

Legal Notice

(First published in the Smith County Pioneer Newspaper on September 24, 2026.)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF SMITH COUNTY, KANSAS.

In the Matter of the Estate of Roy Lee Fisher, Deceased.

Case No. SM-2024-PR-25

NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS

CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a Petition has been filed in this Court by Randy Maus, the duly appointed, qualified and acting Administrator of the Estate of Roy Lee Fisher deceased, requesting that Petitioner’s acts be approved; account be settled and allowed; the heirs-at-law of decedent be determined; the Estate be assigned to the decedent’s heirs-at-law; fees and expenses be allowed; costs be determined and ordered paid; the administration of the Estate be closed; the Administrator be discharged and Petitioner be released from further liability. You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before October 20, 2026, at 2:00 P.M. in the Smith County District Court, Smith County,

Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition./s/ Andrew J. Walter

Randy Maus Administrator
Richard E. Dietz
Dietz Law Office
115 South First Street
P.O. Box 326
Osborne, Kansas 67473
(785) 346-2157
staff@dietz-law.net
Attorney for Administrator
Oct 8

~~~~~  
NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION HELD ON NOVEMBER 3, 2026

I, Ashley Maxwell, the undersigned County Clerk of Smith County, State of Kansas, having received a certified list of the candidates for each of the political parties of the state from the Secretary of State, hereby publish so much as therefore is applicable to said county, and have added thereto the names and addresses of each of the candidates nominated be several political parties of the District, County, and Township Offices as appear on the

records of votes cast at the Primary Election held on November 3, 2026.

UNITED STATES SENATE  
Democrat-Adam Hamilton-  
P.O. Box 6, Stilwell, KS 66085

Republican-Roger Marshall-  
St. John, KS 67576  
Libertarian- David C Graham-7220 W. 83rd St, Overland Park, KS 66204

US HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT 1  
Democrat-Lauren Reinhold-4000 W 6th St, Ste B #241, Lawrence, KS 66049  
Republican-Tracey Mann-P.O. Box 1084, Salina, KS 67402  
Libertarian-Steven Jacob-1829 Kentucky St Apt 4, Lawrence, KS 66044

GOVERNOR/LT. GOVERNOR  
Democrat-Cindy Holscher/KC Ohaebosim-P.O. Box 2903, Olathe, KS 66063  
Republican-Ty Masterson/Jeffrey Klemp-P.O. Box 424, Andover, KS 67002

SECRETARY OF STATE  
Democrat-Jennifer Day-P.O.

Box 104, Mission, KS 66202-9810

Republican-Pat Proctor-624 Kickapoo St., Leavenworth, KS 6604

United Kansas-Scott E. Morgan-1618 Inverness Drive, Lawerence, KS 66047

ATTORNEY GENERAL  
Democrat-Chris Mann-Lawrence, KS  
Republican-Kris Kobach-P.O. Box 155, Lecompton, KS 66050

STATE TREASURER  
Democrat-Juan C. Luengo-14904 S Summit St, Olathe, KS 66062

Republican-Steven Johnson-10197 S. Hopkins Rd, As-saria, KS 67416  
Libertarian-Eric Lund-3003 Lakeview Cir S, Paola, KS 66071

COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE  
Democrat-Dinah Sykes-Lenexa, KS  
Republican-Daniel Hawkins-9406 W Harvest Ln., Wichita, KS 67212  
Libertarian-Ric Koehn-304 S 6th St, Cimarron, KS 67835

STATE REPRESENTATIVE-109TH DISTRICT  
Republican-Troy L. Waymaster, 3528 192nd St., Bunker Hill, KS 67626

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION-5TH DISTRICT  
Democrat-Lorie Wood-Dresden, KS  
Republican-Jean Clifford-102 Drury Lane, Garden City, KS 67846

COUNTY COMMISSIONER-1ST DISTRICT  
Republican-Chris Mansholt, 28051 220 Rd., Lebanon, KS 66952

TOWNSHIP CLERK  
CEDAR TWP.- Republican-Cynthia Rahjes, 602 N. Main St., Kensington, KS 66951

CENTER TWP.-Republican-Kathy Hansen, 512 W 3rd St, Apt. 7, Smith Center, KS 66967

LOGAN TWP.-Democrat-Judy McCartney, 29052 20 Rd, Lebanon, KS 66952  
OAK TWP.- Republican-Bryan Befort, 28052 140 Rd, Lebanon, KS 66952

PLEASANT TWP.-Republican-Chad A. Ratliff, 10093 Highway 9, Athol, KS 66932  
WASHINGTON TWP.-Republican-Barbara L. Keever, 10021 O Rd, Smith Center, KS 66967

WHITE ROCK TWP.-Republican-Gary Woods, 28082 120 Rd, Lebanon, KS 66952

SUPREME COURT FOR JUSTICE  
Shall Eric S. Rosen, Topeka, Position No. 4, be retained in office?  
