

\*\*\*\*\*April 1, 2026\*\*\*\*\*

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on Wednesday, April 1, 2026. Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Reid, Commissioner Dove and Commissioner Stieben are present; Commissioner Culbertson is absent; Also present: Mark Loughry, County Administrator; Misty Brown, County Counselor; Connie Harmon, Council on Aging Director; Jim Sherley, Undersheriff; Jamie Miller, EMS/Health Department Director; John Jacobson, Planning and Zoning Director; Amy Allison, Planning and Zoning Deputy Director; Bill Noll, Infrastructure and Construction Services

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Ted Grinter and Rebecca Davis commented.

**ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:**

Commissioner Stieben requested the CIP be moved to next week.

Commissioner Stieben read a proclamation recognizing Child Abuse Prevention Month.

Commissioner Stieben read a proclamation recognizing National Government Month.

Commissioner Stieben spoke about HB2745 that would require a vote of the electors to approve increases in property tax revenues.

Commissioner Stieben spoke about the approved special use permits throughout the county.

Commissioner Stieben read accomplishments the county has made in the past several years.

Commissioner Reid read information from the Washington Post on data centers.

Commissioner Stieben mentioned a few senators have proposed a state-wide moratorium on data centers.

Commissioner Dove reiterated that the Board should continue to receive more information on the data centers.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Smith seconded by Commissioner Dove to accept the consent agenda for Wednesday, April 1, 2026, as presented.***

***Motion passed, 4-0.***

Connie Harmon requested appointment of a member to the Wyandotte/Leavenworth County Advisory Council.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Reid to appoint Luisa Maxson to the Wyandotte/Leavenworth Areawide Advisory Council representing the Leavenworth County Council on Aging.***

***Motion passed, 4-0.***

Jim Sherley requested approval of the Edward Byrne grant agreement.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Dove to approve the Edward J. Byrne grant agreement.***

***Motion passed, 4-0.***

Jamie Miller requested the chairman to sign an MOU with CoreCivic for EMS services.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Reid to authorize the chairman to sign an MOU between the County and CoreCivic for EMS services.***

***Motion passed, 4-0.***

Amy Allison presented Case DEV-26-002, a final plat for Blake Farms.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Reid and seconded by Commissioner Dove to find that the proposed final plat as outlined in Case DEV-26-002 in compliant with the County Zoning and Subdivision Regulations and move that the proposed final plat be conditionally approved and accepted by this Board subject to the conditions set forth in the staff report and as adopted by the Planning Commission.***

***Motion passed, 4-0.***

Ms. Allison presented Resolution 2026-8, a request for a special use permit for H2R Ranch.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Reid and seconded by Commissioner Stieben that the proposed special use permit complies with the Golden Factors and move to adopt Resolution 2026-8 and conditionally approve the special use permit as outlined in Case DEV-25-121 based on the recommendation and conditions of the Planning Commission, with the exception to make it a 30 year, the findings as set forth in the staff report and as substantiated by the facts, testimony and evidence presented at the public hearing.***

***Commissioner Reid withdrew her motion and Commissioner Stieben withdrew his second.***

***A motion was made by Commissioner Reid and seconded by Commissioner Smith that the proposed special use permit complies with the Golden Factors and move to adopt Resolution 2026-8 and conditionally approve the special use permit as outlined in Case DEV-25-121 based on the recommendation and conditions of the Planning Commission, with the exception of moving it from 10 to 15 years, the findings as set forth in the staff report and as substantiated by the facts, testimony and evidence presented at the public hearing.***

***Motion passed, 4-0.***

Jacob Thomas presented a report for the Extension Office.

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

***Motion passed, 4-0.***

The Board adjourned at 10:27 a.m.

Final Approved