

Minutes from Pratt County Commission Meeting

The Pratt County Commissioners met in regular session Monday, June 2, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. in the Commissioner Room, 1st floor of the Courthouse. The following members were present: Thomas W. Jones III, Rick Shriver, Morgan Trinkle, Tricia Clark, Deputy County Clerk and Mark Graber, IT Director.

Public Hearing
Vacating Road—North portion of Thompson Street

Hearing was held in the Commissioners Room of the Courthouse. There was no public to speak on this.

Motion for Resolution #6-02-2025 to be approved made by Commissioner Shriver; seconded by Commissioner Trinkle; motion passed 3-0.

Economic Development Update
Storm Recovery and Assistance Efforts

Heather Morgan reported that working with Great Plains Alfalfa, Representative Hoffman and others; they are making progress with the State. Department of Revenue is determining what she needs to work with Great Plains, to take of the issues regarding the tax revenue needed for rebuilding and making sure their corporation is properly classified.

Sawyer Gas Project
Heather reported that she will be meeting with the company that is working with Hartner at 3:45 p.m. today. All parties that need to be in alignment are as such including that state agency. City of Sawyer council meet is tonight and they will likely need to take some action to allow the agreement between Hartner, Sawyer and Sharon to move forward with an alternate plan.

Membership Renewal – Pratt Chamber
Ashley Smith, stated she is asking the county to continue with the top level of membership as last year. This year the

new top level is Diamond at \$3000 a year. The levels of memberships have changed to add another level however the benefits of those levels have increased as well.

Motion to renew membership at the Diamond level for \$3000 a year made by Commissioner Trinkle; seconded by Commissioner Shriver; motion passed 3-0.

Kirkham-Michael Agreement
Motion to approve the agreement for Engineering services with Kirkham-Michael for road widening at NW 70th Ave at Byers in the amount of \$65,000.00 made by Commissioner Trinkle; seconded by Commissioner Shriver; motion passed 3-0.

Executive Session – Non-Elected Personnel
Motion to move to executive session under the Non-Elected Personnel exception to the Kansas Open Meetings Act to discuss dispatch for 10 minutes at 2:22 p.m. made by Commissioner Shriver; seconded by Commissioner Trinkle;

motion passed 3-0.

Motion to move to come out of executive session at 2:30 pm with no action taken made by Commissioner Shriver; seconded by Commissioner Trinkle; motion passed 3-0.

Executive Session – Non-Elected Personnel
Motion to move to executive session under the Non-Elected Personnel exception to the Kansas Open Meetings Act to discuss a new employee with Darcie Van Der Vyver for 5 minutes at 2:31 p.m. made by Commissioner Jones; seconded by Commissioner Shriver; motion carried 3-0.

Motion to move to come out of executive session at 2:36 pm with no action taken made by Commissioner Trinkle; seconded by Commissioner Jones; Motion carried 3-0.

Heath Department Personnel Request
Motion to move to give Darci authority to hire the Insurance Biller starting at \$18.50/Hr. based on her experience

made by Commissioner Shriver; seconded by Commissioner Trinkle; motion carried 3-0.

Clerk's Comments
Cescha Hoffman, County Clerk came in to discuss the election equipment from Adkins and Sons. She is asking to purchase an on-demand color printer for ballots. The printer would be paid for out of Election Special equipment for \$6295.00.

Motion to purchase ballot printer for \$6295.00 made by Commissioner Shriver; seconded by Commissioner Trinkle; motion carried 3-0.

Cescha stated that the Freedom choice accounts have been set up under Freedom Claims reserve. Cescha asked that payment be made via ACH.

Motion to pay Freedom Claims via ACH made by Commissioner Shriver; seconded by Commissioner Trinkle; motion passed 3-0.

Fire/Rescue Request
Billy Hampton stated the tires on grass truck 311 and 312 needed tires. Billy is asking for ap-

proval to get tires for the 2 trucks in the amount of \$2,577.66 for both.

Motion to purchase 12 new tires from Cooper tire for grass trucks 310 and 311 made by Commissioner Shriver; seconded by Commissioner Trinkle; motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Comments
Commissioner Trinkle stated there were timing issues regarding Nexterra due to surveys.

Approval of Minutes
Motion to approve the minutes of May 26, 2025, made by Commissioner Trinkle; seconded by Commission Shriver; motion passed 3-0.

Approval of Vouchers
Motion to approve the vouchers from June 2, 2025, made by Commissioner Trinkle; seconded by Commissioner Jones; motion carried 3-0.

Adjourn
Motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:19 p.m. made by Commissioner Jones; seconded by Commissioner Shriver. Motion passed 3-0.

Hot & Cold Summer Market



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KCHS Pets Ready for Adoption

Oliver

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And here we have Oliver, bonded companion to last week's highlighted kitty, Davina. He's as handsome as Davina is lovely. Two striking kitties would make striking home companions. Oliver is about one year old and weighs less than 10 pounds. He has been at the shelter since April 11, and his adoption fee is \$50.00. (Like his companion he should be an indoor cat only.)

Stella

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One can tell Stella is a sister to Ari, of last week's "pets to adopt". Those ears are just so large and cute. Not often do think of something large being cute, but when ears like those are on a pup, cute is the only word for them. She, like her sister, will probably never grow into them.

She has been at the shelter since May 6 and her adoption fee is \$200.00

Stella is good with kids, other dogs and people.

"Is there such a thing as a miniature German Shepherd? Technically no, but that's the best way to describe Stella and her sibling Ari. Stella's over a year old and only about 25 lbs. She may fill out a bit but she will stay a small dog. Small and adorable! She's a clown in a puppy suit! Both (Stella and Ari) are high energy, full of excitement and smart as well. They are super friendly but need to learn some manners and boundaries.



photo by Rogene Jarmer

"Had she never been hungry enough to eat a flower? Did she not know that you could eat daisies, daylilies, pansies, and marigolds? That hungry enough, a person could consume the bright faces of violas, even the stems of dandelions and the bitter hips of roses?"
— Adam Johnson, The Orphan Master's Son



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