

WASHINGTON COUNTY COMMISSION

The Board of Washington County Commission met Sept. 29. Present were Scott Zabokrtsky, 1st District Commissioner, Arthur Schottel 2nd District Commissioner and Raleigh Ordoyno, 3rd District Commissioner, and Diana Svanda, county clerk.

The meeting was called to order at 8:15 a.m. The consent agenda was approved and consisted of payroll change notice, payroll and bills totaling \$353,065.44, and Pawnee Mental Health 2026 Contract.

Marlene Stamm, sanitarian, reported she has received a grant for a conference and wanted to make sure the commissioners were ok with her going.

The board went into executive session under non-elected personnel for 10 minutes to discuss employee performance and just to include the commissioners.

James Yungeberg, Environmental Science, received a call about taking wind turbines. Raleigh asked if James had talked with Jimmy about the equipment that the courthouse has in the shed. James is thinking about not offering Tordon anymore. The board went into executive session under non-elected personnel for 10 minutes to discuss employee performance and to include James.

Jimmy Workman presented fuel bid. The board went with the low bid from Kramer Oil.

Tany Paul presented Domestic Violence Proclamation. The board approved the proclamation.

The board adjourned at 10:12 a.m.

-- Unofficial minutes written by Svanda

OBITUARY

Delvin Finlayson

Delvin Levon Finlayson, 86, of Endicott, Neb., passed away at Garden-side LTC in Fairbury. He was born Sept. 27, 1939, in Linn to Clifford and Hilda (Schuette) Finlayson. On July 24, 1958, he married Sharon Marie Miller, and together they raised two children, Clifford and Peggy.

Delvin was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather who found joy in life's simple blessings. He worked as a meat cutter and clerk, proudly serving his community, and his love of hunting, fishing, camping, and boating shaped much of his life. In retirement, he and Sharon spent nearly 20 years as camp hosts at Lovewell State Park in Kansas where they made many lasting friendships.

He is survived by his

wife Sharon; son Clifford; daughter, Peggy (Mitchell) & Lyle Norton; brothers Jim (Maxine) and Don (Colleen) Finlayson; sisters-in-law Karen Arend and Darlene (Mike) Harris; three grandchildren, Chris Mitchell, Jessi (Brent) Zerbe, and Brandon Mitchell; and three great-grandchildren, Kenzie Zerbe, Aiden Mitchell, and Kellen Zerbe.

He was preceded in death by his parents and several beloved family members.

Per his wishes, no funeral services will be held. Burial will be at Washington City Cemetery in Washington, Kan., with interment at a later date. Memorials may be made by helping family, friends, and neighbors, as Delvin always did.

"He lived quietly, loved deeply, and leaves behind a life well-lived and a family well-loved."

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ACCIDENTS

On Aug. 27 on U.S. 36 just east of Osage Road Alex J. Alldredge was driving a white 2023 Ford F15 and collided with a deer. No injuries were reported and damages were estimated at more than \$1,000.

On Aug. 29 on Main Street just west of N Morton Street in Morrowville, Winifred E. Nutsch was backing a blue 2013 Chevy Equinox and collided with a parked car belonging to Shirley Achtemeier, of Fairbury, Neb. No injuries were reported and damages were estimated at more than \$1,000.

On Sept. 5 in the 100 block of D Street in Washington Ryan J. Sawin was backing a white 2005 Ford F150 from a parking stall and collided with a parked vehicle. The black 2014 Ford Focus was owned by Jerad W. Lange, of Colby. No injuries were reported and damages were estimated at more than \$1,000.

On Sept. 8 on K-9 just east of Osage Road Gene E. Fowler, of Emporia, was driving a white 2000 Kenworth W90 tractor trailer and took a curve too wide. This caused the vehicle to tip over onto its side, spilling the contents on the road. No injuries were reported and damages were estimated at more than \$1,000.

