

IN RAY COUNTY COURT WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2025

Present in Ray County Court today were: Sheila Tracy, Presiding Commissioner
Bobby Don Davis, Western Commissioner
Max Hockemeier, Eastern Commissioner
Heather Maulsby, County Clerk

Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to go into session. Commissioner Davis 2nd the motion. Carried 3-0.

Commissioner Tracy led Pledge.

Ray County Election Clerk, Lyndsey Church, led prayer in Pastor Issacson's absence.

Ray County Resident, Rhonda York, announced at the start of the Commission meeting that she was recording.

Open comments:

- Ray County Resident, Kurt Croix, expressed concerns about the condition of his road on W 141st Street in Rayville. He reported that water is not properly flowing into the culvert due to a ditch in front of his driveway and added that vehicles are shaking from the wash boarded road surface. Commissioners will get in touch with Road & Bridge to bring these concerns.

Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Davis 2nd the motion. Carried 3-0.

Commissioners approved payables from Payables Clerk, Trina Hudson and Treasurer, Melissa Holloway.

Commissioners signed Progress Invoice No. 15 for Christian Road Bridge No. 10900071, Project No. BRO-B089 (28).

Zachary Olivas, Project Manager, and Lindsey Chaffin, Vice President, both with Great River Engineering, met with Commissioners to present a formal report for Bridge No. 4020015, over the Henrietta overpass. The report included two proposed alternatives for replacement of the bridge and a third option consisting solely of removal. The proposed alternative with cost estimates are as follows:

1. Prestressed concrete girder bridge with a pedestrian sidewalk – estimated cost: \$9 million
2. Prestressed concrete girder bridge without a pedestrian sidewalk – estimated cost: \$8 million
3. Removal of the existing bridge without constructing replacement (demolition plan) – estimated cost: \$572,150.00.

Great River Engineering has expressed their willingness to work with the Commission on whichever option is determined to be in the County's best interest, and to assist in identifying the most cost-effective solution. The Commission will continue to explore all available avenues, including potential national grant opportunities, and will thoroughly review all information to determine the option that best aligns with the County's long-term goals and needs for bridges with Great River's support. Zachary also provided an update on the Myers Bridge project, which has been extended due to a delay in receiving the Railroad's reviews of the bridge layout. Final design work cannot proceed until that review is completed. MoDot has been aware of the delays and has approved.

Commissioner Davis made a motion to appoint Tammy Summers for the Ray County Hospital Board. Commissioner Hockemeier 2nd the motion. Carried 2-0. Commissioner Tracy recused herself from voting on the motion.

Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to pass a Proclamation recognizing the month of November as Family Caregivers Month as presented from AARP. Commissioner Davis 2nd the motion. Carried 3-0.

Other business:

- Commissioner Hockemeier provided an update regarding the smaller bridge on Buffalo Road, which was previously discussed from the Commission meeting on Thursday, September 25, 2025. He contacted MoDot about the process for obtaining a floodplain permit and was informed that someone would need to be designated as a FEMA floodplain agent. Commissioner Hockemeier volunteered for the role. Commissioner Davis made a motion to designate Commissioner Hockemeier as a FEMA floodplain administrator for the County. Commissioner Tracy 2nd the motion. Carried 2-0.
- Commissioner Tracy read a letter of appreciation from Clinton County that recognized the Ray County Clerk's office and Deputy Clerk Kathy Dugger for all of their help and guidance with payroll last week, ensuring that Clinton County employees were paid on time during a challenging period. Clinton County expressed their sincere gratitude for the support and help provided by Kathy and the Clerk's office.

Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to go out of session. Commissioner Davis 2nd the motion. Carried 3-0.

Work session - Commissioners had a budget work session with Office Holders from 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Court Adjourned

Until THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2025


Presiding Commissioner


Associate Commissioner

IN RAY COUNTY COURT THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2025

Present in Ray County Court today were: Sheila Tracy, Presiding Commissioner
Max Hockemeier, Eastern Commissioner
Heather Maulsby, County Clerk

Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to go into session. Commissioner Tracy 2nd the motion. Carried 2-0.

Ray County Resident, Rhonda York, announced at the start of the Commission meeting that she was recording.

Commissioner Davis was not present for today's Commission meeting.

