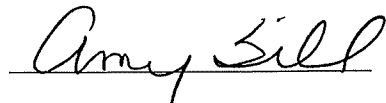


Commissioner Roe motioned to approve to apply for credit cards at Citizens Bank for all of the County Departments. Commissioner Mills seconded this decision and motion passed.

Regular session adjourned at 12:50 pm.



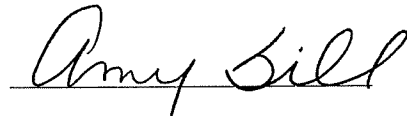
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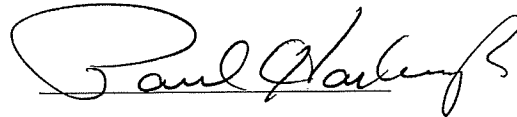
Paul Harbaugh, Chairman

January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025

The Board of Commissioners met for a special meeting to discuss closing the courthouse for mourning of passed President, Jimmy Carter. Commissioner Harbaugh and Clerk Sill were present in the office. Commissioner Roe and Commissioner Mills attended by phone. After discussion the commissioners were all in consensus and decided not to close the courthouse on January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025 for the mourning of past President, Jimmy Carter.



Amy Sill, Barber County Clerk



Paul Harbaugh, Chairman

January 13, 2025

The Board of Commissioners met for a regular meeting with all Commissioners, Counselor Brass and Clerk Sill present.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Commissioner Roe moved seconded by Commissioner Mills to approve minutes for December 30, 2024. Motion carried.

Commissioner Roe moved seconded by Commissioner Mills to approve the special meeting minutes from January 6, 2025 by phone conference call. Motioned carried.

Judge Lattin swore in the newly elected officials which included County Clerk, Amy Sill, County Commissioner District 2, Bryan Quick, County Commissioner District 3, Adam Mills, Register of Deeds, Betty Jo Swayden, and Barber County Sheriff, Richard Garza.

Commissioner Roe moved, seconded by Commissioner Quick to appoint Commissioner Mills as the Chairman of the Board for the rest of the 2025 year. Everyone thanked Paul Harbaugh for his 22 years as County Commissioner District 2.

Warrants were approved and signed.

Commissioner Quick moved, seconded by Commissioner Roe to pass Resolution 2025-01 (GAAP). Motion carried.

Larry Conner, Public Works Director came in.

Mike Roe signed the Plans, Specifications and Contract Documents for construction of Dugan road construction project no. 2403850 since Chairman Mills abstained.

Commissioner Roe motioned to have a 10 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Brass, Larry Conner, Public Works Director, Melissa Simpson, HR Director and Clerk Sill starting at 10:23 am to 10:33 am to discuss non-elected personnel. Seconded by Commissioner Quick. Motioned passed.



Commissioner Roe motioned to have a 15 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Brass, Larry Conner, Public Works Director and Melissa Simpson, Director of Human Resources beginning at 10:38 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Quick seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 10:53 am.

Commissioner Roe motioned to have a 20 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Brass, Melissa Simpson, HR Director and Clerk Sill beginning at 10:58 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Quick seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 11:18 am.

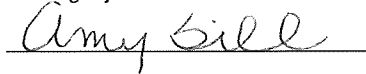
Dawn Jones, Public Health Director came in to have 2026 grants signed.

Layton Kenworthy, IT Director and Russell Hansen, Custodian came in to discuss battery backups.

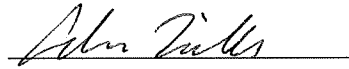
Kristine Landwehr, Communication Director, Dawn Jones, Public Health Director, Melissa Simpson, HR Director and Russell Hansen, Custodian came in to discuss the ice/snow removal.

Commissioner Quick motioned to approve Dr. Sid Stranathan as the local health officer, seconded by Commissioner Roe. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:50 am.



Amy Sill, Barber County Clerk



Adam Mills, Chairman

January 21, 2025

The Board of Commissioners met for a regular meeting with Commissioner Mills, Commissioner Quick, Counselor Brass and Clerk Sill present. Commissioner Roe was absent.

Mandy Peters came in to discuss KCAMP Risk Management with the team for 2025.

KEMA President, Jillian Rodrigue presented Nichole Perez with award.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 15 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Brass, and Melissa Simpson, Director of Human Resources beginning at 10:17 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Mills seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 10:32 am.

Melissa Simpson, HR Director and Rhonda Fernandez with Professional Insurance Consultants, Inc. (PIC) came in to discuss keeping the County in compliance.

Commissioner Mills motioned to have Hinkle Law firm do the compliance changes that Rhonda had discussed. Seconded by Commissioner Quick. Motion carried.

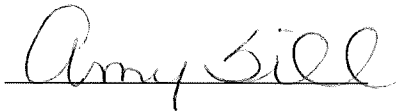
Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Mills to approve minutes from January 13, 2025 meeting. Motion carried.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 15 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Brass, Melissa Simpson, HR Director and Clerk Sill beginning at 11:15 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Mills seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 11:30 am.

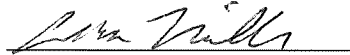
Commissioner Quick motioned to accept the Barber County, Kansas open records act (KORA) request form presented by Counselor Brass, seconded by Commissioner Mills. Motioned carried.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 15 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Brass and Sheriff Garza beginning at 11:35 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Mills seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 11:50 am.

Meeting adjourned at 11:55 am.



Amy Sill, Barber County Clerk



Adam Mills, Chairman

January 30, 2025

The Board of Commissioners met for a regular meeting with all Commissioners, Counselor Brass and Clerk Sill present.

Warrants were approved and signed.

Mike Loreg, EMS Director came in to discuss getting full-time employees.

Larry Conner, Public Works Director discussed trailers. Old trailers will be traded in for \$18,000 with new trailers cost for \$38,000 the difference is \$20,000 for each trailer.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approve trading and ordering trailers. Motioned passed.

At 10:30 am the bid letting on scrub seal on Hackberry Road, southwest of Prairie Dog Road, east to US-281 Junction in Hardtner for a total of approximately 24.6 miles was opened by Jacob Crowell with Kirkham Michael. John Riggins with Kirkham Michael was also present.

Heft & Sons, LLC \$710,057 would start about September 1, 2025

Circle C Paving and Construction LLC, \$643,381 would start about May 1, 2025

Commissioner Roe motioned seconded by Commissioner Quick to approve Circle C Paving and Construction LLC to do the scrub seal. Motion carried.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approve the contract with Kirkham Michael to provide monthly County engineering services by Jacob Crowell, P.E. for Barber County in the amount of \$1,117.40 a month. Motion carried.

Mark Dugan contacted Counselor Brass yesterday to advise he reached a private agreement with the landowners and did not need to proceed with his requested road. The Commission, Counselor Brass, and Public Works Director Larry Conner reviewed the contracts with Malm Construction and determined to send a Notice to Suspend Work to Malm. Counselor Brass will send the Notice and Larry Conner will contact Malm Construction to advise."

Brenda Dietzman, Wayfinder Consulting, LLC for WSU came in to discuss jail assessment.

Melissa Simpson, HR Director came in and ask for executive session.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 20 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Brass, Daniel Lynch, County Attorney, Melissa Simpson, HR Director, Scott McCann, Undersheriff and Sheriff Garza by phone beginning at 12:15 pm to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 12:35 pm.

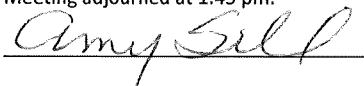
Commissioner Quick motioned to continue for a 10 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Brass, Daniel Lynch, County Attorney, Melissa Simpson, HR Director, Scott McCann, Undersheriff and Sheriff Garza by phone beginning at 12:35 pm to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 12:45 pm.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approve minutes from January 21, 2025 meeting. Motion carried.

