

\*\*\*\*\*August 27, 2025 \*\*\*\*\*

The Board of County Commissioners met in a regular session on Wednesday, August 27, 2025. Commissioner Culbertson; Commissioner Reid, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Dove and Commissioner Stieben are present; Also present: Mark Loughry, County Administrator; Misty Brown, County Counselor;

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Joe Herring commented.

**ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:**

Commissioner Stieben suggested the county form a government efficiency committee.

Commissioner Smith reminded the Board the County Administrator's evaluation is due Friday.

It was the consensus of the Board to add the government efficiency committee to a future agenda.

Commissioner Reid requested an executive session to discuss the evaluation tool used for the County Administrator.

Commissioner Reid indicated she was fine with adding it to a future agenda.

Commissioner Stieben expressed appreciation to the County Administrator for putting together a revenue neutral budget on short notice.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Stieben and seconded by Commissioner Culbertson to accept the consent agenda for Wednesday, August 27, 2025 as presented.***

***Motion passed, 5-0.***

Misty Brown presented the right-of-way vacation policy.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Stieben and seconded by Commissioner Culbertson to adopt a policy with amended language in subsection E under three.***

***Motion passed, 5-0.***

Lisa Haack presented a quarterly report for LCDC and LCPA.

The Board reviewed proclamations for September.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Stieben and seconded by Commissioner Smith to support the September proclamations.***

***Motion passed, 5-0.***

***A motion was made by Commissioner Reid and seconded by Commissioner Dove that the Board recess for a closed executive meeting to consult with our attorneys and discuss confidential matters related to contract negotiations and the legal interest of the County which would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship as permitted under the Kansas***

***Open Meetings Act and that Board resume open meeting at 10:47 a.m. in the meeting room of the Board. Present in the executive meeting will be Commissioners Mike Smith, Jeff Culbertson, Vanessa Reid, Willie Dove, Mike Stieben, County Administrator Mark Loughry, County Counselor Misty Brown and Deputy County Counselor, Jon Khalil.***

***Motion passed, 5-0.***

The Board has returned to regular session at 10:47 a.m. No action was taken and no decisions were made. The subject was limited to the legal interests of the County.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Stieben and seconded by Commissioner Culbertson to direct staff to extend the contract with Fort Leavenworth for 30 days and then pay one million dollars a year for the continuation of ambulance services as a prerequisite for continuing with the contract.***

***Motion passed, 4-1 Commissioner Reid voting nay.***

***A motion was made by Commissioner Stieben and seconded by Commissioner Smith to adjourn.***

***Motion passed, 5-0.***

The Board adjourned at 10:48 a.m.