



**Board of Riley County
Commissioners
Regular Meeting
Agenda
July 13, 2026**

115 N 4th Street
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Cindy Kabriel
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Commission Chambers

8:30 AM

District 1 – John Ford, Vice-Chair

District 2 – Greg McKinley, Member

District 3 – Kathryn Focke, Chair

8:30 AM

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment

Commission Comments

Business Meeting

1. Review and approval of Indemnification & Hold Harmless Agreement
2. Change Order University Park Water Line Relocation
3. Riley County Purchasing Card Request
4. Riley County Employee Action Form

Review Minutes

5. Board of Riley County Commissioners - Regular Meeting - Jul 9, 2026 8:30 AM

Review Tentative Agenda

6. Tentative Agenda

Press Conference Topics

9:00 AM

Rich Vargo, County Clerk

7. YTD Budget and Expenditures

9:15 AM

Brittany Phillips, Budget and Finance Officer

8. Indication of Revenue Neutral Rate for Riley County Rural Fire District #1
9. Indication of Revenue Neutral Rate for Valleywood Operations Benefit District
10. Indication of Revenue Neutral Rate for University Park Water & Sewer District
11. Indication of Revenue Neutral Rate for Terra Heights
12. Indication of Revenue Neutral Rate for Carson Sewer

9:30 AM

Press Conference

13. Primary Election update - Rich Vargo (2 minutes)

9:35 AM

Michele Reid, Human Resources Manager

14. Intern Introduction

9:45 AM

Brian Peete, RCPD Director

15. DOJ FY 2026 Bridging Immigration-related Deficits Experienced Nationwide (“BIDEN”) Program - Grant

9:55 AM

Katharine Hensler, Museum Director

16. Museum Staff Update for June 2026

10:10 AM

John Ellermann, Public Works Director/County Engineer

17. Monthly Project Update

10:25 AM

Jacob Hansen, County Counselor

18. Administrative Work Session

19. Peterson Ranch Benefit District Assessment Resolution and Notice of Hearing

10:45 AM

Brittany Phillips, Budget and Finance Officer

20. 2027 Budget Work Session

12:00 PM

County Officials Luncheon

21. Agenda

Adjournment

Announcements

The Riley County Planning Board/Board of Zoning Appeals meeting will be held tonight at 7:00 p.m. in the Commission Chambers, Courthouse Plaza East Building, 115 N. 4th Street.

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