

**Leavenworth County Port Authority**

**Board of Directors**

**15 April 2025**

**Noon – Zoom/in-Person**

Attendees: Lisa Haack, Mary Mack, Doug Schimke, Greg Kaaz, Chris Donnelly, Dan Clemons, George Brajkovic, Mike Smith, Brian Habjan, Jeff Klemp, Willie Dove, Harland Russell, David Schroeder

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

**Motion to approve the March minutes by David Schroeder and seconded by Dan Clemons. Motion carried.**

**Review of March financials and motion to approve made by Chris Donnelly, seconded by David Schroeder. Motion carried.**

**Review of the January 2025 financials and motion to approve made by Greg Kaaz and seconded by David Schroeder. Motion carried.**

**LCDC Report:**

Lisa gave the LCDC report, which included new and on-going projects for March.

- Project High Power – Did not submit. Electronic equipment manufacturer looking for existing building, 35-45K sf.
- Project Rotate – Did not submit. Automotive distribution facility interested in existing building, 12-25K sf for relocation into KC region.
- Project Boost – existing Tonganoxie business selling its property to an incoming company. Working w/company, city and LCPA.

**LCDC activity/marketing**

- Mentioned she spoke with someone from Stafford County Port Authority. Things discussed:
  - Funding from the management of rail port
    - Focus on housing and receiving some rent
    - Rent from a couple of buildings
    - Receive some sales tax and property tax from grocery store-TIFF district
- Had first of regular meetings with Commissioner Smith. Will be meeting just prior to each LCPA/LCDC updates.
- Had kickoff meeting for education campaign. The next meeting will be with the county and cities to inform them of the LCPA efforts.
- She has her update to the City of Leavenworth at 6:00 p.m.
- Attending SEDC conference 4-28-4/30 and NextGen Talks in KC 5-7 May.
- **Mentioned a request from the City of Leavenworth for property access in Gary Carlson for sewer repairs. Greg Kaaz made the motion to approve the temporary easement up to 6 months for sewer line repairs, seconded by Chris Donnelly. All in favor.**

**Regional Transportation Plan:** Greg provided an update on projects, highlighting a couple of interest for the county. KDOT accepting applications for Safe Routes to School Program that are due by 2 May. Grants are to improve potential infrastructure and non-infrastructure solutions to help improve safety for children who walk, bike, and roll to school. Information can be found at <https://saferoutes.ksdot.gov/grants-and-funding>

**Industrial Site Committee:** No update, on hold.

**Future Funding Committee:** Talked about the education campaign and efforts to inform the county on the pursuit of the mil levy for funding for LCPA.

**Affiliated partner updates given.**

**Other:**

Senator Klemp talked about the potential development of some local property.

Adjourned at 1:05 p.m.