Kim Williams with the Kansas City Police Department (KCPD), along with Sheriff Blackwell and Major Tom Noon from the Ray County Sheriff's Department, met with Commissioners to discuss and introduce Rowdy, a 5-year-old K-9 who will be transferred from KCPD to Ray County Sheriff's Department as their newest therapy dog. Rowdy previously served with KCPD and was handled by Kim Williams, a member of KCPD's support team. She has been partnered with Rowdy for over five years and felt he would be an excellent addition for Ray County and Major Noon, who will take over as his handler. Although Rowdy was initially trained for drug detection, he lacked the drive to be a full-time narcotics dog. However, he still retains his ability to detect drugs and gets along really well with the Department's other K-9. His primary role will be providing emotional support, helping individuals during times of stress and anxiety, and fostering community engagement. He is especially good with children and is able to sense stress in individuals almost immediately. Rowdy will remain federally certified each year, and his veterinary care will be either free or come at a minimal cost to the department. With his loving, warm, and playful personality, excellent health, and years of experience, Rowdy can be expected to serve the department and community for many years to come.

Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to go out of session. Commissioner Tracy 2nd the motion. Carried 2-0.

Work session - Commissioners had a budget work session with Office Holders from 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Court Adjourned

Until WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2025


Presiding Commissioner


Associate Commissioner

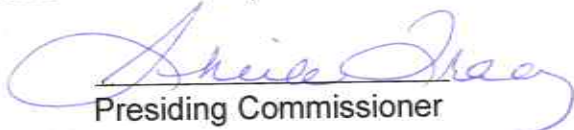
IN RAY COUNTY COURT WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2025

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Bobby Don Davis, Western Commissioner
Max Hockemeier, Eastern Commissioner
Heather Maulsby, County Clerk

Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to go into session. Commissioner Davis 2nd the motion. Carried 3-0.
Pastor Issacson led Pledge and prayer.
Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Davis 2nd the motion. Carried 3-0.
Commissioners approved payables from Ray County Treasurer, Melissa Holloway.
The Commissioners were presented the sales and used tax for the month of October from Ray County Treasurer, Melissa Holloway.
Commissioners signed 11 Plats and 5 Ordinances from Stacy Wolfe, Planning & Zoning.
Dylan Albertson, Employee Benefits Producer, Michelle Martin, Account Manager, and Rob Peirce, Sales Regional Manager, all representing USI Insurance Services, met with Commissioners to present a proposal for employee health insurance at the Courthouse. At the request of the Commission, USI will be gathering comprehensive data on total plan costs, benefits and feedback from other counties to inform the County's decision-making. Dylan will be preparing a fully detailed proposal that addresses all of the County's needs and will present it to the Commission in two weeks.
John Hickman, Benefits Advisor with HIC Agency, met with Commissioners to discuss the current health insurance plan for Courthouse employees. John is currently awaiting renewal proposals from other carriers and plans to present a full proposal to the Commissioners in the coming weeks. He remains committed to delivering exceptional service and support, as well as helping employees receive the most effective health care benefits.
Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to go out of session. Commissioner Davis 2nd the motion. Carried 3-0.
Work session - Commissioners had a budget meeting with Office Holders from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.

Court Adjourned

Until THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2025


Presiding Commissioner


Associate Commissioner

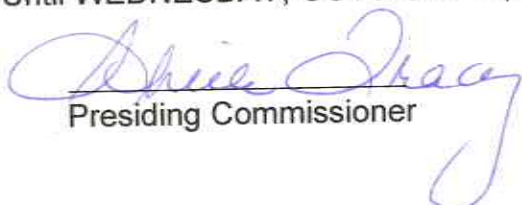
IN RAY COUNTY COURT THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2025

Present in Ray County Court today were: Sheila Tracy, Presiding Commissioner
Bobby Don Davis, Western Commissioner
Max Hockemeier, Eastern Commissioner
Heather Maulsby, County Clerk

Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to go into session. Commissioner Davis 2nd the motion. Carried 3-0.
Commissioners signed Invoice No. 6 for Myers Bridge No. 0170012, Project No. BRO-R089001.
Commissioners discussed a Chevy Suburban that was for sale at the jail. An individual had expressed interest in purchasing the vehicle for \$500.00, which was more than the amount that a company had offered to salvage the vehicle.
Commissioner Davis made a motion to sell the Chevy Suburban to the individual that made the offer in the amount of \$500.00. Commissioner Hockemeier 2nd the motion. Carried 3-0.
Commissioners discussed events held at the Courthouse after hours or during times when no security is present. They expressed concern that unsupervised events during these times pose a significant safety risk for everyone in or around the Courthouse when no security is in place. Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to no longer have after-hour events or activities unsupervised at the Courthouse. Commissioner Davis 2nd the motion. Carried 3-0.
Miranda Jamison, a reporter with the Richmond News, arrived toward the conclusion of the Commission meeting and announced that she was recording.
Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to go out of session. Commissioner Davis 2nd the motion. Carried 3-0.
Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to go into Closed Session Per State Statue Personnel 610.021.3. Commissioner Davis 2nd the motion. Carried 3-0.
Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to go out of Closed Session Per State Statue Personnel 610.021.3.
Commissioner Davis 2nd the motion. Carried 3-0.

