

Labette County Board of Commissioners
February 17, 2025

Convene

Chairman Vincent B. Schibi called the regular session of the Labette County Board of Commissioners to order at 9:00 a.m. on February 17, 2025, at the Commission Room. Attendance: Tom Barrett, Present, Vincent B. Schibi, Present, Terry Weidert, Present.

Others Present for the Meeting

County Counselor Brian K. Johnson, and County Clerk Gena Landis.

Media Present

Ray Nolting from the Parsons Sun by phone and Rudy Taylor of the Labette Avenue.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Tom Barrett made a motion to approve the minutes of February 10, 2025. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Election Equipment Agreement

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to authorize the Chairman's signature on agreements to purchase ten DS300 Scanners with software, and one Dell Optiplex XE4 with software and accessories for \$77,923.00 from Election Systems and Software, LLC. Tom Barrett seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Dispatch Copier Purchase

Chairman Vincent B. Schibi made a motion to authorize the purchase of a Canon DX C359IF for \$3,779.51 from McCarty's Office Store. Terry Weidert seconded the agreement. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Dispatch Radio Purchase

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to authorize the purchase of L3 Harris dispatch radios from KA-COMM, Inc., Manhattan, Kansas for \$6,175.00. Tom Barrett seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Employee Increase

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to authorize an increase for a part-time dispatch employee from a Range 19-400, \$20.07 to a Range 19-500, \$20.45 effective with the March pay period. Vincent B. Schibi seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Department Closures

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to close the departments that are non-emergency workers or snow removal departments on Tuesday, February 18, 2025 and gave Chairman Vincent B. Schibi until 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday to make a decision on closing Wednesday, February 19. Tom Barrett seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Recess

Commissioners recessed their meeting for four minutes, and reconvened at 9:45 a.m.

Zoning Update

Zoning Administrator Mel Hass gave commissioners an update on the status of renewable energy in the county.

Executive Session

Chairman Vincent B. Schibi made a motion to go into executive session for non-elected personnel, to protect the privacy of the individual(s) to be discussed. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes). Also present was County Counselor Brian K. Johnson, County Clerk Gena Landis, and Appraiser Melody Kikkert for a period of ten minutes to reconvene at 11:00 a.m. in the commission room.

Recess

Commissioners recessed their meeting for four minutes, and reconvened at 11:05 a.m.

Pharmacist-in-Charge Agreement

Chairman Vincent B. Schibi made a motion to authorize the chairman of the Labette County Board of Commissioners to sign the Pharmacist-in-Charge agreement with Tracy Gilmore; the agreement is effective from January 1, 2025 and ends at 11:59 p.m., December 31, 2025 for \$150.00 per quarter. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Medical Director Agreement

Chairman Vincent B. Schibi made a motion to authorize the chairman's signature on the Medical Director Agreement with Dr. Sonya Culver, D. O.; The agreement went into effect January 1, 2025 and extends through December 31, 2025 at 11:59 p.m. for \$900.00 per month. Tom Barrett seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Grant Application

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to authorize the chairman's signature on a State of Kansas Department of Health and Environment Grant Application for the Labette County Health Department. Tom Barrett seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Resolution No. 2025-18-A – Oswego Township Clerk

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion for the Board of Commissioners to adopt and execute Resolution No. 2025-18-A appointing Theresa Boggess as Oswego Township Clerk replacing Jeffrey Grelle until replaced or reassigned. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Resolution No. 2025-19-A – GPDA – Beachner

Chairman Vincent B. Schibi made a motion to authorize the Board of Commissioners' signatures on Resolution number 2025-19-A appointing Gary Beachner, to the Local Redevelopment Authority (LRA) known as the Great Plains Development Authority (GPDA) to Position No. 1 to serve until December 31, 2027, or until replaced or reassigned. The motion failed for a lack of a second.

Resolution No. 2025-20-A – GPDA – Manners

Chairman Vincent B. Schibi made a motion to authorize the Board of Commissioners' signatures on Resolution number 2025-20-A appointing Dan Manners, to the Local Redevelopment Authority (LRA) known as the Great Plains Development Authority (GPDA) to Position No. 3 to serve until December 31, 2027, or until replaced or reassigned. The motion failed for a lack of a second.

Resolution No. 2025-21-A – GPDA – Proehl

Chairman Vincent B. Schibi made a motion to authorize the Board of Commissioners’ signatures on Resolution number 2025-21-A appointing Linda Proehl, to the Local Redevelopment Authority (LRA) known as the Great Plains Development Authority (GPDA) to Position No. 2 to serve until December 31, 2027, or until replaced or reassigned. The motion failed for a lack of a second.

Executive Session

Chairman Vincent B. Schibi made a motion to go into executive session for consultation with our attorney, a matter protected by the attorney-client privilege. To protect the privilege and the board’s position (in litigation, potential litigation, administrative proceedings, etc.) Tom Barrett seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes). Also present was County Counselor Brian K. Johnson for a period of twenty minutes to reconvene at 11:50 a.m. in the commission room.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners, the meeting adjourned at 11:54 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. Monday, February 24, 2025.

Attest

County Clerk, Gena Landis

Chairman, Vincent B. Schibi