

THE BOARD OF NESS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
October 5, 2026

The Ness County Board of Commissioners met in regular session Monday, October 5, 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 & Bridge/Landfill Supervisor Bryan Whipple met with Commission. Report on road conditions. Schedule for last week was shop projects due to rain. Equipment repairs were discussed. Whipple reported \$105.00 in landfill fees and 60 yards of sand hauled. A conference call to Kris Brooks at Road & Bridge was made for information on landfill tonnage price of surrounding counties.

Minutes and Correspondence

Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on September 28, 2026, were reviewed, approved, and signed as presented. Correspondence was reviewed and acknowledged.

County Clerk

Ness County Clerk Lori Hertel requested an Executive Session to discuss employee matters.

Motion: Albers made a motion, seconded by Davis to recess into executive session to discuss an employee matters pursuant to the nonelected personnel matter exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1) for a period of 5 minutes beginning at 9:38 a.m. Motion carried unanimously (Albers, Davis, Petersilie, and Hertel in executive session). Regular session resumed at 9:43 a.m. No decisions were made.

Golden Belt Telephone

Patrick Jacobs and Drew Pfannenstiel of Golden Belt Telephone met with the Commission to discuss additional IT services and enhanced cybersecurity measures to provide the County with more comprehensive cybersecurity protection.

Register of Deeds

Ness County Register of Deeds Brandi Reinert spoke with Commission on departmental updates. Discussion on the new County alert system, TextMyGov. Interest in the new app has been well received.

Commission

Two more letters of recommendation for Certification with the Kansas Community Health Worker Coalition were discussed, written and signed by Commission.

Daily Statement

Daily Statements for August 17 - 31, 2026, were reviewed, approved, and signed by Commission.

Custodian

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

Accounts Payable

September 30th Payroll and Accounts Payable dated October 2, 2026, were reviewed, approved, and signed by Commission.

The meeting adjourned at 12:08 p.m.

Attest:



Travis Petersilie, Chairman



Lori Hertel, County Clerk

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