# NEWS

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approval on 6/16/2025. Commissioner McCurley asked about the meeting being rescheduled from Tuesday the 3rd to Monday the 2nd, expressing concern that appropriate notification was sent to the public, as she was unaware of the change and had planned to attend. Ms. Mantey confirmed that landowners were notified multiple ways, and noted that a representative from a cellular tower company was in attendance. The meeting minutes and resolution were reviewed, various errors were noted and corrections were requested.

Ms. Mantey advised the Board that there should be another meeting on 6/24, as there have been multiple transitions. She shared her opinion that the Zoning Board needs experienced members, due to the recent number and variety of zoning requests received. She also indicated that her office does not have the experience or time to administer the zoning regulations, barely meeting deadlines as it is, and requested approval for a Part Time employee. Commissioner McCurley requested statistics to justify adding staff. Ms. Mantey stated the numbers wouldn't tell the whole story or

give an accurate account of what zoning responsibilities entail, and expressed her belief that it is a conflict of interest and a disservice to the citizens to have zoning administered by the Appraisers' office.

Ms. Mantey stated she would make sure all documentation is corrected and available to the Board prior to the Monday, June 16th meeting.

Ms. Mantey informed the Board that David Foster was requesting a contract to continue work on updating the Comprehensive Plan. The Board advised her to have Mr. Foster submit a draft for review.

Kari O'Riley, Community Development, met with the Board and discussed several tax rebate program projects scheduled for rebates beginning with the 2025 tax year. She indicated that we are waiting on the Attorney General's opinion on the legality of our plan, and must meet with all taxing entities involved before making any changes. There was discussion about implementing an administration fee and/or application fee for continued county involvement, along with establishing standard processes and procedures.

There was further discussion about a County-sponsored CDL

training program, open to the public. The company requires six enrollees to start and would charge \$4600 per person.

The group reviewed the 2026 Community Development budget request.

Janet Slankard, Public Works, reentered the meeting, and presented an Inordinate Spending Request to McPherson Concrete in the amount of \$149,852.80 for concrete culverts. Commissioner Struble moved to approve the request; the motion passed unanimously.

Shonda Larson, Finance, met with the Board for a department update. The Board approved signing the software license and agreement for EMS virtual training software, discussed installing a Narcan dispenser in the Health Department, and the Flat Ridge 4 Wind Project sale. The group also reviewed and approved various transfers.

At 12:55 p.m., Cynthia Hekel, County Treasurer, entered the meeting. Commissioner Mc-Curley moved to enter Executive Session. The justification for closing the meeting is to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel. The open meeting will resume at 1:05 p.m. in this room. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Hekel and Ms. DeLacerda remained in the meeting. At 1:00 p.m., Ms. Hekel left the meeting. The regular meeting resumed at 1:05 p.m. with no binding action taken.

Ami DeLacerda, County Clerk, gave a brief department update, and presented multiple Personnel Status Forms, which were reviewed and approved.

Commissioner Struble moved to approve meeting minutes from 5/27/2025; the motion passed unanimously (McCurley abstained due to absence).

Commissioner McCurley moved to approve meeting minutes from 6/2/2025; the motion passed unanimously (Waldschmidt abstained due to absence).

Jennifer Wolff returned to the meeting and advised the Board that after speaking to a representative at AAA, their intention is to take the meal program over temporarily as of July 1 and continue as is. The Board discussed potentially absorbing the program into the County Department on Aging in 2026.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:10 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, June 16th at 8:30 a.m. in the Commissioner Room at the Harper County Courthouse.

#### HARPER COUNTY JAIL

QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS? Contact Jason Jump at (620) 896-7311 or email jjump@theharperadvocate.com

**June 14:** Jack D. Graves, 30, held for Kansas Department of Corrections, release date N/A.

**June 14:** Kimberly Rae Wells, 57, aggravated battery, released June 15, \$10,000 bond.

**June 16:** Christopher Donovan Otis, 44, domestic battery, release date N/A, bond N/A.

**June 16:** Jamie Lynn Prince, 34, domestic battery, release date N/A, bond N/A.

#### The Roadrunner Concession Stand is Coming Together --Thanks to You!!

We've proudly raised over \$230,000 towards our goal of \$300,000! Each brick in the image represents \$5,000 that has been contributed, and we're getting closer every day

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ou can also donate via the QR code or support our cause by writing a check made out to Harper County Community Foundation. Checks can be given to Jen Clark, Tuanua Swartz, Brad Giesen, Heather Reames, or Suzanne Clark.

Support our cause today and help spread the word by sharing this message!



#### **PUZZLE ANSWERS**



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## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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Harper County Treasurer's Quarterly Publication Report Selected Date Range: 11/1/2023 thru 1/31/2024 Ending Balances Only: Yes Include Ledger Accounts and Banks With Zero Values: No Include inactive banks: No

Fund / Fund Name

001 GENERAL FUND
002 ROAD AND BRIDGE
003 SPECIAL HIGHWAY IMPROV.

**Ending Cash Balance** As of: 1/31/2024 \$4,555,649.14 \$1,421,001.63 \$453,232.97 \$475,903.62 \$599,130.96 \$493,610.24 \$225,376.79 \$3,616,987.72 \$7,052.49 \$170,166.66 2,496,427.30 (\$705.93) \$148,018.72 \$3,756,668.75 \$2,912,297.44 \$96,823.92 \$27,144.68 \$21,467.81 \$37,584.30 \$14,990.82 \$225,663.07 \$2,764.13 \$128,474.84 \$35,633.75 \$736.86 \$154,818.52 \$17,123.73 \$227,075.44 \$29,573.33 \$85.10 (\$15.00)\$17,528.70 \$22,531.09 \$1,866.11 (\$794.04) \$19,566.93 \$505.69 \$18,334.72 \$25,859.05 \$3,955.41 \$7,142.78 \$10,207.02 \$22,541,241.28 **Ending Balance** \$5,212,586.87 \$8,791,264.95 \$219,578.61 \$440.00 \$845,168.01 \$7,472,202.84 \$22,541,241.28

## **CLASSIFIEDS**

#### **HELP WANTED**

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010	CAPITAL ROAD IMPROVEMENT
011	PROSECUTING ATTORNEY
013	NOXIOUS WEED
013	EMPLOYER PAID BENEFIT\$
015	PAYROLL CLEARING
016	DEPARTMENT ON AGING
018	PLUMB THICKET TONNAGE FEE
021	CAPITAL EQUIPMENT RESERVE
022	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT RESER
023	SHERIFF EQUIPMENT FUND
024	SPECIAL ALCOHOL
025	SHERIFF ASSET FORFEITURE FUND
026	SPECIAL LIABILITY
027	911 EMERGENCY TAX
028	SPECIAL M.V.L.S.
030	CURRENT TAX
031	REDEMPTIONS-DELINQ. R.E.
032	DELINQ. PERSONAL PROPERTY
033	NRP REBATE FUND
034	TECHNOLOGY FUND FOR R.O.D
035	PUBLIC SAFETY EQUIPMENT FUND
037	HARPER COUNTY CID
038	16/20M DELINQUENT TAX
039	M/V LICENSE-REG-TITLE
041	MOTOR VEHICLE SALES TAX
042	M/V PROPERTY TAX
043	16/20M VEHICLE TAX
049	OPERATING FND/RET CHECKS
057	CO ATTORNEY EQUIP FUND
060	MEMORIAL FUND
066	CAP EQUIP RES/ATTY EQUIP
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