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these stressful times are having on them. If we work on this challenge in the next 20 years like we have in the last 20 years, I can't wait to see the advancements the next generation of farmers and ranchers make to further break down the stigma surrounding mental health.

About the author: Will Stutterheim has more than 20 years of experience helping individuals and families cope with the pressures of agriculture through mental health therapy and education.

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Lebo Council discusses lake concerns, GIS program, and Fourth of July celebration

Ida Wilson
Reporter

LEBO — Mayor Eric Ferguson opened the June 2 meeting of the Lebo City Council by addressing concerns circulating among residents about Lebo Lake. He emphasized that the council has made no decisions to permanently drain the lake.

Ben Kramer of Kramer Consulting in Topeka, who has worked on lake-related issues for years, attended the meeting to provide an update. He is currently finalizing state-required plans and specifications for renovating the Lebo Lake Dam. Early in the meeting, Ferguson opened the floor for public comment on the topic.

Among those who spoke was local resident and business owner Joe Shoemaker, who suggested that draining the lake could be an option for housing development if funding for the dam renovation could not be secured. Kramer noted that the renovation plans are nearly complete and will soon be submitted to the State of Kansas for approval. A special meeting was scheduled for Monday, June 16.

Mayor Ferguson presided over the full council: Will Baker, Troy Friend, Amanda Hopkins, Jim Jones, and Nick Sanchez. Also present were Coffey County Commissioners Todd Barker and Wayde Thomsen.

Brandon Smith of Public Wholesale Water Supply District #12 (PWWSD #12) introduced the Geographic Information System (GIS) program offered by the Kansas Rural Water Association, which maps water and sewer systems. The council plans to consider adding the program to the 2026 budget.

Ferguson also reported that PWWSD #12 is conducting a free chlorine burnout in its system from May 26 to June 23.

Scott Hein and Scott Smith presented the monthly utility report. The maintenance department had repaired two water leaks, worked on water main valves with the Kansas Rural Water Association, flushed and exercised fire hydrants, mowed and sprayed, cleaned curbs and gutters, and finished preparing the swimming pool. They also completed 61 utility locates and are working with APAC on street overlay and chip sealing projects.

Hein reported that Arlan Company had completed most of the council-approved ball field maintenance. He added that the downtown water tower's electrical restoration project should be finished by the end of June.

Council member Javier Muro raised concerns about undeveloped road easements now serving homes beyond the current pavement, including areas on Sycamore Street north of Fifth, Walnut south of College, and Cedar Street south of Second. Discussion also included the private road on Murphy's Elevator property, which lies within city limits but begins on a railroad right of way off South Ogden. The matter was tabled for future budget discussions.

Lebo Police Officer Aaron Cathcart submitted a written report for May that included: 2 citizen complaints, 5 traffic stops, 5 agency assists, 1 juvenile issue, and 4 other calls.

City Clerk Carrie Sloan distributed the monthly financial reports, sales tax distribution, and the Westar franchise fee report. She also presented a financial analysis related to the proposed municipal swimming pool and shared upcoming election information.

Flyers were made available for The Wall That Heals exhibit, which will be on display in Emporia later this summer. A group of motorcycles and classic vehicles plans to travel from the Lebo American Legion to the Emporia American Legion for the event.

Sloan also shared a letter from Janice A. Nielsen of Hawaii, who has researched Harold Spatz, a Lebo native and member of the Doolittle Raid. Nielsen funded a "Seat of Honor" plaque for Spatz at the Pearl Harbor Aviation Museum and is working to have his name added to the list of notable individuals buried at the National Cemetery of the Pacific.

Sloan informed the council that the city's application for a Towns Grant through the Office of Rural Prosperity was not selected. However, she plans to resubmit the project for the SEEDS Grant Program. She noted that competition was high, with seven times more applications than available funding.

Catherine Griffin reported two municipal court cases, one variance request, and eight permits. As coordinator of the Stars and Stripes Celebration, she announced the city had mailed a newsletter and the city's annual Consumer Confidence Report on water quality.

The council approved funding for the 2025 Stars and Stripes Celebration, with an $11,600 budget: $8,000 from the general fund, $2,460 in donations, and $1,000 from the Economic Development Fund. The council also approved closing streets as needed for the event.

Griffin reported no applications were received for the head umpire or field scheduling director positions for summer baseball and softball. She and Muro volunteered to share both duties and split the $920 stipend, which the council approved.

The council held two executive sessions totaling 35 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel in accordance with K.S.A. 75-4319. No action was taken following the sessions.

The meeting adjourned at 10 p.m. after nearly three hours.

