The Board of County Commissioners met in a regular session on Wednesday, August 9, 2023. Commissioner Doug Smith, Commissioner Mike Smith, Commissioner Culbertson and Commissioner Stieben are present; Commissioner Kaaz is absent; Also present: Mark Loughry, County Administrator; David Van Parys, Senior County Counselor; Bill Noll, Infrastructure and Construction Services; John Richmeier, Leavenworth Times

Residents: John Matthews, Joe Herring

A motion was made by Commissioner Mike Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stieben for Jeff Culbertson to act as temporary chair for today's meeting.

Motion passed, 4-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There were no public comments.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Mark Loughry reported on calls received regarding road striping on county roads. He indicated there is a gap of time between when the road work is done and when the striping occurs since the county contracts that out.

Commissioner Stieben inquired about statutory required funding and discretionary funding for elected officials and what authority the Commissioners hold with regards.

David Van Parys indicated there is no specific statute that sets out a funding formula.

A motion was made by Commissioner Culbertson and seconded by Commissioner Mike Smith to accept the consent agenda for Wednesday, August 9, 2023 as presented.

Motion passed, 4-0.

The Board discussed a speed study for 222nd and Kansas Avenue.

A motion was made by Commissioner Stieben and seconded by Commissioner Mike Smith to instruct staff to take the necessary steps to implement the recommendations of the speed study to include limitations of speed at 35 miles per hour and additional signage as specified.

Motion passed, 3-1 Commissioner Doug Smith voting nay.

The Board discussed 158th SWPPP closure review.

A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Mike Smith to authorize Public Works to get a quote from a contractor to seed 158th Street.

Motion passed, 4-0.

Commissioner Doug Smith will attend the Basehor City Council meeting and attended the Lip Sync fundraiser for the Chamber of Commerce.

Commissioner Stieben will attend the Farm Bureau dinner.

Commissioner Mike Smith was interviewed Monday for the Lansing government channel.

Commissioner Culbertson attended the Easton City Council meeting and the Leavenworth City Commission meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mike Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stieben to adjourn. Motion passed, 4-0.

The Board adjourned at 9:38 a.m.