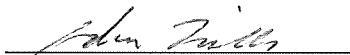
Dacya Doman, Interim Appraiser came in to discuss Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP).

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe for a 5 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners and Counselor Brass beginning at 1:31 pm to discuss Attorney client privilege. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 1:36 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 1:45 pm.



Amy Sill, Barber County Clerk



Adam Mills, Chairman

February 10, 2025

The Board of Commissioners met for a regular meeting with all Commissioners, Counselor Brass and Clerk Sill present.

Commissioner Roe motioned seconded by Commissioner Quick for a 5 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners and Counselor Brass beginning at 9:37 am to discuss Attorney client privilege. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 9:42 am.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approve minutes from January 30, 2025 meeting. Motion carried.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approve AP. Motion carried.

Commissioner Roe motioned seconded by Commissioner Quick to approve resolution 2025-02 about Kirkham Michael to provide monthly county engineering services in Barber County. Motion carried.

Mike Bauerline owner of Kiowa Motel called in to talk to Commissioners and Dacya Doman, Interim Appraiser about his taxes. Counselor Brass explained that the Commissioners do not do the taxes. That's something the Appraiser and State do.

Larry Conner, Public Works Director came in.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to accept the Barber County Snow Removal Plan. Motion carried.

Larry Conner, Public Works Director and Jacob Crowell, Engineer discussed bridges.

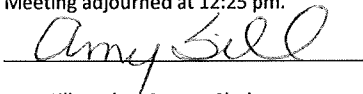
Rick Wesley, Fire Chief, Robin Eubanks-Callis, Extension Agent, Matt Rhodes, Extension Agent, Robert Armbruster, Vice-President of Extension Board and Micha Wagoner, Treasurer of Extension Board, Melissa Simpson, HR Director, Layton Kenworthy, IT Director and Sherry Colborn, County Clerk Deputy came into discuss the changing of offices.

Melissa Simpson, HR Director came in and ask for executive session.

Commissioner Roe motioned to have a 10 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Brass and Melissa Simpson, HR Director beginning at 11:35 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Quick seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 11:45 am.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 10 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Brass, Clerk Sill and Melissa Simpson, HR Director beginning at 11:50 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at noon.

Meeting adjourned at 12:25 pm.



Amy Sill, Barber County Clerk



Adam Mills, Chairman

February 11, 2025

#### Special Meeting

The Board of Commissioners met for a special meeting at 4:30 pm with Commissioner Mills, Commissioner Quick, Counselor Brass and Clerk Sill present. Commissioner Roe phoned in.

Dacya Doman, Interim Appraiser came in and ask for executive session.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 10 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Brass, Clerk Sill, Dacya Doman, Interim Appraiser and Melissa Simpson, HR Director beginning at 4:32 pm to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Mills seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 4:42 pm.

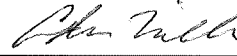
Commissioner Quick motioned to accept the contract from Dacya Doman as Appraiser from February 11, 2025 to June 30, 2025. Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe for a 10 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners and Counselor Brass beginning at 4:53 pm to discuss Attorney client privilege. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 5:03 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 5:05 pm.



Amy Sill, Barber County Clerk



Adam Mills, Chairman

February 24, 2025

The Board of Commissioners met for a regular meeting with Commissioner Roe, Commissioner Mills, Counselor Brass and Clerk Sill present. Commissioner Quick was absent.

Commissioner Roe motioned seconded by Commissioner Mills to approve minutes from February 11, 2025 meeting. Motion carried.

Commissioner Roe motioned seconded by Commissioner Mills to approve minutes from February 10, 2025 meeting. Motion carried.

Commissioner Mills motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approve payroll and AP. Motion carried.

Melissa Simpson, HR Director came in and discussed another option for office changes.

Commissioner Roe and Commissioner Mills ask for Commissioner Quick to be called. Commissioner Quick called in. Discussion was that the Chairperson could make the decision to close courthouse if needed. All employees will be paid like Holiday pay when this happens.

Commissioner Roe motioned to have a 5 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Brass and Melissa Simpson, HR Director beginning at 10:04 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Mills seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 10:09 am.

Mike Loreg, EMS Director came in.

Kristine Landwehr, 911 Dispatch Director came in to ask for emergency management office. This was tabled until Commissioners could go look at it.

Hannah Brass and Rick Wesley brought a contract for fire with Hazelton City. Commissioner Roe motioned seconded by Commissioner Mills to approve the contract for fire with Hazelton City. Motion carried. Rick signed contract and Hannah will get City of Hazelton to sign.

Larry Conner, Public Works Director came in to have the scrub seal contract signed. Also, talked about compactor and fence going up at Landfill.

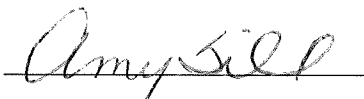
Denise Donaldson, Hardtner Mayor with Chuck Black, Stacy Black, Oakley Grant and David Gordon Hardtner City Council came in to ask for \$30,000 for the consulting fees for the gas problem in Hardtner.

The Commissioners ask Loretta McGuire, Director of Barber County Economic Development to look into a loan for City of Hardtner.

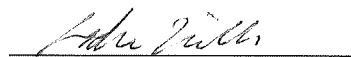
Catherine Rohrer with South Central Community Corrections came in.

Commissioner Roe motioned seconded by Commissioner Mills to approve the 2026 Comprehensive Plan.

Meeting adjourned at 12:20 pm.



Amy Sill, Barber County Clerk



Adam Mills, Chairman

March 10, 2025

The Board of Commissioners met for a regular meeting with all Commissioners, Counselor Brass and Deputy Clerk Colborn present.

There was a lot of County Business discussed.

Commissioner Mike Roe motioned seconded by Commissioner Bryan Quick to approve minutes from February 24, 2025 meeting. Motion carried.

Commissioner Bryan Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Mike Roe to approve payroll and AP. Motion carried.

Loren Boor and Jason Sorell came in to discuss Lonetree road south of College Hill road in Hazelton Township. It is washing out and hard to get down. Commissioner Adam Mills said he would like to set up a time to go see the problems.

Mark Dugan didn't call but they talked about vacating the road. Hannah let them know how to go about it. Hannah Brass will send the notices to the paper.

Larry Conner, Public Works Director came in and asked if any Commissioners would like to go to the SKACE meeting. Commissioner Mills will attend the meeting with Larry. There was other road and bridge discussion. He has found a skid steer for landfill that he is looking at. They are hauling rock from solar farm. They discussed expenses from the fire out west that they went and helped with.

Gary Donovan came in to discuss the Pixley 2 project. He is a landowner who has a lease and he wanted to know where things stand with when it will begin.

Rick Wesley, Fire Chief came in to discuss burn ban possibilities. Looking at adding an exemption to our burn policy that shows there can be ag burns. They still have to follow all regulations. Also had discussion on the fire out west from the other day. Rick had information on the costs of the fire. Hannah is going to look at the FEMA rates to see what that would be.

Mike Loreg came in and stated that the panic buttons that we have are obsolete and several don't work anymore. They decided he needs to find something compatible and get them. Mike also discussed with the north ambulance and they all decided to try to hire someone for \$16 per hour. He asked if they could put the application on an employment service online. The Commissioners said he could do that.

They would like Amy to talk to department heads about budgets and start getting things ready to start looking at them in April.

Meeting adjourned at 12:01 pm.



Sherry Colborn, Deputy Clerk



Adam Mills, Chairman

March 24, 2025

The Board of Commissioners met for a regular meeting with all Commissioners and Clerk Sill present. Counselor Brass was absent.

Rick Wesley, Fire Chief came in and discussed the new burn regulations. Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approve Resolution No. 2025-04 about burning regulations. Motion carried.

Discussion on special drug and alcohol applications.

