

*****January 28, 2026 *****

The Board of County Commissioners met in a regular session on Wednesday, January 28, 2026. Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Dove, Commissioner Culbertson, Commissioner Reid and Commissioner Stieben are present; Also present: Mark Loughry, County Administrator; Misty Brown, County Counselor; Connie Harmon, Council on Aging Director; Jamie Miller, EMS/Health Department Director; Aaron Yoakam, Buildings and Grounds Director; John Jacobson, Planning and Zoning Director; Amy Allison, Planning and Zoning Deputy Director; Bill Noll, Infrastructure and Construction Services

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There were no public comments.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Commissioner Culbertson reported on the sales tax bill he testified on last Wednesday in Topeka.

Commissioner Smith mentioned the work session with the superintendents on voter enhancement.

A motion was made by Commissioner Culbertson and seconded by Commissioner Smith to accept the consent agenda for Wednesday, January 28, 2026, as presented.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Amy Allison presented Case DEV-25-141/142, a preliminary and final plat for Schitt's Creek.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reid and seconded by Commissioner Smith to find that the final plat as outlined in Case DEV-25-142 is compliant with the County Zoning and Subdivision Regulations and move that the proposed final plat be conditionally approved and accepted by this Board subject to the conditions set forth in the staff report and as adopted by the Planning Commission.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Misty Brown presented two resolutions for establishing a transient guest tax.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Dove to approve Charter Resolution 2026-CR1, establishing a 6% transient guest tax to promote tourism and conventions in Leavenworth County.

Motion passed, 4-1, Commissioner Reid voting nay.

Bill Noll requested approval of a contract for the bi-annual bridge inspections.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reid and seconded by Commissioner Dove to approve the fee proposal and contract with Finney and Turnipseed for the 2026 bi-annual bridge inspections in the amount of \$73,700.00.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Mr. Noll requested approval of a lease proposal for dump trucks.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Dove to approve the proposal from Nextran Truck Center for the lease of four fully equipped dump trucks.
Motion passed, 4-1 Commissioner Reid voting nay.***

Connie Harmon presented the quarterly report for Council on Aging.

Aaron Yoakam presented the quarterly report for Buildings and Grounds.

Jamie Miller presented the quarterly reports for EMS and the Health Department.

Mr. Noll presented the quarterly report for Public Works.

Commissioner Dove will be traveling to Topeka to set on a board that are trying to find ways to educate individuals who are going to be in legislation on how county government works.

Commissioner Culbertson will be meeting with the Easton superintendent to discuss voter enhancement.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Dove to adjourn.
Motion passed, 5-0.***

The Board adjourned at 10:58 a.m.