The Board of County Commissioners met in a regular session on Wednesday, March 24, 2021. Commissioner Mike Smith, Commissioner Doug Smith, Commissioner Stieben, Commissioner Kaaz and Commissioner Culbertson are present; Also present: Mark Loughry, County Administrator; David Van Parys, Senior County Counselor; Bill Noll, Infrastructure and Construction Services; Krystal Voth, Planning and Zoning Director

Residents: Katie Bergman, Justin Pettis, David Bentley, John Matthews

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There were no public comments.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Mark Loughry reminded everyone of the joint work session this evening with the Planning Commission.

Commissioner Stieben asked for a brief background for the new security at the Courthouse.

Mr. Loughry indicated discussion has taken place for about three years with budgeting for staff taking place this year and reutilizing COVID funds for equipment.

Commissioner Mike Smith acknowledged the efficiency of the Health Department in distributing the vaccinations.

Commissioner Mike Smith reported the new County newsletter is available.

A motion was made by Commissioner Culbertson and seconded by Commissioner Kaaz to accept the consent agenda for Wednesday, March 24, 2021 as presented.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Mr. Loughry presented a request from the city of Leavenworth for a transfer of county owned property located at 321 Olive for a drainage project.

A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stieben to transfer the property in question to the city of Leavenworth for a fee of \$1.00.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Bill Noll requested approval of a bid on the K-45 bridge replacement engineering design services and construction services to Norfolk Contracting, Inc.

A motion was made by Commissioner Culbertson and seconded by Commissioner Mike Smith to award bid for K-45 bridge replacement engineering design and construction services to Norfolk Contracting for \$186,252.00.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Mr. Noll requested disposal of surplus equipment to PurpleWave.

A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Culbertson to allow Public Works to offer surplus equipment on PurpleWave auction and to use the remaining equipment for trade-in on government lease packages.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Katie Bergman and Justin Pettis from Leavenworth High School DECCA program commented on a non-agenda item.

Commissioner Mike Smith reported the city of Lansing voted to continue the mask ordinance until the end of April.

Commissioner Kaaz reported the city of Leavenworth does not intend to extend their mask ordinance indicating it will expire at the end of March.

Commissioner Doug Smith attended the basketball court dedication in Basehor for Keegan Gore and will attend the Basehor City Council meeting this evening. He will also attend the Fairmount Township meeting tomorrow night and participated in the MARC meeting.

Commissioner Kaaz participated in the Workforce Partnership Development meeting yesterday.

Commissioner Culbertson indicated he has been working with staff on issues regarding the old Easton rock quarry known as C & D Landfill.

Commissioner Stieben reminded everyone they have until March 31 to schedule an informal hearing on property taxes.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaaz and seconded by Commissioner Culbertson to adjourn. Motion passed, 5-0.

The Board adjourned at 9:35 a.m.