

\*\*\*\*\*December 2, 2020\*\*\*\*\*

The Board of County Commissioners met in a regular session on Wednesday, December 2, 2020. Commissioner Schimke, Commissioner Stieben, Commissioner Kaaz and Commissioner Culbertson are present; Commissioner Smith is present by phone; Also present: Mark Loughry, County Administrator; David Van Parys, Senior County Counselor; Jared Clements, Planner II; Bill Noll, Infrastructure and Construction Services; Paul Kramer, Leavenworth City Manager; Greg Kaaz, LCPA; John Richmeier, Leavenworth Times

Residents: Joe Herring, John Matthews

***A motion was made by Commissioner Schimke and seconded by Commissioner Culbertson to approve Mike Stieben as temporary chair.  
Motion passed, 5-0.***

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There were no public comments.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Mark Loughry requested approval of an oversight of an application that had been moved into the normal budget request but it was for the CARES Act Funding from the Tonganoxie Community Historical Society in the amount of \$6,400.00.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Schimke and seconded by Commissioner Kaaz to approve up to \$6,400.00 for the Tonganoxie Community Historical Society.  
Motion passed, 5-0.***

***A motion was made by Commissioner Culbertson and seconded by Commissioner Kaaz to approve the consent agenda for Wednesday, December 2, 2020 as presented.  
Motion passed, 5-0.***

Jared Clements presented Resolution 2020-47, a request for a special use permit for an agriculturally-related business.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Culbertson and seconded by Commissioner Schimke to approve Resolution 2020-47, a special use permit for James Rutledge's agriculturally related rental barns  
Motion passed, 5-0.***

Bill Noll presented a request for a feasibility study for the Eastern Gateway Bridge project.

Greg Kaaz spoke about how the Port Authority could work with county staff for a transportation study.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Culbertson and seconded by Commissioner Schimke to accept the proposal by Arup to conduct a feasibility study for Eastern Gateway Bridge in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00.  
Motion passed, 5-0.***

Mr. Noll requested to retain outside legal counsel for the Eastern Gateway Bridge project.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Culbertson and seconded by Commissioner Schimke to engage legal counsel provided by Ballard and Spahr for Eastern Gateway Bridge project not to exceed \$75,000.00.***

***Motion passed, 5-0.***

Mr. Noll presented a change order for a stop light at the intersection at the 20<sup>th</sup> and Eisenhower Street intersection.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Schimke and seconded by Commissioner Kaaz to consider the change order and contract agreement to add alternate #2 to the stop light intersection of 20<sup>th</sup> and Eisenhower during the construction of Eisenhower Road previously accepted low bid in contract with King's Construction Company not to exceed \$260,950.00.***

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

Mr. Noll requested approval of bid pricing for a new salt brine making unit for \$64,674.00.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Culbertson and seconded by Commissioner Schimke to approve bid pricing for one new salt brine making unit for Road and Bridge not to exceed \$64,674.00.***

***Motion passed, 5-0.***

Commissioner Schimke attended the Port Authority meeting via Zoom.

Commissioner Schimke announced Fire District #1 has a new fire chief.

Commissioner Stieben indicated there was another fatality accident occurred at 158<sup>th</sup> St. and K-32 and will be meeting with citizens.

Commissioner Kaaz participated in a Governor's conference call, the annual NAACP meeting, Workforce Partnership meeting and a Rural Leavenworth County Inc. meeting all via Zoom.

Mr. Loughry reported all CARES Act grant funding needs to be spent by December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Culbertson and seconded by Commissioner Schimke to adjourn.***

***Motion passed, 5-0.***

The Board adjourned at 10:20 a.m.