

\*\*\*\*\*January 24, 2024\*\*\*\*\*

The Board of County Commissioners met in a regular session on Wednesday, January 24, 2024. Commissioner Culbertson, Commissioner Mike Smith, Commissioner Doug Smith and Commissioner Kaaz are present; Commissioner Stieben is present by phone; Also present: Mark Loughry, County Administrator; David Van Parys, Senior County Counselor; Tom Cole, Economic Development Administrator; Connie Harmon, Council on Aging Director; John Jacobson, Planning and Zoning Director; Amy Allison, Planning and Zoning Deputy Director; Bill Noll, Infrastructure and Construction Services; John Richmeier, Leavenworth Times

Residents: John Matthews, Louis Klemp

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Louis Klemp commented.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Commissioner Culbertson read his testimony on LAVTR and the Veteran's Bill in which he testified to in Topeka last week.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Mike Smith to accept the consent agenda for Wednesday, January 24, 2024.***

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

Connie Harmon requested appointment of Jessica Pontbriant to the Wyandotte/Leavenworth Areawide Advisory Council representing Leavenworth County Council on Aging.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Kaaz and seconded by Commissioner Mike Smith to appoint Jessica Pontbriant to the Wyandotte/Leavenworth Areawide Advisory Council representing Leavenworth County Council on Aging.***

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

Amy Allison presented Case DEV-23-149, a proposed final plat for Novo-Gradac Acres.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Mike Smith to approve the final plat as outlined in Case DEV-23-149, Novo-Gradac Acres, be approved with conditions, that the plat is compliant with the County Zoning and Subdivision Regulations, as set forth in the staff report, as adopted by the Planning Commission and as substantiated by the facts, testimony and evidence presented, be accepted by this Board and that the conditions set forth in the staff report be made part of this approval.***

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

Tom Cole presented a letter of support for Miami County to be added into the Regional Economic Development Administration District.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Mike Smith and seconded by Commissioner Kaaz to approve a letter of support to add Miami County, Kansas into the Regional Economic Development Administration District as a region served by the Mid-America Regional Council.***

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

Mr. Cole presented the quarterly report for Economic Development.

Bill Noll presented the quarterly report for Public Works.

Commissioner Doug Smith attended the Fairmount Township meeting and the MARC meeting.

Commissioners Kaaz and Mike Smith attended the Annual LCDC meeting.

Commissioner Kaaz attended the Martin Luther King Jr. celebration at the Methodist Church, the Workforce Partnership meeting, Transit Authority meeting and will be attending the KCATA and NEK-CAP meetings.

Commissioner Mike Smith will participate in the Lansing/Leavenworth Leadership class next Friday.

Commissioner Culbertson testified on the LAVTR bill and the Veteran's bill in Topeka. He attended the Leavenworth City Commission meeting.

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

The Board adjourned at 10:32 a.m.