

*****August 25, 2021 *****

The Board of County Commissioners met in a regular session on Wednesday, August 25, 2021. Commissioner Mike Smith, Commissioner Kaaz, Commissioner Culbertson, Commissioner Doug Smith and Commissioner Stieben are present; Also present: Mark Loughry, County Administrator; David Van Parys, Senior County Counselor; Amy Allison, Planning and Zoning Deputy Director; Jamie Miller, EMS Director; Jamie VanHouten, Community Corrections Director; Larry Malbrough, Information Systems Director; John Richmeier, Leavenworth Times

Residents: John and Karen Fernandez, Timothy and Tammy Porterfield, Joe Herring, Sidonio Ramos, AW Himpel, Larry Theis, Joe Matzeder, Wallace Brawner, Eric McMillin

PUBLIC COMMENT:

John Fernandez, Timothy Porterfield, Sidonia Ramos and Joe Herring commented on an agenda items.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Commissioner Mike Smith reported the County has been experiencing phone issues with dropped calls.

Mark Loughry mentioned the phone issues are with the carrier and not an internal problem.

Commissioner Kaaz requested the check registry be removed from the consent agenda.

A motion was made by Commissioner Culbertson and seconded by Commissioner Doug Smith to accept the consent agenda for Wednesday, August 25, 2021 minus the check registry.

Motion passed, 5-0.

A motion was made by Commissioner Culbertson and seconded by Commissioner Mike Smith to accept the check registry section of the consent agenda.

Motion passed, 4-0, Commissioner Kaaz abstained.

Commissioner Mike Smith opened the public hearing for the 2022 Leavenworth County Budget.

Janet Klasinski iterated that the first thing for the budget this year is to approve a resolution exceeding the revenue neutral rate with a public hearing for discussion.

Commissioner Mike Smith opened the public hearing on Resolution 2021-31, exceeding the revenue neutral rate.

Eric McMillin and Joe Matzeder spoke.

Commissioner Mike Smith closed the public hearing on Resolution 2021-31, exceeding the revenue neutral rate.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaaz and seconded by Commissioner Doug Smith to approve Resolution 2021-31, a resolution to levy a property tax exceeding the revenue neutral rate for the tax year of 2022.

Motion passed, 4-1 Commissioner Stieben voting nay.

Commissioner Mike Smith opened the public hearing for the 2022 Leavenworth County Budget.

Eric McMillin and Joe Matzeder spoke.

Commissioner Mike Smith closed the public hearing for the 2022 Leavenworth County Budget.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mike Smith and seconded by Commissioner Kaaz to approve the 2022 Leavenworth County budget.

Commissioner Stieben offered an amendment to the motion to reduce the 4% wage increase from 4% to 3% and redirect that money to an additional ¼ mil levy reduction.

The amendment dies for lack of a second.

Motion passed, 4-1 Commissioner Stieben voting nay.

Commissioner Mike Smith opened the public hearing for Resolution 2021-32, exceeding the revenue neutral rate for the Leavenworth County Special Other Funds.

No one spoke.

Commissioner Mike Smith closed the public hearing for Resolution 2021-32.

A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Kaaz to approve Resolution 2021-32, a resolution to levy a property tax rate exceeding revenue neutral rate.

Motion passed, 4-1 Commissioner Stieben voting nay.

Commissioner Mike Smith opened the public hearing for 2022 Leavenworth County Other Special Funds Budget.

Commissioner Doug Smith inquired if audits are received from outside agencies that Leavenworth County gives funds to.

Ms. Klasinski indicated if the agency has an audit done, then she receives a copy of the audit but not all agencies have audits done.

Motion passed, 4-1, Commissioner Stieben voting nay.

Amy Allison presented Resolution 2021-29, a request for a rezone from RR-5 to RR-2.5 located at 24257 Millwood Road.

A motion was made by Commissioner Culbertson and seconded by Commissioner Stieben to approve Resolution 2021-29, a rezoning from 5 acre to a 2.5acre tract located at 24257 Millwood Road.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Ms. Allison presented Resolution 2021-30, a request for a rezone from RR-5 to RR-2.5 located at 24450 171st Street.

A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Culbertson to approve Resolution 2021-30, a rezoning of RR-5 to RR-2.5 located at the northeast corner of 17st and McIntyre.

Motion passed, 4-1, Commissioner Kaaz voting nay.

Jamie Miller requested approval of new IT equipment for the Health Department.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Stieben and seconded by Commissioner Culbertson to authorize the Health Department to purchase new IT equipment not to exceed \$70,000.00
Motion passed 5-0.***

Mr. Miller requested approval of a policy for the Department of Justice Grant for funding received.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stieben to approve and sign the Department of Justice Grant specific guidelines policy.
Motion passed, 5-0.***

Larry Malbrough requested signature of a contract between Leavenworth County and NetStandard, Inc.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner to authorize the Chairman to sign the scope of work between Leavenworth County and NetStandard, Inc. not to exceed \$20,000.00.
Motion passed, 5-0.***

Mr. Malbrough presented the quarterly report for the Information Systems Department.

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

Jamie VanHouten presented quarterly report for the Community Corrections Department.

Commissioner Mike Smith reported the census numbers are out indicating the numbers were down in the city of Lansing but the prison itself is included in that with 600 less inmates making it look like the city is losing population.

Commissioner Mike Smith recognized Jeff Focht who is retiring this week as the Street Superintendent at the city of Lansing.

Commissioner Doug Smith recognized the Solid Waste Committee minutes that reflect good things going on at the Transfer Station. He will attend the Basehor City Council meeting tonight and attended the MARC meeting yesterday.

Commissioner Stieben met with a developer on Lexi Drive reporting on the property values of the homes being built.

Commissioner Kaaz participated in the Leavenworth City Commission meeting reporting that the Camp Leavenworth event is still scheduled to move forward.

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

The Board adjourned at 11:06 a.m.