

*****April 21, 2021*****

The Board of County Commissioners met in a regular session on Wednesday, April 21, 2021. Commissioner Mike Smith, Commissioner Doug Smith, Commissioner Stieben, Commissioner Kaaz and Commissioner Culbertson are present; Also present: Mark Loughry, County Administrator; David Van Parys, Senior County Counselor; Larry Malbrough, Information Systems Director; Connie Harmon, Council on Aging Director; Bill Noll, Infrastructure and Construction Services; Damon Hininger, CoreCivic President and CEO; Natasha Metcalf, CoreCivic Vice President; David Weed, CoreCivic Sr. Director

Residents: John Bradford, Jim Cunningham, Tamra S, Kirk Pederson, Margaret Smith, Scott and Julie Jacobs, John Roper

PUBLIC COMMENT:

John Bradford and Tamra S requested funding for Cadet Law.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Bill Noll announced Leavenworth County received funding from the application for the High- Risk Rural Roads program for Tonganoxie Road, the southern 1.1 miles from the city limits of Tonganoxie towards the Stranger Creek crossing bridge location.

A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Kaaz to accept the consent agenda for Wednesday, April 21, 2021 as presented.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Larry Malbrough requested the chairman to sign the master service agreement with NetStandard.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaaz and seconded by Commissioner Stieben to authorize the chairman to sign the master service agreement between Leavenworth County and NetStandard, Inc.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Connie Harmon requested approval of a contract with Terry Booker for nutrition services and catering for Council on Aging.

A motion was made by Commissioner Culbertson and seconded by Commissioner Mike Smith to approve Council on Aging to enter into a contract with Terry Booker for nutrition services and catering.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Ms. Harmon requested approval of a contract with Leavenworth Paper Supply for consumable supplies.

A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Culbertson to sign the contract with Leavenworth Paper Supply for consumable supplies.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Damon Hininger presented a proposal to contract with Leavenworth County to take over the operations of CoreCivic.

Kirk Pederson, Margaret Smith, Scott Jacobs, Julie Jacobs and John Roper commented on non-agenda items.

A motion was made by Commissioner Culbertson and seconded by Commissioner Kaaz that this Board 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 11:05 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.

The Board returned to regular session at 11:05 a.m. No action was taken and no decisions were made. The subject was limited to potential litigation.

Commissioner Stieben inquired if the County Counselor could research if the County could join the lawsuit or bring their own lawsuit in regard to the executive order issued effecting CoreCivic.

David Van Parys indicated he would check into it but noted it would be more appropriate if the State Attorney General would look at it.

It was the consensus of the Board to schedule a work session to discuss CoreCivic on April 29 at 9:00 a.m.

Commissioner Doug Smith will attend the Fairmount Township meeting tonight and attended the Basehor City Council meeting last week.

Commissioner Kaaz participated in the Port Authority meeting yesterday. She reported on May 5th she will accompany the County Clerk to the Clerk's Association meeting.

Commissioner Culbertson participated in the Port Authority meeting and the Kickapoo Township meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaaz and seconded by Commissioner Culbertson to adjourn.

Motion passed, 5-0.

The Board adjourned at 11:12 a.m.