*******March 1, 2023 ******

The Board of County Commissioners met in a regular session on Wednesday, March 1, 2023. Commissioner Kaaz, Commissioner Doug Smith, Commissioner Mike Smith, Commissioner Culbertson and Commissioner Stieben are present Also present: Mark Loughry, County Administrator; David Van Parys, Senior County Counselor; Connie Harmon, Council on Aging Director; Amy Allison, Planning and Zoning Deputy Director; Mark Buchanan, Deputy County Appraiser; Edd Hingula, Leavenworth City Commissioner; John Richmeier, Leavenworth Times

Residents: John Matthews, Wes Baker, Dan and Cindy Lynch, Eric McMillin, Joe Herring

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Joe Herring commented on an agenda item.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Commissioner Kaaz read a proclamation for the 2023 March for Meals for the Council on Aging.

A motion was made by Commissioner Culbertson and seconded by Commissioner Mike Smith to accept the consent agenda for Wednesday, March 1, 2023 as presented.

Motion passed, 5-0.

David Van Parys requested attachment of two properties located in Leavenworth County to Rural Water District #12 in Jefferson County.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mike Smith and seconded by Commissioner Doug Smith to approve the attachment of two properties located in Leavenworth County to Rural Water District #12.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Amy Allison presented Resolution 2023-4, a request for a special use permit for Whiskey Ridge Event Center.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mike Smith and seconded by Commissioner Kaaz to table this until March 15th and give it an opportunity to go through the appeals board.

Motion passed, 3-1 Commissioner Doug Smith voting nay and Commissioner Culbertson abstained.

Ms. Allison presented Resolution 2023-5, a rezone request from RR-5 to RR-2.5 located at 20809 and 20811 225th and Mitchell Road.

A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Culbertson to approve Resolution 2023-5, a rezone request from RR-5 to RR-2.5 located at 20809 and 20811 225th St and Mitchell Road.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Ms. Allison presented Case Number DEV-22-129, the 2023 annual Comprehensive Plan review.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mike Smith and seconded by Commissioner Culbertson to approve Case Number DEV-22-129, the 2023 annual Comprehensive Plan review.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Mark Buchanan requested approval of Board Order 2023-1, an abatement of property taxes on a home destroyed by fire.

A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Mike Smith to approve Board Order 2023-1, approving the abatement of property taxes on certain homesteads or building or improvements damaged by earthquake, fire, flood, storm or tornado located at 23575 Sandusky Road.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Mr. Buchanan presented the quarterly report for the County Appraiser's Office.

Commissioner Mike Smith and Commissioner Doug Smith attended the K-7 and Parallel Road Improvement Project meeting. Commissioner Mike Smith was invited to join the City of Lansing Employee Chili Cookoff Contest and also attended the ribbon cutting ceremony for NEK-CAP.

Commissioner Doug Smith and Commissioner Kaaz will attend the JCAB meeting tomorrow. Commissioner Doug Smith also attend the MARC meeting, the Basehor City Council meeting and the Fairmount Township meeting.

Commissioner Culbertson held a Zoom meeting with Senator Tyson.

Commissioner Mike Smith, Commissioner Kaaz, Mark Loughry and Tom Cole will be attended the United States Army Breakfast on March 6th.

Commissioner Stieben held a Property Tax Task Force meeting.

Commissioner Kaaz participated in the KCATA meeting, the Workforce Partnership meeting and Port Authority meeting.

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

Motion passed, 5-0.

The Board adjourned at 10:20 a.m.