

\*\*\*\*\*November 15, 2023 \*\*\*\*\*

The Board of County Commissioners met in a regular session on Wednesday, November 15, 2023. Commissioner Kaaz, Commissioner Doug Smith, Commissioner Mike Smith, Commissioner Culbertson and Commissioner Stieben are present; Also present: Mark Loughry, County Administrator; David Van Parys, Senior County Counselor; Misty Brown, Deputy County Clerk; Janet Klasinski, County Clerk; Bill Noll, Infrastructure and Construction Services; Aaron Yoakam, Buildings and Ground; TerriLois Mashburn, Register of Deeds; Ken Miller, City of Lansing, John Richmeier, Leavenworth Times

Residents: Janette Labbee-Holdeman, Linda Johnson, Connie Parish

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There were no public comments.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Commissioner Doug Smith recognized the passing of Kent Quarles from Tonganoxie.

Commissioner Doug Smith apologized to staff regarding the comment on the Tonganoxie Annexation.

Commissioner Culbertson spoke about the informational letter regarding LAVTR indicating he will take all calls or emails to avoid any serial meetings or contact.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Culbertson and seconded by Commissioner Mike Smith to accept the consent agenda for Wednesday, November 15, 2023 as presented.***

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

***A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Culbertson to adjourn as the Board of County Commissioners and convene as the Board of County Canvassers.***

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

Janet Klasinski reported on the 2023 General Election.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stieben to accept the provisionals as recommended by the County Clerk.***

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

***A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Mike Smith to adjourn as the Board of County Canvassers and return to our regular session.***

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

Aaron Yoakam presented a renewal contract with Symmetry Energy Solutions for natural gas service at the Cushing Building.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Mike Smith and seconded by Commissioner Culbertson to approve a contract with Symmetry Energy Solutions for natural gas services at the Cushing Building.***

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

Bill Noll presented a contract with Benesch to allow them to pay Dondlinger Construction for repairs to bridge F-46.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stieben to approve the agreement with Benesch to allow them to pay Dondlinger Construction directly for the repairs of bridge F-46***

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

Misty Brown presented Resolution 2023-31, amending section 4 (a)(8) of Resolution 2023-24 to allow for additional members to the Juvenile Advisory Board as authorized.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Stieben and seconded by Commissioner Mike Smith to approve the resolution as presented.***

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

***A motion was made by Commissioner Kaaz and seconded by Commissioner Mike Smith to approve Commissioner Stieben and Commissioner Doug Smith to the JCAB Board.***

***Motion passed, 3-0. Commissioners Doug Smith and Stieben abstained.***

Commissioner Kaaz attended the Athena Awards banquet.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Culbertson to adjourn as the Board of County Commissioners and convene as the Board of County Canvassers.***

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

Ms. Klasinski reported 52 provisionals were counted indicating it made no difference in the races except for Lansing City Council announcing Pete Robinson winning by one vote.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Stieben and seconded by Commissioner Culbertson to certify the 2023 General Election.***

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

***A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stieben to adjourn as the Board of County Canvassers and reconvene as the Board of County Commissioners.***

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

Commissioner Kaaz attended the LCDC Annual Meeting. She will attend the Transit Authority meeting this afternoon.

Commissioners Doug Smith, Mike Smith and Culbertson participated in the Veteran's Day Parade.

Commissioner Stieben met with the City Administrator of Tonganoxie.

Commissioner Culbertson attended the Leavenworth City Commission meeting.

Commissioner Mike Smith attended the LCDC Annual meeting.

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

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

The Board adjourned at 9:42 a.m.