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The Coffey County Republican

Thursday, July 10, 2025

Garage Sales

FRIDAY & SATURDAY, JULY 11-12. 8 to 5. Furniture, Christmas, bedding, dishes, clothes. Lots of misc. 117 E. Kennebec, Burlington. 28-1tp

Help Wanted

STREET DEPARTMENT, HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR: City of Burlington is accepting applications: street/heavy equipment operator. Position open until filled. Applications available at City Hall, 1013 N. 4th, P.O. Box 207, Burlington, KS 66839. Online - burlingtonkansas.gov. Ph: 620-364-5334. HS Diploma/GED; Kansas CDL within 90 days; be able to operate dept. equipment. Competitive wages based on skill and experience. EOE. 28-4tc

COFFEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S Office is accepting applications for a full-time Deputy. Pay range depends on applicants' experience and qualifications. Lateral transfers accepted. Deputy: \$22.41/hr- \$30.74/hr Benefits: KP&F retirement; employer paid health insurance with options to add children and spouse; employer paid dental for the employee and immediate family; additional optional insurance benefits including Life, Accident, Cancer, etc.; immediate accrual of sick and vacation time off; 10 paid holidays; annual longevity pay up to \$1,800/year. Opportunities for growth and advancement throughout the agency include: Court Security, K-9 Handler(s), Drone Program, School Resource Officer(s), Special Response Team, Paid training and continuing education opportunities, other opportunities as they become available.

Must be 21 years of age or older. High school diploma or G.E.D. is required. Coffey County residency preferred, but not required. Take home if you live within 45 miles of Coffey County. Applicants must possess a valid Kansas driver's license, cannot have any felony or domestic violence convictions, and will

be required to pass a physical and a Drug and Alcohol test.

You may pick up an application and job description at the Sheriff's Office located at 625 Neosho St. Burlington, KS 66839. Applications may also be obtained by going online to CFSSO Application for Employment (coffeycountysheriff.org).

Coffey County Sheriff's Office is an Equal Opportunity Employer and a Veteran's Preference Employer. Coffey County Sheriff's Office considers applicants for all positions without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, the presence of a non-job-related medical condition or disability, or any other legally protected status. Coffey County Sheriff's Office will not refuse to hire a disabled applicant who is qualified to perform the requirements of the job with reasonable accommodations. Applicants may request reasonable accommodations, during the application/interview process. 27-3tc

COOKS, WAITRESSES, DISHWASHERS needed immediately at Across the Border. Apply in person. 23-tfn

DELIVERY DRIVER/INSERT ASSOCIATE Looking for person to work Wednesday mornings (6 to 8 a.m.) for local newspaper. Duties include picking up and dropping off newspapers and using labeling machine. Must be 21 years old with good driving record. Requires physical labor. Company vehicle available for use. Interested candidates must apply in person at 324 Hudson St., Burlington 66839. 5-tfn

Meetings

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, AL-ANON, (620) 364-6761, (620) 203-8294, 364-6534, (580) 235-6254. Tuesdays 7:30 p.m., 207 S. Sixth, Burlington. tfn/nc

CELEBRATE RECOVERY, SUNDAYS, 6 p.m. Waverly Community Building. tfn/nc



Accepting applications for INSTALLER

Installation experience required to deliver and install cabinets and countertops. We service the regional midwest. Must have a good driving record and pass a drug screen and a background check. Strong organizational and customer service skills required.

- Salary based on experience.
- Holidays, Vacation
- Insurance, 401(k)

EOE

Apply in Person
Countertop Trends, LLC
406 Main Street
Gridley, KS 66852



Accepting applications for PRODUCTION WORKERS

Experience working in a manufacturing environment is preferred but not required. Must possess good math and organizational skills. Working knowledge of power tools and machinery is helpful. Must pass a drug screen and a background check.

- Salary based on experience.
- Holidays, Vacation
- Insurance, 401(k)

EOE

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Gridley, KS 66852



Accepting applications for TRUCK DRIVER

CDL - Class A NOT Required
Minimum two years driving experience required to deliver cabinets and countertops in the regional midwest. Must have a good driving record and pass a drug screen and a background check.

Strong organizational, customer service skills required.

- Salary based on experience.
- Holidays, Vacation
- Insurance, 401(k)

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IT WORKS!

History

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100 years ago (1925)

► The explosion of an oil stove at the home of I. R. Jones in LeRoy about noon Wednesday received a prompt response from the fire department and the local bucket brigade. The principal damage was to a practically new oil stove.

