MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING

November 5, 2003

The Regular Meeting of the Board of the County Commissioners of Sedgwick County, Kansas, was called to order at 9:00 A.M., on Wednesday, November 5, 2003 in the County Commission Meeting Room in the Courthouse in Wichita, Kansas, by Chairman Tim Norton; with the following present: Chair Pro Tem Thomas G. Winters; Commissioner David M. Unruh; Commissioner Carolyn McGinn; Commissioner Ben Sciortino; Mr. William P. Buchanan, County Manager; Mr. Rich Euson, County Counselor; Sheriff Gary Steed; Ms. Irene Hart, Director, Community Development; Mr. John Schlegel, Director, Metropolitan Area Planning Department; Mr. Jim Weber, P.E., Deputy Director, Bureau of Public Works; Mr. Joe L. Norton, Bond Counsel, Gilmore & Bell, P.C.; Mr. Bob Lamkey, Director, Division of Public Safety; Ms. Marilyn Cook, Director, Comprehensive Community Care (COMCARE); Mr. David Spears, Director, Bureau of Public Works; Ms. Iris Baker, Director, Purchasing Department; Ms. Kristi Zukovich, Director, Communications; and, Ms. Lisa Davis, Deputy County Clerk.

GUESTS

Reverend Reuben Eckels, New Day Christian Church, Wichita.
Ms. Lisa Baldwin, Corp Commander, Wichita JROTC program.
Colonel Robert Hester, Wichita Area JROTC program.
Mr. Pete Gustaf, Executive Director, Kansas Technical Training Initiative.
Mr. Phil Meyer, Agent for applicant, Baughman Company.
Mr. Bob Kaplan, agent for Savanna at Castle Rock homeowners.
Mr. Dwight Allen, Director, Medical Society of Sedgwick County.

INVOCATION

The Invocation was led by Reverend Reuben Eckels of New Day Christian Church, Wichita.

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

The Clerk reported, after calling roll, that all Commissioners were present.

Chairman Norton said, "Next item."

PROCLAMATIONS

A. **PROCLAMATIONS.**

1. PROCLAMATION DECLARING NOVEMBER 9, 2003 AS "NEW DAY CHRISTIAN CHURCH DAY."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioners, I would like to read the following proclamation into the record.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, New Day Christian Church was founded by Reverend Reuben and Carla Eckels on November 5, 2000; and

WHEREAS, New Day Christian Church strives to set a Christian standard through its commitment of service, and seeks to minister to the total needs of all people by spreading Christ's liberating gospel through word and deed; and

WHEREAS, New Day Christian Church has made efforts to improve the live of its members as well as members of the community by providing food, clothing and shelter to individuals in need; and

WHEREAS, we congratulate the members of New Day Christian Church for making a positive difference in our community; and

WHEREAS, the Third Anniversary Celebration of New Day Christian Church will be held on Sunday, November 9, 2003.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Tim Norton, Chairman of the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim November 9, 2003 as

"New Day Christian Church Day"

and encourage all citizens to 'Rejoice and Celebrate a New Day'.

Dated November 5th, 2003.

And I'll ask Reverend Eckels to come back up and accept the proclamation but I'll need a Motion

from the Commissioners."

MOTION

Commissioner McGinn moved to adopt the Proclamation and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Thank you, Reverend. You prayed for us, now you can preach to us."

Reverend Reuben Eckels, New Day Christian Church, greeted the Commissioners and said, "It's dangerous to give a preacher a mike. We really are thankful for this proclamation, Commissioners. Our church really does love to serve. We do our best to help those who are in need in our community, from tutorial programs to clothing programs to just reaching out and letting folks know that we love them in our community and the best way we can serve, we tell those who come to our church, you're a first-time visitor only once then you're part of our family and we give them a great big hug and a great big wave and we tell them that we love them very much and if there's anything that we can do to help.

And so, once again, we're thankful to be in Wichita. This is a wonderful community, a great place to serve and we want to thank you again for your service and all that you've done."

Chairman Norton said, "Thank you. Don't run off. Commissioner Unruh."

Commissioner Unruh said, "Thank you. I just want to congratulate you on your third anniversary.

I know that it's very difficult. A new church takes a lot of effort and energy and prayer and I just want to congratulate you on what you've done. And I have the opportunity to celebrate with you on Sunday and I'll be in worship with you and looking forward to that and I'm happy for you and your congregation. Thank you very much."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Well, why don't we get down to the important stuff. Now there is an activity going on Sunday and I'm going to try to make it. I got a little if-y because we may have to run to Kansas City for Mary's mom, but there's some food or something right after the service?"

Reverend Eckels said, "Wonderful food, the best you'll ever . . ."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "But tell a little bit about what's going to be the activities Sunday."

Reverend Eckels said, "I'll have to turn that over to our cook, she's here and she has a wonderful menu planned."

Ms. Erma Chadwick, Member, New Day Christian Church, greeted the Commissioners and said, "We are going to have a wonderful dinner now and of course there's going to be Soul food. Our meats will be . . . we're going to have smoked ham, we're going to have brisket and we'll have fried chicken, but along with that there will be collard greens, peach cobbler for dessert. There will be corn, green beans, candied yams, the whole nine yards and I will be making homemade rolls. So we eat a lot at New Day though, so that's . . . but we invite you. If you can come, come and have a ball."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "But I mean, you're also going to have . . . I mean there's a whole lot to . . . There's the service that's from 11 to 2 or something like this."

