DONIPHAN COUNTY COURTHOUSE, TROY, KANSAS, SEPTEMBER 28, 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 and Roger Hopkins observed. Others present for a portion of the meeting included Emergency Management Coordinator/Zoning Administrator Scott B. Morris, Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris, Register of Deeds Rhian Ptomey, Voices of Courage Executive Director Melissa Birdsell and Director of Operations Carrie Watkins, Health Department Administrator/Home Health Director Chantal Wilburn, LPN.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited at the beginning of the meeting.

Commissioner Hall made a motion to approve the amended County Commission meeting agenda to include executive sessions with legal counsel. Commissioner Collins seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Collins made a motion to approve minutes of the September 21, 2026, regular County Commission meeting as written. Commissioner Hall seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

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

The Jerry K. Dubach Doniphan County Law Enforcement Center currently houses 18 local inmates.

Emergency Management Coordinator Scott Morris told the County Commission that Doniphan County has been approved by the Northeast Region Homeland Security Council to participate in the Everbridge public safety notification system. The Northeast Region Homeland Security Council uses grant funds to fully absorb the cost of the regional Everbridge public safety notification system. Currently Doniphan County is paying approximately $6,000.00 annually for TextCaster to send text-based emergency, weather and public safety alerts. The Board of County Commissioners agreed to move forward with switching the County's public safety notification system to Everbridge and to gather additional information on city participation.

Commissioner Collins made a motion to adopt Doniphan County Resolution 2026-05, a resolution for affiliation with Kansas Public Employees Retirement System (KPERS) Optional Group Life Insurance effective January 1, 2027. Commissioner Hall seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Said Resolution was recorded and is on file in the office of the Doniphan County Clerk in Resolution Book 4 Page 37.

Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris informed the County Commission that Chris Adelman with Husker Steel has viewed and is working on proposals to repair 1) T-15-3 on 280th Road, first bridge east of Ash Point Road, Sections 5-32, Township 2, Range 19E. And 2) RS140 on Ash Point Road, north of 270th Road, Sections 5-6, Township 2, Range 19E.

Commissioner Hall made a motion to approve Request and Petition application for Platte Pipeline Co. for pipeline maintenance to be performed on private property adjoining Mineral Point Road. Matting will be placed to protect the roadway and all areas disturbed will be resolved to pre-construction condition. Commissioner Collins seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Forge and Build price list for road tubes was presented to the County Commission by Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris.

Commissioner Grable made a motion to approve 51 ton of base rock placed on Randolph Road in Washington Township, District 2, in the amount of $841.50. Commissioner Collins seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Collins made a motion to approve invoice to Redneck Diesel in the amount of $724.66 for door seal kits on the 2020 Peterbilt #206. Commissioner Hall seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Grable informed the County Commission an additional invoice from Redneck Diesel will be forthcoming for new bolts and gasket to repair an oil leak on the 2020 Peterbilt #206.

Lindsay Norris, Road Office Manager, told the County Commission she received calls about the poor condition of chip seal on Friendship Road, south of Highway 120 approximately 1 mile. The Road Department will contact Herzog Contracting Corporation and explore options for repair.

Commissioner Grable made a motion to purchase 600 ton of base rock from County Road and Bridge rock fund for Mineral Point Road, north of 155th Road to south of 175th Road. Commissioner Hall seconded the motion for the rock to be placed only on Mineral Point Road between 155th and 175th roads. With the exception if any other townships need 600 ton of base rock from County funds, it will be approved upon request. Commissioner Collins carried with the inclusion of the exception. Motion carried 3-0.

At 8:51 A.M. Commissioner Collins made a motion to recess into executive session pursuant to attorney-client privilege with open session to reconvene at 9:06 A.M. in the office of the Doniphan County Commission. Commissioner Hall seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. County Attorney, County Clerk and Zoning Administrator remained. No action was taken.