Commissioner Roe motioned seconded by Commissioner Quick to approve Special Alcohol applications. Also, Special Parks and Recreation applications as follows:

Special Alcohol

Lincoln Library \$2,000

Barber County United, Inc. \$8,000

Special Parks and Recreation

Stockade \$1,000

City of Isabel \$1,000

City of Hazelton \$1,000

N.B.C.R.C Wellness Center \$1,000

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approve minutes from March 10, 2025 meeting. Motion carried.

Larry Conner, Public Works Director came in. Discussion about Bear Creek Hill and River Road. Commissioners signed Annual Noxious Weed Eradication Progress Report and 2025 Management Plan. Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to allow Larry to purchase compactor for landfill. Motion carried.

Dugan road hearing at 10:30 am as published in the paper.

Commissioner Roe motioned seconded by Commissioner Quick to approve Resolution No. 2025-05 vacating opened but not yet built or numbered road between section 20 and section 21, township 31 south, range 13 west. Motion carried. Commissioner Mills abstained.

Dacya Doman, Appraiser came in.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 15 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Clerk Sill, Dacya Doman, and Melissa Simpson, HR Director beginning at 10:49 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 11:04 am.

Joscelyn Nittler came in to discuss the ARPA funds of \$4,032.32. The Commissioners decided to amend the \$4,032.32 to the County's backup system.

Mike Loreg, EMS Director came in. Discussed EMS and Emergency Pods.

Vikki Mader with Horizons came in to update statistics on how Horizons are doing.

Rick Wesley, Fire Chief came in to discuss generator and storage for backup system being put at the landfill.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approve payroll and AP. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:20 pm.



Amy Sill, Clerk



Adam Mills, Chairman

April 14, 2025

The Board of Commissioners met for a regular meeting with all Commissioners, Counselor Brass and Clerk Sill present.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approve payroll and AP. Motion carried.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approve minutes from March 24, 2025 meeting. Motion carried.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to give up to \$10,000 out of oil and gas fund to pay for 1/3 of City of Hardtner consultant fee. If there is no consultant fee County will not pay any money or request the money to come back to the County. Commissioner's also request if there is any profit if/when the City of Hardtner sells the gas system, that the County is repaid this amount or its proportional share of the profit. Motioned carried.

Melissa Simpson, HR Director came in. Melissa has been talking to Austin Peters to update info for job classes and pay scale. Insurance was also discussed.

Hannah Fisher, Sergeant with the Sheriff's Office came in to have paperwork signed for County to use the Reno County Juvenile Detention Center.

Mike Loreg, EMS Director came in.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approve the social media policy. Motion carried.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 5 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Brass, Clerk Sill and Mike Loreg, EMS Director beginning at 10:38 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 10:43 am.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 3 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Brass, Clerk Sill and Mike Loreg, EMS Director beginning at 10:43 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 10:46 am. Motioned carried.

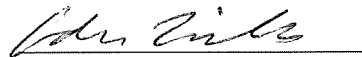
Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to have Rutan Construction, Inc. finish the office next to the Custodian office. This office will be for the Human Resources. County Clerk's office will go back to the office that the HR Director has been in. Motioned carried.

Commissioner Roe motioned seconded by Commissioner Quick to have the animal policy in place for the County. Motioned passed.

Meeting adjourned at 12:25 pm.



Amy Sill, Clerk



Adam Mills, Chairman

April 28, 2025

The Board of Commissioners met for a regular meeting with all Commissioners and Clerk Sill present. Counselor Brass was absent.

Patrick Smith with KCAMP came in to give an award check for \$750 from loss ratio award.

Mandy Peters came in with KCAMP Barber County group to let us know what we have been doing on the risk management.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 15 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Clerk Sill, and Melissa Simpson, HR Director beginning at 9:52 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 10:07 am.

Deb Kolb with Barber County United came in to discuss budget and give update.

Mike Loreg, EMS Director came in

Commissioner Roe motioned to have a 10 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Mike Loreg, EMS Director, Clerk Sill, and Melissa Simpson, HR Director beginning at 10:42 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Quick seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 10:52 am.

Russell Hansen, Custodian came in

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 5 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Russell Hansen, Custodian, Clerk Sill and Melissa Simpson, HR Director beginning at 10:56 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 11:01 am.

Larry Conner, Public Works Director came in

Commissioner Quick motioned to accept agreement between Secretary of Transportation, Department of Transportation and Barber County, Kansas for Project No. 4 C-5344-01 Off-System Bridge Program. Bridge replacement located 2.8 miles of Sharon, Barber County, Kansas. Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed.

Dacya Doman, Appraiser came in to update about her office.

Danny Lynch came in to talk about diversion.

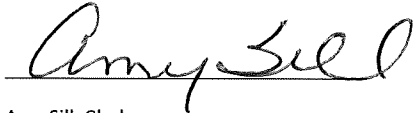
Commissioner Quick motion to pay for night vision binoculars/goggles and diagnostic testing on current thermal imagers for Jason Harrold, Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks Game Warden for our area. Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approve payroll and AP. Motion carried.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approve minutes from April 14, 2025 meeting. Motion carried.

Commissioner's started looking at budgets for 2026.

Meeting adjourned at 2:00 pm.



Amy Sill, Clerk



Adam Mills, Chairman

May 12, 2025

The Board of Commissioners met for a regular meeting with all Commissioners, Counselor Molz and Clerk Sill present.

Andrea Polf, Vice-President of Client Services discussed Arrowhead West services.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approved payroll and AP. Motion carried.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approved McCully & Associates consultant.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approved minutes from April 28, 2025 meeting. Motion carried.

Tim Marshall, Rick Fitzgerald and Rick Pelzl from the Medicine Lodge Township came in to ask questions. and Larry Conner, Public Works Director was also present. Tim ask Larry if to make a speed limit sign for Well Road. Larry will get that sign done for the Medicine Lodge Township.

Commissioner Roe motioned seconded by Commissioner Quick to give Medicine Lodge Township 200 loads of rock free that came from the solar farm temporary location which is being closing out. Medicine Lodge Township will haul the 200 loads of rock from the County barn after Road and Bridge is finished hauling all of the rock to the County barn.

Beaver basin gate has been locked again. Discussion followed on what to do. It is an open road.

Dawn Jones, Public Health Director discussed Public Health budget and old refrigerator to go on purple wave. Rick Wesley said he would do that for her.

Rick Wesley, Fire Chief came in. Looked at Rural Fire and Environmental Services budgets. Also, discussed billing from the fire out West. Rick will get all the information to Hannah. Then, Hannah will handle it from there.

Melissa Simpson, HR Director, Rhonda Fernandez from PIC and Jim Lohmeyer from Blue Cross Blue Shield of Kansas discussed the County insurance.

Loretta McGuire, Barber County Economic Director gave the Commissioners their budget request.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to proceed with the \$10,000 ROZ grant doing the Digital Marketing.

Took a break for lunch 12:15 pm to 1:00 pm.

Tina McCray, Clerk of the District Court came in to discuss their budget.

Tara Lynch, Paul Smith and Robin Callis with Extension came in to talk about their budget.

Larry Connor, Public Works Director discussed budgets and tractors.

Commissioner Roe motioned seconded by Commissioner Quick to purchase John Deere Tractor from Prairieland Partners, LLC for \$67,879.62 after trade in. Motion carried.

Mandy Peters with the County Clerk's office came in to discuss the old credit cards.

Counselor Molz left the meeting at 2:00 pm.

Mike Loreg, EMS Director came in to discuss budgets.

Dacya Doman, Appraiser came in.

Mike Loreg, EMS Director came in.

Commissioner Roe motioned to have 3 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners and Mike Loreg beginning at 3:05 pm to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Quick seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 3:08 pm.

