

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. with all members and County Clerk present. Commissioner Martin led the Pledge of Allegiance and Commissioner McGaughey provided prayer.

Josephine Jellison, Ulysses News Reporter, was in attendance.

The monthly department head meeting was held with the following in attendance: Shaun Minks, Public Works Supervisor; Jeff Baier, EMS Director/EM Coordinator; John Crosby, Fire Chief; Terri Trotman, County Treasurer; Cindy Wellbrock, County Appraiser; James Biddle, Sheriff; Denise James, Health Department Administrator; and Mari Honstead, Civic Center Manager; David Manzano, Building Maintenance Supervisor; and Nancy Borthwick, Senior Center Director.

Shaun Minks, Public Works Supervisor, presented three quotes for tires from Southern Tire in the amount of \$5,570.00; Frank's Tire in the amount of \$7,280.00 and Carlos Tire Service in the amount of \$6,458.24. Commissioner Figgins motioned to accept the quote from Carlos Tire Service in the amount of \$6,458.24. Commissioner McGaughey seconded the motion, and it was carried unanimously.

Denise James, Health Department Administrator, requested an executive session. Commissioner Figgins motioned to recess into executive session with Denise James, Health Department Administrator and Anita Lane, County Clerk for 10 minutes to discuss an employee position under the justification of matters of non-elected personnel. Commissioner McGaughey seconded the motion, and it was carried unanimously. After 10 minutes the meeting continued in open session with no action taken.

Commissioner Figgins motioned to approve minutes for January 20, 2026, meeting along with claims against various funds of the County, payroll totals \$130,051.59 dated January 22, 2026, and voucher numbers ending 177419 totaling \$609,674.20. Commissioner McGaughey seconded the motion, and it was carried unanimously.

Cimarron Basin Community Corrections Director, Kayla Janko, presented their 2027 Comprehensive Plan to be used for receiving financial assistance from the State of Kansas. The Plan was reviewed and approved.

Airport Board Member, Sheila Brown, presented the Commissioners two quotes from Todd Honstead in the amount of \$945.00; and Plymell Feed and Seed in the amount of \$7,944.75 to drill grass at the Airport. Commissioner Figgins motioned to accept the quote from Todd Honstead in the amount of \$945.00 to be paid with Grant dollars. Commissioner Martin seconded the motion, and it was carried unanimously.

Courthouse Secretary, Sheila Brown, collected the Commissioners' signatures on a letter of intent for the Bob Wilson employee's retirement plan.

Sheila Brown also inquired about pursuing Website training for those in need of it. The Commissioners agreed to let Sheila find out the cost of the training.

Robert Moore with Moore Agency informed the Commissioners that is has resigned from Aflac. He is still wanting to be our Agent for Principal. The Commissioners were fine with him remaining our agent.

EMS Director/EM Coordinator presented a quote from Emergency Services Supply/Osage Ambulances in the amount of \$337,566.97 for a 2026 Osage Type 1 Super Warrior Remount Demo R1572 Ambulance equipped with a Stryker Powerload & Cot. Commissioner Martin motioned to accept the quote from Emergency Services Supply/Osage Ambulances in the amount of \$337,566.97 to be paid from the Ambulance Equipment Fund. Commissioner Figgins seconded the motion, and it was carried unanimously.

Bruce Howard inquired about putting a culvert on his property north of the Airport. After a short discussion, the Commissioners asked Bruce to get with Shaun Minks, Public Works Supervisor.

Commissioner McGaughey motioned to re-appoint Bill Stewart, Janet Stewart and Vern Hastert to the Board of Aging Board. Commissioner Figgins seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

Commissioner Martin moved to adjourn at 12:09 p.m. to meet again in regular session on Tuesday, February 17, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. Commissioner Figgins seconded the motion, and it was carried unanimously.



Anita Lane, County Clerk



John Martin, Chairman

