******November 23, 2022 ******

The Board of County Commissioners met in a regular session on Wednesday, November 23, 2022. Commissioner Mike Smith, Commissioner Doug Smith, Commissioner Kaaz, Commissioner Culbertson and Commissioner Stieben are present; Also present: Mark Loughry, County Administrator; David Van Parys, Senior County Counselor; Krystal Voth, Planning and Zoning Director; John Richmeier, Leavenworth Times

Residents: Nancy Carpenter, Mike McDonald, John Matthews, Joe Herring, Wes Baker

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There were no public comments.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Mark Loughry presented an engagement letter with Fisher, Patterson, Sayler and Smith for legal consulting services.

A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stieben to approve the letter of engagement for Fisher, Patterson, Sayler and Smith.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Commissioner Kaaz was contacted by NEK-CAP for an annual appointment of a member to their Board.

A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Mike Smith that Commissioner Kaaz continue to remain on the NEK-CAP board.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Commissioner Stieben inquired about the legislative breakfast.

Mr. Loughry indicated he will inquire with Clerk and will hold a work session to discuss topics.

Commissioner Stieben asked about a work session with members of the Port Authority Board that represent the County.

Mr. Loughry will schedule a work session with the Port Authority Board members after the first of the year.

Commissioner Culbertson reported he is looking into getting guardrails up on a specific bridge in the north end of the county where two fatality accidents have occurred.

Commissioner Culbertson indicated he is working with the County Counselor to get language for a county resolution to rebury high pressure gas lines once they have become exposed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Culbertson and seconded by Commissioner Mike Smith to accept the consent agenda for Wednesday, November 23, 2022 with corrections as noted.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Mike McDonald and Nancy Carpenter commented on non-agenda items.

Commissioner Stieben and Commissioner Culbertson attended the Mayor's Christmas Tree lighting in Tonganoxie.

Commissioner Culbertson attended the MARC meeting yesterday.

Commissioner Kaaz attended the NEK-CAP meeting via Zoom, the city of Leavenworth Mayor's Christmas Tree lighting, the Workforce Partnership Board of Directors meeting, KCATA meeting and the Leavenworth City Commission meeting.

Commissioner Mike Smith attended the open house for MAPS at the Industrial Park in Leavenworth. He reported Kansas City Kansas Community College will be opening a new satellite facility in the Lansing Town Center. He also stated he will be a speaker at the Leavenworth Rotary meeting next Wednesday.

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

Motion passed, 5-0.

The Board adjourned at 9:29 a.m.