

**Leavenworth County Port Authority  
Board of Directors  
17 September 2024  
Noon – Zoom/In-Person**

Attendees: Lisa Haack, Diana Dodd, Mary Mack, John Richmeier, David Schroeder, Greg Kaaz, Josh Gentzler, Pat Kitchens, Vickie Kaaz, Chris Donnelly, Vernon Fields, George Brajkovic, Dan Clemons

Doug called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

**Motion to approve the August minutes by Chris Donnelly and seconded by Dan Clemons. Motion carried.**

**Motion to approve the August financial reports by Chris Donnelly and seconded by Vernon Fields. Motion carried.**

- Discussed county funding and request to be made for extra funding. **Dan Clemons made the motion to verify that \$62,000 allocated be directed to LCPA. Seconded by Chris Donnelly. Vickie will clarify and a formal request will be made to the county for \$85,658. Motion carried.**
- Asked for approval to utilize LCPA reserve for LCDC operating in 2025. **Chris Donnelly made the motion to utilize funds to make up the deficit of \$77,000 for LCDC 2025 operating. Seconded by Dan Clemons. Motion carried.**

**LCDC Report:**

Lisa gave the LCDC report, which included new and ongoing projects:

- Project Sunflower – existing business asking about available lots in Tonganoxie for possible expansion. Sent info on Urban Hess and asked for more info.
- LBTP Inquiry – KC realtor asked for meeting to discuss the LBTP in response to email blast. Met and sent follow-up information.
- Project McDonald – existing business seeking gap funding for expansion project.
- Project Transport – Two properties in Urban Hess. After some discussion, **Dan Clemons made the motion to approve the sale per previous discussion on \$20,000 per acre with 3 conditions and upon review and advise from lawyer. Seconded by Chris Donnelly. Motion carried.**

LCDC Activity, marketing events/trips:

- She mentioned the county's 2025 budget has been approved. Will need to discuss LCDC 2025 budget to present for revisions.
- Stated making a strategic effort to meet with new or incoming elected officials. Meeting with Vanessa Reid on Monday at the school board office.
- Attended Metrowire Media event; KCADC Networking at the K and CrewKC event. Will be attending SIOR on Thursday. Discussed the Fam Tour coming up in November.
- LCDC golf tournament was a huge success and record year for net income.
- Will be subleasing office space to Dept. of Commerce for their employee working in the area.
- Attending the KEDA Conference 23-24 September

- Stated still need to set up study session with the county and LCPA Board.

**Regional Transportation Plan Update:** Greg provided a handout giving a summary of the projects. Mentioned Basehor is working with KTA for interchange on 158<sup>th</sup>, needing to get a feasibility study done first.

**Industrial Site Committee Update:** No updates. Still waiting on information

**Future Funding Committee** – Met with attorney and waiting on opinion letter from him on options for taxing.

**Panasonic Impact:** No Update.

**Affiliated partner updates given.**

Adjourned at 12:50