

THE BOARD OF NESS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
December 22, 2025

The Ness County Board of Commissioners met in regular session Monday, December 22, 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 County Clerk Lori Hertel in attendance.

Minutes and Correspondence

Minutes of the Regular Commissioner Meeting held December 15, 2025, were approved as corrected. Correspondence was reviewed and acknowledged.

Road and Bridge

Ness County Road and Bridge/Landfill Supervisor Bryan Whipple met with Colby Dunagan from Foley Equipment, Brad Smith from Murphy Tractor and Commissioners. Bids presented for motor graders were Murphy Tractor/John Deere model 770P-\$383,190.23, & model 670P-\$362,430.15, Foley Equipment model 140-15J-\$379,980.43, & model 150-15J-\$363,980.00. No decisions were made at this time.

\$305.00 was received in tipping fees December 16 – December 22. 1,100 yards of sand, and 420 yards of rock was hauled December 15 – to 19.

Weekly work schedule was presented by Whipple. Hauling rock for wind tower several days a week.

Most auctioned items have been removed.

Colby Butler from Kirkham Michael met with Commission. Butler presented a recap of Kirkham Michael's activities since November 17, 2025. Butler presented a proposal for engineering services for the expansion of existing landfill. Commission reviewed proposal, no decision was made. Discussion on ground water wells at the Landfill.

Acknowledgement of application for a permit for OS 82 Bridge Replacement was reviewed.

Emergency Management

Ness County Emergency Manager Travis Rothe met with Commission.

Storm Spotter meeting is scheduled for March 31, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. Location is 4-H Building.

Rothe reported that the ID printer is back up and running.

LEPC's next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 17th. Location is Ness County Health Department at 5:30 p.m.

Work has begun on the Local Emergency Operations Plan for 2026.

Custodian

Ness County Custodian Tina Harrison met with Commission to discuss maintenance issues and repairs.

Commission

Discussion on December 24th open hours was held.

Motion: Upon the motion of Davis, seconded by Albers, Commission voted unanimously to close Ness County at 3:00 p.m. on December 24th.

Accounts Payable

Accounts Payable for December 19, 2025, were reviewed, approved, and signed by Commission.

Daily Statement

Daily Statements for December 2 - 15, 2025, were reviewed, approved, and signed by Commission.

The meeting adjourned at 11:44 p.m.

Attest:


Dave Albers, Chairman


Lori Hertel, County Clerk

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