

OAKLEY, KS COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS JULY 20, 2026

The Board of Logan County Commissioners met on Monday, July 20, 2026. Those present were Commissioners Cody Younkin, Tom Johnson and Brett Ayers by phone. The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Chairmen Cody Younkin.

It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Johnson and Ayers to approve the agenda with the addition of discussing time clocks. Motion carried 3-0.

Aimee Zimmerman with Logan County Hospital joined the meeting and presented three invoices she received on the new hospital project and asked for approval. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Johnson and Ayers to approve the invoice from HFG for \$53,459.07; Nabholz Construction Company for \$346,685.19 and Driggs Design Group for \$21,230.54. Motion carried 3-0.

Brook Plummer, Community Growth Coordinator, met with the Board to give an update on projects she's been working on. Plummer also discussed a grant

for \$20,000.00 she can apply for through NWKS Economic Innovation Center for Logan County. The grant helps bring skilled workers home to Northwest Kansas. It was the consensus of the Board to apply for the grant.

Sheriff Dustin Little met with the Board to discuss the KP&F Resolution and the INA Alert agreement.

The Board reviewed Resolution #26-07 A Resolution for Affiliation for Transfer of KPERS to KP&F for Sheriff's Department Employees Only. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Johnson and Ayers to sign the resolution. Motion carried 3-0.

James Kelsh with Imagine IT met with the Board by phone to discuss Security Information and Event Management (SIEM) proposal. He also presented a quote for a new phone system.

Commissioner Ayers left the meeting.

Melinda Moeder and Steve Badger met with the Board regarding

concerns with the County Attorney.

Road Supervisor Nathan Hales met with the Board to discuss the Backhoe repairs. Hales stated they are in the middle of tearing down the machine and there will need to be more repairs done than they previously thought and the machine is not worth that much. After some discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to stop the repairs and see what can be done on getting rid of it.

Commissioner Ayers joined the meeting.

At 11:05 a.m. Commissioner Johnson made a motion to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel with Sheriff Dustin Little. Commissioner Ayers seconded. All voted in favor. The Board returned to open session at 11:15 a.m. with no action taken.

It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Johnson and Ayers to sign the agreement with S&T Telephone for performing certain work and/or the occupancy of the county's

highway right of way by the facilities of a utility for the KLBIP Bridge Replacement – FAS #3, Project No. 55-C-5335-01. Motion carried 3-0.

It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Johnson and Ayers to sign the agreement with Midwest Energy for performing certain work and/or the occupancy of the county's highway right of way by the facilities of a utility for the KLBIP Bridge Replacement – FAS #3, Project No. 55-C-5335-01. Motion carried 3-0.

It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Johnson and Ayers to sign the Agreement with Reece Construction Company, Inc. as the contractor for the KLBIP Bridge Replacement – FAS #3, Project No. 55-C-5335-01 for the sum of \$881,970.62. Motion carried 3-0.

The Board discussed the proposal with Penco Engineering for bridge inspections. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Ayers and Johnson to sign the 2026 Proposal/Specifications for Engineering Services for FAS & Off-

System Biennial Bridge Inspection with Penco Engineering, P.A. Motion carried 3-0.

The Board discussed the Dispatch Agreement between the City of Oakley and Logan County. The City of Oakley asked for a 4% increase for next year. After some discussion, it was moved and seconded by Commissioners Johnson and Ayers to sign the one-year agreement with a 4% increase. Motion carried 3-0.

The Board reviewed a request from EMS to write off some accounts. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Johnson and Younkin to approve the write-offs in the amount of \$614.71 for various reasons. Motion carried 3-0.

The Board reviewed the Warrant Register dated July 10, 2026 as follows: General \$77,757.61; County Health \$782.99; Road & Bridge \$46,521.60; Noxious Weed \$1,873.27; Fire \$3,557.43; EMS \$62,154.37 and Payroll Clearing \$1,080.21 for a total of \$193,727.48. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Ayers and Johnson to approve

the Warrant Register as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

The minutes of the July 6, 2026 meeting were reviewed. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Ayers and Johnson to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

Discussion was held regarding time clocks for County employees.