Court Adjourned

Until WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2025


Presiding Commissioner


Associate Commissioner

IN RAY COUNTY COURT WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2025

Present in Ray County Court today were: Sheila Tracy, Presiding Commissioner
Max Hockemeier, Eastern Commissioner
Heather Maulsby, County Clerk

Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to go into session. Commissioner Tracy 2nd the motion. Carried 2-0.
Pastor Issacson led Pledge and prayer.

Miranda Jamison, a reporter with the Richmond News, announced at the start of the Commission meeting that she was recording.

Commissioner Davis was not present for today's Commission meeting.

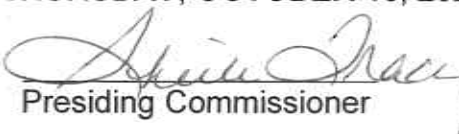
Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Tracy 2nd the motion. Carried 2-0.

Commissioners approved payables from Payables Clerk, Trina Hudson and Treasurer, Melissa Holloway. Mark Huck, Project Manager with Burns & McDonnell, Tom Decker with Decker Construction Services, and Elliot Lightenberg, LPA Construction Inspector with MoDot, met with Commissioners to discuss the Christian Bridge Deck. A final walk-through of the bridge was conducted on September 24, 2025, during which it was noted that the deck's strength had tested lower than expected. Two options were presented for how the County could proceed. The first option involved a cost deduction. The second option proposed waiting one year, with Decker Construction monitoring the deck for any signs of cracking and resealing it if necessary. Tom Decker has committed to the County that his company will perform bridge inspections and complete any necessary repairs identified during the inspection. Burns & McDonnell and Decker Construction expressed confidence in the integrity of the bridge, stating that the deck has continued to gain strength since the final walk-through and now believes it has reached the recommended 4,000 psi. The bridge is well-constructed and designed to accommodate two full truck lanes. MoDot was in full support for either decision by the County, noting that the bridge shows no other concerns and the deck strength continues to improve. Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to reevaluate the bridge in one year. Commissioner Tracy 2nd the motion. Carried 2-0.

Commissioners signed Decker Construction Invoice No.1 for ARPA Project from Public Water Supply District #1.

Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to go out of session. Commissioner Tracy 2nd the motion. Carried 2-0.

Court Adjourned
Until THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2025



Presiding Commissioner



Associate Commissioner

IN RAY COUNTY COURT THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2025

Present in Ray County Court today were: Sheila Tracy, Presiding Commissioner
Max Hockemeier, Eastern Commissioner
Heather Maulsby, County Clerk

Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to go into session. Commissioner Tracy 2nd the motion. Carried 2-0.

Miranda Jamison, a reporter with the Richmond News, announced at the start of the Commission meeting that she was recording.

Commissioner Davis was not present for today's Commission meeting.

Tammy Summers was sworn in as a new member on the Ray County Hospital Board.

Ray County Prosecuting Attorney, Camille Johnston, met with Commissioners to discuss the status of Closson Road. Camille stated that there is no documentation indicating that Closson Road was ever established as a public road to be maintained by the County. Based on her research, as well as consultation with another attorney who had been working on retrieving documents about the road as well, she believes that Closson has never been a public road. Camille will provide the Commissioners with documentation supporting this conclusion so that Commissioners can declare Closson not a public road in the County.

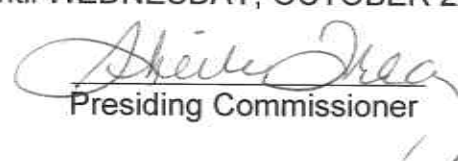
Commissioners signed and approved ARPA funds for Forvis from Ray County Treasurer, Melissa Holloway.

Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to go out of session. Commissioner Tracy 2nd the motion. Carried 2-0.

Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to go into Closed Session Per State Statue Legal 610.021.1. Commissioner Tracy 2nd the motion. Carried 2-0.

Commissioner Hockemeier made a motion to go out of Closed Session Per State Statue Legal 610.021.1. Commissioner Tracy 2nd the motion. Carried 2-0.

Court Adjourned
Until WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2025



Presiding Commissioner



Associate Commissioner