

DEEDS FILED

Trustee’s Deed: Duane L. Scott Trust UTA to Jacob S. Wilber. Tract in Block A, Hospital Addition, Belleville.

Warranty Deed: Ag Marketing Partners LLC to Troy Newman and Christina Newman. S 1.2 SW ¼ and S ½ SE ¼ 11-2-5 except one tract.

Corporation Warranty Deed: BPR Commercial and Residential LLC to Peter L. Coon and Abigail F. Coon. N 46’ of SE ¼ Lot 3, Block 6, Hogin’s Addition, Belleville.

Quit Claim Deed: Sara M. Tilton and Rebecca T. Tilton to Anita D. Abbott Tilton. NW ¼ 58 OT Belleville except the S 5’.

Business Warranty Deed: The Plaza LLC to Edward Joseph Armstrong. E ½ S ½, Lot 4, Block 6, Hogin’s Addition, Belleville.

REPUBLIC COUNTY DISTRICT COURT

CRIMINAL

Ethan Lorimor, Concordia, pled no contest to three counts of misdemeanor battery, granted supervised probation for 12 months, ordered to pay \$903 in fines and costs. The defendant had originally been charged with felony aggravated indecent liberties with a child under the age of 14 in December 2023.

LIMITED CIVIL

LVNV Funding versus Jean Parrack, Belleville, case filed.

LVNV Funding versus Michael Watson, Belleville, case filed.

Credit Management Services versus Angel Herring, Belleville, case filed.

Credit Management Services versus Ryan Minor, Belleville, case filed.

Credit Management Services versus Jennifer Ready, Belleville, case filed.

Abram Ready Mix versus Critel Construction and Buildings, Trumbell NE, case filed.

Credit Management Services versus Kylie Shelly, Belleville, default judgment to the plaintiff of \$957 plus interest and costs.

Credit Management Services versus Joel Spear, Scandia, default judgment to the plaintiff of \$785 plus interest and costs.

Republic County EMS versus Christopher Whitesell, Belleville, case dismissed.

Republic County EMS versus Robert J. Lawson Jr. and Stephanie Lawson, Agenda, case dismissed.

Credit Management Services versus Travis Sanders, Belleville, case dismissed.

Credit Management Services versus Brittney Wieland, Belleville, default judgment to the plaintiff of \$952 plus interest and costs.

TD Bank USA versus Marsha A. Jensen, Scandia, judgment to the plaintiff of \$10,007.

SMALL CLAIMS

Gary L. Huntington Jr. versus Cody Palecek Sr., Munden. Judgment to the plaintiff of \$397.50.

Roger McCartney versus Ricky Fry, Belleville, judgment to the plaintiff of \$1,207 plus interest.

CIVIL

NewRez LLC d/b/a Shell-point Mortgage Services versus Julie A. Garlow a/k/a Julie A. Lambert, Schyler Ann Lambert. Case filed.

Astra Bank versus Jerad Sasser, case dismissed.

DOMESTIC

Rita Ann Turowski and Harold Thomas Turowski, Belleville, divorce granted.

MARRIAGE LICENSE

Dominick Beal, Lawrence, and Laurel Fischer, Belleville, license issued.

REPUBLIC COUNTY SHERIFF

June 14
Agency assist in 2400 block of Bismark RD. Benton ST in Cuba for a noise complaint. Noise not located.

Granite RD near 90 RD for report of abandoned vehicle. Owner contacted. 600 block of Benton ST in Cuba for noise complaint. Deputies and BPD responded to 30 RD near US36 for injury auto accident involving Faith Woods, 15, Beloit, driving a 1999 Toyota. The report said the vehicle was southbound on 30 RD when it began to leave the roadway. The driver overcorrected and left the roadway to the west into a field, rolling 1.5 times, coming to rest on its top. Woods and two passengers in the vehicle, Katerina Bronkova, 15 and Vojtech Bronk, 17, were reported injured and transported to Republic County Hospital by ambulances. The accident occurred at 5:25 p.m.

June 15
US81 north of Timber RD for dead animal in roadway. Animal was removed. 1100 block of 16th ST for report of damage to property.

June 16
150 RD near Penn RD for vehicle accident. 1200 block of 230 RD for possible runaway. Talmo LN near K-148 for report of possible weather conditions.

June 18
170 RD near Fir RD for vehicle-deer accident. US81 near Queen RD for driving complaint.

June 19
Deputies and BPD responded to 2200 block of US81 for person assist. Deputies and BPD responded to 1200 block of L ST for report of a verbal disturbance.

June 20
900 block of Penn RD for report of stolen 2013 Ford Mustang valued at \$35,000 from Kurtis Hall, Scandia.

TRAFFIC STOPS: 7
PAPERS SERVED: 3

BELLEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

June 17
Welfare check in the 1300 block of 28th. No criminal activity occurred.

June 18
1700 block of 15th for a noise complaint. No criminal activity occurred.

