******February 12, 2025 ******

The Board of County Commissioners met in a regular session on Wednesday, February 12, 2025. Commissioner Culbertson; Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Stieben, Commissioner Reid and Commissioner Dove are present; Also present: Mark Loughry, County Administrator; Misty Brown, County Counselor; Larry Malbrough, Information Systems Director; Monica Swigart, Human Resources Director; John Jacobson, Planning and Zoning Director; Amy Allison, Planning and Zoning Deputy Director; John Richmeier, Leavenworth Times

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Thaddeus Brzustowicz, Joan Murnane, Julie Downes, Dennis Bixby and Bennie Phillips commented.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Commissioner Smith mentioned LCDC has removed the Commission's position on their Board.

Commissioner Dove attended his first Mental Health Advisory Board meeting yesterday.

Commissioners Culbertson and Smith met with Senator Klemp to discuss legislative issues.

A motion was made by Commissioner Stieben and seconded by Commissioner Culbertson to accept the consent agenda for Wednesday, February 12, 2025 as presented.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Mark Loughry presented a letter appointing Jon Khalil as the KERIT trustee alternate.

A motion was made by Commissioner Stieben and seconded by Commissioner Culbertson to appoint Jon Khalil as the Leavenworth County alternate trustee on the KERIT Board of Trustees.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Resolution 2025-6 a special use permit for RJ Farms was presented.

Misty Brown cautioned that any decisions should be based on information presented at the public hearing.

A motion was made by Commissioner Stieben and seconded by Commissioner Smith to return Case DEV-24-125 to the Planning Commission for their consideration of additional conditions including certification of security on site with a county employee to be paid by the applicant, licensed vendor on site if alcohol is going to be on site, making sure that minors aren't being served alcohol, certification that Kansas law are being observed, certification that any out of state registrations or licenses for animals are provided for and certified that they are meeting state law, assurance that tail pulling and horse tripping are specifically not to be permitted at the event, reviewing and potentially enhancing the liability insurance and reviewing and having an inspection required for the bleachers and all that to be consider by the Planning Commission. To send it back to the Planning Commission for public hearing and the information can be submitted at that time and allow the applicant a chance to respond to it.

Motion passed, 4-1 Commissioner Reid voting nay.

Larry Malbrough presented the quarterly report for Information Systems.

Monica Swigart presented the quarterly report for Human Resources Department.

Commissioner Reid explained her vote for the special use permit.

Commissioner Stieben reported on the tax cap bill.

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