Ms. Angela Chadwick, Member, New Day Christian Church, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I would like to tell you, on behalf of the anniversary committee, we do have a great day planned. We are having morning worship service at 11:00 and we have a guest pastor coming, a distinguished pastor from Dayton, Ohio, Reverend Holmes and his wife will be there. And then, following the afternoon service we will have a meal planned so everyone can come out and enjoy that and then after that we're having a musical from guests from around the City of Wichita, different churches will be coming to help us celebrate and then we will have a reception following that. So it's going to be a great day, so we're taking advantage of November 9th as being New Day."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "And why don't you, just for the public, what's the address of the church and where it's located so if people want to come."

Ms. Chadwick said, "Yes, it is at 5221 East Elm, here in Wichita, Kansas."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Okay, thank you."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner McGinn."

Commissioner McGinn said, "I also want to say congratulations and it looks like you've got a great ministry started and a great group of parishioners as well. I just had a question. At one time, you were at the WSU's campus. Were you New Day at that time? You were then. Okay, and how many years were you there?"

Reverend Eckels said, "We were there actually approximately a year and a half."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Okay and so from there is where you went to your new church."

Reverend Eckels said, "Yes, and actually we began to pray first and God found us a wonderful location at 5221 East Elm, on the corner of Old Manor and Elm. And so, a wonderful transition."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Well, great. Have a great weekend too, congratulations."

Chairman Norton said, "Clerk, call the next item."

2. PROCLAMATION DECLARING NOVEMBER 9-15, 2003 AS "WICHITA JROTC-LEADERSHIP WEEK."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioners, I'd like to read the following proclamation into the record.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, JROTC was officially implemented in American high schools in 1916, began in Kansas in 1917 and in Wichita in 1994; and

WHEREAS, Cadet Leadership Programs were started in selected middle schools in our community in 1997, making Wichita a leader in the nation in this initiative; andWHEREAS, the JROTC and Leadership Programs are recognized in Wichita and Sedgwick

County for building citizenship and good character in our youth; and

WHEREAS, there are now more than 2,500 youth participating as cadets in seventeen of our public schools.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Tim Norton, Chairman of the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim November 9-15, 2003 as

"WICHITA JROTC- LEADERSHIP WEEK"

in recognition of these fine young men and women who are becoming better leaders and citizens for the future through their involvement in the JROTC and Leadership programs.

November 5th, 2003.

What is the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to adopt the Proclamation and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Well, I see Lisa Baldwin is here and some other guy. Are you speaking first, Colonel Hester?"

Colonel Robert Hester, Wichita Area JROTC program, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Yes

sir, I'm going to speak just briefly Chair Norton, members of the Sedgwick County Commission. We wanted to thank you for approving this proclamation for us. Our Junior ROTC and leadership program has grown 25% just in this past year and this is the same time that we've had a 5% reduction in our budget in our school district. So I think our growth has been very remarkable. I would like to invite everyone to our Veterans' Day ceremony on the 10th of November at Century II in the Exhibition Hall. We're going to try to put as many of the 2,600 cadets as possible into that hall. I think it will be a very impressive ceremony.

Chair Norton, we ask that you once more come to that and present the proclamation in front of all of our cadets so that they can witness it, to Lisa Baldwin our Corp Commander. And I would like to introduce our Corp Commander, Lisa. She is a senior at East High School. She's in the International Baccalaureate program. She's a member of the National Honor's Society. She has a 3.68 GPA and her aspirations are to attend the Air Force Academy, where I am certain that she will be successful and ladies and gentlemen, I'd like to introduce Lisa Baldwin."

Ms. Lisa Baldwin, Corp Commander, Wichita Area JROTC program, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Well, that was quite an introduction, Colonel Hester, thank you. I would just like to say, on behalf of the JROTC Leadership cadets that we really appreciate this. JROTC has really started to come around and be recognized by many people in the community.

I myself have witnessed cadets do a complete 180 degree turn around and graduated from high school with a 3.0 or above GPA, go on to college, where before they were like 'Oh, I'll stay in until I'm a junior and then quit and go work at McDonald's'.

The opportunities that it gives the cadets is just amazing. We get to go to leadership camps. One thing that's very important is the cadets are able to interact with positive role models in our community and they're able to attend ceremonies, such as Veterans' Day, where they witness that other people are there too and other people are in ROTC and other people care about them and understand that they're just kids, but they'll take them more seriously.

And they develop more citizenship. They have a lot of fun. It's really a lot of fun for the kids, once they get going in it. Not everybody starts out liking it, but a lot of the time most of the kids that are in there didn't start out liking it at first and thought it was kind of a waste of time, but by the end they are in there, they're doing whatever they want, whatever they can with JROTC and we usually have a lot of people volunteer for special activities. So, thank you again."

Chairman Norton said, "Thank you very much, don't run off. Commissioner Winters."

Commissioner Winters said, "Well, I just wanted to encourage everyone who had an opportunity to attend the event at Exhibition Hall on the 10^{th} . I attended the first time several years ago, the

year that I was Chairman, and it is one of the most impressive youth events I have participated in by just observing. It was wonderful to see the commitment of those young people and the number of them that participate.

