

THE BOARD OF NESS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
March 2, 2026

The Ness County Board of Commissioners met in regular session Monday, March 2, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. in the Ness County Commissioner Chambers. Chairman Travis Petersilie called the meeting to order with Commissioners Mark Davis, Dave Albers, and County Clerk Lori Hertel in attendance.

Road and Bridge

Ness County Road and Bridge/Landfill Supervisor Bryan Whipple, and Assistant Supervisor Eric Seib met with Commissioners.

\$900.00 was received in tipping fees February 17 – February 20, 2026. 1,240 yards wind tower rock was hauled February 23 – February 27.

Seasonal mowing help was discussed.

Motion: Upon the motion of Davis, seconded by Albers, Commission unanimously voted to raise the temporary or seasonal employee pay for Road and Bridge to \$15.25 per hour.

Discussion on landowner issues. Attorney will be consulted.

Weekly work schedule was presented.

Appraiser

Ness County Appraiser Kelly Deslauriers met with Commission. A request was made to State of Kansas PVD (Property Valuation Division) for an extension on deadline to mail out property values. Deslauriers stated that she should have them mailed by Friday, March 6.

Commission

Motion: Upon the motion of Petersilie, seconded by Davis, Commission voted to add to County pay schedule, a pay increase of \$500.00 every 5 years of employment for salaried employees. Petersilie and Davis – yes, Albers – No.

Minutes and Correspondence

Minutes of Regular Meeting held February 23, 2026, were approved as presented.

Correspondence was reviewed and acknowledged. Payment Under Protest applications were reviewed.

EMS & Health Department

Kathy Clouston, Ness County EMS Director, and Dennille Schweitzer Administrator of Ness County Health Department presented information on current Grant opportunities, and possible billing for additional services by providing a Community Healthcare Worker in Ness County. Community collaboration throughout the County is needed to improve access to healthcare for all residents.

Meetings for Ness County Health Department coming up is KALHD, and Kansas Health Coalition. March 30th – April 1 is the Governor's Conference.

Accounts Payable

Accounts Payable for February 27, 2026, were reviewed, approved, and signed by Commission.

The meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Attest:



Mark Davis, Vice-Chairman



Lori Hertel, County Clerk

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