The Board of County Commissioners met in a regular session on Wednesday, May 1, 2024. Commissioner Culbertson, Commissioner Kaaz, Commissioner Mike Smith, Commissioner Doug Smith and Commissioner Stieben are present; Also present: Mark Loughry, County Administrator; David Van Parys, Senior County Counselor; Misty Brown, Deputy County Counselor; John Jacobson, Planning and Zoning Director; Amy Allison, Planning and Zoning Deputy Director; George Brajkovic, Tonganoxie City Manager; Ann Krstulic, Attorney; Aaron Yoakam, Buildings and Grounds Director; Bill Noll, Infrastructure and Construction Services; Connie Harmon, Council on Aging Director; Edd Hingula, Leavenworth City Commission; John Richmeier, Leavenworth Times

Residents: Joe Herring, Eric McMillin

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Joe Herring and Eric McMillin commented.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Commissioner Culbertson read a proclamation declaring May as Older Americans Month.

Commissioner Stieben read a proclamation declaring Leavenworth County as a non-sanctuary county.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaaz and seconded by Commissioner Mike Smith to accept the consent agenda for Wednesday, May 1, 2024.

Motion passed, 5-0.

David Van Parys presented an annexation proposal from the city of Tonganoxie indicating Tonganoxie has requested a continuance.

A motion was made by Commissioner Stieben and seconded by Commissioner Mike Smith to table this issue to May 15th.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Amy Allison presented Resolution 2024-11, a rezoning request from RR-5 to RR-2.5 located at 24305 Loring Road.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mike Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stieben to adopt Resolution 2024-11 and approve the rezoning as outlined in Case DEV-24-013 based on findings on the Golden Factors, as set forth in the staff report and as substantiated by the findings of fact as adopted by the Planning Commission.

Motion passed, 4-1 Commissioner Kaaz voting nay.

Ms. Allison presented Resolution 2024-12, a rezoning request from RR-5 to RR-2.5 located at 22484 & 22552 163rd St.

A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stieben to adopt Resolution 2024-12 and approve the rezoning as outlined in Case DEV-24-024 based on the findings of the Golden Factors, as set forth in the staff report and as substantiated by the findings of fact as adopted by the Planning Commission.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Ms. Allison presented Resolution 2024-13, amending the Leavenworth County Comprehensive Plan.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mike Smith and seconded by Commissioner Kaaz to table Resolution 2024-13.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Jamie Miller presented the quarterly reports for EMS and the Health Department.

Bill Noll discussed the urban growth area around the Basehor and Tonganoxie area approved by MARC.

Bob Weber presented the quarterly report for the Appraiser's office.

Tom Cole presented the quarterly report for Economic Development.

Commissioners Culbertson and Doug Smith attended the annual 4-H meeting.

Commissioner Doug Smith reported on information obtained from the Kansas County Commissioners Association conference. He also attended the MARC meeting.

Commissioner Stieben requested the Emergency Management director to discuss tornado response training.

Commissioner Kaaz attended the Transit Authority Board of Directors meeting and attended the emergency food and shelter program. She also attended the fundraiser for Community of Hope.

Commissioner Mike Smith will attend the Lansing Education Foundation breakfast on Friday. He reported the Dave Trinkle Jr. kid's fishing derby will be Saturday at Bernard Park.

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

Motion passed, 5-0.

The Board adjourned at 11:15 a.m.