The Board discussed the proposed 2027 budget and current Revenue Neutral Rate (RNR). It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Ayers and Johnson to exceed the RNR with a proposed rate of 71.188 for the County budget and not exceed for the Rural Fire District #1. Motion carried 3-0. The budget hearing will take place on September 8, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.

There being no further business discussed, it was moved and seconded by Commissioners Ayers and Johnson respectively to adjourn the meeting at 12:35 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held on August 3, 2026.

OAKLEY, KS COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS JULY 23, 2026

The Board of Logan County Commissioners called for a special meeting by phone on Thursday, July 23, 2026. The purpose of the special meeting was to discuss the utility work for the bridge project and a Backhoe for the Road Department. Those attending were Commissioners Cody Younkin, Brett Ayers and Tom Johnson by phone. Chairman Younkin called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

Road Supervisor Nathan Hales said he received a request that Midwest Energy wants paid up front for the utility work for the bridge project. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Johnson and Ayers to pay Midwest Energy

\$31,800.00 for the utility work. Motion carried 3-0. Hales then discussed the CAT 420 Backhoe that's currently in the shop being repaired. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Ayers and Johnson to accept the bid from Foley Equipment for a 2024 CAT 416 Backhoe for \$115,448.00 to come out of Special Equipment Road. Motion carried 3-0. Foley's will purchase the CAT 420 Backhoe for \$30,000.00.

It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Johnson and Ayers respectively to adjourn the meeting at 2:55 p.m. Motion carried 3-0.

A T T E S T :

Kobach Offers Guidance To Kansans Seeking To Purchase Suppressors, Short-barreled Shotguns

TOPEKA – (August 24, 2026) – Kansas Attorney General Kris Kobach today issued guidance to Kansans seeking to purchase suppressors or short-barreled shotguns in the wake of a recent federal court decision.

On August 5, Kobach and a coalition of 14 other states and a group of private associations and businesses prevailed in a lawsuit against the U.S. Department of Justice and the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms (ATF). In a landmark victory, the court issued a preliminary injunction declaring that certain elements of the National Firearms Act are unconstitutional and prohibiting the ATF from imposing registration requirements on particular purchasers of suppressors, short-barreled rifles and short-

barreled shotguns.

Individuals who fall into the categories below no longer need to complete ATF Form 4 or wait for ATF approval before purchasing a suppressor, short-barreled rifle or short-barreled shotgun. These items may now be obtained by completing ATF Form 4473, the same form required for the purchase of all other firearms, at the time of purchase.

“The state of Kansas and our fellow plaintiffs won a great victory against the U.S. Department of Justice, which had been wrongly defending an unconstitutional law,” Kobach said. “The federal government has no right to demand that American citizens ask for permission before putting an accessory on a firearm to protect their hearing. Our

The Board of Logan County Commissioners met on Monday, August 3, 2026. Those present were Commissioners Cody Younkin, Tom Johnson and Brett Ayers by phone. The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Chairmen Cody Younkin.

It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Ayers and Johnson to approve the agenda with the addition of Dustin Little at 9:45 a.m. Motion carried 3-0.

Jason Pfeifer from American Implement and Josh Lowry from Oakley Ag Center met with the Board to discuss the Hustler Mower the Road Department purchased recently from Better Built Trailers. Pfeifer shared that he was not approached about giving a bid for a new mower and felt like bids should have been requested locally as well. Younkin stated that they were after a certain brand and didn't think that anyone carried them locally. Pfeifer stated that he can sell Hustler Mowers and would have given a bid.

