

Commissioner Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, January 27, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Justin Clark, Kevin Stuber, Jerry Sedlacek, Bret Heim, Amanda DeWitt (Clerk).

Approval of Agenda and Minutes:

- Kevin Stuber moved to approve the agenda. Jerry Sedlacek seconded. Motion passed.
- Jerry Sedlacek moved to approve the minutes from the January 20, 2026 meeting. Kevin Stuber seconded. Motion passed.

County Counselor – Bret Heim:

- Bret Heim reported that he has spoken with Greenwood County.
- Bret provided an update on a resolution he is currently working on.

Fairgrounds / Bressner Building:

- Jerry Sedlacek provided an update regarding the condition and cleaning of the fairgrounds following the sheep sale.
- Commissioners requested the President and Vice-President of the Fair Board attend a future commission meeting to discuss the situation.
- Discussion was also held regarding repairs needed at the Bressner Building that will need to be addressed with the Fair Board.

Zoning – Renewable Energy Moratorium:

- Stephanie Bedell, Zoning Board, discussed the moratorium on renewable energy.
- The Zoning Board will meet on January 28, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.
- Bret Heim recommended continuing the moratorium rather than amending zoning regulations at this time.
- Commissioners discussed holding a public hearing versus allowing public comment during a commission meeting.
- Commissioners agreed public comment during a regular commission meeting would be the preferred option.

Sheriff's Office – Jacob Morrison:

- New patrol vehicles are expected to be delivered in early March.
- Jacob presented an updated estimate from Shepard Farms for drainage work at the Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$7,017.00.
- Commissioners requested additional details regarding the materials to be used.
- Discussion was held regarding the possibility of a backup boiler for the courthouse.
- Several interviews have been conducted for the open dispatcher position; no decision has been made at this time.

Road & Bridge – Gary Ward:

- Gary requested paying 25% of the secretary's wages out of the Transfer Station budget.
- Commissioners discussed that if wages were split for one department, it would need to be done for all departments and agreed to leave the current structure unchanged.
- Gary reported grader issues over the weekend due to cold weather; county coordinated with the city to use city equipment while repairs were made.
- Jerry Sedlacek shared concerns regarding certain roads and bridges brought to his attention.

SEK Mental Health Update:

- Justin Clark provided an update stating the board voted to discontinue general practice at the Ashley Clinic and that Nathan was placed on a 90-day paid leave.

Bret Heim left the meeting at 9:58 a.m.

Drainage Work – Sheriff's Office:

- Kevin Stuber moved to approve the Shepard Farms bid in the amount of \$7,017.00 for drain and sidewalk work at the Sheriff's Office to prevent further flooding, to be paid out of Equipment Reserve. Jerry Sedlacek seconded. Motion passed.

Solid Waste – David Waddell:

- Justin Clark moved to pay the Heartland Tractor skid steer repair invoice in the amount of \$1,547.73. Jerry Sedlacek seconded. Motion passed.
- David reported damage to the transfer station garage door. Two bids were received from Shepard Farms:
 - Replace four panels, hinges, and rollers for \$3,400.00.
 - Replace the entire door, hinges, and brackets for \$5,200.00.
- Discussion included the need for a spotter during truck movement and regular maintenance of the door.

Transfer Station Garage Door:

- Kevin Stuber moved to approve the bid from Shepard Farms to replace the 12x12 garage door at the Transfer Station in the amount of \$5,200.00 to be paid out of Courthouse Reserve. Jerry Sedlacek seconded. Motion passed.

Backhoe Purchase:

- David Waddell presented backhoe options from CAT and John Deere. Travis Clinesmith with John Deere was available to answer questions.
- Justin Clark moved to purchase a 2022 John Deere 310SL backhoe for the Transfer Station in the amount of \$98,900.00 to be paid out of the Solid Waste budget. Kevin Stuber seconded. Motion passed.

Solid Waste Board:

- A special Solid Waste meeting will be held in February to appoint new board members and review the updated operations plan.
- A resolution will be brought forward once approved by the Solid Waste Board.

Chamber of Commerce:

- Kevin Stuber reported the new Chamber Executive Director, Alexa Estes, will begin the first Monday in February.
- John Atkin presented the signed interlocal agreement from the City Council.
- Kevin Stuber moved to allow the Chair to sign the interlocal agreement for the Chamber Executive Director. Jerry Sedlacek seconded. Motion passed.

Recess:

- Justin Clark moved to recess for five minutes. Kevin Stuber seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer – Michelle Zimmerman:

- Jerry Sedlacek moved to approve the 4th Quarter 2025 Idle Investment Fund report. Kevin Stuber seconded. Motion passed.
- Justin Clark moved to pass Resolution 26-03 designating GNBANK as depository for all Woodson County funds. Motion passed.
- Justin Clark moved to transfer interest from taxes and investment funds to the General Fund in the amount of \$352,260.91. Kevin Stuber seconded. Motion passed.
- Justin Clark moved to transfer the Motor Vehicle Operating Fund to the General Fund in the amount of \$32,571.25. Kevin Stuber seconded. Motion passed.
- Michelle reported she has contacted the attorney who handled the 2025 tax sale and has begun preparations for the next tax sale.

Executive Session:

- Jerry Sedlacek moved to recess into executive session for confidential data/trade secrets with the commissioners and clerk until 10:55 a.m. Kevin Stuber seconded. Motion passed.

Cereal Malt Beverage License:

- Justin Clark moved to allow the Chair to sign the Cereal Malt Beverage License for consumption on premises for Country Junction. Kevin Stuber seconded. Motion passed.

Executive Session:

- Kevin Stuber moved to recess into executive session for confidential data with commissioners and John Atkin until 11:15 a.m. Jerry Sedlacek seconded. Motion passed.

Claims:

- Jerry Sedlacek moved to pay vouchers in the amount of \$20,415.62. Kevin Stuber seconded. Motion passed.

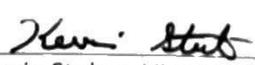
Other Business:

- Discussion was held regarding uniforms as the UniFirst contract is set to expire in March.

Adjournment:

- Kevin Stuber moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:31 a.m. Justin Clark seconded. Motion passed.


Justin Clark, Chairman


Kevin Stuber, Vice-Chairman

Attest:

Amanda A DeWitt, County Clerk

Jerry Sedlacek, Member