Public Notices

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RESOLUTION
NO. 2025-949

A RESOLUTION COMMENCING PROCEEDING TO VACATE CERTAIN PORTIONS OF 5TH ROAD, BEGINNING ONE-QUARTER MILE EAST OF BLACKBIRD ROAD CONTINUING EAST APPROXIMATELY ONE-QUARTER MILE TO THE END OF THE TRAVELED WAY

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Coffey County, Kansas (hereinafter "the Board") is the governing body of Coffey County, Kansas (hereinafter "the County"), and is charged with the responsibility of determining whether roads within the County should be laid out, altered or vacated, pursuant to K.S.A. 68-102 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that certain portions of 5th road, beginning one quarter mile East of Blackbird road continuing East approximately one-quarter mile to the end of the traveled way, all of which is located in Coffey County, Kansas (as described more fully herein), is not a public utility by reason of neglect, nonuse, or inconvenience or from other cause or causes such road has become practically impassable and the necessity for such road as a public utility does not justify the expenditure of the necessary funds to repair such road or put the same in condition for public travel; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to vacate certain portions 5th road, beginning one-quarter mile East of Blackbird road continuing East approximately one-quarter mile to the end of the traveled way, to wit;

1. That the following portion of 5th road, beginning one-quarter mile East of Blackbird road continuing East approximately one-quarter mile to the end of the traveled way should be vacated, as contemplated by K.S.A. 68-102(b):

Beginning at the Northwest Corner of the East Half of the Northwest Quarter of Section 36, Township 22 South, Range 13 East of the 6th P.M. Coffey County, Kansas, thence East one-quarter mile to the Northeast corner of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 36.

2. That a public hearing shall be scheduled for the purpose of determining whether the above-described road should be vacated. Said hearing shall be held in Commission's Room of the Coffey County Courthouse, 110 S. 6th, Burlington, Kansas, on June 30, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

3. That any person wishing to appear at the aforementioned hearing and give evidence or testimony thereon may do so.

4. That at the conclusion of the aforementioned hearing, the Board shall determine what road or part of the road described herein are to be vacated.

5. That this Resolution shall be published in the official county newspaper.

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF COFFEY COUNTY, KANSAS ON THIS 16TH DAY OF JUNE, 2025.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS,
COFFEY COUNTY, KANSAS
/s/ Wayde Thomsen, Chairman
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/s/ Michael Abendroth, Member
/s/ Mark A. Petterson, Member
/s/ Todd Barker, Member

(SEAL)

ATTEST:
Angie Kirchner,
County Clerk by
/s/ Kacy Peres,
Deputy County Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
/s/ Wade H. Bowie II,
County Attorney

Smith

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employees (ICE) enforcing federal immigration laws.

Then another Democrat — Lyndon Baines Johnson — in March 1965, on the eve of the momentous civil rights march from Selma to Montgomery, Ala. called in the national guard to protect protesters and law enforcement officers from rising angry white rage across the South, bypassing bombastic George Wallace.

The idea that posse comitatus limits Trump's actions is bogus.

— Dean Halliday Smith is a fifth generation Kansan, a retired attorney, a grandfather several times over, a Vietnam veteran, and a civil war historian. Territorial Kansas, the Civil War, and the post-Civil War west are his subjects of interest. His small farm is near where the historic Santa Fe Trail converged on the "Pawnee Fork" along the west route of the SFT. Check out Ron's western anthology writing at Amazon.

History

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100 years ago (1925)

➤ Farmers report that the oats are ripening ahead of the wheat in many fields in Coffey County this year, which is somewhat unusual, and according to them, happens only about once every five years.

➤ Your money's worth, and more too, is what you are promised by the management, when the Moon Bros.' circus comes to town. First, will be the big free street parade over a half mile long with its bands of music, automatic calliope, dens of wild animals, elephants, camels, llamas, high bred horses, sacred cow, funny clowns, and other novel features of this show, and then immediately after the parade, a big free act will take place, before the big show starts in the great tent. The circus will also be in Waverly and Gridley.

➤ Local physicians and the county health officer unite in warning the youngsters not to play in the stagnant water in Rock Creek at this season of the year when there is more danger of typhoid and malaria as well as summer complaint.

125 years ago (1900)

➤ LeRoy suffered quite a loss from fire about midnight last Saturday night. Two one-story frame buildings on the east side of main street burned to the ground. They were occupied by C. W. Bowman, furniture and undertaker; C. T. High, city clerk and real estate; Mr. Reddington, implements, and John Quiggle, justice's office. A portion of the Reddington stock was about all that was saved. All other stock of the other businesses were entirely consumed along with all papers, records, notes including all of the LeRoy city records.

➤ While the farmers are busy plowing corn, harvesting wheat, etc., their wives are busy also, if we are to judge from the fine gardens and flocks of young chickens, some of them having four or five hundred.

➤ The infant son of Ammon Farmer, of Lebo, died of whooping-cough Monday and was buried in the Hoover cemetery. Several of the little ones in this locality are suffering with the dreadful plague.

150 years ago (1875)

➤ Coffey County expects half a crop of peaches.

➤ Several citizens of Neosho Falls attended a meeting at LeRoy on Sunday last. They say they had a good time, but some of them complain that the ride gave them a headache, possibly that may have come from sitting on beer kegs.

➤ The Burlington Patriot says that a thin sprinkling of lime will keep grasshoppers from destroying crops.

160 years ago (1865)

➤ The ladies of LeRoy and vicinity, deserve great praise for their untiring energy in getting up, and management of their Festival. Two hundred and fifty dollars and sixty-five cents were raised for the purpose of purchasing a bell and finishing the cupola of the M. E. Church.

➤ The corn, potato and winter wheat crops are thriving encouragingly. We never saw better in command of Major Haas, passed through Burlington on Wednesday last, on their way to Council Grove. They are to remain at Council Grove or Fort Riley till they get paid off, and then to proceed immediately to the Rio Grande in Texas. The boys are highly elated at this idea. The command made an imposing appearance as it passed through town.

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