I was overwhelm with the number of participants and if you've gotten a 10% increase from that, you are doing remarkable work. And Colonel, I would say thank you to you from the community again for the work that you put in on this program. It really, you can tell that it gives these young people really something that they'll really grab onto. So we appreciate your work, and Lisa, you're an impressive Corp Leader and keep up the good work and best of luck to you in your future."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Well, just to dovetail into what Commissioner Winters said. Young lady, if you're an example of what our youth are today, then our future is pretty secure, because in a very few years, in your case just a year or so, you all are going to be sitting up here. You're going to be on the city counsel, you're going to be in the leadership of our state and our country and I feel kind of comfortable, since I'm now in my twilight years, knowing that people like yourselves are going to protect us and serve us. So, thank you from the bottom of my heart."

Ms. Baldwin said, "Thank you, sir."

Chairman Norton said, "I see no other comments. Thank you for coming today. I will be there Monday. I've got it on my calendar, so you can count on that. I see ROTC as that place where young people that maybe aren't focused can come together for a common cause and find something they can connect to. You know, as we understand young people, that many times it's not being connected that really gives them the path to go somewhere else and JROTC gives them a chance for a common purpose, something good to be involved in and you uphold the highest ideals of what being an American is all about. I really appreciate that and I'll see you on Monday. Thank you, Lisa, for coming."

Colonel Hester said, "I'd just like to say one other comment. As I was coming in, just a few minutes ago, Captain Alan Disney with the fire department stopped me to tell me that his son,

Austin Disney, who was our narrator a couple of year's ago at our Veterans' Day ceremony, joined the Marine Corps and he just found out today that he's being assigned to the White House as a guard at the White House and he thanked the Junior ROTC for giving his son some direction on where he wanted to go with his future. I think he's going to be very successful and that's what makes the Junior ROTC program and the leadership program so enjoyable to work with, is because we can see the change in the individual. Thank you very much."

Chairman Norton said, "Thank you. Clerk, call the next item."

AWARDS

B. PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION TO ED RANDELS, COUNTY COUNSELOR'S OFFICE; AND PEGGY WILSON, ERIC LANEY, GREG FABER, JEFF PIPER AND LINDA BAUGHMAN, DIVISION OF INFORMATION AND OPERATIONS; FOR ASSISTANCE WITH ON-LINE MUG PHOTOGRAPHS PROJECT.

Sheriff Gary Steed greeted the Commissioners and said, "Thank you for allowing me a few moments to recognize some good work by some Sedgwick County employees. If I could have Peggy Wilson and Eric Laney, Greg Faber, Jeff Piper, Linda Baughman and Ed Randels come up.

I would like, while they're coming up, I'd like to recognize these folks for some work that they did in-house in Sedgwick County with our current technology. We've come a long ways in my career in law enforcement. When I first began as a Sheriff's Deputy some 29 years ago, we took mug shots with what was called a graph-flex camera, where you took the picture and you pulled the picture out, it was black and white and you stamped it on the back and you filled in the information.

We've progressed through 35 millimeter to digital photography to what we have now. And what these folks have put together for us, we call it an Internet mug system. And what law enforcement has as a new tool in Sedgwick County is the ability from almost any PC, if you're a law enforcement officer, to get on the Internet and look up mug shots and put together mug lineups from virtually any PC in Sedgwick County. So officers in Clearwater, officers at the Wichita Police Department, Bel Aire, Valley Center, you name it can get on the Internet and put together a lineup or look up mug shots of criminals.

Mug lineups, as you know, are photographs of a bunch of identical people that you would show to a victim to have them pick out a suspect or just to see the mug shots themselves. Another additional aspect of that, I could have detectives or any officers from the police department could be in another

state and if they have this access, could stop and look up mugs and such on the Internet.

These folks have put that together for us. I think it's quite a program. It's a new tool that makes law enforcement a lot more affective and efficient here in Sedgwick County. My definition of community oriented policing is forming partnerships in order to solve problems. Those partnerships are not always with the public. They're not always with other agencies. Sometimes they're in-house here in Sedgwick County. I think this is just one more example of that, so if you'll allow me, I'll provide some certificates to these employees. Peggy, Linda, Greg, Jeff and Ed, thank you very much."

Chairman Norton said, "Tell them not to run off. Commissioner McGinn."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Well first off, I just want to say to Sheriff Steed, I think it's interesting that you looked in-house first and often times everybody thinks something like that's new and different, we need to go out for hire. And the second thing I want to say is congratulations to Sedgwick County, because you found these folks in Sedgwick County, the talents, the skills, the knowledge base and congratulations to all of you for your help. Thank you very much."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner Unruh."

Commissioner Unruh said, "Thank you. I would echo what Commissioner McGinn said, but also I want to not only congratulate the team but congratulate you Sheriff on taking the initiative to do this. Oftentimes on new technology it's easy to say, 'Well, we're doing fine without it, we don't need it, it takes too much time, too much effort, I don't want to divert my people from what they're doing'. So I appreciate the fact that you saw the values of this and went ahead with this and got it implemented. You're doing a good job, appreciate it."

Chairman Norton said, "Give us just a quick, down and dirty, about the Crime Stoppers program that we see on television. It just continues . . . the numbers continue to stagger me."