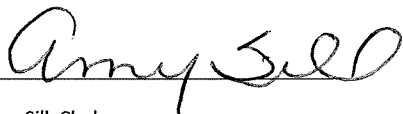
Perry Smith came in to discuss fence issue on their land.

Melissa Simpson, HR Director came in.

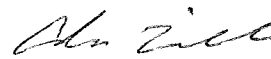
Commissioner Roe motioned to have a 20 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners and Melissa Simpson beginning at 3:53 pm to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Quick seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 4:13 pm.

Commissioner Roe motioned to have 15 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners and Melissa Simpson beginning at 4:15 pm to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Quick seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 4:30 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 pm.



Amy Sill, Clerk



Adam Mills, Chairman

May 27, 2025

The Board of Commissioners met for a regular meeting with Commissioner Quick, Commissioner Roe, Counselor Molz and Clerk Sill present. Commissioner Mills was absent.

Larry Conner, Public Works Director discussed bridges. Lithium batteries still being disposed of at Landfill. One battery caught fire while workers were there and able to put out fire. Larry has an agreement for the 200 loads of rock with the Medicine Lodge Township. Medicine Lodge Township talked to Larry about a shallow gas line by Terry Ricke's in the right of way. Larry will try to get this cleared up.

Commissioner Roe motioned seconded by Commissioner Quick to approved payroll and AP. Motion carried.

Commissioner Roe motioned to have a 5 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Molz and Clerk Sill beginning at 9:57 am to discuss litigation, Commissioner Quick seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 10:02 am.

Scott McCann, Undersheriff and Hannah Fisher, Sergeant came in to discuss a pre-employment physical for the Sheriff's Department.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approve the Sheriff's Department to do pre-employment per-hire physical with standards. Motion passed.

Mandy Peters from the County Clerk's office came in to discuss grave markers for armed services.

Dacya Doman, Appraiser and Melissa Simpson, HR Director came in

Commissioner Roe motioned to have a 5 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Molz, Clerk Sill, Dacya Doman, Appraiser and Melissa Simpson, HR Director beginning at 10:22 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Quick seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 10:27 am.

Commissioner Roe motioned seconded by Commissioner Quick to approve the contract for County Appraiser for another 4 years to Dacya Doman. Motion carried.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approve minutes from May 12, 2025 meeting. Motion carried.

Melissa Simpson, HR Director came in.

Commissioner Roe motioned to have a 10 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Molz and Melissa Simpson, HR Director beginning at 10:54 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Quick seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 11:04 am.


Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 10 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Molz and Melissa Simpson, Human Resources beginning at 11:04 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 11:14am.

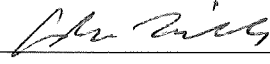
Commissioner Roe motioned to have a 10 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, County Counselor Molz and Melissa Simpson beginning at 11:14 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Quick seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 11:24 am.

Budgets were discussed.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 5 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners and County Counselor beginning at 12:10 pm to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Quick seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 12:15 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 12:20 pm.

  
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Amy Sill, Clerk

  
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Adam Mills, Chairman

June 9, 2025

The Board of Commissioners met for a regular meeting with all Commissioners, Counselor Brass and Clerk Sill present.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approve payroll and AP. Motion carried.

Commissioner Roe motioned seconded by Commissioner Quick to approve minutes from May 27, 2025 meeting. Motion carried.

Melissa Simpson, HR Director came in.

Commissioner Roe motioned to have a 15 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Brass and Melissa Simpson, HR Director beginning at 9:36 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Quick seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 9:51 am.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 5 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Brass and Clerk Sill beginning at 10:18 am to discuss litigation, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 10:23 am.

Kristine Landwehr, Communication Director joined the meeting. Kristine has been offered Pratt Dispatch Director position. Kristine wondered about being part-time Director for Barber County and full-time Director for Pratt County Discussion was held.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 15 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners and Counselor Brass beginning at 10:51 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 11:06 am.

The Commissioners told Kristine that they wanted a full time Director in Barber County. If she wanted to come back to talk to them about the Barber County Directors position she was welcome too.

Cheryl Davis and Ann Cargill with Conservation District came in to discuss budget.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 30 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Brass, Clerk Sill and Melissa Simpson, HR Director beginning at 11:17: am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Mills seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 11:47 am.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 20 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Brass, Clerk Sill and Melissa Simpson, HR Director beginning at 11:47 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Mills seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 12:07 am.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 5 minutes Executive Session with just Commissioners beginning at 12:08 pm to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 12:13 pm.

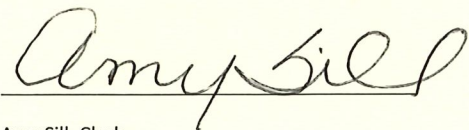
Meeting took a break for lunch at 12:15 pm and joined back at 1:15 pm.

Claudine Willett with Mirror came in to discuss budget.

Discussion on budgets.

Commissioner Roe made a motion to have a special meeting to discuss budgets on June 16<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am. Seconded by Commissioner Quick, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 4:35 pm.



Amy Sill, Clerk



Adam Mills, Chairman

June 16, 2025

Special Meeting

The Board of Commissioners met for a special meeting at 10:00 am with all Commissioners and Clerk Sill present. Counselor Molz was absent.

Rick Wesley came in to explain about how and why the advisory board for dispatch was formed.

Melissa Simpson, HR Director came in to discuss about 911 Director.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 15 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Clerk Sill and Melissa Simpson, HR Director beginning at 10:37 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 10:52 am.

Melissa Simpson, HR Director discussed the pay grade scale.

Sheriff Garza came in to talk about his budget.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approve Austin Peters pay matrix with the changes that Melissa has given starting with pay cycle on July 27, 2025 for non-elected personal. Motion carried.

Sheri Weeks came in to discuss her budget.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approve Austin Peters pay matrix with the changes given starting with pay cycle on July 27, 2025 for Elected personal. Motion carried.

Finished discussing the budgets.

Meeting adjourned at 2:00 pm.



Amy Sill, Clerk



Adam Mills, Chairman

June 23, 2025

The Board of Commissioners met for a regular meeting with Commissioner Quick, Commissioner Mills, Counselor Molz and Clerk Sill present. Commissioner Roe was absent.

Crystal Cummins from the Isabel Community Store came in to discuss funding for the Isabel Community Store roof and/or Letter of Support.

Becky Dirks with the Housing Authority came in to ask for funding on the Plaza's (next door) roof.

Kristine Landwehr, Communications Director came in.

Kari Davis dispatcher with Communications came in to ask Commissioners if they would pay for her taillight when a deer hit her in her personal vehicle on her and Bobbie Maze way to a work meeting. We have 2 County vehicles that could be used instead of using own vehicle and being paid mileage.

Larry Conner, Public Works Director discuss bridges. Larry brought in a signed Pixley Solar Phase 1 Road Use Agreement Cessation Proposal.

Layton Kenworthy, IT Director and Melissa Simpson, HR Director came in to talk about what happens when he will be on vacation or sick leave.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Mills to approve to have Pest Control Services from Redrock Protection Services for July 2025 -June 2026. Motion carried.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Mills to approve minutes from June 9, 2025 and June 16, 2025 meeting. Motion carried.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Mills to approve payroll. Motion carried.

Clerk Sill spoke to Mike Rutan about putting office on hold. Mike Rutan already has everything for the project. Commissioners decided to continue with new office that will be put beside Custodian office.

Melissa Simpson, HR Director came in.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 15 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Molz and Melissa Simpson, HR Director beginning at 11:15 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Mills seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 11:30 am.