► Southbound traffic in Burlington on Third street, and north bound on Fourth hereafter will be required to come to a full stop before going onto Neosho Street. This is a new rule by the city and is made to avoid accidents. The city also intends to put a stop to jay walking at intersections and in the middle of the blocks.

► Joyland Bathing Beach, one-half mile west and one-half south of the Sunnyside school house between Burlington and LeRoy, is the county's newest and one of the most popular swimming holes in the Neosho River. Sunday there were 200 persons in the river enjoying a number of fea-

Commissioners continue work on 2026 budget

BURLINGTON — During a budget workshop on June 30, Emily Franks of Jarred Gilmore & Phillips worked with the Coffey County Commission to refine the proposed 2026 county budget. Key discussions included funding adjustments for the Burlington Senior Center, the Housing Authority, solid waste operations, jail bond payments, and the mental wellness fund.

► **Burlington Senior Center:** Commissioners debated the center's request, noting a \$25,000 increase last year and a \$12,000 increase this year, with projects still incomplete. The board agreed to set the 2026 allocation at \$25,000, down from \$52,000, allowing the center to request additional project funds separately if needed.

► **Housing Authority:** Commissioners opted to keep the budget flat rather than approve a \$9,000 increase, noting that additional requests can be made later if necessary.

► **Solid Waste Fund:** The solid waste fund was projected to be \$156,000 short. To resolve this, commissioners agreed to shift \$250,000 in wages to the general fund, removing them from the solid waste budget to prevent duplicate allocations.

► **Jail Debt Service:** The county faced a \$76,000 shortfall in 2025 jail bond payments. Commissioners agreed to shift \$80,000 in interest income to the debt ser-

vice fund. They also discussed projecting \$150,000 to \$200,000 in jail income for 2025 and \$750,000 for 2026, based on federal and out-of-county inmate housing.

► **Mental Wellness Fund:** Commissioners reduced the 2025 mental wellness budget from \$653,000 to \$50,000, leaving the 2026 amount at \$250,000, with flexibility for future adjustments based on board requests.

► **Mill Levy Discussions:** The board aimed to lower the mill levy below the initial 62.119. After cuts to capital outlay, wage reserves, and community improvement, they reduced the levy to approximately 56.06. Commissioners preferred a CPI-based increase (around 3-4%), which would be right at 54 mills, rather than meeting the revenue neutral rate (RNR) of 51.938.

By the end of the July 7 meeting, commissioners were able to make additional adjustments that lowered the budget right around the 54 mills goal.

► **Rural Fire District:** The proposed levy exceeded the RNR slightly. Commissioners supported allowing the increase to maintain adequate equipment reserves.

The board has notified the county clerk of its intent to exceed the RNR. They will continue to refine the budget before final adoption.

Grants

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for the Infrastructure Grants: Burlington - \$209,864.50, Gridley - \$42,431, Lebo - \$77,855, LeRoy - \$56,700.50, New Strawn - \$49,431, Waverly - \$63,718.

Additionally, the board authorized a letter to Environmental Biologist Wes Fleming regarding the annual management of Coffey County Lake and approved a special event cereal malt beverage license for Frog Creek Fighting Bulls, LLC, near Lebo.

In other business: ♦ Connie Lawrence was reappointed as Coffey County Appraiser for another four-year term.

♦ Commissioners approved a revised land lease agreement with the City of Lebo for a communication tower site. The lease, now expanded to 100 x 100 feet, allows better access to a gate on the east side of the property.

♦ The board held a brief public hearing to consider the vacation of a 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. With no public comments, the board approved Resolution No. 2025-950 to vacate the designated stretch.

The commission also approved the 2024 audit as presented by Emily

Franks, of Jarred, Gilmore & Phillips, and signed an engagement letter for the firm to handle the 2025 audit.

Sheriff Tom Johnson discussed potential revenue streams from the Law Enforcement Center to provide additional information to commissioners concerning the 2026 budget.

John Griffin, CFO of COF Training Services, requested \$180,000 in 2026 county funds to continue supporting local services for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The amount is unchanged from this year. COF serves about 40 individuals in the county through day programs and two 24/7 group homes. Griffin said county funds help cover unfunded services, including food, transportation, and required nursing staff. With an eight-year state waiting list and rising costs, COF uses local support to serve individuals lacking state funding. The agency employs about 40 people in the county.

Prior to adjourning, commissioners met in a 10-minute executive session to discuss matters deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship, regarding an ongoing consultation agreement.

Update

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preferred strategy to sup-

tures the Wright brothers put in such as a diving platform, cables, and two tents for dressing rooms. The Wright brothers do not charge the swimmers.

