

THE BOARD OF NESS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
July 7, 2025

The Ness County Board of Commissioners met in regular session Monday, July 7, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in the Ness County Commissioner Chambers. Chairman Dave Albers called the meeting to order with Commissioners Mark Davis, Travis Petersilie, and Office Clerk Brandy Hertel in attendance.

**Minutes and Correspondence**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting held June 30, 2025, were approved as presented. Correspondence was reviewed and acknowledged.

**Road and Bridge**

Ness County Road and Bridge/Landfill Interim-Supervisor Bryan Whipple met with Commission. Road concerns were reviewed.

\$390.00 was received in tipping fees June 24 – June 28, 2025

Equipment repairs were discussed.

Bids on 8 grader tires 17.5 R 25 were presented: Best One-Bridgestone VMT D2A \$15,285.68, Firestone Versabuilt AP \$11,844.00, Michelin XTL ATL \$13,576.88; NK Tire Group-Bridgestone VMT D2A \$15,240, VKT D2A \$18,400, Firestone Versabuilt AT \$11,120, Versabuilt AP \$11,600, Michelin XTLA \$13,576, XHA2 \$16,464, XLD D2 \$29,648; Bazine Cooperative Grain & Supply-Firestone Versabuilt AP \$11,328, Bridgestone VUT DG2 \$17,392.

**Motion:** Upon the motion of Petersilie, seconded by Davis, Commission voted unanimously to accept Bazine Cooperative Grain & Supply's bid of \$11,328.00. All bids are available for view at the Ness County Clerk's Office.

An application for a crossing permit for Magellan Pipeline Company, L.P. was reviewed and approved.

Semiannual Groundwater monitoring at the Landfill done by MILCO Environmental Services, Inc. was completed with good results consistent with prior testing.

**Commission**

Transfers recommended by Aaron Koehn, CPA for Yearend 2024 were presented to Commission.

**Motion:** Upon the motion of Davis, seconded by Petersilie, the Board of Commissioners voted unanimously to approve transfers as listed below and any other amounts Auditors suggest allowable:

\$150,000.00 from General fund to Capital Improvement Reserve

\$20,000.00 from General fund to Capital Equipment

\$150,000.00 from Road & Bridge to Special Machinery

\$50,000.00 from Road & Bridge to Road & Bridge – Bridge Fund

\$5,000.00 from Noxious Weed to Noxious Weed Capital Outlay

**Emergency Management**

Ness County Emergency Manager Travis Rothe presented a bid for flooring. He will continue to look for other options. Vehicle maintenance was discussed.

**Commission**

Albers asked for Executive session to discuss an employee incident.

**Motion:** Upon the motion of Albers, seconded by Davis Commission voted to recess into executive session to discuss employee matters pursuant to the nonelected personnel matter exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1) for a period of 10 minutes beginning at 10:20 a.m. Motion carried unanimously (Albers, Davis, and Petersilie in executive session). Regular session resumed at 10:30 a.m. No action taken.

**Daily Statement**

Daily Statements for June 16-30, 2025, were reviewed, approved, and signed by Commission.

**County Attorney**

Ness County Attorney Jacob Gayer met with Commission to discuss further action needed on acquired land. Accounts Payable vouchers for July 3, 2025 were reviewed.

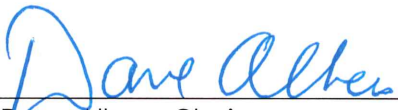
**Motion:** Upon the motion of Albers, seconded by Petersilie Commission voted unanimously to recess into executive session to discuss pending litigation pursuant to the attorney-client privileged communication exception K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2), for a period of 10 minutes beginning at 11:10 a.m. Motion carried unanimously (Albers, Davis, Petersilie, and Gayer in executive session). Regular session resumed at 11:20 a.m. No decisions were made.

**Accounts Payable**

Accounts Payable for July 3, 2025, were reviewed, approved, and signed by Commission.

The meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Attest:



Dave Albers, Chairman



Brandy Hertel, Office Clerk

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