

DONIPHAN COUNTY COURTHOUSE, TROY, KANSAS, APRIL 27, 2026

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session in the office of the Doniphan County Commission, Troy, Kansas, at 8:30 A.M. with Second District County Commissioner Wayne Grable, Chairman, calling the meeting to order. First District County Commissioner Timothy D. Collins, Third District County Commissioner Bobby Hall and County Clerk Peggy Franken present. County Attorney Charles D. Baskins was present for a portion of the meeting.

The Kansas Chief Reporter Melanie Davis observed the entire meeting. Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris, Northeast Kansas Environmental Services Health Specialist Martha Smith, Health Department Administrator/Home Health Director Chantal Wilburn, LPN, Sheriff Mark Allen, and Undersheriff Brendan Wolvington were present for a portion of the meeting.

Commissioner Hall made a motion to approve County Commission meeting agenda as presented. Commissioner Collins seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Hall made a motion to approve County Commission minutes of the April 20, 2026 regular meeting as written. Commissioner Collins seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Collins made a motion to approve payroll and warrants for the period of April 30, 2026 as presented. Commissioner Hall seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Collins made a motion to approve abated taxes to the 2025 Doniphan County tax roll in the amount of \$210.42. Commissioner Hall seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

The Jerry K. Dubach Doniphan County Law Enforcement Center currently houses nine local inmates.

County Clerk Peggy Franken informed the County Commission she received word from the Doniphan County Freedom Rock Foundation that artist Bubba Sorensen will work on the memorial rock project September 21-30, 2026. The Board of County Commissioners asked Clerk Franken to set up a meeting with representatives of the Doniphan County Freedom Rock Foundation to discuss site location in the courtyard.

A listing of unused road equipment to be sold by Big Iron Auctions was presented to the County Commission for review by Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris. The equipment list includes:

- # 46 2005 Mack dump truck (First District)
- #106 2003 Ford F250 (First District)
- # 69 Grapple (Second District)
- #133 2016 belly dump trailer (Second District)

#161 2004 Hi-Way salt spreader (Second District)
#185 2005 Vibro hammer tramac (Second District)
2006 snow plow off of #222 2006 International (Second District)
Pickup bed/trailer (Second District)

Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris told the County Commission the second of three 2026 Caterpillar motor graders will be delivered to Foley Equipment this week; following modifications it will be delivered to the First District road shop. The third and final 2026 Caterpillar motor grader is set to be delivered to Foley Equipment in mid-May for the Second District road shop.

Final invoice in the amount of \$39,250.00 has been received from Engemann Drainage Company for Randolph and Monument Road intersection reconstruction project located in Section 7, Township 4, Range 22E.

Commissioner Hall made a motion to approve the following Road department invoices:

Overhead Door Company	\$1,398.80 (Third District)
Redneck Diesel	\$ 674.48 (#11 2018 Western Star brake drums)
Engemann Drainage Co.	\$1,050.00 (120'x15" tube Second District)

Commissioner Collins seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Hall clarified for the record his motion the previous week to purchase plastic road tubes from Engemann Drainage Company, saying "Engemann Drainage Company is the only in-county vendor now and in the future if anyone in the county sells tubes the County will buy from them. Roger has to keep his inventory up and pay sales tax."

Commissioner Hall also recommended striping asphalt roads. Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris will seek a cost estimate for current asphalt roadways.

Commissioner Grable made a motion to approve hard surfacing road quotes for 2026.

Commissioner Collins seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Vance Brothers \$589,279.35 chip seal

- Mineral Point Road south of Troy, Kansas, 1 mile
- Peck Road south of 175th Road 1 mile
- Randolph Road south of US Highway 36 1.37 miles
- 150th Road (new) double shot of oil and chip seal 5.3 miles
- Saratoga Road (new) double shot of oil and chip seal 2.3 miles

Herzog Contracting Corp. \$601,775.00 asphalt

- 240th Road west Highland, Kansas, 3.4 miles

Midwest Sealing & Construction \$10,037.50 sealant

- Castleton Road south of Highway 120 crack sealant 1.5 miles

Martha Smith, Northeast Kansas Environmental Services Health Specialist, presented the Board of County Commissioners with the 2025 annual report for Northeast Kansas Environmental Services.

Health Department Administrator/Home Health Director Chantal Wilburn, LPN, requested permission to purchase pack-n-play cribs for the annual Community Baby Shower at a cost of \$3,872.79 with \$3,280.00 to be paid with grant funds and the remainder \$592.79 from donations made to the Doniphan County Health Department. Commissioner Collins made a motion to approve the purchase of pack-n-play cribs for the Doniphan County annual Community Baby Shower in the amount of \$3,872.79. Commissioner Hall seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

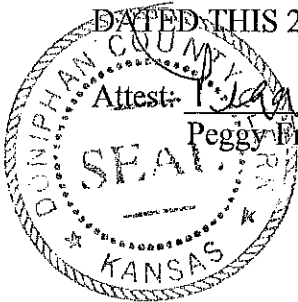
Sheriff Mark Allen and Undersheriff Brendan Wolvington discussed wages for deputies, 911 dispatchers and jailer positions, presenting comparable wages to Atchison, Brown and Jackson counties in Kansas and Richardson County, Nebraska. Undersheriff Wolvington said there was a misunderstanding when 2026 pay increases were granted regarding the starting wage for 911 dispatchers and jailers; with the Sheriff and Undersheriff believing the wage increase also increased the starting wage.

At 9:25 A.M. Commissioner Grable made a motion to recess into executive session for the purpose of discussing and protecting the interest of non-elect 911 dispatch personnel, with the meeting to be called back to order in the office of the Doniphan County Commission at 9:35 A.M. Commissioner Collins seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. County Attorney, County Clerk, Sheriff and Undersheriff remained.

Commissioner Grable made a motion to increase the starting wage for 911 dispatch and jailer positions to \$17.50 per hour for day shift and \$18.00 per hour for night shift workers, effective April 27, 2026. Commissioner Hall seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

There being no further business before the Board, Commissioner Collins made a motion to adjourn at 9:49 A.M. Commissioner Hall seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

DATED THIS 27th DAY OF APRIL 2026.



Attest: *Peggy Franken*
Peggy Franken, County Clerk

Wayne Grable
Wayne Grable, Chairman