Shall Larkin E. Walsh, Leawood, Position No. 6, be trained in office?

COURT OF APPEALS FOR JUDGE  
Shall Lesley Ann Isherwood, Wichita, Position No. 2, be retained in office?  
Shall Amy Fellows Cline, Wichita, Position No. 3, be retained in office?  
Shall Kim R. Schroeder, Hugoton, Position No. 5, be retained in office?  
Shall Lori Ann Bolton Fleming, Weir, Position No. 7, be retained in office?  
Shall Jacy Hurst, Lawrence, Position No. 13, be retained in office?

The City of Smith Center is accepting sealed bids on one parcel. Bid forms can be picked up and returned to the City Office, 119 W. Court, Smith Center. Sealed bids must be received by 1 PM on Friday, November 9, 2026.  
Parcel #1: Identification number 0921352104026005000; Reference R2824; Lots Nine (9) and Ten (10), Block Nine (9) Burrow’s Addition to the City of Smith Center.  
Bids start at \$500.00

(Published in the Smith Co. Pioneer, Thursday, October 1 2026)

NOTICE OF PLACES AND DATES OF REGISTRATION  
NOTICE OF CLOSING REGISTRATION BOOKS FOR THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 3, 2026, IN SMITH COUNTY

In compliance with the provision of K.S.A. 25-2311, notice is hereby given that the books for registration of the voters will be open at the following places during regular business hours: Smith County Clerk’s Office 218 S. Grant, Smith County Courthouse, Smith Center, KS.

Persons who apply for services at voter registration agencies may register at the following places during regular business hours: Smith County Health Dept., 119 S. Main, Smith Center, KS; Local Motor Vehicle Registration Office, Smith County Treasurer’s Office, 218 S. Grant, Smith Center, KS.

At 5:00 p.m. on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of October 2026 the books for registration of voters will close and will remain closed until the 4<sup>th</sup> day of November 2026.

A citizen who is 18 years of age or older or will be 18 years at the time of the next election, must register before he or she can vote.

When a voter has been registered according to the law, the voter shall remain registered until the voter changes name by marriage, divorce, or other legal proceedings, or changes residence. The voter may re-register in person, by mail, or other delivery when registration is open, or the voter may re-register on election day.

Application forms shall be provided by the county election officer or the Secretary of State upon request. The application shall be signed by the applicant under penalty of perjury.

In Witness Whereof, I hereunto set my hand and seal this 29<sup>th</sup> day of September 2026.

Ashley Maxwell  
County Election Official

(Published in the Smith Co. Pioneer, Thursday, October 8 2026)

SMITH COUNTY POLLING SITES FOR THE PRIMARY ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 3, 2026

POLL HOURS-7:00 AM to 7:00 PM

|                     |                       |
|---------------------|-----------------------|
| German Townshi<br>p | Martin Townshi<br>p   |
| Swan Townshi<br>p   | Pleasant Townshi<br>p |
| Cedar Townshi<br>p  | Lane Townshi<br>p     |
| Valley Townshi<br>p |                       |

Cedar, German, Lane, Martin, Pleasant, Swan, and Valley Townships will vote at the St. John Lutheran Church in Kensington

|                         |                             |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Beaver Township         |                             |
| Washingto<br>n Township | Cora Townshi<br>p           |
| Center Township         |                             |
| Banner Township         | Crystal Plains Townshi<br>p |

Banner, Beaver, Center, Cora, Crystal Plains, and Washington Townships will vote at the Srader Center in Smith Center

|                     |                         |
|---------------------|-------------------------|
| Pawnee Townshi<br>p | Logan Townshi<br>p      |
|                     | White Rock Townshi<br>p |
| Blaine Townshi<br>p | Oak Townshi<br>p        |
|                     | Webster Townshi<br>p    |
|                     | Lincoln Townshi<br>p    |

Blaine, Lincoln, Logan, Oak, Pawnee, Webster, and White Rock Townships will vote at the Lebanon Community Center

|                  |                      |                     |                   |
|------------------|----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
