******March 9, 2022 *******

The Board of County Commissioners met in a regular session on Wednesday, March 9, 2022. Commissioner Mike Smith, Commissioner Culbertson, Commissioner Kaaz, Commissioner Doug Smith and Commissioner Mike Stieben are present; Also present: Mark Loughry, County Administrator; David Van Parys, Senior County John Richmeier, Leavenworth Times

Residents: AW Himpel, Dennis Taylor, Sean and Christie Britz, Gary Green, Ross Boden

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There were no public comments.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Mark Loughry inquired who will be attending the Kansas County Commissioners Association conference April 26-28 in Salina.

Commissioners Mike Smith and Stieben will attend.

Commissioner Stieben asked about Courthouse security indicating if all doors are not secure then conceal carry laws apply.

Mr. Loughry reported that according to Kansas statute if there is no screening or security at all doors then conceal carry would have to be allowed.

Commissioner Stieben recommended sending another letter to state representatives regarding property taxes and LAVTR.

A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stieben to accept the consent agenda for Wednesday, March 9, 2022 as presented. Motion passed, 5-0.

Mr. Loughry presented a list of topics for discussion for a joint meeting with the Leavenworth City Commission.

It was the consensus of the Board to discuss economic development, regional transportation and taxation.

Commissioner Kaaz will attend the KCATA orientation meeting tomorrow unless cancelled for weather.

Commissioner Mike Smith indicated Fire District #1 needs a training session conducted on a county road.

Commissioner Doug Smith will attend the Basehor City Council meeting.

Commissioner Stieben indicated a check from FEMA from the Linwood tornado should be arriving soon.

A brief discussion took place regarding the review of the Comprehensive Plan.

Ross Boden commented.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaaz and seconded by Commissioner Stieben to recess until 10:05 a.m.

Motion passed, 5-0.

The Board recessed until 10:05 a.m.

A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Kaaz to resume regular session.

Motion passed, 5-0.

A motion was made by Commissioner Culbertson and seconded by Commissioner Mike Smith to recess for a closed executive meeting for the discussion of potential litigation involving the legal interests of the County as justified by K.S.A. 75-4319(B)(2) for consultation with legal counsel for the Board which would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship and that the Board resume open meeting at 10:20 a.m. in the meeting room of the Board. Present in the executive meeting will be Commissioners Culbertson, Kaaz, Mike Smith, Doug Smith and Stieben, Senior County Counselor David Van Parys and County Administrator Mark Loughry.

Motion passed, 5-0.

A motion was made by Commissioner Culbertson and seconded by Commissioner Kaaz to amend the return time to 10:30 a.m.

Motion passed, 5-0.

The Board returned to regular session as 10:30 a.m. No action was taken and no decisions were made. The subject was limited to legal interests of the County.

David Van Parys requested to set a hearing for the review of Resolution 2019-10, a special use permit for Flatlands, c&d landfill.

Mr. Van Parys requested the County Board of Health to set a hearing for the landfill operation in Easton.

A motion was made by Commissioner Culbertson and seconded by Commissioner Doug Smith to set the review of Resolution 2019-10 at 10:00 a.m. on March 16th and 10:30 a.m. on March 16th for the meeting of the Board of Health with the same provision.

Motion passed, 5-0.

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

The Board adjourned at 10:31 a.m.