Sheriff Steed said, "It's a wonderful program. The numbers are great. It makes our job easier. It's very effective. I can't remember, the number is over 300 or 400 now and you know, what that does is allow us to have warrant officers focus their attention on some more serious persons that are more

difficult to find. I think that's one of the true values of it. Obviously, it's saving us a lot of time and effort in serving the warrants. We get some 12,000 to 13,000 warrants each year to serve and it's difficult for us to get all those served, so programs like this are a great help."

Chairman Norton said, "Well I just thought when you're talking mug shots, that's the key component of that is putting a face out in the community that people can look for and identify and report and it looks like it's been a pretty good program in the last year or two."

Sheriff Steed said, "It's been a great partnership also with Crime Stoppers and with KSN."

Chairman Norton said, "I see no other lights. Thank you for coming today. We're very proud of you. Next item."

NEW BUSINESS

C. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUPPORT FOR TRAINING OF DISPLACED AIRCRAFT WORKERS THROUGH A TUITION SUPPORT AGREEMENT WITH KANSAS TECHNICAL TRAINING INITIATIVE.

Ms. Irene Hart, Director, Division of Community Development, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Today I have before you an agreement that establishes . . . an agreement with the Kansas Techni . . . Excuse me, let me start all over again. For your consideration today, we have an agreement with the Kansas Technical Training Initiative that would provide scholarships for up to 100 displaced aviation workers who enroll in airframe technician training. This training should provide them and prepare them for taking the FAA Airframe Certification testing and requirements.

With us today are Pete Gustaf, who is the Executive Director of KTTI and Sarah Gilbert, with the City of Wichita Career Development Center. We've kind of broken our presentation into a couple or three different parts. Pete will tell you what the program is and then I'll walk through how Sedgwick County will participate and how this system will work. Sarah Gilbert can answer questions on students and more information of what she actually does to prepare these students for class."

Mr. Pete Gustaf, Executive Director, Kansas Technical Training Initiative, greeted the Commissioners and said, "First off, I'd like to start by giving my sincere thanks to Commissioner Norton and Commissioner Winters, who have participated and serve on the board of directors of the

Kansas Technical Training Initiative. Without your support and your input, both of you, we wouldn't be where we're at today.

A little bit of background about KTTI and then I'll talk a little bit about the A and P prep program that we're talking about today. I came here a little over a year and a half ago to a board of directors that consisted of the mayor, the city manager from the City of Wichita, the four aviation manufacturers: Boeing, Bombardier, Cessna and Raytheon. Their representation is senior leadership, in most cases the CEO. Also, the County Commission and USD 259 were on the board. The major question that we were trying to undertake was what we're going to do with technical training in the future for this region and for the State of Kansas. We also have the State of Kansas and the Lieutenant Governor is also on our board of directors.

As you folks know, when KTTI came about the situation was completely different than it is today. They were scrabbling for workers, were having a very difficult time of finding workers and they were stealing, the employers were stealing from each other. So, that's initially the concept of KTTI and how it came about was to try and build the pie of workers and offer quality technical training that will draw people and workers into Sedgwick County.

As you know, since the economic problems that we've had due to 9/11 and other economics, that situation flipped over and they had to layoff a substantial amount of workers. With great foresight, this board decided to charge on with KTTI because they knew, when the economic downturn started being an upturn, they'd run into the same problem if not worse. The demographic statistics for Sedgwick County and the nation are not very pretty. We have an average age of worker in the aviation industry of about 48. The U.S. Aerospace Commission report that came out last year screamed about the need for engineers and technical trained aviation workers. Chapter 8 of that report is a great article on what we need to do as far as aviation workers and technical workers as a whole.

So consequently, we've charged ahead. The first need that the employers that are on the board identified was airframe and power plant technician, which is commonly know as the aviation maintenance technician. It is a technical trade that is in dire need. There were 9,000 airframe and power plant students in 1992 in the nation. Currently, there are 2,400. We have a situation to where the number of schools that are teaching this type of training is declining rapidly. As a matter of fact, we're losing five more this year, so the availability of the training and the number of students is declining.

The FAA's own statistics are showing that we're going to need 70,000 airframe and power plant technicians in the next five years in this nation. This area has graduated and tested maybe about 40 a year, so there's a severe need. Cessna has invested \$60,000,000 in a service center and they're going to need 400 to 600 A and Ps just to staff their service center. Boeing is trying to get the lease

on the tanker, that's modification work. There's going to be a need for those type of folks too. Raytheon Service Center, Bombardier Service Center and with Bombardier moving some work up here from Arizona, as you know, is going to create some more need for A & P and we just don't have the infrastructures toward that.

So the KTTI board decided to try to do something for the folks that were laid off and dislocated and that's how this A & P prep class came about. What the prep class is it's a targeted designed program for people who have had the necessary experience to be able to get the training, to bring them up to speed in order to test for the airframe section of the test.

Most of the workers we had, we were surprised when we started the program, most of them have 10 years of experience or more. The problem that those workers face is their occupation that they were currently in is probably not going to be there again. They have to have some sort of retraining if they want to get back into aviation or they're going to leave and go on to do other things. So we decided to start this program. It's really an offensive and defensive program. The offensive section would be going out and serving these displaced workers. The defensive part is we've got a lot of the employers are sending their people who have experience into this program so we can get those folks their certificates which in turn makes them more valuable to their employers and consequently the odds of getting laid off in the future have significantly diminished if not gone away.