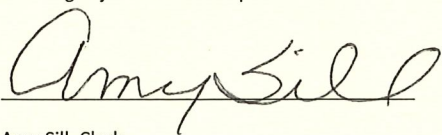
Tina McCray from District Court came in to talk about their budget and Commissioner Mills signed her copy of the budget.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 15 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Molz and Melissa Simpson, HR Director beginning at 12:05 pm to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Mills seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 12:20 pm.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 15 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Molz and Melissa Simpson, HR Director beginning at 12:20 pm to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Mills seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 12:35 pm.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 5 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners and Counselor Molz beginning at 12:54 pm to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Mills seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 12:59 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 1:01 pm.



Amy Sill, Clerk



Adam Mills, Chairman

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July 2, 2025

Special Meeting


The Board of Commissioners met for a special meeting at 10:00 am with all Commissioners and Clerk Sill present. Counselor Molz was absent.

Commissioner Quick motioned to approve Accounts Payable seconded by Commissioner Roe. Motion carried.

Sheri Weeks, County Treasurer joined in the discussion with the County Budget.

Commissioners called Danielle Hollingshead, Principal – Governmental Industry Leader with Adams Brown to go over changes and questions on budget.

Meeting adjourned at 12:10 pm.



Amy Sill, Clerk



Adam Mills, Chairman

July 14, 2025

The Board of Commissioners met for a regular meeting with Commissioners, Counselor Molz and Clerk Sill present.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approved payroll and warrants. Motion carried.

Dacya Doman, Appraiser came in to talk to the Commissioners about maps and answered questions.

Willard Walker, Morgan Tillotson and Dustin with Stanfield Roofing for KCAMP discussed how all the County building roofs look.

Deb Kolb with Barber County United came in to tell the Commissioners what all Barber County United did in the year of 2024.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 10 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners and Counselor Molz beginning at 11:00 am to discuss, attorney client privileged matters, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 11:10 am.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 15 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners and Counselor Molz beginning at 11:10 am to discuss, attorney client privileged matters, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 11:25 am.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 10 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners and Counselor Molz beginning at 11:25 am to discuss, attorney client privileged matters, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 11:35 am.

Melissa Simpson, HR Director came in and requested an executive session.

Commissioner Roe motioned to have a 30 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Molz and Melissa Simpson, HR Director beginning at 11:40 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Quick seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 12:10 pm.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 10 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners and Counselor Molz beginning at 12:15 pm to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 12:25 pm.

Meeting recessed for lunch at 12:25 pm

Meeting resumed at 1:30 pm.

Larry Conner, Road & Bridge Director came in with Jacob Crowell, County Engineer. Will do road striping in the fall. Belly dump trailers will be done at the end of July. Steve Lukens fence thing will be worked out outside of commissioner meeting. Sold 2 mowers on Gavel Road Auctions. Made \$9100.00. Landfill passed all their water well monitoring tests. Jacob is working on the Poly Overlay Project. Bridge would be 4 Million to replace, this will put a new deck on the bridge and won't have to replace it. Seals the cement so it will last longer. Lifespan on the polymer is anywhere from 10-15 years. The Poly Overlay will take half the time of re-cementing the bridge. Guardrail project is also being done and should be submitted soon. Still working on turning the wooden bridge into a pipe bridge. Keith Yearout likes the gravel on his road.

Commissioner Roe motioned seconded by Commissioner Quick to approved minutes from June 23 and July 2, 2025 meeting. Motion carried.

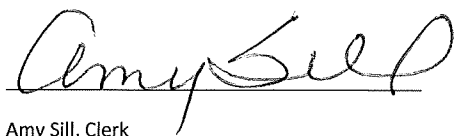
Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to sign the Mutual aid agreement between Wood County, Oklahoma and Barber County, Kansas. Motion carried.

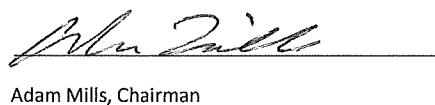
Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to increase Layton Kenworthy, IT Director credit card limit to \$5,000. Motion carried.

Commissioner Roe motioned seconded by Commissioner Quick to proceed with the 2026 proposed budget with no transfers. Total would be 58.126 with RNR at 58.329. Motioned carried.

Commissioner Roe motioned seconded by Commissioner Mills to accept the pay raises for Non-Elected and Elected personal that was given to them today by the Melissa Simpson, HR Director.

Meeting adjourned at 3:10 pm.

  
Amy Sill, Clerk

  
Adam Mills, Chairman

July 23, 2025

Special Meeting

The Board of Commissioners met for a special meeting at 9:00 am with all Commissioners and Clerk Sill present. Counselor Molz was absent.

Melissa Simpson, HR Director came in and ask for executive session for hiring process for Communications Director

Commissioner Roe motioned to have a 45 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners and Robin Westmoreland beginning at 9:01 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Quick seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 9:46 am.

Meeting recessed at 9:50 am

Meeting resumed at 10:20 am.

Commissioner Roe motioned to have a 45 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners and Rebecca Goodspeed beginning at 10:25 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Quick seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 11:10 am.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 45 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners and Brandi Thom beginning at 11:15 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 12:00 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 12:30 pm.



Amy Sill, Clerk

July 28, 2025



Adam Mills, Chairman

The Board of Commissioners met for a regular meeting with Commissioners, Counselor Molz and Clerk Sill present.

Commissioner Roe motioned to have a 15 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners and Counselor Molz, beginning at 9:32 am to discuss attorney client privileged matters, Commissioner Quick seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 9:47 am.

Tara Lynch, President of Extension board. Paul Smith and Melvin Armbruster Extension board members and Robin Eubank-Callis, Family and Consumer Science Agent (FCS) came in to talk about Extension.

Mike Loreg, Emergency preparedness manager and EMS Director. Security was discussed. What all we need to do to be ready to take over EMS in Medicine Lodge.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approved payrolls and warrants. Motion carried.

Commissioner Roe motioned to approve the minutes for July 14 and July 23, 2025, Commissioner Mills seconded. Motion passed.

Melissa Simpson, HR Director came in.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approve the pay policy. Motion carried.

Melissa Simpson requested an executive session.

Commissioner Roe motioned to have a 10 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Molz and Melissa Simpson beginning at 11:15 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Quick seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 11:25 am.

Vikki Mader with Horizons discussed Financials and services.

Danny Lynch, County Attorney and Scott McCann, Undersheriff came in to ask for K-9 dog to have helmet and headphones out of diversion fund.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approve for K-9 dog to have helmet and headphones. Motion carried.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to have budget hearing on 8-25-25 at 10 am. Motion carried.

Meeting recessed for lunch at 12:00 pm.

Meeting resumed at 1:15 pm.

Larry Conner, Public Works Director discussed 911 signs coming down with KDOT.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 15 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners and Counselor Molz beginning at 1:37 pm to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 1:52 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 1:55 pm.



Amy Sill, Clerk



Adam Mills, Chairman

August 12, 2025

The Board of Commissioners met for a regular meeting with Commissioner Roe, Commissioner Mills, Counselor Molz and Clerk Sill present. Commissioner Quick was absent.

Commissioner Roe motioned seconded by Commissioner Mills to approved payroll and warrants. Motion carried.

Commissioner Roe motioned seconded by Commissioner Mills to approve the minutes from July 28, 2025. Motioned carried.

Larry Conner, Public Works Director came in with Jacob Crowell, County Engineer.

Dacya Doman, Appraiser came in to talk about Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP) and plat books.

Danielle Hollingshead, Principal – Governmental Industry Leader for AdamsBrown, LLC came in to review Barber County 2024 audit.

Commissioner Roe motioned seconded by Commissioner Mills to approve AdamsBrown, LLC of 2024 audit for Barber County. Motioned carried.

Melissa Simpson, HR Director came in. Discussed KWORC findings after looking over the County.

Larry Conner, Public Works Director and Jacob Crowell, County Engineer came in no violations from the surprise visit with the landfill. Discussed lines on roads. Larry is trying to get some asphalt coming available for \$10 a ton.

