

\*\*\*\*\*June 17, 2026\*\*\*\*\*

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on Wednesday, June 17, 2026. Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Culbertson, Commissioner Reid, Commissioner Dove and Commissioner Stieben are present; Also present: Mark Loughry, County Administrator; Misty Brown, County Counselor

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Jim Karleskint, Dee Karleskint, Kim Colbert, Rebecca Davis, Ted Grinter, Mary Bowes, Tammy Patton, Brooklyn Patton, Brian Morley, Nancy Carpenter, Richard Paz, Tyler Carpenter, Kevin Finch and Lisa Hagge commented.

**ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:**

Mark Loughry addressed a public comment regarding Leavenworth County's bid process.

Commissioner Stieben inquired about additional communication between staff and the city of Leavenworth regarding the Transfer Station.

Mr. Loughry indicated the Board previously voted to not proceed.

Commissioner Stieben inquired if a discussion regarding a memorial for Mr. Wrigley in Alexandria Township could be placed on the agenda.

Commissioner Stieben voiced concerns about AI.

Commissioner Reid requested the costs of lawsuits in the last 8 years.

Commissioner Stieben read a proclamation recognizing Juneteenth.

Commissioner Stieben requested to remove item F from the consent agenda for further discussion.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Culbertson and seconded by Commissioner Smith to accept the consent agenda for Wednesday, June 17, 2026 less item F.***

***Motion passed, 5-0.***

Misty Brown addressed questions regarding Resolution 2026-7, special use permit for Kaw Valley, LLC.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Reid to approve Resolution 2026-7, conditionally issuing a special use permit for Kaw Valley Companies, Inc. for a sand excavation and stockpiling operation.***

***Motion passed, 3-2 Commissioner Stieben and Smith voting nay.***

Ms. Brown presented a development and road improvement agreement between Kaw Valley and Leavenworth County.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Culbertson and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the development and road improvement agreement between Kaw Valley Inc. and the County.***

***Motion passed, 4-1 Commissioner Stieben voting nay.***

Mr. Loughry provided information on data center potential property tax impact and community benefit.

Byron McFee, Richard Paz, Dee Karleskint, Wes Baker, Annette Holton commented.

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

***Motion passed, 5-0.***

The Board adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Final Approved