So, we're excited about the program. We currently have over 50 students in the program. About half of them are displaced workers, the other half are employer . . . people that are currently working that the employers are paying their tuition for. So we've got slots for about 100 displaced workers. We're going to continue on in this program. We're basically, what we're doing is we're taking those folks in, if they know sheet metal work for example, we don't have to teach them steel metal work again. So we're taking the skills that they are missing and getting them those skills through training, in order to get them up to speed, in order to take the airframe examination.

So, real excited and hopefully this will have a significant impact financially on the citizens of this county. If you think about it, the average salary for an airframe and power plant technician is about \$40,000 a year. If we train 100 people, that's \$4,000,000 a year in payroll. If a current employer gets their certificate and they move over to the service side of the business in the service center, that opens up another position for somebody that was laid off to go back into the manufacturing, so we're trying to increase the employment.

So, that's the prep class. If you have any questions, I'd be glad to answer them."

Chairman Norton said, "I think we may have some, but I think Commissioner Winters indicated he would like to wait until the whole presentation is over, so maybe we'll go through the whole thing and then come back to all the questions."

Ms. Hart said, "The challenge of such a . . . designing this program is the County does not have a training office that trains . . . we've not worked with the community in doing training for outsiders. We have a superb internal training session. So, trying to . . . the challenge is to design a program that is high on accountability and low on bureaucracy and so that's what we've done and I'd like to show you a little bit about how that . . .

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

There's my flowchart on how this system works. Okay, you probably can't read the fine print, but there is a flowchart. What I'll do is go through each one of those boxes individually. The agreement is with the Kansas Technical Training Initiative. Prospective students can contact them directly or they can contact the City of Wichita Career Development Center.

At the Career Development Center they determine eligibility, both in terms of skill, knowledge, doing the assessment, make sure that they are a dislocated worker, to develop an individual training plan which removes barriers to success. If you need childcare, if there's transportation issues, they work and make sure that there's not anything that keeps the student from succeeding.

Based on the assessment, they may refer people to remedial training or it may refer them back to KTTI for the airframe courses. KTTI receives the referral, enters into a contract with both the City of Wichita, Career Development Center and with the student and the training begins and Pete has described the training to you.

Tuition invoices are sent from KTTI to the City. The City of Wichita Career Development Center makes sure that everything is still eligible with the student, they do the case management, ongoing contact to make sure that they're still able to succeed and they then bill any financial aid sponsors that are contributing to this program. In this case, Sedgwick County and the City of Wichita would each be providing scholarships for the eligible student. They monitor the student progress and they send program reports to the sponsoring agencies.

Sedgwick County Community Development will receive the billing from the City of Wichita from Career Development Center, will review the billing and pay it and we'll send you monthly reports. So that's how we have the system designed and we're ready for any questions that you might have." **Chairman Norton** said, "Commissioner Winters."

Commissioner Winters said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I guess not really a specific question. I think Commissioner Norton and I have been involved in a large part of the process of putting this together. Pete did a good job of explaining how this system is working and going to work. I want to go back and go just a little further background than where Pete actually started. We've each

received some correspondence recently really kind of questioning why we're involved with this, how did this come about and so I'd just take a couple of seconds.

I really think that what we're doing is we're responding to the request of Cessna, Boeing, Bombardier and Raytheon. All four of these companies have been actively involved in the creation of KTTI and have been the ones that have really designed what this system should look like. They're the experts in aviation and they've been fully engaged. These four companies have repeatedly talked about creating a world class aviation, technology and training center. They talk about schools in Florida and Texas and Tulsa that they hold up as being really superb schools and they believe that Wichita, Kansas should be one of the places that when people talk about aviation training, you think about Wichita, Kansas. And that has been one of their goals and objectives.

Now there were a number of us, including myself, who wanted to explore and look at the opportunity of working through existing organizations that were already here. Attempts were made to do that, but for various reasons, those did not meet the goals and objectives of the four aviation aircraft companies. They had a vision of a new facility, new methods of teaching and training and just an entirely new direction.

Now again, I'm not an expert in this field, but I know that as a local government official, when the largest industry cluster in the State of Kansas has a level of dissatisfaction of what's currently happening, I think we need to respond and I think that's what Commissioner Norton and I have tried to do as just in a sense be more than tagging along, but certainly not being the creators of this new system, but assisting this industry cluster. Now, I do think there's still a lot of questions to be answered because we know that technical training in Kansas is changing. There's new legislation concerning technical colleges. There are new avenues, developing and workforce investment funds that we are kind of a part of through the REAP organization, so there continues to be a lot of changes.

I'm not sure, long-term, what our commitment is going to be in this, I have heard the aircraft ... I have heard several aircraft industry executives say their intension long-term is to not be involved in training, but there are others that need to do these kinds of things and I think I can say that for us. Long-term, I'm not sure that we're going to continue to be involved at this level, but this thing is just getting started, the first students are there and on board, so I remain confident that this is a good and wise investment for us, especially with the commitments that the aviation manufacturers have made to service centers, which Pete talked about in his presentation. But I just hope that everyone

understands that the sole reason for the existence of KTTI is to meet the needs of the aircraft industry. They're the ones that think this is the best avenue for them and we're there to support that.