June 19
1700 block of M St. for a report of littering. All parties contacted and issue was dealt with.

June 20
Officer received information in regards to a theft case. Upon further investigation a search warrant was obtained and with the assistance of the Republic County Sheriff, officer executed the search warrant and some property was recovered. Further information will be provided when the investigation is complete.

June 21
Officer assisted the Sheriff’s Office with a domestic incident near Scandia.

TRAFFIC STOPS: 4
VIN INSPECTIONS: 4

REPUBLIC COUNTY COMMISSION

The Republic County Commission met in regular session on Monday, June 16, 2025, at 8:30 a.m. at the Republic County Courthouse. Commissioners at-

tending were Doug Jackson and Edwin Splichal. Tim Eitzmann was absent. Clerk Kathleen Marsicek was present to record the minutes. Deb Hadachek, Belleville Telescope, monitored most of the meeting.

Robin Carlson, Honorable Mayor of Courtland, reported that the City of Courtland is doing well.

- Carlson thanked the county for assisting with the citywide cleanup that was ending June 16.
- Carlson asked when Courtland would be receiving the asphalt that was requested later in 2024. Commissioner Splichal advised Carlson to contact the Road and Bridge department to verify when the asphalt would be available.
- Carlson invited the commissioners to join the Courtland Fun Day Festivities July 25 to July 26.
- Carlson had received word that the Grand opening of CVA was planned for Monday, July 28.

Fay Jones, Health Department Administrator, reported on activities and proposed projects for the Health Department.

- With the Federal cuts in funding the Women Infant and Child (WIC) program was taking a big hit on local funding nationwide, but Republic County would be getting an increase in funds due to the needs of rural areas.
- Jones explained that the workforce grant program for Public Health Infrastructure awarded Republic County \$68,000. With these funds, Jones is seeking bids to update the windows and the lights in the health department building and remodel the breakroom. Jones will present bids when they are received.
- Jones explained that the Safe Kids coalition supplies bike helmets and infant car seats that Republic County has received in the past. The National Convention is in October, and she would like permission to send a representative. The subject was tabled until all commissioners are in attendance.
- Jones explained that one area of the hospital health assessment for Republic County is concerned with community health and wellness. One suggestion Jones suggested was to develop a community garden for all to benefit from fresh vegetables. Topic was tabled until a later date.

Kay Shoemaker, Republic County Development **secretary**, presented for signatures the loan release and release of insurance collateral for Daniel Douglas and Geo.W. Hays & Son, Inc for the completion of repayment in full of all loan funds.

Clerk Marsicek presented 2 resolutions for action.

- Resolution No. 2025-19 to transfer unused funds from R&B general to Special Highway Improvements in the amount of \$300,000.
- Resolution No. 2025-20 to transfer unused funds from EMS general to Special Ambulance Equipment in the amount of \$80,000.

The resolutions were approved.

Raymond Raney, Emergency Manager, presented for signatures the easement agreement between Republic County and Fred Levendofsky. The board approved the easement.

Ken Robbins and David Pratt presented for review the Highway, Transportation, Bridge, and Solid Waste information.

- Robbins delivered the weekly community concerns and projects completed report.
- Robbins reported that approximately 120 people attended the CAT open house at the commercial building on June 12.
- Robbins explained that

both semi tractors used to haul the solid waste to Topeka are out of commission and a tractor has been rented to continue the contract hauling. Robbins asked permission to research and purchase another semi-tractor. Commissioner Splichal made a motion to approve the purchase up to \$100,000 on a semi-tractor. Commissioner Jackson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- Robbins contacted Campbell and Johnson to survey the land where the Republic County Poor Farm Cemetery is located.
- Robbins announced the hiring of 2 employees. One is a part-time bus driver, Carol Robbins. The other is an operator 1, Trevor Humphries.
- Robbins introduced David Pratt, the asphalt project leader. Pratt explained the 2025 Highway department pavement preservation plan. After driving all the roads in Republic County, David rated each asphalt road to determine the condition. There are 85 miles of county-maintained asphalt roads and only 4 miles were rated as poor, 6 miles were rated average, 7 miles were fair, 14 miles were very good, 21 miles excellent and 33 miles were rated good. The plan is to start with the 4 miles that were rated poor.
- Pratt stated that Republic County has received 4300 tons of millings from the US 36 project.

Clerk Marsicek presented for signature the agreement with Lindburg Vogel Pierce Faris Chartered to prepare the 2026 Republic County budget.

Raney returned to the meeting to ask permission to attend the International APCO conference in Baltimore in July. All expenses are paid through 911 grants. The commissioners granted permission.

