**WILSON COUNTY, KANSAS**
**OFFICIAL MINUTES**

September 2, 2026

The Board of County Commissioners, Casey Lair, Andrew Miller & Jerry Scott, Kayla Busch, County Clerk, and Kris Marple, County Coordinator, met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. in the Commission Room.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Commissioner Lair called the meeting to order.
**INVOCATION:** Commissioner Miller gave the invocation.
**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Commissioner Scott led the flag salute.

**AGENDA & MINUTES:**

> **ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner Scott to approve the agenda as presented, and approve the minutes of August 26, 2026 as presented. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

**COORDINATOR'S REPORT:**

Kris Marple, County Coordinator, presented an agreement renewal with Schneider Electric for maintenance & support for the Courthouse HVAC systems in the amount of $3,185.00. He also submitted the September employee birthday cards for signature.

> **ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner Miller to approve the agreement renewal with Schneider Electric as presented. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

**ROAD & BRIDGE DEPT. REPORT:**

Kary Tatum, Road & Bridge Supervisor, discussed getting estimates for additional mowers. He also gave an update on the asphalt road repair project.

**FY2027 WILSON COUNTY REVENUE NEUTAL RATE & BUDGET HEARINGS:**

At 10:00 a.m. Commissioner Lair opened the Revenue Neutral Rate Hearing for Wilson County & Rural Fire District #1 proposed budgets for public comment. Dean Silvey commented on the increase in revenue versus inflation, the need to keep the mill levy rates low if not decreased, and thanked the Commissioners for keeping the Rural Fire District mill levy the same. There being no further public comment, the hearing closed at 10:08 a.m.

> **ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner Miller to adopt Resolution #2026-012 to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate of 66.295 mills with a roll call vote. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion, and the motion carried. Commissioners Lair, Miller & Scott all voted in favor to adopt the Resolution as presented.

> **ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner Miller to adopt Resolution #2026-013 to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate of 0.963 mills with a roll call vote. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion, and the motion carried. Commissioners Lair, Miller & Scott all voted in favor to adopt the Resolution as presented.

At 10:09 a.m. Commissioner Lair opened the FY2027 Budget Hearing for the proposed budget for Wilson County & Rural Fire District #1 for public comment. Dean Silvey commented on the Thanks Program, Four County Mental Health, and that Commissioners shouldn't vote on their own salary increases. He was also against funding The Building Community programs. There being no further comment, the hearing was closed at 10:20 a.m.

**ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner Miller to adopt the FY2027 proposed Wilson County budget as published in the amount of $11,743,297.00 with the mill levy rate of 66.590 mills. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

**ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner Miller to adopt the FY2027 proposed Rural Fire District #1 budget as published in the amount of $100,000.00 with the mill levy rate of 0.967 mills. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

1. Kayla Busch, County Clerk, discussed riding in the Fredonia Homecoming Parade & displaying the Fredonia Chamber of Commerce Christmas Tree Contest at the Courthouse again this year, which was approved by consensus. She also inquired about getting quotes for catering the employee Christmas Lunch again this year, which was also approved by consensus.
2. Approved by consensus to cancel the County Commission meeting on September 23rd.
3. Approved warrants in the amount of $272,697.85, and payroll in the amount of $126,630.69.
4. Reports received: Sheriff, GIS, Treasurer, Health Dept, Appraiser, Road & Bridge, and Register of Deeds fee reports. Employee overtime, and 911 call stats.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m. to reconvene on Wednesday, September 9, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**
**WILSON COUNTY, KANSAS**

**RECORDED BY:**

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**Casey Lair, Chairman**

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**Kayla Busch, County Clerk**