And again, I'm not clear in my mind what the final picture is going to look like because technical education and training in Kansas continues to change, but I know that we need to stay in tune with our major industry cluster and be able to respond the best we can, so I'm going to be supportive of this today, even in light of some recent communications we've had."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner McGinn."

Commissioner McGinn said, "I just have some quick questions and then, I suppose, a comment. Irene, you'd said that Wichita is in it . . . or maybe Pete said this, the same scholarship level, is that right? 259 is not involved, or is? No, okay that's what I thought.

And then, I saw on the end there it said we'll receive a report card, so I assume we'll find out ... or a report back to the commission, a monthly report, so we will know whether people are staying in this program or dropping out, what their completion is, their certificates and then, if they do drop out, it looks like there's a procedure in place somewhat like college, if you drop out by a certain date you get reimbursed and the money will come back to the County.

I did have a question, and I probably should have given you a heads up on the contract in the back. The reprogramming of funds under funding in the contract, couldn't quite understand what that meant. I'm sorry, it's 18 in my backup, it's Appendix A, number 4-a and it talks about the county mill levy. That if the county's mill levy is less than anticipated, the county may decrease total compensation and reimbursement."

Ms. Hart said, "I think Legal can probably answer this question better than I, but it's my understanding that we've committed to a certain dollar amount, but if our overall county mill levy does not generate the amount of dollars that we think it will, we reserve the right to reduce any contract that we have. This is standard language in any of our contracts."

Mr. Richard Euson, County Counselor, said, "Yes, that is correct."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Okay, thank you. Do we know where this will be held?"

Ms. Hart said, "Where the training itself will be done? That I don't know."

Mr. Gustaf said, "The training right now is being held at the Southside Education Center, using

some of Boeing's facilities and also the steel metal lab, or the lab is out in the ITA building at Pawnee and Rock at Cessna's facility for the laboratory work."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Okay. So, kind of on-site trading, real experience. Thank you.

I'm going to move forward to support this as well. I think we need to think of, as a board, whether we're going to get into the whole scholarship business, you know, to continue. But I'm not looking at it as that right now. I'm really looking at it as ... Well, I was the Chair at the time this started and I asked Tom and Tim to sit on this and at that time we really were struggling to have qualified employees out there in the workforce. And now we've had this downturn and I can see that we're going to get right back in that situation again.

And we had a briefing the other day and talked about how this will actually move people up into areas that we don't have that technical training and it potentially opens the door for those that have lesser skills to move into their positions as well. And so I see this truly as an economic development jump-starter for our community and very much needed in this community, because of the cluster of aviation that we have. So, I'm very excited to see what the outcome may be of this and so I guess that would be my other question is how long is this program?"

Mr. Gustaf said, "We've got night class and day class, it's five days a week, runs from 7 in the morning until 2 in the afternoon, 2 in the afternoon until 10, seven months."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Seven months, that's what I wanted to know, so it is a seven month program. Okay, all right, thank you. And I look forward to seeing the outcome. Oh, one more question and I'm sure we can't tie people to this. But they get a certificate, do they need to stay here in our community?"

Mr. Gustaf said, "We don't have any requirement for them to stay in Wichita, however the employment opportunities are going to be much greater here than other places."

Commissioner McGinn said, "That's true. Okay, thank you Mr. Chairman."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "First of all, I think I want to just start off by complimenting Commissioner Winters and yourself, Mr. Chairman because I know this was something that you all worked on, like you're working on other economic development programs with a passion and trying to work the halls and visit with all of us about your passion sometimes can be kind of trying, but you all stayed the course and I'm going to support this program.

I would have preferred if the student had to put up something, monetarily, to have some investment in their own destiny, but overall I look at this as a hand up as opposed to a handout. Like I say, it's just me, but I would have preferred if the student had to put in \$500 or a 1,000 just to make a financial commitment.

But I'm also . . . not concerned, but I'm heartened by the fact that we're not saying right now Sedgwick County's mission from here on is going to be any school that wants scholarships come to Sedgwick County, we're going to augment your tax dollars or whatever with other tax dollars. What we're saying is, basically, the industry is in a crisis, they can't find any place else to get the product that they need and we're going to try our darnest to help them get over this crisis and get the product that they need. And I look at, you know it's \$2,000 to get one person back on the roll of employment, that's an investment I think that's wise and let me just close by saying I'm going to wholeheartedly support this and I really do compliment the effort that you, Mr. Chairman, Tom, you all stayed the course. There wasn't any egos and 'Hey, it's not our program' but you weren't just a follower either, because I kept getting reports you all were having a lot of input into how this got constructed, so I thank you for your efforts on behalf of the citizens. So, that's all I had, thanks."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner Unruh."

Commissioner Unruh said, "Thank you. I have a question of I think probably Pete first of all. In the correspondence that Commissioner Winters made reference to, one of the questions they had had to do with FAA certification. Have you all, I know that that's kind of been an ongoing issue. Have you all overcome that problem with being certified?"

Ms. Gustaf said, "The certification issue I think you're referring to is actually going to be to the next phase, which would be the technical school itself, the aviation tech center that we're trying to develop. That's more of a future thing that we're going to talk about this afternoon at our board meeting. We have had a number of meetings with the four education providers from this area, Butler, Hutchinson Community College, WATC and Cowley County Community College. KTTI is an initiative and I think part of the correspondence that you get is that we're some institution that's going to grow into something.

