: None

- B. Consider Warrants Payable for 7/10/26, in the amount of \$295,308.62.

Motion: To Approve Warrants Payable for June 10, 2026.

RESULT: Approved

MOTION: Commissioner Peck

SECOND: Vice-Chair Bartel

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

NAYS: None

- C. Consider Appointments.

None.

- D. Consider changing the mileage reimbursement rate to \$0.725 per mile to align with the federal and state rates.

Motion: To Approve changing the mileage reimbursement rate to \$0.725 per mile to align with the federal and state rates.

RESULT: Approved

MOTION: Vice-Chair Bartel

SECOND: Commissioner Peck

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

NAYS: None

Note: This change is effective July 1, 2026, changing from \$0.70 to \$0.725 per mile.

V. DISCUSS PERSONNEL CHANGES

Commissioners reviewed Personnel and Payroll changes.

VI. PERMITS

None.

VII. ROXY VANGUNDY - LCECC

- A. Consider approving to send CTO Donetta Hill and Lexis Warkentine to the 2026 National APCO Conference in San Antonio, TX, Aug 2–5, 2026. Cost not to exceed \$4,500 to be paid from [019-00-7410] Training and [019-00-7420] Travel. This is an approved 911 fund expense, not taxpayer dollars.

Motion: To Approve to send CTO Donetta Hill and Lexis Warkentine to the 2026 National APCO Conference in San Antonio, TX, Aug 2–5, 2026. Cost not to exceed \$4,500 to be paid from 019-00-7410 - Training and 019-00-7420 Travel. This is an approved 911 fund expense, not taxpayer dollars. To return to work on August 6, 2026.

RESULT: Approved

MOTION: Vice-Chair Bartel

SECOND: Chairman Duft

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

NAYS: None

- B. Consider approving travel for Roxy VanGundy for the Fall 2026 NENA conference. The dates are tentative and there is no cost to the county as all travel and conference expenses are paid by NENA.

Motion: To Approve travel for Roxy VanGundy for the Fall 2026 NENA (National Emergency Number Association) conference to fulfill her duties as President. The dates are tentative and there is no cost to the county as all travel and conference expenses are paid by NENA.

RESULT: Approved

MOTION: Chairman Duft

SECOND: Vice-Chair Bartel

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

NAYS: None

VIII. COMMISSION/STAFF REPORTS

Commissioner Duft:

- Attended the 250th year parade and festivities at the fairground on Friday
- Attended the budget meeting on Tuesday
- Attended the luncheon at the Legion on Tuesday
- Will attend the fire chief's meeting today
- Will attend on Wednesday and Thursday the Large Load Comprehensive Summit held in Topeka
- Will attend the 911 meeting Thursday afternoon
- Reminder that the meeting next week is Friday, July 17
- The next budget study session is July 22 at 8am

Commissioner Bartel:

- Attended the 250th Parade on Friday
- Met with Mr. Schreiber, Mr. Argabright, and Mr. Schmidt at Lakeside Bridge about flooding issues
- Attended the budget meeting on Tuesday
- Had calls concerning roads

Commissioner Peck:

- Attended the 250th Parade on Friday
- Attended the budget meeting on Tuesday
- Will attend the RDA meeting on Friday
- Will attend the Community Corrections meeting next Thursday

Clerk Jones:

- Working the July Tax abstract
- Will start voting at the Anderson Building next Wednesday

Counselor Priest:

- Attended the budget meeting on Tuesday
- Will attend the fire chief's meeting this afternoon
- Will attend the RDA meeting on Friday

Controller Williams:

- Absent

PIO Smith:

- Attended the 250th year parade and festivities at the fairground on Friday
- We coordinated a video with the Police Dept., Fire Dept., and Sheriff's Office for the Battle of the Badges blood drive coming up. Roxy was in a meeting and unable to attend.
- Will attend LEPC today

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: To Approve to adjourn.

RESULT: Approved

MOTION: Chairman Duft

SECOND: Commissioner Peck

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 July 17, 2026 at 9:00 a.m., in the Commission Chambers.

Attest:

Affirm:

Amie Jones
Lyon County Master Clerk

Ken Duft, Chairman
Lyon County Commission