

*****September 28, 2022 *****

The Board of County Commissioners met in a regular session on Wednesday, September 28, 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; Andrew Holder, Attorney; John Richmeier, Leavenworth Times

Residents: Mike McDonald, Nancy Carpenter, Wes Baker, Eric McMillin

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There were no public comments.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Commissioner Doug Smith inquired about an email request for the funding of a porta a potty for the Veteran's Day Parade.

Mark Loughry reported he responded to the email indicating funds were not available.

The Board decided to donate \$100.00 of their own funds for the request.

Commissioner Doug Smith asked what the County will be doing with the opioid settlement funds.

David Van Parys indicated those funds must be used for designated uses such as treatment of opioid addiction or education among others.

Commissioner Stieben inquired if Kaw Valley has filed any appeal in the lawsuit.

Mr. Van Parys reported a mandate has not been issued nor he could not say for certain that an appeal has been filed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Culbertson and seconded by Commissioner Kaaz to accept the consent agenda for Wednesday, September 28, 2022 as presented.

Motion passed, 5-0.

A motion was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stieben that the Board recess for a closed executive meeting for the discussion of pending 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 Stieben, Senior County Counselor David Van Parys, County Administrator Mark Loughry and legal counsel Andrew Holder.

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Commissioner Kaaz met with the director of the Transit Authority and attended the Workforce Partnership meeting.

Commissioner Doug Smith attended the Fairmount Township meeting, the Northeast Kansas Official's meeting and the MARC meeting. He will attend the Basehor City Council meeting.

Commissioner Stieben will hold a property tax meeting at the Tonganoxie Library tomorrow evening.

*A motion was made by Commissioner Kaaz and seconded by Commissioner Stieben to adjourn.
Motion passed, 5-0.*

The Board adjourned at 10:31 a.m.