

*****September 14, 2022 *****

The Board of County Commissioners met in a regular session on Wednesday, September 14, 2022. Commissioner Mike Smith, Commissioner Kaaz, Commissioner Culbertson, Commissioner Doug Smith and Commissioner Stieben are present; Also present: Mark Loughry, County Administrator; David Van Parys, Senior County Counselor; Janet Klasinski, County Clerk; Bill Noll, Infrastructure and Construction Services; John Richmeier, Leavenworth Times

Residents: Eric McMillin, Wes Baker, John Matthews, Greg Kaaz with Lexeco

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Eric McMillin commented on an agenda item.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Mark Loughry reported during the wrap up of the 158th Street project, two property owners came forth with letters from 2004 that state their driveways would be asphalted in exchange for compensation for right-of-way. He requested direction from the Board as to how to proceed since there is no agreement.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaaz and seconded by Commissioner Doug Smith to allow staff to handle this situation by speaking with what is consistent and agreed upon by the owners that are affected and staff.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Commissioner Stieben inquired if the budget documents could be put on the County website next year.

Mr. Loughry indicated through the budget process there are several draft documents which will not be posted on the website.

A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stieben to accept the consent agenda for Wednesday, September 14, 2022 as presented.

Motion passed, 5-0.

The Leavenworth County Budget for tax year 2023 was presented for approval.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaaz and seconded by Commissioner Mike Smith to approve the Leavenworth County Budget for tax year 2023.

Motion passed, 5-0.

The Leavenworth County Special Other Funds Budget for tax year 2023 was presented for approval.

A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Mike Smith to approve the 2023 Leavenworth County Special Other Funds Budget.

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

Bill Noll requested approval of a contract with KDOT for the parking lot construction at Cushing.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaaz and seconded by Commissioner Culbertson to approve the contract with KDOT for the parking lot construction at Cushing Hospital.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Mr. Noll requested the approval of a contract extension with Lexeco for rock crushing at the Tonganoxie Quarry.

A motion was made by Commissioner Stieben and seconded by Commissioner Doug Smith to approve the contract extension with Lexeco for rock crushing at the Tonganoxie Quarry.

Motion passed, 5-0.

Commissioner Doug Smith attended Dairy Days in Basehor and will attend the Basehor City Council meeting, Tonganoxie Days and Little Stranger Church fundraiser.

Commissioner Stieben will attend Tonganoxie Days and participate in Elephant Club meeting tomorrow. He will hold a property tax meeting on September 29th. He indicated on October 5th at noon on the Courthouse south steps, Alberta Leach will hold a rally to meet with Governor Kelly. He will be meeting with the economic development director from DeSoto to discuss the Apex Battery company.

Commissioner Culbertson met with the mayor of Parkville regarding the 152 Bridge. He attended the Leavenworth City Council meeting last night.

Commissioner Kaaz attended the Child Abuse Prevention Council meeting, a special meeting with the Transit Authority and the LCDC meeting. She attended a luncheon with Mr. Loughry on Friday at Ft. Leavenworth with guest speaker Pat Roberts.

Commissioner Mike Smith interviewed on the Lansing Government Channel. He will be touring with staff at the new Bernard Park tomorrow.

Commissioner Mike Smith inquired who will be attended the Kansas Association of Counties Conference in October.

A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Culbertson to vote Commissioner Culbertson as the voting delegate for the KAC fall conference.

Motion passed, 5-0.

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

Motion passed, 5-0.

The Board adjourned at 9:55 a.m.