EMS Director Candy Aschenbrenner met with the Board to discuss her 2027 budget request and update the Emergency Operations Plan (EOP). It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Johnson and Ayers to sign Resolution #26-08 A Resolution Establishing the Logan County Emergency Preparedness

Constitution provides for a government of limited powers at the federal level. We must always be vigilant to enforce those constitutional limits, especially when government threatens the right of Americans to keep and bear arms.”

In order to make a purchase without NFA registration, a person need only be in one of these categories:

Current or future members of Gun Owners of America
Customers purchasing a suppressor, short-barreled rifle or short barreled shotgun from one of the following businesses:

Modernization Initiative. Motion carried 3-0. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Johnson and Ayers to sign the Emergency Preparedness Rebuild Directive. Motion carried 3-0.

Joe Glassman with Glassman Corporation met with the Board to discuss ideas for the HVAC system.

Road Supervisor Nathan Hales met with the Board to discuss a culvert issue in Monument Township.

Sheriff Dustin Little met with the Board. At 10:00 a.m. Commissioner Johnson made a motion to go into executive session for 15 minutes for attorney client privilege with Sheriff Dustin Little and Attorney David Cooper. Commissioner Ayers seconded. All voted in favor. The Board returned to open session at 10:15 a.m. with no action taken.

The minutes of the July 20, 2026 meeting were reviewed. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Ayers and Johnson to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

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- a) Silencer Shop
- b) Palmetto State Armory, LLC
- c) B&T USA, LLC
- d) SilencerCo Weapons Research, LLC
- e) A company that is a member of the Firearms Regulatory Accountability Coalition

At this time, it is unclear whether all residents of Kansas are included under the court's ruling. However, the federal court may soon clarify this question. In the meantime, an individual can become a member of Gun Owners of America and qualify as a person covered by the federal court's injunction.

The case is the latest

The Board reviewed the Warrant Register dated July 31, 2026 as follows: General \$42,405.99; County Health \$4,245.22; Road & Bridge \$6,638.58; Noxious Weed \$27,515.88; Fire \$3,707.39; Prairie Dog \$825.00; EMS \$10,907.64; County Bond & Interest \$93,671.24 and Payroll Clearing \$1,274.84 for a total of \$191,191.78. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Ayers and Johnson to approve the Warrant Register as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

The Board reviewed the 1 hour of overtime for the Health Department; 63.5 hours for the Road Department; 5 hours for the Weed Department and 26.24 hours for the EMS Department for July.

The Board reviewed the July 31, 2026 Payroll Register as follows: General \$58,582.47; County Health \$16,032.89; Road & Bridge \$28,334.25; Noxious Weed \$3,533.38; Fire \$461.75 and EMS \$26,623.06 for a total of \$133,567.80. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Ayers and Younkin respectively to approve the Payroll Register as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

The Board discussed the request from KNRC to vote on participating in the lawsuit regarding federal regulations. The ballot concerns litigation defending the

in which Kansas has led a multi-state coalition to defend the right of Americans to acquire and own firearms. In December 2025, Kobach led 21 states in urging another federal district court to find federal regulations of untaxed firearms to be unconstitutional.

repeal of the US Fish & Wildlife Service's blanket Section 4(d) rule. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Johnson and Ayers to vote yes on both ballot questions. Motion carried 3-0.

The Board discussed a request from EMS to get two more credit cards for their department. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Johnson and Ayers to get two additional credit cards with a \$500.00 limit for the EMS Department. Motion carried 3-0.

County Appraiser Alicia Baumfalk met with the Board to go over the ratio study from the State. Baumfalk also made the Board aware that one of her employees gave her notice and asked permission to hire and start training. It was the consensus of the Board to allow the request.

The Board worked on the 2027 budget.

Discussion was held regarding the next Board meeting. It was the consensus of the Board to change the next meeting to Tuesday, August 19, 2026.

There being no further business discussed, it was moved and seconded by Commissioners Ayers and Johnson respectively to adjourn the meeting at 2:10 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held on August 19, 2026.