On Sept. 8 on U.S. 36 just east of Big Bear Road Britain D. Tolliver, of Blue Springs, Mo., was driving a white 2023 International A26 tractor trailer when he swerved to miss a fox. This caused the vehicle to enter the ditch. No injuries were reported and damages were estimated at more than \$1,000.

On Sept. 14 in the 2400 block of K-148 Kaylee A. Tracht, of Fletcher, Okla., was driving a blue 2016 Toyota Corolla when she drifted out of her lane to the west. Tracht overcorrected and entered the east ditch causing disabling damage. No injuries were

reported and damages were estimated at more than \$1,000.

On Sept. 18 in the 100 block of K-148 Grace Elizabeth Lee, of Clay Center, was driving a blue 2008 Chevy Impala and collided with a deer. No injuries were reported and damages were estimated at more than \$1,000.

On Sept. 18 on K-15 just north of 20th Road Kaitlyn R. Vogel, of Hebron, Neb., was driving a silver 2023 Honda Civic and collided with a deer. No injuries were reported and damages were estimated at more than \$1,000.

On Sept. 19 in the 2500 block of U.S. 36 Swetaben Nimeshbhai Patel was driving a silver 2011 Toyota Camry and swerved to miss a deer in the roadway. Vehicle went off the road into the north ditch and overturned. Driver was checked out by EMS but refused transport. Damages were estimated at more than \$1,000.

On Sept. 19 on K-148 at 16th Road Christina L. Sheets, of Junction City, was driving a black 2023 Honda HRV and collided with a deer. No injuries were reported and damages were estimated at more than \$1,000.

On Sept. 21 in the 200 block of N Hollenberg St. in Hanover Emma R. Kruse, of Bremen, was driving a black 2011 GMC Acadia and collided with a trailer parked on the edge of the roadway. The collision caused the trailer to move into the yard, damaging the grass and a yard ornament. Both the trailer and the vehicle were damaged in the accident. No injuries were reported and the damages were estimated at more than \$1,000.

On Sept. 21 in the 1000 block of 3rd Road Connor P. Ohlde was driving a red 2007 Ford Ranger pickup and collided with a deer. No injuries were reported and damages were estimated at more than \$1,000.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

On Aug. 27 in the 2400 block of Deer Road Haddam Fire Department was dispatched to a report of a lawnmower on fire.

On Sept. 19 in the 500 block of W North Street Hanover/Hollenberg Fire Departments were dispatched to a report of a vehicle on fire.



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Clifton Senior Center
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Monday, Oct. 6: Closed
Tuesday, Oct. 7: Italian vegetable soup, crackers, cheese tray, pumpkin chip muffin.
Wednesday, Oct. 8: Cavatini, garlic bread, lettuce salad, tropical fruit, pudding.
Thursday, Oct. 9: Chicken biscuit pot pie, mixed veggies, rosey apple sauce, cookie.
Friday, Oct. 10: Beef and bean burrito, chips, fried rice, oranges, orange Jello.

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Price per bushel

Central Valley Ag The Junction	
Wheat	\$4.10
Milo	\$3.04
Soybeans	\$9.11
Corn	\$3.64
Palmer Grain	
Wheat	\$4.18
Milo	
Soybeans	\$9.16
Corn	\$3.67
Farmers Cooperative	
Wheat	\$4.17
Milo	\$2.90
Soybeans	\$9.23
Corn	\$3.70

Grain bids are from market closing on Monday


Weather record
Precipitation taken at 7am daily by the Washington Municiple Power Plant

Date	2024	2025
	Hi	Lo
Tues., Sept. 23	88	63
Wed., Sept. 24	69	48
Thur., Sept. 25	79	51
Fri., Sept. 26	80	54
Sat., Sept. 27	75	46
Sun., Sept. 28	82	47
Mon., Sept. 29	85	59

Week's precip: 1.90"
Total for Sept.: 8.39"
Average Sept. total: 3.07"

Total for 2025: 26.64"
Avg. total through Sept.: 27.51"

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