|                  | Harvey Townshi<br>p  |                     |                   |
| Dor Townshi<br>p | Houston Townshi<br>p | Harlan Townshi<br>p | Garfield Township |

Dor, Garfield, Harlan, Harvey and Houston Townships will vote at the Gaylord Community Center

- October 13-Books close for registration
- October 14-Advance Voting Begins
- October 27-Last Day to apply for advance ballot
- November 3-Election Day

County

Ifland re-signed the letters to the State for the landfill post closure report due to the date being incorrect.

Wagenblast informed the commissioners that the pre-bid meeting and walk through for the electrical work at the Courthouse and Sheriff’s office will be held on November 17, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. in the basement meeting room.

Commissioners approved one abatement for personal property.

Commissioners discussed the open janitor position. The Clerk’s office will post the help wanted ad on Facebook.

Ifland and Peterson reported they have heard there have been workers at the old hospital in the last week.

Gwennap talked about the possibility of zoning for Smith County. The commissioners have previously reviewed a zoning plan from another county, and it is very agricultural friendly. Gwennap would like to see a public meeting set up for public input into zoning.

Ifland reported he received a call from Phillip Murrow concerning a septic tank close to a house in another county.

Peterson suggested that one of the topics next Monday at department head’s meeting be the electrical work for the Courthouse and Sheriff’s office.

Dairiane Cobb, Brady Cline, and Ryan Allen joined the meeting.

Cline discussed the possibility of Applequist bringing out 55-gallon drums of burn off ash to the landfill. Cline informed the commissioners that they have sent samples off so they could get a permit from the State

Continued from Page 8

to dump the burn off in the landfill. Allen discussed that there is the possibility of heavy metal in the burn off ash and he doesn’t want to put any heavy metals in the landfill. Allen reported that Saline County and Barton County could take the burn off ash. Cobb reported that the results should be back by October 2. Commissioners would like to see the results before they decide.

Cline and Cobb left the meeting.

Allen discussed the following:

1. Allen reported that the solid waste annual meeting minutes were approved and we are good for another year.

2. Allen reported that they are trying to save on diesel as much as possible with the high prices.

3. Allen stated he is looking at getting a permit for a staging area for trash so they wouldn’t have to pack as often.

4. Peterson discussed information that they learned last week at their 402 training in Beloit concerning loads of debris coming into the landfill if we had a natural disaster.

Jami Benyshek and Emma Holmes from AdamsBrown LLC, joined the meeting. Benyshek presented the 2025 audit to the commissioners.

At 11:34 a.m. a motion was made by Gwennap and seconded by Peterson to adjourn as there was no further busi

These minutes are not official until signed by the county commissioners and attested to by the County Clerk.

Don’t Keep It A Secret

You have stocked the merchandise that you know customers will buy and several new items that would be useful to them. You have marked prices that are reasonable and fair. The lights are on and the front door is unlocked. The clerks are standing by the cash registers. Now, to make business really boom, you need customers who will walk in the door and buy your stock of goods. So don't keep people in the dark about your merchandise. They are highly mobile and they receive inducements in the mail or from big-city advertising media. They are pulling many ways. Let them know about your standards stock of merchandise, and tell them about those neat new items that are waiting on your shelves.

The Smith Co. Pioneer is ready to help you spread the word. Every week, our newspaper is a welcome visitor with thousands of readers. They are going to buy somewhere . Let it be with You! Step through our front door at 112 W.

Kansas Ave, Smith Center, or call us at 785 \*282\*3371 or email Joleen at pioneer@ruraltel.net and we will spread the word far and wide... and at reasonable prices too.