

*****April 14, 2021*****

The Board of County Commissioners met in a regular session on Wednesday, April 14, 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

Residents: Louis Klemp, John Matthews, John Roper

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There were no public comments.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Commissioner Mike Smith acknowledged requests from the American Legion and Boy' State indicating there needs to be a better process in addressing these types of requests.

Mark Loughry suggested the creation of an application form that would require background information for organizations or programs requesting funding.

Commissioner Stieben requested information on the vaccines given through the Health Department.

Mr. Loughry indicated the Leavenworth County clinics will not be offering the Johnson & Johnson vaccines.

Commissioner Stieben asked about grandfathering zoning for Paradise Trailer Park and that the owners would like to transition to a RV park.

Mr. Loughry indicated they can remain a trailer park but currently there is no process in place to allow for a dual use in a zoning area.

Commissioner Stieben reported Senate Bill 23, the tornado bill, did not make it in the regular legislative session but will still try to get it through the veto session.

Commissioner Stieben requested the director of Emergency Management to give the Board an update for procedures for severe weather season.

Commissioner Doug Smith requested an update on properties that are illegally hooked up to Ginger Creek sewer district.

David Van Parys indicated notice was given to the property owners to disconnect and requested a plan for the installation of a septic system.

A motion was made by Commissioner Culbertson and seconded by Commissioner Kaaz to accept the consent agenda for Wednesday, April 14, 2021 as presented.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Mr. Van Parys presented a lease agreement between Leavenworth County and Signature Behavioral Hospital for space at the Cushing Building.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaaz and seconded by Commissioner Culbertson to approve a lease agreement between Leavenworth County and Signature Behavioral Hospital Operations for space at the Cushing Memorial Hospital building.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Louis Klemp commented on a non-agenda item.

A motion was made by Commissioner Culbertson and seconded by Commissioner Doug Smith 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 10:05 a.m. Present in the executive session will be Commissioners Jeff Culbertson, Vicky Kaaz, Doug Smith, Mike Smith and Mike Stieben and County Administrator Mark Loughry.

Motion passed, 5-0.

The Board returned to regular session at 10:05 a.m. No action was taken and no decisions were made. The subject was limited to non-elected personnel.

Commissioner Mike Smith indicated he would like to invite the new incoming Garrison Commander of Fort Leavenworth to come to a meeting for an introduction.

Commissioner Kaaz participated via Zoom in the LCDC meeting last week and listened in on the Leavenworth City Commission meeting last night. She will also attend a JCAB meeting tomorrow along with Commissioner Doug Smith.

Commissioner Doug Smith recognized the people approved this morning to serve on the Council on Aging Advisory Boards and thanked them for giving their time to serve on these boards. He will attend the Basehor City Council meeting this evening clarifying it was not last week.

Commissioner Stieben attended the Linwood City Council meeting last week. He expressed appreciation to Commissioner Jeff Culbertson for stepping in to attend a meeting for him.

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

Motion passed, 5-0.

The Board adjourned at 10:11 a.m.