The Board of County Commissioners met in a regular session on Wednesday, October 6, 2021. Commissioner Mike Smith, Commissioner Kaaz, Commissioner Culbertson, Commissioner Doug Smith and Commissioner Stieben are present; Also present: Mark Loughry, County Administrator; David Van Parys, Senior County Counselor; Amy Allison, Planning and Zoning Deputy Director; Bill Noll, Infrastructure and Construction Services; Aaron Yoakum, Buildings and Grounds Director; John Richmeier, Leavenworth Times

Residents: Joe Herring, Dan Lynch, Cale Wiehe, Karol Lohman, Amanda Lohman, James Stuke, Dean Allen, Mark Knipp, AW Himpel, Ryan Barrett

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Cale Wiehe, Karol Lohman, Amanda Lohman, Joe Herring and Dan Lynch commented on agenda items.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Mark Loughry inquired if the Board is interested in designating someone to the KAC governing board to represent the urban counties.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaaz and second by Commissioner Doug Smith to designate Mike Smith the KAC governing board.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Ryan Barrett with the Kansas Department of Transportation updated the Board on state road projects in Leavenworth County.

Commissioner Kaaz requested to remove the check registry from the consent agenda.

A motion was made by Commissioner Culbertson and seconded by Commissioner Stieben to accept the consent agenda for Wednesday, October 6, 2021 minus the check registry.

Motion passed, 5-0.

A motion was made by Commissioner Culbertson and seconded by Commissioner Stieben to accept the check registry section of the consent agenda.

Motion passed, 4-0, Commissioner Kaaz abstained.

Aaron Yoakum requested the sale of a John Deere 60" commercial front mower on Purplewave.

A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stieben to allow Buildings and Grounds to get rid of their surplus equipment.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Bill Noll requested approval of the purchase of a 2022 Loadking bottom dump trailer from Hawk Equipment for \$38,936.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaaz and seconded by Commissioner Doug Smith to approve the purchase of a new 2022 LoadKing bottom dump trailer from Hawk Equipment for a total payment of \$38,936.00.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Mr. Noll requested approval of the purchase of a 2022 or 2023 Mack tandem axle semi from Nextran Truck Center for a total amount of \$109,284.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stieben to allow Public Works to purchase a 2022 or 2023 Mack tandem axle for \$109,284.00.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Amy Allison presented Resolution 2021-42, a request to rezone property located on Sandusky Road from RR-5 to RR-2.5 indicating a valid protest petition was filed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Culbertson and seconded by Commissioner Doug Smith to approve Resolution 2021-42, a rezone from 5 acres to 2.5 acres location west of the intersection of K-16 and Sandusky Road.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Ms. Allison presented Resolution 2021-43, a request to rezone property located in the northwest corner of Dempsey Road and 227th St. from RR-5 to RR-2.5 indicating a valid protest petition was filed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Culbertson to approve Resolution 2021-43, a rezone from RR-5 to RR-2.5 at 22852 Dempsey Road.

Motion failed 3-2 due to lack of 4 affirmative votes under the protest petition Commissioner Kaaz and Stieben voting nay.

Commissioner Kaaz listed her reasons for denial and Commissioner Stieben concurred with those reasons.

Commissioner Doug Smith indicated Henry Leavenworth Elementary School is having a fundraiser for childhood cancer starting at 12:30 p.m. today. He reported Fairmount Township Fire Department will hold an open house October 9 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Commissioner Mike Smith reported Lansing will be having Fall Festival October 9th from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Angel Park. He will also attend the Lansing City Council meeting tomorrow.

Commissioner Culbertson indicated he and Commissioner Doug Smith met with individuals about getting a volunteer group together to work on the LAVTR funds and will be meeting with a state representative tomorrow. He also has been working with the volunteer fire departments on working out technical issues on the emergency pagers.

Commissioner Kaaz reported the County is moving forward on selecting a contractor for the Cushing Building and indicated there was not a Leavenworth City Commission meeting this week. She indicated the Leavenworth High School homecoming parade will be held Friday afternoon. She will attend the Mental Health Task Force meeting on October 18th.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaaz and seconded by Commissioner Stieben to adjourn.

Motion passed, 5-0.

The Board adjourned at 10:01 a.m.