## \*\*\*\*\*\*\*March 18, 2021 \*\*\*\*\*\*

The Board of County Commissioners met in a regular session on Thursday, March 18, 2021. Commissioner Mike Smith, Commissioner Doug Smith, Commissioner Stieben and Commissioner Culbertson are present; Commissioner Kaaz is present by phone; Mark Loughry, County Administrator is present; Also present: David Van Parys, Senior County Counselor; John Richmeier, Leavenworth Times

Residents: Joe Herring

## PUBLIC COMMENT:

There were no public comments.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:**

Mark Loughry reported he is waiting on guidance for the latest stimulus funding.

Commissioner Stieben inquired if any response has been received from legislatures regarding private prisons.

David Van Parys reported no response has been received.

Commissioner Stieben reported property owners have until March 31 to request an informal hearing on property taxes.

A motion was made by Commissioner Culbertson and seconded by Commissioner Mike Smith to accept the consent agenda for Thursday, March 18, 2021 as presented.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Mr. Loughry presented a request from the Special Drug and Alcohol Abuse Committee for distribution of funds.

A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Culbertson accept the recommendations from the Drug and Alcohol Abuse Council distribution of funds.

Motion passed, 5-0.

A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stieben that this Board recess from open session and go into a closed executive session to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel as justified by K.S.A. 75-4319 (b)(1) and to protect the privacy interests of the persons involved and that this Board resume open session in this meeting room at 9:35 a.m. Present in the executive session will be Commissioners Jeff Culbertson, Vicky Kaaz, Doug Smith, Mike Smith and Mike Stieben and others that may be as needed.

Motion passed, 5-0.

The Board returned to regular session at 9:35 a.m. No action was taken and no decisions were made. Subject was limited to non-elected personnel. The Board noted County Administrator Mark Loughry and County Counselor David Van Parys were invited to the executive session.

Joe Herring commented on a non-agenda item.

Commissioner Doug Smith attended the Basehor City Council meeting last week. He also participated in the Tonganoxie St. Patrick's Day parade along with Commissioner Stieben as well as the Leavenworth St. Patrick's Day parade.

Commissioner Stieben will attend an Elephant Club meeting at 1866 in Tonganoxie this evening at 6:30 p.m. He reported the warning beacon on K-32 and 158<sup>th</sup> Street has been installed.

Commissioners Mike Smith and Stieben will attend an LCDC work session this afternoon indicating a survey will be sent to the cities about thoughts on economic development and LCDC.

Commissioner Kaaz participated in the LCDC and LCPA meetings reporting that a new business will be going into the Gary Carlson Industrial Park.

Commissioner Culbertson reported he has received calls from taxpayers regarding increase in property taxes and roads. He also met with Representative Pat Proctor.

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

Motion passed, 5-0.

The Board adjourned at 9:46 a.m.

The Board of County Commissioners met in a work session on Thursday, March 18, 2021. Commissioner Mike Smith, Commissioner Doug Smith, Commissioner Stieben and Commissioner Culbertson are present; Commissioner Kaaz is absent; Mark Loughry, County Administrator is present; Also present: Krystal Voth, Planning and Zoning Director; John Richmeier, Leavenworth Times

The Board met in a work session to discuss the process for choosing applicants for the Building Codes Board of Appeals.

The Board ended the work session at 11:01 a.m.