Clerk Marsicek reported that the 2025 Republic County valuation is \$94,365,361. This amount is \$146,695 less than the 2024 valuation.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

REPUBLIC COUNTY/ USD 109

The regular meeting of the Board of Education, Republic County Unified School District No. 109, was held at the administration office on June 16, 2025. Board members present: Brent Martin, Brady Alexander, Brian McCartney, Chris Pachta, Mike Kollath, and Edward Sandberg. Laura Leite joined by GoogleMeet. Also present were Principals Lindsay Cravens, Eric Jones, and Katie Struebing, Superintendent Tami Knedler, Maintenance/Transportation Director Andy Horner, and Board Clerk Darice Wilkinson. Other guests as registered.

The regular board meeting was called to order by Brent Martin at 7:32 p.m. followed by the pledge of allegiance.

The empty chair philosophy was observed.

Approval of Payment of Claims. Various bills were discussed.

The board approved the

payment of claims totaling \$321,549.43.

Approval of Consent Agenda.

The board approved the consent agenda items as amended and follows:

1. Approved BOE Minutes of May 12, 2025
2. Approved Donations, Gifts, and Grants totaling \$36,742.82
3. Approved 2025-2026 Non-Athletic Supplemental Duties
4. Approved Supplemental Sports Contracts for 2025-2026
4. Approved Personnel Report
5. Approved East Elementary Handbooks
6. Approved the 2026 Child Nutrition Program Agreement and Procurement Plan
7. Approved the Cardiac Emergency Plan
8. Approved the HERD Goals (Strategic Plan)
9. Approved the 2025 Kansas Homeland Security Region F Hazard Mitigation Plan (Resolution #13-6-25)
10. Acknowledged the Thank You from East Elementary Staff
11. Approved Supplemental Personnel Report
12. Acknowledged the Thank You from the City of Munden

Administrative Reports:

Site Council Reports:

Katie Struebing and Lindsay Cravens shared topics discussed at the meetings held through the year. The Junior Senior High School is considering adding students to the site council next year.

East Principal, Katie Struebing:

Katie Struebing expressed gratitude for all the people helping to make end of school year events go well.

JH Principal, Eric Jones:

- JH Student Council elections were done differently this year with speeches done by zoom or google meet
- Citizenship Award winners were Leo Collette and Jaylie Heitmann
- Mr. Baxa is teaching the Leapes Stem Academy in June
- 7th Grade girls were League Track champions
- Summer Weights – JH has several attending
- Summer League teams are doing well

RCHS Principal, Lindsay Cravens: Written report provided. Items noted:

- 25-26 Calendar finalized – Noted change was graduation scheduled for Saturday rather than Sunday (Mother’s Day)
- Booster Club golf tournament and Seafood Boil was a success – funds going toward weight room needs
- 23 students completed Drivers Education
- June 3 attended a Standards Alignment workshop with other administrators-gained helpful resources
- Thanked the custodian and maintenance crew for their hard work this summer

Superintendent Tami Knedler:

- Standards Alignment Workshop
- Administrators currently working on the Needs Assessment required for the budget process. Board will discuss the needs assess-

ment at July meeting.

- Shared video of the new gym floor

Maintenance/Transportation, Andy Horner:

- Transportation been busy with transportation requests and Summer School routes
- Maintenance is working on teacher requests
- Sprinkler system at the practice field is installed and should be functional by end of week
- Currently working on drainage project by FACS entrance and will also do drainage work by the 6th grade entrance
- Playground equipment is here and will be installed this week
- Construction on the entrances at the Jr. Sr. High School begins this week
- City will be moving gas meter on the NW corner closer to the building – Will remove sign once completed
- Transit van that was ordered will be here sooner than expected – 4-6 months expected delivery date
- Gym floor should be usable by Wednesday of this week

Business Items and Reports:

Trap Shooting, Todd Robinson:

Todd Robinson shared participation and cost information on starting a shooting sports club. Board consensus was that a “champion” for the cause was needed before the board could discuss making a commitment.

June 2025 KASB Policy Update:

Superintendent Knedler briefly went through the first read of the 12 policy revisions and 2 new policies.

KICS Renewal for 25-26

Superintendent Knedler shared the 2025-2026 renewal rates for business, property, liability, and worker’s compensation insurance. The total cost decreased by \$13,686.65 from previous year. The board members discussed an option to increase cyber coverage with the renewal for an additional cost. Additional research on cyber coverage is recommended for future renewals. The renewal was approved.

Authorize Superintendent and Board Clerk to make Year End Transfers and Pay Bills as Needed: The board authorized the superintendent and board clerk to make end of year transfers and to pay bills as necessary to close FY25.

Executive Session for Discussion of Non-Elected Personnel:

The board recessed into executive session with the superintendent to discuss 2025-2026 classified pay schedules, exempt/nonexempt salaried employee pay and admin pay pursuant to the non-elected personnel 9:22 p.m. The board members and Tami Knedler entered executive session 9:37 p.m. The board members and Tami Knedler returned to open session

The board approved the classified pay schedule, exempt/nonexempt salaried pay, and admin pay for 2025-2026 as presented and discussed.

The meeting adjourned at 9:38 p.m.



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