

THE BOARD OF NESS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
July 27, 2026

The Ness County Board of Commissioners met in regular session Monday, July 27, 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.

Minutes and Correspondence

Minutes of Regular Meeting held on July 20, 2026, were reviewed, approved, and signed as presented. Correspondence was reviewed and acknowledged.

Road and Bridge

Ness County Road and Bridge/Landfill Supervisor Bryan Whipple met with Commissioners. Colby Butler of Kirkham Michael presented a recap of Kirkham Michael's activities since June 22, 2026.

Employee matters were discussed.

Whipple reported \$405.00 in landfill fees July 14 – 18th.

Work schedule was presented.

The Emergency Preparedness Director requested that Whipple provide an estimate of storm damage resulting from recent heavy rains for submission with the State Disaster Declaration reimbursement request. The total estimated cost of storm-related damages was calculated at \$48,750.

Commission

Commission discussed finances, raises and the proposed 2027 Budget.

Commission conducted a Qualifications-Based Selection (QBS) process for Project #68-C-5356-01 to identify and select the most qualified construction engineering firm for the project.

County Attorney

Ness County Attorney Jacob Gayer addressed questions on open records requests.

Accounts Payable for July 24, 2026, were reviewed and approved.

Accounts Payable

Accounts Payable dated July 24, 2026, were reviewed, approved, and signed by Commission.

The meeting adjourned at 12:14 p.m.

Attest:



Travis Petersilie, Chairman



Lori Hertel, County Clerk

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