

LAWRENCE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
PUBLIC MEETING
MINUTES OF Tuesday, February 24, 2026

The Lawrence County Commissioners' Meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag followed by a Moment of Silence.

The Lawrence County Commissioners' Meeting of Tuesday, February 24, 2026, was called to order by **Commissioner Daniel Vogler**, at 10:00 AM at the Lawrence County Commissioners Meeting Room. **Deputy Chief Clerk, Vanessa Bayless**, called the roll. Those in attendance were, **Commissioner Dan Kennedy, RJ Johnson, County Administrator, Joseph Venasco, and noone from the New Castle News**. It was stated for the record that the meeting is being taped. Those wishing to speak shall be given five minutes. If they need more time, they are to see the Chief Clerk at another time, and she will arrange for them to meet with the Commissioners. Those speaking are to state for the record their names, addresses and the nature of their business.

Commissioner Vogler noted that Commissioner Sainato is attending the NACO Conference.

ROW OFFICERS' REPORTS AND COMMENTS

None

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

FISCAL/CONTRACTUAL

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| A. Repository Properties: | None |
| B. Advertise for bids/proposals: | None |
| C. Receipt for bids/proposals: | None |
| D. Warrant Registers: | |
| 1. February 13, 2026 | |
| 2. February 18, 2026 | |
| 3. February 20, 2026 | |

Moved by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Vogler to approve and file said warrant register(s).
Motion carried 2-0.

MINUTES AND CORRESPONDENCE

- A. Approval of Minutes:

1. February 17, 2026

Moved by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Vogler to approve said minutes. Motion carried 2-0.

- B. Presentation of Written Communications:

- a. Wabtec Corporation-Pennsylvania Storage Tank Spill Prevention Act annual notice for any facility with aboveground storage tanks with a total capacity greater than 21,000 gallons within 20 miles of a facility. Facility is General Electric Transportation Grove City, along Wolf Creek. Attached is the list of downstream facilities and municipalities located within 20 miles.

Moved by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Vogler to approve said Resolution. Motion carried 2-0.

VI. REPORTS

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- A. Staff Reports: None
B. Commissioner Reports:

Commissioner Vogler stated he attended the Pennsylvania Workers Compensation Trust Fund meeting in Harrisburg last week and the meeting went well. Last night, he attended the kickoff meeting at the New Castle Public Library for America250.

Commissioner Kennedy stated he attended the Power Northwest meeting last week regarding economic development and the meeting went well. He also attended the SPC yesterday regarding the long range transportation plan. This Saturday, the Commissioners will attend the firefighters meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION R-2026-23

WHEREAS, the County of Lawrence owns certain vehicles used in county operations by the Coroner; and

WHEREAS, the County has determined that the vehicle described below is no longer needed for county purposes and has been declared surplus; and

WHEREAS, another political subdivision within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has expressed interest in purchasing the vehicle for public use; and

WHEREAS, transfers of personal property between governmental entities are recognized as intergovernmental transactions and may be completed without competitive bidding when approved by the Board of Commissioners and determined to be in the public interest.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, that:

1. Declaration of Surplus Property

The following vehicle is hereby declared surplus county property:

- Year: 2023
- Make/Model: Ford Explorer Police Interceptor
- VIN: 1FM5K8AB7NGA22277
- Mileage (approx.): 14,500

2. Authorization of Sale

The Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the sale of the above-described vehicle to the City of New Castle; and

3. Purchase Price

The purchase price shall be **\$20,000.00**, which the Board of Commissioners finds to be fair and reasonable and in the best interests of the County; and

4. Execution of Documents

The Solicitor is instructed to draft a Bill of Sale to complete the transfer.

Moved by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Vogler to approve said Resolution. Motion carried 2-0.

RESOLUTION

R-2026-24

WHEREAS, the Lawrence County Opioid Advisory Board met on Tuesday, February 3, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Opioid Advisory Board voted to recommend to the Board of Commissioners to accept the following grant applicants to receive grant money; and

WHEREAS; the Board of Commissioners will allocate funds to the following grant applicants:

- 1. Highland House \$89,974.00

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS; that the above-listed allocation(s) will be distributed.

Moved by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Vogler to approve said Resolution. Motion carried 2-0.

Transfers (Administrative)

- a. Domestic Relations from Material/Supply to Association Dues for \$50.00
- b. DJ Amodie from Temporary/Part Time to Postage for \$200.00

Motion by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Vogler to approve the administrative transfer. Motion carried 2-0.

ORDINANCES

- A. Discussion: None
- B. On the Table: None
- C. For Introduction: None
- D. For Final Action: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. The next Commissioners' Meeting will be on Tuesday, March 3, 2026 @ 10AM in the Commissioners' Meeting Room.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Vogler to adjourn the Lawrence County Commissioners' meeting dated Tuesday, February 24, 2026 @ 10:18 AM. Motion carried 2-0.