Register of Deeds Rhian Ptomey discussed with the Board of County Commissioners the status of Castleton Road, Section 34, Township 1, Range 19E. The Registrar told the County Commission a 911 address needs to be assigned to the property off of Castleton Road, however, according to current maps, the dedicated road is undeveloped. Prior to issuing a 911 address she must ensure EMS will be able to access the property. Commissioner Collins will view the area and follow up.

Commissioner Grable made a motion to hire Midland Surveying to complete a survey to determine property lines on county owned property in Block 22, Lots 1–2 and 16–20, and Block 35, Lots 11-18 and 2-9, in the East Troy subdivision of Troy, Kansas, at a cost not to exceed $3,200.00. Commissioner Hall seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Voices of Courage Executive Director Melissa Birdsell and Director of Operations Carrie Watkins met with the Board of County Commissioners and County Attorney Charles D. Baskins to discuss child advocacy program and forensic interview services provided to Doniphan County by the Voices of Courage organization. Ms. Watkins told the County Board currently Doniphan County is the only county in Kansas not covered by a child advocacy center. Sheriff Mark Allen contacted Voices of Courage to perform interviews through the Child First program. Currently, Voices of Courage are conducting 20-25 interviews per year on a pro-bono basis to Doniphan County. Executive Director Birdsell said the organization has a Memorandum of Understanding in Missouri that pay for their services and would like the same with Doniphan County. County Attorney Baskins said Voices of Courage offers a critical service to Doniphan County, playing a crucial role performing child interviews and serving children as soon as possible during an incident. Attorney Baskins advocated for the service adding the County should determine how it can be funded. Chairman Grable said the County Commission would explore funding sources to be able to move forward with a Memorandum of Understanding to continue child advocacy services with Voices of Courage.

At 9:55 A.M. Commissioner Grable made a motion to recess into executive session pursuant to attorney-client privilege with open session to reconvene at 10:10 A.M. in the office of the Doniphan County Commission. Commissioner Collins seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. County Attorney, County Clerk and Zoning Administrator remained. No action was taken.

At 10:12 A.M. Commissioner Grable made a motion to recess into executive session pursuant to attorney-client privilege with open session to reconvene at 10:27 A.M. in the office of the Doniphan County Commission. Commissioner Collins seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. County Attorney and County Clerk remained. No action was taken.

At 10:27 A.M. Commissioner Collins made a motion to recess into executive session pursuant to attorney-client privilege with open session to reconvene at 10:42 A.M. in the office of the Doniphan County Commission. Commissioner Hall seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. County Attorney and County Clerk remained. No action was taken.

At 10:42 A.M. Commissioner Grable made a motion to recess into executive session pursuant to attorney-client privilege with open session to reconvene at 10:52 A.M. in the office of the Doniphan County Commission. Commissioner Hall seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. County Attorney and County Clerk remained. No action was taken.

At 10:55 A.M. Commissioner Grable made a motion to recess into executive session pursuant to personnel matters relating to non-elected personnel with open session to reconvene at 11:10 A.M. in the office of the Doniphan County Commission. Commissioner Collins seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. County Attorney, County Clerk and Health Department Administrator/Home Health Director remained. No action was taken.

At 11:10 A.M. Commissioner Grable made a motion to recess into executive session pursuant to personnel matters relating to non-elected personnel with open session to reconvene at 11:14 A.M. in the office of the Doniphan County Commission. Commissioner Hall seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. County Attorney, County Clerk and Health Department Administrator/Home Health Director remained. No action was taken.

Health Department Administrator/Home Health Director Chantal Wilburn tendered her resignation as the Doniphan County Health Department Administrator/Home Health Director effective immediately. The Board of County Commissioners accepted her resignation and will actively advertise to fill the Health Department/Home Health Administrator's position.

There being no further business before the Board, at 11:15 A.M. Commissioner Collins made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Hall seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

DATED THIS 28th ~~DAY OF~~ SEPTEMBER 2026.

Attest: Peggy Franken

Peggy Franken, ~~County~~ Clerk

DONIPHAN COUNTY CLERK SEAL KANSAS

Wayne Grable

Wayne Grable, Chairman