

Labette County Board of Commissioners
March 24, 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 March 24, 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

Jessica Preble of the Labette Avenue and Ray Nolting from the Parsons Sun

Approval of Minutes

Chairman Vincent B. Schibi made a motion to approve the minutes of March 17, 2025 with a correction. Tom Barrett seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to approve the minutes of March 18, 2025. Tom Barrett seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Appraiser's Parcel Search Agreement – Labette Bank

Commissioner Tom Barrett made a motion to authorize the Chairman's signature on an Appraiser's Parcel Search Agreement between Labette County and Labette Bank; the fee of \$225.00 has been paid. Vincent B. Schibi seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Countywide Neighborhood Revitalization Plan Application

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to authorize the chairman's signature on a Neighborhood Revitalization Plan Application for Isaac Bussinger. Tom Barrett seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Crosstimbers Food Pantry & Outreach Center

Jennifer Mathis with Crosstimbers Food Pantry & Outreach Center presented Commissioners with information about the outreach and plans for a new facility.

Burn Ban Rescinded

Chairman Vincent B. Schibi made a motion to rescind the current burn ban. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Solid Waste Board

Chairman Vincent B. Schibi made a motion to appoint Ryan Darnell and Myles Adams as the City of Chetopa representatives to the Solid Waste Board. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

Solid Waste Annual Report

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to accept the Labette County Annual Solid Waste report as presented by Emergency Manager Charles Morse. Vincent B. Schibi 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 10:17 a.m.

Resolution 2025-25-L

Commissioner Tom Barrett discussed passing a resolution banning in Labette County, the installation of solar panels manufactured under forced labor from China. After a brief discussion, Chairman Vincent B. Schibi tabled the resolution.

Accounts Payable

Chairman Vincent B. Schibi made a motion to approve the following checks: Accounts Payable check numbers 36964 through 37057 in the amount of \$158,612.61. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Tom Barrett (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes), Vincent B. Schibi (Yes).

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 and County Clerk Gena Landis for a period of fifteen minutes to reconvene at 10:58 a.m. in the commission room.

Recess

Commissioners recessed their meeting at 11:24 a.m. and will proceed to the Public Health Department to meet as the Board of Health at 1:30 p.m.

Reconvene – Board of Health

The Labette County Commissioners reconvened at 1:32 p.m. as the Board of Health. Those present were Lisa Scott – Public Health Administrator, Tammie Murdock – Administrative Assistant, Pam Teetzel – RN, Angie Hammack - LPN, Jessica Smedley - Clerk, Tammy Bushong – Nurse Practitioner, Tracy Gilmore – Pharmacist-in-Charge, Brian K. Johnson – County Counselor, and Gena Landis – County Clerk. Health Department Administrator Lisa Scott played a video and presented a slide show about County Health Department roles and services.

Health Department Director Lisa Scott also spoke about the current measles outbreak. Commissioners granted the health department staff authorization to be voluntarily tested for measles immunity and be able to get vaccinated if necessary to avoid a lengthy quarantine should they encounter an infected patient.

Adjournment – Board of Health

The Labette County Board of Health adjourned at 2:10 p.m. The Board of Commissioners reconvened at 2:10 p.m.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners, the meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m. until 9:00 a.m. Monday, March 31, 2025.

Attest

County Clerk, Gena Landis

Chairman, Vincent B. Schibi