There is no way we can financially become a private training institution, so to answer your question that FAA certification is related to the school that we're hoping to start in January 2006. This is a preparatory class to prepare people who already have experience and the experience is outlined in the FAA guidelines, how much experience they have to have. This is really the first time we're making a foray in this area and taking people with experience and actually getting some type of credit for it.

In the past, you had to go through a school, but we have done this in Independence, it's being done in Arkansas, it's being done in Florida to where we're preparing people who have the experience. We had 47 calls yesterday. We only referred 17 over to the CDO office for assessment because the other 30 didn't have the necessary targeted 18 months of experience in the areas that we needed to have them experienced in."

Commissioner Unruh said, "So the scholarships that we're helping provide here provide instruction that doesn't require FAA certification? Do I understand what you said?"

Mr. Gustaf said, "The preparatory class does not have to be FAA certified, that is correct and the instructors that are teaching this class are FAA certified aviation and power plant instructors."

Commissioner Unruh said, "Okay, well my question or comment, as you may know I've been working a little bit with the Wichita Area Technical College on their transition committee and they're a little bit threatened by this, as you know and they've got a lot of problems right now, just normal economic problems and being moved out of USD 259 and now this initiative is taking place and so they think their problems are rolling up on them and they're wanting to, in a sense, protect their turf as they provide advanced technical education. So, I guess I'm going to be supportive of this scholarship program and of the KTTI initiative. I'm seeing, I suppose, maybe there's two areas of instruction here where you all are not exactly just in direct competition with one another in the service that you provide."

Mr. Gustaf said, "The technical college is on our KTTI board, along with USD 259. They have been in every meeting, every single process that we've went through in KTTI, the technical college has been involved and voted along with everybody else. Their votes have all been unanimous. I don't understand, I guess."

Commissioner Unruh said, "Well, I wasn't necessarily asking for a response. I just think that they are nervous about this and I don't think they have to be competing programs. I think that we need to have a commitment to advanced technical instruction, not just in aircraft but in the other trades also, so I don't want us to lose sight of that and I don't think this necessarily causes that.

The reason that I want to be supportive of this I think is because the aircraft industry themselves have asked for this, they've kind of defined the product they want, they're participating in the expense and the decisions and so we need to be cooperative with that also. So, I will also be supportive of it and especially since this is not an ongoing thing. We want to help jump start the program and get it going, so I think that's all I have."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Well, let me pick up, Dave if I can because I was confused at the beginning and we had Wichita Technical College, why were we doing something different, or what have you. But if I understood it right, the industry basically was saying that the product coming out of the technical college was not the product that they needed right now and that's why they felt the need to get this initiative started so that they could . . . I mean, am I correct? Just basically, is that a correct statement?"

Mr. Gustaf said, "It is absolutely true that the aviation cluster, at least the ones on the board, want to look at the way that technical education is delivered, not only in Wichita, but in the region and in the state and the state is also looking at that and there are a number of states in the country looking at that. I'm on the Midwest Governor's Conference task force on technical education and I'm telling you, there are 17 other states just in our region that are looking at this issue.

Part of the problem is that in the past, technical education has been delivered as a supply side education. In other words, it's not demand based and it's difficult to be proactive in technical education if you can't even figure out how to meet the demand that you currently have.

So with the employer involvement in pushing us in this area, and we're all trying to push this in advance, this idea of having quality, world-class demand-based technical education where we're actually meeting the needs of the marketplace. And then, when we do have a world-class quality type education, technical education system, then we can do some things that are targeted offensively. We're a ways away from that in this area. There's a number of issues relating to the technical college, along with the differences in community colleges and technical colleges and how their funded and how technical training is delivered in the State of Kansas. The State of Kansas technical education training system is haphazard. It's not targeted and it's a supply side driven system, so from the top all the way down, we're working on changing that."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "I think the state recognizes that and they're going through a change now to try to re-look at what is the product that needs to be delivered and I think KTTI right now, while there is this flux and this uncertainty about where they should eventually be, is trying to fill an immediate gap."

Mr. Gustaf said, "That's correct, Commissioner and what we're trying to do is get out in front of those folks and have something to say locally, what we want to say in our region, this is what we want and instead of having somebody dictate it to us, the state or federal government or whoever, we want to be able to say 'This is what we want, this is what the employers want'. We've got the public policymakers on board and we're going to support this all in one voice and that's what we're talking about."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "All right, thank you."

Chairman Norton said, "Just a few comments that I've got. First of all, Commissioner Winters and I have been involved. I think we sat at the first meeting, pre Peter being hired and sat with all the partners and John Moore convened it before he became Lieutenant Governor and started to try to understand what the aviation industry wanted and we came to the conclusion that we need to be very attached to this issue, that we need to understand it at a deep level.

I see it as . . . you know, we continue to talk about job creation, job retention and workforce development. This combines all three. Job retention; we're taking people that are displaced and retaining those jobs or trying to retrain them, keep them in the system we've got. Job creation, Cessna's Service Center is being built right now. They will need 30 to 40 airframe, power plant kinds of individuals a month for like two years to staff that and they're not in our system right now. Those people do not exist in that training capacity, so that's job creation. And then finally, it's workforce development, because we're training people, we're developing a new workforce and a new model. So, if you talk about those core values that we continue to talk about, as far as economic development, the initiative really tries to solve three of those parallel tracks at one time.