Tim Marshall, Rick Fitzgerald and Ted Colborn – representing Medicine Lodge Township, Terry Ricke and Mike Newman came in. They had discussion about a fence constructed in the road right of way. Medicine Lodge Township told Steve Lukens he could build a new fence in line with old corner posts. This location was within the right of way. Steve Lukens was advised by Barber County Road & Bridge and Medicine Lodge Township prior to construction that the right of way was 60 feet. Medicine Lodge Township granted permission to build the fence inside the right of way. The fence is now completed and the Township is seeking advice on how to handle this now that they are aware old fence lines cannot be "grandfathered in." Terry Ricke asked if he could be reimbursed for his fence that Medicine Lodge Township tore out several years ago after he built in the right of way. Terry stated this should be the same for everyone. Mike Newman also gave some information. Commissioner Mills asked what the County's role should be. Counselor Molz advised that the Township should review their prior minutes and policies, then have a board meeting to make a decision on how they want to handle the problem.

Meeting adjourned at 12:03 pm.



Amy Sill, Clerk



Adam Mills, Chairman

August 25, 2025

The Board of Commissioners met for a regular meeting with Commissioners, Counselor Molz and Clerk Sill present.

Deb Kolb from Barber County United (BCU) came in and discussed Opioid funds.

Commissioner Roe moved seconded by Commissioner Quick to recess the regular session meeting and begin budget hearing for Barber County and Barber County Rural Fire. Motion carried.

Budget hearing for Barber County and Barber County Rural Fire was opened at 10:00 am.

Commissioner Roe moved, seconded by Commissioner Quick to approve the present County budget. Motion carried.

Commissioner Roe moved, seconded by Commissioner Quick to approve the County Rural Fire budget. Motion carried.

Commissioner Roe moved, seconded by Commissioner Quick to end the budget hearings and go back into regular session. Motion carried.

Regular session resumed at 10:15 am.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approved payroll and warrants. Motion carried.

Commissioner Roe motioned seconded by Commissioner Mills to approve minutes from August 12, 2025.

Mandy Peters and Layton Kenworthy joined the meeting about basement vault.

Commissioner Roe motioned to have a 5 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Molz and Clerk Sill beginning at 11:01 am to discuss Attorney Client, Commissioner Quick seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 11:06 am.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to Amend the Building Access Control policies and procedures and accept the Barber County Building use policy

Called Tina McCray. Commissioners told her to get jury room shampoo and bill the last entity that used the room last. Also, told Tina if this continues to be a problem that entity will not be able to book the jury room.

Mike Loreg came in to discuss about EMS

Melissa Simpson, HR Director and Rhonda Fernandez with Professional Insurance Consultants (PIC) discussed insurance.

Melissa Simpson, HR Director discussed with the Commissioners to go to an out of state meeting in October. Melissa Simpson will be going to Las Vegas, NV.

Meeting adjourned at 12:45 pm.



Amy Sill, Clerk



Adam Mills, Chairman

September 8, 2025

The Board of Commissioners met for a regular meeting with Commissioner Mills, Commissioner Quick, Counselor Molz and Clerk Sill present. Commissioner Roe was absent.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Mills to approve payroll and warrants. Motion carried.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Mills to approve minutes from August 25, 2025. Motion carried.

Commissioners agreed to have Clerk send letter of support for City of Isabel.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Mills to approve Cereal Malt Beverage for the Peace Treaty Association for rodeo, September 26, 27 and 28, 2025. Motion carried.

Dacya Doman, County Appraiser came in to discuss agricultural and market value.

Rebecca Goodspeed, Communication Director discussed about the newspaper issue. Rebecca explained that each department should reply to the newspaper directly. Rebecca said she would do how many calls that the dispatch took for each department to go to the newspaper. Rebecca asked to get lockers for dispatch to keep their personal stuff. She will move forward to look into this.

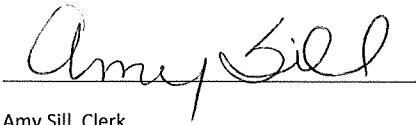
Citizen Gina Woods stated to the Board her concerns with stopping or limiting dispatch information to the newspaper, as well as her concerns with the use of the 800 frequency by law enforcement because that stops the public from listening in.

Brett Traffas with Newberry Family Auto of Harper, KS came in to discuss towing. Hannah will make up a resolution about this.

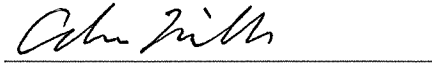
Rick Wesley, Fire Chief came in to discuss Fire and EMS.

Larry Conner, Road and Bridge Director and Jacob Crowell, County Engineer from Kirkham Michael talked about the landfill, roads and bridges.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 pm.



Amy Sill, Clerk



Adam Mills, Chairman

September 16, 2025


Special Meeting

The Board of Commissioners met for a special meeting at 9:00 am with all Commissioners, Counselor Molz and Clerk Sill present.

Also, present was Larry Conner-Public Works Director, Dacya Doman-Appraiser, Charlotte Madsen-Extension Office Secretary, Richard Garza-Sheriff, Hannah Fisher-Sergeant at Sheriff Office, Russell Hansen-Head Custodian, Rebecca Goodspeed-Communications Director, Dawn Jones-Public Health Director, Layton Kenworthy-Information Technology Director, Anita Kimball-Sheriff Secretary, Mike Loreg-EMS and Emergency Preparedness Director, Danny Lynch-County Attorney, Tina McCray-Clerk of the District Court, Melissa Simpson-Human Resource Director, Betty Jo Swayden-Register of Deeds, Rick Wesley-Fire Chief and Sheri Weeks-Treasurer.

All department heads came in to discuss what was going on with the County.

Meeting adjourned at 11:50 pm.



Amy Sill, Clerk



Adam Mills, Chairman

September 22, 2025

The Board of Commissioners met for a regular meeting with Commissioners, Counselor Molz and Clerk Sill present.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approved payroll and warrants. Motion carried.

Mike Loreg, EMS Director and Ashley Taylor, Chief Executive Officer (CEO) at Medicine Lodge Memorial Hospital and Physicians Clinic came in to discuss about EMS being transferred from the Hospital to the County at the beginning of the year.

Sheriff Garza came in for an update with his office.

Commissioner Roe motioned seconded by Commissioner Quick to approve minutes from September 16, 2025. Motion carried.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Mills to approve minutes from September 8, 2025. Motion carried.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approve Resolution No 2025-07 to allow the towing of motor vehicles from private property. Motion carried.

Counselor Molz will put Resolution No 2025-07 in the newspaper. Resolution will be in effective September 29, 2025 when it comes out in the newspaper.

Kelly Hrencher and Jody Nittler came in with concern about property tax.

Betty Jo Swayden, Register of Deeds came in

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approve a change in the holiday schedule from a full day on December 24, 2025 to December 26, 2025 then 4 hours holiday on the December 24, 2025.

Melissa Simpson, HR Director and Rhonda Fernandez from PIC

Commissioner Roe motioned seconded by Commissioner Quick to approve the Barber County Employee Benefit Plan, including the HIPAA certification provisions found in Article VII, effective January 1, 2025.

Dacya Doman, Appraiser came in


Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approve a new copy machine for the Appraisers Office. Motion carried.

Deb Kolb, Barber County United Director came in

Melissa Simpson, HR Director and Rebecca Goodspeed, Communication Director came in

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 10 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Molz, Clerk Sill, Melissa Simpson, HR Director and Rebecca Goodspeed, Communication Director beginning at 12:23 pm to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Mills seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 12:33 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 12:45 pm.

  
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Amy Sill, Clerk

  
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Adam Mills, Chairman

October 13, 2025

The Board of Commissioners met for a regular meeting with Commissioners, Counselor Molz and Clerk Sill present at 9:30 am.

Commissioner Quick motioned to approve the warrants and payroll Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed.

