

*****December 20, 2023 *****

The Board of County Commissioners met in a regular session on Wednesday, December 20, 2023. Commissioner Kaaz, Commissioner Mike Smith, Commissioner Doug Smith and Commissioner Culbertson are present; Commissioner Stieben is present by phone; Also present: Mark Loughry, County Administrator; David Van Parys, Senior County Counselor; Andy Dedeke, Leavenworth County Sheriff; Tom Cole, Economic Development Administrator; Bill Noll, Infrastructure and Construction Services; Aaron Yoakam, Buildings and Ground Director; Tim Vandall, City of Lansing Administrator; John Richmeier, Leavenworth Times

Residents: Louis Klemp

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There were no public comments.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

The Board viewed a video from the Kansas Association of Counties regarding LAVTR.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Culbertson and seconded by Commissioner Mike Smith to accept the consent agenda for Wednesday, December 20, 2023 as presented.
Motion passed, 5-0.***

Andy Dedeke requested to allow reimbursement funds from the Kansas Department of Aging and Disability Services for incarcerated individuals awaiting court ordered evaluations.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Culbertson and seconded by Commissioner Doug Smith to table this until we get more information and funds are available.
Motion passed, 5-0.***

Aaron Yoakam requested to approve flooring replacement at the Health Department from Seifert's Flooring in an amount of \$59,000.00 through the Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity grant.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Mike Smith to approve Seifert's Flooring for flooring replacement to the Health Department in an amount not to exceed \$59,000.00 through the Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity grant.
Motion passed, 5-0.***

Bill Noll requested approval of a construction contract with Reece Construction for the replacement of bridge A-60.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Culbertson and seconded by Commissioner Mike Smith to approve the construction contract with Reece Construction for the replacement of bridge A-60 in an amount not to exceed \$325,000.00 after contingency of pile lengths.
Motion passed, 5-0.***

Tom Cole requested approval of a MOU with the city of Lansing for the maintenance of the Kansas Base Grant 2.0.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mike Smith and seconded by Commissioner Doug Smith to approve a Memorandum of Understanding, clarifying and granting all duties including but no limited to the administrative, fiscal, reporting management and maintenance relative to the award of Kansas Base Grant 2.0 to the city of Lansing.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Resolution 2023-36 was presented for approval.

A motion was made by Commissioner Culbertson and seconded by Commissioner Mike Smith to approve Resolution 2023-36, committing the application of all funds received by the County through the provisions of K.S.A. 79-2959, as amended, to the reduction of local ad valorem taxes.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Louis Klemp commented on non-agenda items.

Commissioner Doug Smith attended the Road and Bridge Christmas party.

Commissioner Culbertson attended the MARC meeting via Zoom. He will also be presenting LAVTR information to several different entities.

Commissioner Mike Smith wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Commissioner Kaaz attended the LCDC meeting and will be attending the Transit Authority meeting.

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

Motion passed, 4-0.

The Board adjourned at 10:08 a.m.