

*****October 2, 2024 *****

The Board of County Commissioners met in a regular session on Wednesday, October 2, 2024. Commissioner Culbertson, Commissioner Kaaz, Commissioner Mike Smith, Commissioner Doug Smith and Commissioner Stieben are present; Also present: Mark Loughry, County Administrator; Misty Brown, Deputy County Counselor; John Jacobson, Planning and Zoning Director; Amy Allison, Planning and Zoning Deputy Director; Jamie Miller, EMS/Health Department Director; Monica Swigart, Human Resources Administrator; Jim Sherley, Undersheriff; John Richmeier, Leavenworth Times

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mathew Watson requested an emergency building permit.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

A motion was made by Commissioner Stieben and seconded by Commissioner Mike Smith to place this on the agenda today.

Motion passed, 5-0.

A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Kaaz to direct Planning and Zoning to issue the building permit and start the variance process on this property.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Mr. Loughry requested direction from the Board regarding insurance coverage on spouses after retirement.

It was the consensus of the Board to incorporate that into the current policy to bring back for approval.

Commissioner Culbertson read his speech he gave at the Chamber of Commerce regarding the appraisal system.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaaz and seconded by Commissioner Mike Smith to accept the consent agenda for Wednesday, October 2, 2024 as presented.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Jim Sherley requested approval of the Edward Byrne Grant in the amount of \$10,000.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mike Smith and seconded by Commissioner Kaaz to approve the 2024 Edward Byrne Grant in the amount of \$10,000.00 for the purchase of law enforcement equipment for the Sheriff's Department.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Mr. Loughry requested to award bid to Sirius for hardware and software licensing.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaaz and seconded by Commissioner Mike Smith to award bid to Sirius for IBM hardware and software licensing and engage FSC for professional services in an amount not to exceed \$42,900.30.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Monica Swigart requested approval of the Wellness Incentive Policy.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mike Smith and seconded by Commissioner Doug Smith to approve the Wellness Incentive Policy effective October 1, 2024.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Jamie Miller presented an occupancy agreement between Leavenworth City Fire and EMS.

A motion was made by Commissioner Stieben and seconded by Commissioner Mike Smith to approve an occupancy agreement with Leavenworth City Fire and EMS for a period of 1 year.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Mr. Miller requested the approval to place an order for two replacement ambulances.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mike Smith and seconded by Commissioner Kaaz to approve the EMS Director to place an order for the 2026 and 2027 replacement ambulances in the amount of \$332,969.50 per unit.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Amy Allison presented Resolution 2024-24, a rezone request from RR-2.5 to R-1(43).

A motion was made by Commissioner Mike Smith and seconded by Commissioner Doug Smith to adopt Resolution 2024-24 and approve the rezoning as outlined in Case DEV-24-110 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.

Bob Weber showed a presentation regarding the roles of the appraiser.

Commissioner Stieben will hold a town hall meeting tomorrow night in Linwood at 6:00 p.m. He is also meeting with Alexandria Township Board this evening at 6:30 p.m.

Commissioners Stieben and Mike Smith will attend the Economic Outlook Conference in Wichita.

Commissioner Kaaz attending the Transit Authority meeting.

Commissioner Mike Smith attending Ben Ontiveros' retirement from the Lansing Police Department.

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

Motion passed, 5-0.

The Board adjourned at 10:19 a.m.