Sheri Weeks, Treasurer was sworn in as Treasurer for Barber County. Discussion on County funds.

Hannah Fisher, Sheriff Sergeant came in to present a policy for overtime and compensation time.

Larry Conner, Public Works Director came in. Discussed budgets. Clerk Sill read the comment the Auditor, Danielle Hollingshead, Principal-Government Industry Leader from AdamsBrown had emailed how we should handle Solid Waste budget.

Commissioner Quick motioned to approve the bid from Wichita Tractor Co. for a 2025 Kubota Skid Steer with 80" bucket with edge for \$85,000 with trade in of the counties Kubota skid steer and fees the balance due will be \$55,200. Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed.

Rick Wesley, Fire Chief, came in to talk about the fence at Kiowa fire building. Rick showed the Commissioners the minutes from January 10, 2005 that the County owns the property and building. Discussion was held on what the County should do with fence.

Layton Kenworthy, IT Director came in to discuss fax line change. Cost will be around \$421 a year for everyone instead of \$40 a month for about 8 departments. Also, discussion about email extension for a year. Currently paying \$1200 a year. Will be changing to \$1200 a month.

Mike Loreg, EMS Director discussed ambulances, drug testing, how vacation and sick leave will transfer from the hospital to the County. Discussion about building a living space/sleeping quarters and an office.

Commissioner Quick motioned to approve the bid from Stryker Sales, LLC for MTS Power load for Ambulance \$33,980.68. Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed.

Russell Hansen, Custodian gave an update on flooring for Courthouse.

Meeting recessed for lunch at 12:10 pm.

Meeting resumed at 1:00 pm.

Melissa Simpson, Human Resources Director said her class in Las Vegas went well and passed her test for payroll certification.

Lauren Nelson with Invenergy came in and showed a short presentation.

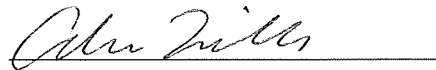
Commissioner Quick motioned to approve the minutes from September 22, 2025, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed.

Commissioner Quick appointed Steve Walz to the Barber County Development Committee.

Regular session adjourned at 3:10 pm.



Amy Sill, Clerk



Adam Mills, Chairman

October 27, 2025

The Board of Commissioners met for a regular meeting with Commissioners, Counselor Molz and Clerk Sill present at 9:30 am.

Commissioner Quick motioned to approve the warrants and payroll Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed.

Rebecca Goodspeed, Communication Director discussed information for dispatchers.

Layton Kenworthy, Barber County IT Director came in with Paige Hermes, Thad Ehresman and Shelly Hansel with SCTelcom to discuss internet.

Melissa Simpson, HR Director discussed in

Commissioner Roe motioned to have a 15 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Molz and Melissa Simpson, HR Director beginning at 10:51 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Quick seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 11:06 am.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 15 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Molz and Melissa Simpson, HR Director beginning at 11:06 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 11:21 am.

Vikki Mader with Horizons came in to give an update.

Commissioner Quick motioned to approve the minutes from October 13, 2025, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed.

Sheriff Garza, Undersheriff Scott McCann and Sergeant Hannah Fisher came in to discuss the 80 hours in a 14-day work week.

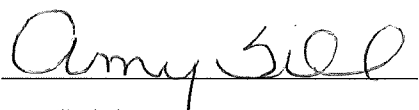
Commissioner Quick motioned to approve pay policy for Sheriff's office starting November 2, 2025, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed.

Commissioner Quick motioned to approve the K-9 Agreement for Deputy lansun Hyrst K-9 dog Raider Commissioner Roe seconded. Motioned passed.

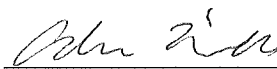
Rick Wesley, Fire Chief came in.

Russell Hansen, Custodian came in. The Commissioners ask Russell to get bids for basically same goods for all the courthouse, will be doing the work during regular business working hours, whoever receives bid will move everything out and back into offices except Layton will do the computer. Have Rick Wesley's office building measured separately with a bid for it, also.

Regular session adjourned at 12:35 pm.



Amy Sill, Clerk



Adam Mills, Chairman

November 12, 2024

The Board of Commissioners met for a regular meeting with Commissioners and Clerk Sill present at 9:30 am.

Mike Loreg, EMS Director and JD Thompson came in to discuss Ambulance Department.

Commissioner Roe moved seconded by Commissioner Quick to recess the regular session meeting and begin to canvass. Motion carried.

Canvass started at 10:00 am.

Commissioner Roe moved that the 10 provisional ballots all count as a yes vote, Commissioner Quick seconded it. Motion carried.

Commissioner Roe moved to adjourn canvass at 10:24 am, seconded by Commissioner Quick. Motion carried.

Regular Session resumed at 10:25 am.

Commissioner Mills moved seconded by Commissioner Quick to take out the \$1600 for the screen to be hung up at the Annex from General Capital improvement. Motion passed.

Commissioner Quick motioned to approve the minutes from October 27, 2025, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed.

Danny Lynch, County Attorney came in to ask for diversion money for forensic equipment for the Sheriff's office to buy.

Commissioner Quick motioned to buy the forensic equipment for the Sheriff's Office, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have 10 minutes of Executive Session with Commissioners, Melissa Simpson, Director of Human Resources and Mike Loreg, EMS Director, beginning at 10:35 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended 10:45 am.

Counselor Molz arrived at the meeting and Commissioner Mills left for the day at 10:50 am.

Russell Hansen, Custodian came in to give the Commissioners a floorcovering update. Home Lumber still needs to measure Fire building and should have a bid by end of the week. Forsyth did have their bid in to the County Clerk's office by November 10, 2025 at noon.

Commissioner Quick motioned to get the HVAC from Eck Services for \$7208 for the Fire building, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed.

Russell will have the vents cleaned and fire building should be good other than the carpet to be done.

Monica Monterrosa and Lauren Nelson of Invenergy presented to the commissioners about the plans for the Pixley II solar project. They explained that the project does include a proposed battery storage location. Commissioners asked questions and requested a future meeting regarding emergency plans and training for such a facility.

Melissa Simpson, HR Director, Rhonda Fernandez with Professional Insurance Consultants (PIC) and Jim Lohmeyer with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Kansas discussed insurance.

Meeting recessed for lunch at 12:30 pm.

Meeting resumed at 1:15 pm.

Melissa Simpson, HR Director, Rhonda Fernandez, Professional Insurance Consultants (PIC) and Sheri Weeks, Treasurer discussed insurance.

Larry Conner, Public Works Director came in to discuss roads and bridges. Also, advised that the Solid Waste budget will need to be amended.

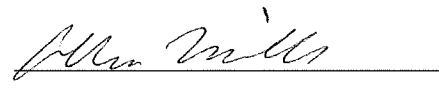
Commissioner Roe motioned to approve the warrants and payroll, Commissioner Quick seconded. Motion passed.

Melissa Simpson, HR Director came in.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have 5 minutes of Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Molz, Clerk Sill and Melissa Simpson, Director of Human Resources beginning at 2:50 pm to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 2:55 pm.

Regular session adjourned at 3:40 pm.

  
Amy Sill, Clerk

  
Adam Mills, Chairman

November 24, 2025

The Board of Commissioners met for a regular meeting with Commissioners, Counselor Molz and Clerk Sill present at 9:00 am.

Melissa Simpson, HR Director, Rhonda Fernandez, Professional Insurance Consultants (PIC) and Sheri Weeks, Treasurer discussed insurance.

Harrison Lambert from the Difference Card Solutions did a presentation with Go To Meeting.

Commissioner Quick motioned to approve the Difference Card Plan along with Blue Cross and Blue Shield, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 5 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Molz, Clerk Sill and Melissa Simpson, HR Director beginning at 10:10 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 10:15 am.

