The Board of County Commissioners met in a regular session on Wednesday, May 22, 2024. Commissioner Culbertson, Commissioner Kaaz, Commissioner Mike Smith, Commissioner Doug Smith and Commissioner Stieben are present; Also present: Mark Loughry, County Administrator; David Van Parys, Senior County Counselor; Misty Brown, Deputy County Counselor; Edd Hingula, Leavenworth City Commission; Bill Noll, Infrastructure and Construction Services; John Richmeier, Leavenworth Times

Residents: Joe Wilson, Dave Breuer, Joe Herring, Willie Dove

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There were no public comments.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Bill Noll presented a change order for replacement culverts with a cost of \$26,305.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Stieben and seconded by Commissioner Doug Smith to approve change order 3 per the request of the Public Works director.

Motion passed, 4-0, Commissioner Kaaz abstained.

Mark Loughry spoke about the rising cost of the county's health insurance offering a few different options to cover that cost.

Commissioner Doug Smith asked if a complete report of the funds missing in the Treasurer's office could be provided to the Board.

Commissioner Culbertson inquired about what law firm to use to sue the State of Kansas over LAVTR.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaaz and seconded by Commissioner Mike Smith to accept the consent agenda for Wednesday, May 22, 2024.

Motion passed, 5-0.

A motion was made by Commissioner Stieben and seconded by Commissioner Doug Smith to appoint Connie Torneden to the Reno Township Board.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Misty Brown presented Board Order 2024-6, renaming Woodend Road to Deer Creek Road.

A motion was made by Commissioner Stieben and seconded by Commissioner Doug Smith to approve Board Order 2024-6, authorizing the Public Works Director to make measures to rename Woodend Road to Deer Creek Road.

Motion passed, 5-0.

A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Mike Smith that the 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 board resume open meeting at 10:05 a.m. in the meeting room of the board. present in the executive meeting will be Commissioners Culbertson, Kaaz, Mike Smith, Doug Smith and Mike Stieben, Senior County

Counselor David Van Parys, Deputy County Counselor Misty Brown and County Administrator Mark Loughry and others that may be called by the board.

Motion passed, 5-0.

The Board returned to regular meeting at 10:05 a.m. No decisions were made and no action was taken. The subject was limited to the legal interests of the County.

Commissioner Kaaz participated in the Port Authority meeting via Zoom and Workforce Partnership meeting.

Commissioner Mike Smith reported the Employee Appreciation cook-out is Thursday. He congratulated all the graduating seniors.

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

Motion passed, 5-0.

The Board adjourned at 10:07 a.m.