► Winwood Dairy Farm is going to start an ice cream wagon as an experiment. They will use their old milk wagon till they see whether they can afford something better. There has never been an ice cream wagon here but most towns the size of Burlington have one.

125 years ago (1900)

► The C. C. P., the new paper at Waverly, has slipped a cog already. There was no issue this week on account of the absence of the editor. Another evidence of weakness is the fact that it has an editor and an associate editor. A country paper with more than one editor always leads a precarious existence.

► A good result of Friday night's heavy rain was the thorough washing of the bed of Rock Creek. The rainfall, according to Mr. Maxwell's rain gauge, was 3.25 inches.

► A cyclone passed over

port sustainable growth.

Commissioners and Yanez also discussed re-engaging KDOT for potential improvements to Old Highway 50 and U.S. 75, including turn lanes and signals. CFS will provide revised site sketches and a proposal outlining infrastructure needs and associated costs.

Following Yanez's presentation, Massey offered a status report on SSM's progress. Operating in facilities at the county airport and in Lebo, the company is privately funded and expected to be in full production by the end of the year. Massey praised the county's foresight and shared that SSM has already brought 56 truckloads of high-end manufacturing equipment into Coffey County.

Massey requested consideration for either extending SSM's lease on the county-owned home at the industrial park site, purchasing the property, or receiving timely notice to vacate before the August 31 lease expiration. He noted the location's strategic value to the company's growth and its proximity to both facilities. Massey stressed SSM's commitment to long-term operations in the county and reiterated that the company is not currently backed by CHIPS Act funding. SSM's parent company, FLMST Capital Management Group, has submitted CHIPS Act applications that have not been denied.

Commissioners expressed appreciation for SSM's investment in Coffey County and will consider the request as part of ongoing site development planning.

Waverly

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Following the parade, the Brody Buster Band will take the stage for a live performance. Homemade ice cream will be served by the Class of 2026.

The celebration wraps up Tuesday, July 15, with a concession stand hosted by the classes of 2028-2029 starting at 6 p.m., and a 7 p.m. stage show featuring Wayne Wedlin. A baby show, also scheduled for 7 p.m. at the city park, will recognize little ones in two divisions: babies born between January 2025 and July 2025, and those born between July 2024 and December 2024. The Class of 2027 will serve homemade ice cream.

Throughout Monday and Tuesday evenings, carnival games and entertainment by WEEE Entertainment will be available in the park.

Warrants

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SAME	\$17,860.28
SAME	\$5,100.00
Noxious Weed	\$226,261.93
Employee Benefit	
AMERICAN UNITED LIFE	
Employee Benefits \$6,379.28	
ELIXIR RX SOLUTIONS, LLC	
Employee Benefits..	\$50,957.91
SAME	\$5.05
SAME	\$28,841.60
SAME	\$140.00
SAME	\$7.07
KPERS	
Employee Benefits .	\$(11,710.82)
MALONEY, A (HSA)	
HSA	\$345.84
NATIONAL INSURANCE MKTG.	
Employee Benefits	\$6.48
TRUSTPOINT INSURANCE	
Insurance	\$18,346.40
Employee Benefit.....	\$93,318.81
Fire District No. 1	
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Ad Val. Tax	\$47,044.23
Fire District No. 1	\$47,044.23
Solid Waste	
ARB, WAYNE	
Utilities	\$75.00
BLACKSTONE ENVIRON.	
Engineering.....	\$3,230.00
BOMGAARS SUPPLY	
Repair	\$124.99
SAME	\$1.98
SAME	\$47.98
SAME	\$29.97
SAME	\$47.96
SAME	\$44.99
BURLINGTON AUTO SUPPLY	
Supplies.....	\$36.04
CALDWELL AUTO PARTS	
Repair	\$221.68
SAME	(\$36.00)
CARD SERVICES (R&B)	
Supplies.....	\$30.23
SAME	\$120.37
CHAMPLIN TIRE RECYCLING	
Contracts	\$3,435.60
CINTAS FIRST AID	
Supplies.....	\$101.39
CLASSIC VENDING	
Equipment Rental....	\$12.00
SAME	\$19.50
Supplies.....	\$19.50
CONTINENTAL RESEARCH	
Supplies.....	\$715.11
FOLEY INDUSTRIES, INC	
Repair	\$237.12
SAME	\$104.69
HIGHWAY DEPT.	
Supplies.....	\$28.80
HOOVERS THRIFTWAY #213	
Supplies.....	\$173.15
HORNET FIRE PROTECTION	
Insp. & Testing	\$103.00
LEWIS OIL CO.,INC	
Fuel/Oil	\$1,452.40
RURAL WATER #3	
Utilities	\$40.93