Commissioner Quick motioned that as of January 1, 2026 EMS volunteers will not be offered insurance except the one person that is on it currently, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed.

Melissa Simpson, HR Director discussed Paid time off (PTO) instead of having sick leave days, personal day and vacation days.

Sheriff Garza, Undersheriff Scott McCann, Pake McNally and Hannah Fisher, Sergeant came in to discussed budget and jail.

Mike Loreg, EMS Director discussed happenings with Ambulances and workers.

Commissioner Roe motioned to approve resolution 2025-08 to adopt the Region E. Hazard Mitigation Plan, Commissioner Quick seconded. Motioned passed.

Dacya Doman, Appraiser came in. Commissioners will be getting a new map for Commissioners room.

Layton Kenworthy, Barber County IT Director came in to give an update on email services license.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have SHI for email services license for 3 years for \$20,553.00, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed.

Meeting recessed for lunch at 12:10 pm.

Meeting resumed at 1:00 pm.

Commissioner Quick motioned to approve the minutes from November 12, 2025, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed.

Russell Hansen, Custodian came in and said we have no other flooring bids.

Commissioner Quick motioned to approve the warrants and payroll, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed.

Deb Kolb, Barber County United came in to ask for \$7,960 for CoolSpeak for USD 254 and USD 255

Commissioner Roe motioned to give \$7,960 to Barber County United, Commissioner Mills seconded. Motion passed.

Matt Forsyth with Forsyth's came in to discuss floor covering

Commissioner Quick motioned to accept Forsyth's bid for floor cover up to \$87,294 with a down payment of \$31,503.50, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed.

Regular session adjourned at 2:10 pm.



Amy Sill, Clerk



Adam Mills, Chairman

December 8, 2025

The Board of Commissioners met for a regular meeting with Commissioners, Counselor Molz and Clerk Sill present at 9:30 am.

Commissioner Roe motioned to approve the warrants with payroll sheets coming on December 22, 2025 meeting, Commissioner Mills seconded. Motion passed.

Commissioner Quick motioned to approve the minutes from November 24, 2025, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed.

Commissioner Roe motioned to change mileage to state rate of .70 starting January 1, 2026, Commissioner Mills seconded. Motion passed.

Commissioner Quick motioned to approve the 2026 Holidays of January 1-New Year's Day, January 19-Martin Luther King, Jr Day, February 16-Presidents Day, April 3-Good Friday, May 25-Memorial Day, July 3-Independence Day, September 7-Labor Day, November 11-Veterans Day, November 26 and November 27-Thanksgiving, December 24-Christmas Eve, December 25-Christmas Day. Gyp Hill Premiere will be legal paper for 2026 and Jury pay will be \$20, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed.

Commissioner Mills motioned to approve Council on Aging, Barb Krug will replace Eileene Murphy as representative from Isabel. Chuck Black will replace Glenda Alexander from Hardtner, Eileene Murphy resigned as Secretary. Nancy Gore will replace Eileene Murphy, Commissioner Quick seconded. Motion passed.

Larry Conner, Public Works Director came in to discuss an issue with a culvert in Sun City. Larry made a Barber County Connecting Link Road Maintenance Policy for the Commissioners to look at.

Commissioner Quick motioned to approve the Barber County Connecting Link Road Maintenance Policy, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed.

Herbie Landwehr IV and Aimee Bryan came in to discuss AI project over by Sharon. Herbie handed out what the petition looked like, information from Patrick Hughes with Adams Jones Law Firm in Wichita, KS and the 4 requests that they would like to see done.

Mike Loreg, EMS Director came in to discuss what is going on with taking over the ambulance, January 1, 2026. We will be putting an office and make a living quarter for the ambulance in the building Rick Wesley is at. Only thing that needs done is a shower to be installed.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 5 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Molz, Clerk Sill and Mike Loreg, EMS Director beginning at 10:42 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 10:47 am.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a South Barber Director Deputy, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed.

Dacya Doman, Appraiser, came in about sending out worksheets for personal property.

Brian Kochheiser from Clear Gov gave a presentation via Zoom on their system with budgeting.


Dawn Jones, Public Health Director, came in to discuss County needs assessment funds for Friends of KDH & Manor Foundation.

Rick Wesley, Fire Chief came in to discuss about an office being put at Rural Fire station #1 building.

Regular session adjourned at 12:25 pm.



Amy Sill, Clerk



Adam Mills, Chairman

December 22, 2024

The Board of Commissioners met for a regular meeting with all Commissioners, Counselor Molz and Clerk Sill present at 9:30 am.

Commissioner Quick motioned to approve ap and payroll Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed.

Commissioner Roe motioned to appoint Cade Lonker as Valley Township Treasurer, Commissioner Quick seconded. Motion passed.

Commissioner Quick motioned to approve Resolution 2025-09 for ROZ, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed.

Sheriff Garza, Undersheriff McCann and Sergeant Hannah Fisher discussed purchase of a vehicle from Highway Patrol for \$35,175 since the Durango and Explorer were totaled.

Loretta McGuire, Economic Development Director came in to discussed new AI development around Sharon. Loretta let the Commissioners know that Barber County receiving the HAT (Housing Assessment tool) grant.

Herbie Landwehr came in to discuss AI

Mike Loreg, EMS Director came in to give the Commissioner an update with ambulance.

Melissa Simpson, HR Director came in.

Commissioner Mills motioned to increase meals to \$50 starting 1-1-26, Commissioner Quick seconded. Motion passed.

Commissioner Roe motioned to have an 8 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Molz, Clerk Sill and Melissa Simpson, HR Director, beginning at 11:40 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Quick seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 11:48 am.

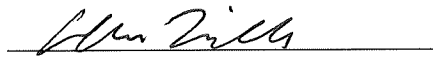
Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 20 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Molz and Clerk Sill, beginning at 11:50 am to discuss Attorney/Client privilege, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 12:10 pm.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 5 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Molz and Clerk Sill, beginning at 12:10 pm to discuss Attorney/Client privilege, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 12:15 pm.

Regular session adjourned at 12:20 pm.



Amy Sill, Clerk



Adam Mills, Chairman

December 31, 2025

The Board of Commissioners met for a regular meeting with all Commissioners, Counselor Molz and Clerk Sill present at 9:30 am.

Commissioner Mills motioned to approve payroll and warrants, Commissioner Quick seconded. Motion passed.

Mike Loreg, EMS Director came in. Barber County will take over EMS at midnight tonight.

Commissioner Quick motioned to approve the minutes for December 8 and 22, 2025, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed.

Commissioner Quick moved seconded by Commissioner Roe to recess the regular session meeting and begin amended budget hearing for Solid Waste. Motion carried.

Amended budget hearing for Solid Waste was opened at 10:30 am.

Commissioner Roe moved, seconded by Commissioner Quick to approve the Solid Waste amended budget. Motion carried.

Commissioner Roe moved, seconded by Commissioner Quick to end the amended budget hearing and go back into regular session. Motion carried.

Regular session resumed at 10:35 am.

Melissa Simpson, Human Resources Director came in to discuss changing PTO.

Commissioner Quick moved to accept the PTO starting January 1, 2026, seconded by Commissioner Roe. Motion carried.

Commissioners went to look at the big court room.

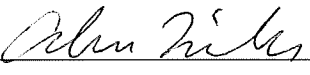
Commissioner Roe moved to make Bryan Quick chairman for 2026, seconded by Commissioner Mills. Motion carried.

Russell Hansen, Custodian came in to discuss EMS building. Russell told Commissioner everything is done except shower and it will be by Friday and flooring should be done soon. Commissioner informed Russell that he would need to clean EMS building and have a key.

Commissioners went to look at new EMS building.

Regular session adjourned at 12:30 pm.

  
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Amy Sill, Clerk

  
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