

Labette County Board of Commissioners
February 27, 2026

Convene

Chairman Tom Barrett called the regular session of the Labette County Board of Commissioners to order at 9:01 a.m. on February 27, 2026, 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

None.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Vincent B. Schibi made a motion to approve the minutes of February 23, 2026. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

City of Altamont – Mowing

Altamont City Employee Nathan Barnett talked to Commissioners about the use of county equipment to do sidearm mowing of the city lake and lagoon ponds.

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to authorize the Public Works Department to sidearm mow the Altamont City Lake and lagoon ponds and possible chip and seal on some city streets. The City of Altamont would be using county equipment, Public Work employees hired by the City of Altamont, and this work would be done after normal working hours. The city is responsible for the fuel, equipment maintenance and workers' compensation while it is being used; they would also be purchasing all materials used in this process such as rock, etc. Vincent B. Schibi seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

MOU

Chairman Tom Barrett made a motion to authorize the chairman's signature on a Memorandum of Understanding between Labette County and the Robert J. Dole VA Medical Center to use the Labette County Courthouse parking lot for a fleet vehicle when not in use. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Recess

Commissioners recessed their meeting for three minutes and reconvened at 9:30 a.m.

Surplus Property

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to declare the following JJA items, as surplus property. Vincent B. Schibi seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Request to declare surplus inventory:

Storage Office

Cannon Image Formula P-21511 Scanner Serial #GY301751
Cannon Pixma IP110 Scanner Serial # AEWU80325
HP Laptop Serial # CND4100L74
HP Laser Jet 4050 Printer
Cannon Image Runner 1023iF (fax/copier/printer)
Image Class Printer #MF4350D
HP Laptop Serial # 7XVCR-J2B6P-F0GMJ-MG8JP-PVQD3
HP Laptop Serial# 5CD7382Q7P
Lenovo desktop Product # 10M30008US
View Sonic 15" monitor serial #4R4215124298
Canon Image Runner LBP3560 Serial #MGKA100141
NEC Phones: BH05844926
 BH05768287
 BH05797998
 BH05871815
 BH05829004

Storage Shed

4 drawer filing cabinet (no lock)
Kodak Scanner
(2) Dell Computer towers
(4) blue cubicle dividers (got from 4th floor)
(2) Nexen P235-70R16 tires (approximately 8+ years old-do not own vehicle they would fit)
XP Fax machine
(5) DSX telephones
(2) Genius Scanners
(2) HP laptops
(7) Electronic monitoring units
HP computer tower
Fujitsu Scan Snap S1500 scanner
Broken 19" computer monitor

Surplus inventory:

- 1) Canon Image Runner #MGPA100241
- 2) Canon printer- 21RZJ39876
- 3) 18" flat monitor
- 4) Kodak scanner
- 5) HP scanner
- 6) (5) NEC phones
- 7) HP Laser Jet Printer 4050
- 8) Canon Printer- #F156602
- 9) Canon Printer- 21TJR07550
- 10) (2) Canon Scanners
- 11) Lenovo laptop- #584037001
- 12) HP Laptop- #RTL8723BENF
- 13) HP Laptop- #CND410L74

Juvenile Services FY 2027 Juvenile Comprehensive Plan Grant

Commissioner Vincent B. Schibi made a motion to authorize the chairman's signature on the Kansas Department of Corrections –Juvenile Comprehensive Plan Grant Application for FY 2027. The amount of the grant allocation is \$402,077.55. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Recess

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

Nuclear Discussion

Jim and Mary Soodsma met with commissioners to discuss concerns they have with the nuclear project at Great Plains Industrial Park.

Accounts Payable 2025

Chairman Tom Barrett made a motion to approve the following checks: Accounts Payable check numbers 39862 through 39863 and 39898 through 39901 in the amount of \$28,231.29. Vincent B. Schibi seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

Payroll

Chairman Tom Barrett made a motion to approve the following checks: Payroll check numbers 1832 to 1833 in the amount of \$4,658.96 and Direct Deposit numbers 827763 through 827892 in the amount of \$375,838.79 for a total amount of \$380,497.75. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Accounts Payable 2026

Chairman Tom Barrett made a motion to approve the following checks: Accounts Payable check numbers 39864 through 39897 in the amount of \$376,238.83. Vincent B. Schibi seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

Resolution No. 2026-22-L – Designated Roadways

Chairman Tom Barrett made a motion to authorize Commission signatures on Resolution 2026-22-L prohibiting the use of designated roadways as through ways by certain vehicles and lowering speed limits. Vincent B. Schibi seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

Accounts Payable 2025 Amended

Chairman Tom Barrett made a motion to approve the following checks: Accounts Payable check numbers 39862 through 39863 and 39898 through 39901 in the amount of \$144,458.71. Vincent B. Schibi seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

Weather Pay

County Clerk Gena Landis discussed the weather pay policy and how commissioners wanted to handle paying employees when buildings are closed. There is no current policy for weather pay and commissioners agreed that they would make those decisions on a case-by-case basis.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners, the meeting adjourned at 11:27 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. Monday, March 9, 2026.

Attest

County Clerk, Gena Landis

Chairman, Tom Barrett