

THE BOARD OF NESS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

August 10, 2026

The Ness County Board of Commissioners met in regular session Monday, August 10, 2026, at 9:11 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 met with Commissioners. Employee applications were discussed.

Whipple reported \$620.00 in landfill fees July 28 – August 1. 40 yards of sand and 40 yards of crushed concrete was hauled August 3rd-7th.

Discussion on culvert damage found while grading road. Damage was reported to Sheriff's Department for follow-up.

Annual bridge inspection is due. Bids will be requested for engineering services. List of off-system bridges need to be updated.

Motion: Upon the motion of Albers, seconded by Davis, Commission unanimously 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 9:31 a.m. Motion carried unanimously (Petersilie, Albers, Davis, Whipple, and Hertel in executive session). Regular session resumed at 9:41 a.m. No decisions were made. Discussion on an employee to fill-in at the County Landfill for Neil Hargitt, current Landfill operator, when time-off is needed.

County Attorney

Ness County Attorney Jacob Gayer reviewed and approved Accounts Payable for August 7, 2026.

Emergency Preparedness

Ness County Emergency Management Director Travis Rothe presented a Letter of Discontinuation of Code Red alert system to be signed by Commission.

Disaster cost amounts have been turned into State for reimbursement.

LEPC meeting is scheduled for tomorrow night at 5:30 p.m.

Homeland Security meeting on Zoom Wednesday morning.

Discussion on weather station.

September 29th is Employee training at 9:00 and 10:30 for Anti-Harrassment safety training.

Commission

Petersilie gave an update on the Wincore window inspection done on August 7th to view issues we have encountered.

Commission discussed finances, pay, 2026 Budget and the proposed 2027 Budget.

Motion: Upon the motion of Davis, seconded by Albers, Commission unanimously voted to approve an employee pay adjustment on an individual basis per internal schedule for Road & Bridge, Solid Waste, and Noxious Weed departments.

Daily Statement

Daily Statements for July 16 - 31, 2026, were reviewed, approved, and signed by Commission.

Minutes and Correspondence

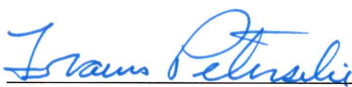
Minutes of Regular Meeting held on August 3, 2026, were reviewed, approved, and signed as corrected. Correspondence was reviewed and acknowledged

Accounts Payable

Accounts Payable dated August 7, 2026, were reviewed, approved, and signed by Commission.

The meeting adjourned at 11:51 a.m.

Attest:



Travis Petersilie, Chairman



Lori Hertel, County Clerk

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