Lawrence County

RULES COMMITTEE

Date: Thursday, October 20, 2026 | **Time**: 4:30-5:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Commissioners: Scott Franks, Rick Skillington, Ray Brazier, Angie Jacobs, Barry Luffman, J.D Bosheers, Travis Cauwels, and county resident John Uzbasic.

Commissioner Skillington called the recessed meeting back into order.

- **Commission Chairman Franks** and **County Attorney Durham** drafted a Policy and Procedure packet for Commission meetings.
- **Commissioner Franks** identified several areas in the draft that needed adjustments:

- **Rule 9D, Page 11:** Delete the sentence containing duplicate provisions.
- **Rule 9P, Page 13:** Remove the provision stating that a member is automatically removed after three consecutive committee absences. Instead, the Commission should check in with the member to determine whether they remain interested in serving on the committee.
- **Rule 4I, point 7, Page 6:** Revise the language regarding required paperwork prior to election nominations. An individual nominated from the floor should remain eligible even if they have not submitted the required biographical paperwork, since they did not have the opportunity to do so beforehand.
- **Commissioner Franks** added*: If someone is nominated from the floor, the submission of biographical paperwork can be waived. The nominee must still meet all applicable state qualifications. If the individual is ineligible under state law, the nomination will be considered void.*
- **Rule 9E, Page 11:** Compare the provision with the resolution concerning committee member appointments and absences.
- **Rule 5A, Page 8:** Delete the numbered paragraph.
- **Commissioner Cauwels** suggested adding a provision for the Regular Session November Commission meeting to be held on the **third Tuesday of the month** to avoid conflicts with the Thanksgiving holiday.
- **Rule 9A, Page 10:** Add that the *County Attorney shall be considered an ex-officio member of all committees and Commission meetings.*
- **Resolution Summaries:** The chairperson or resolution sponsor will provide a summary of each resolution when it is presented on the floor. Consider including the **committee vote count** as part of the summary.

- **Committee as a Whole:** November 5 at 5:00 PM.

Adjournment.
Motion: Franks. **Second:** Jacobs.
Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

Minutes Submitted By: *Christian Tyree*