Technical training in the State of Kansas and I think around the nation is evolving. The idea that you have to have a certain model with a certain amount of seat time in the old rote education program is changing. Now Pete didn't describe, but this program of preparatory you can drop in any time, go through the program and come out on the other end. You can go nights, I think there's some weekends involved. I mean it's not based on classroom time, it's based on knowledge capital that the individual gains. How many students do you have right now, Pete?"

Mr. Gustaf said, "We currently have 50."

Chairman Norton said, "Fifty, you're ramping up to 100. You've had people go ahead and test for their airframe out of this group. What's been the result?"

Ms. Gustaf said, "So far, everybody has passed that has taken the test."

Chairman Norton said, "With pretty high marks."

Ms. Gustaf said, "Very high marks."

Chairman Norton said, "Which gets them the FAA certification for airframe. The next step will be the AP school which is coming next year for those people to transition right into that to have both sides of the certification. So, they've got their FAA cert... these folks that have gone through

it and have tested have all come out on the other side, didn't have to take it three times, passed with pretty high marks, as I understand also, in the 90s.

We have to realize that KTTI, the 'I' stands for initiative. It's not an institute, it's not bricks and mortar. Eventually, it may be a center that has bricks and mortar and instructors and world class visioning, but right now it's an initiative to move us to the new levels of technical training in Sedgwick County and probably the region.

I think there will be a sunset for this. I think Commissioner Sciortino, Commissioner Winters is right on the mark that we probably will not be involved at this level three years, five years, whatever from now, but that right now it is imperative in the economic times that we find ourselves and in the churning times of people dropping in out of jobs and not qualified for new jobs that we be engaged in this. If we're really solidly behind economic development, job retention, job creation and workforce development in our community, it is imperative that we are supportive of KTTI.

I think I hear that. I'm pretty excited about it. Mark my words, Tom and I will continue to be very, very involved in this. It's not even close to being like giving the money and walking away and going, "Well, I hope we did the right thing there'. If the wheels start coming off, if it looks like we're not spending our money very well, we're at the table to say, 'Wait a minute, this isn't what we signed up for Pete, here's what we want'. So I think it's going to be a great investment. I'm hopeful that we can get past some of the roadblocks that are in front of us to take this forward, for the aviation industry. We know from the cluster study, aviation is our number one cluster.

We want to build other clusters: plastic manufacturing, healthcare, chemical industry, whatever. But we know that if we don't take care of our number one cluster nobody else will, because there are other entities out there that certainly want to grab out aviation industry and take it away from us, and we can't allow that to happen.

With that, I'm going to be very supportive and I would entertain a Motion."

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to adopt the Adopt the Resolution.

Chairman Norton seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Thank you, appreciate it."

Commissioner Winters said, "And thank you, Sarah, for being here also."

Chairman Norton said, "Sarah didn't get to talk. Clerk, call the next item."

Chairman Norton left at 10:08 a.m.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

D. METROPOLITAN AREA PLANNING DEPARTMENT.

1. CASE NUMBER VAC2003-00049 – REQUEST TO VACATE PORTIONS OF THE NORTH STREET AND WEST STREET RIGHT-OF-WAYS, AS PLATTED IN THE GREENWICH ADDITION, GENERALLY LOCATED NORTHEAST OF THE 111TH STREET EAST (GREENWICH ROAD) AND 53RD STREET NORTH INTERSECTION, AN UNINCORPORATED SECTION OF SEDGWICK COUNTY. DISTRICT #5.

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Madam Clerk, that was a typo. It was district 1 instead of 5."

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Mr. John Schlegel, Director, Metropolitan Area Planning Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "We'll start off with an easy one. The applicants in this case are seeking to vacate the right-of-ways within North Street and West Street of the Greenwich Addition, subdivision, it's an old plat which has had very little activity over the years and they are simply asking that the right-of-way be reverted back to them.

There are no sewer, water lines in these right-of-ways. There is no good reason why this vacation can't go forward. Recommendation of the MAPC is to move forward with the vacation."

Chair Pro Tem Winters said, "All right, thank you John. Now this is in District 1, is that correct? Commissioner McGinn."

Commissioner McGinn said, "I just want to know on the background material, did it really get recorded in 1883?"

Mr. Schlegel said, "That's correct, yes."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Long time in developing."

Mr. Schlegel said, "It's been slow going."

Commissioner McGinn said, "I'll be darn. Thank you."

Chairman Norton returned at 10:09 a.m.

MOTION

Commissioner Unruh moved to follow the recommendation of the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission and approve the Vacation Order, and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Next item."

2. CASE NUMBER ZON2003-00045 – ZONE CHANGE FROM "RR" RURAL RESIDENTIAL TO "SF-20" SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL, GENERALLY LOCATED AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF 29TH STREET NORTH AND EAST OF 151ST STREET. DISTRICT #3.

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Mr. Schlegel said, "The applicant in this case is seeking 'SF-20', Single-Family Residential zoning on approximately 33 acres. You can see the location on the graphic in front of you. It does surround an existing property that's already developed with a home site. You can see it better on this graphic. Both 29th and 151st Street are currently sand and gravel roads. The closest paved road is approximately one mile away.

As you can see from the aerial photo, the surrounding property is primarily farm ground, although there are a scattering of home sites in the vicinity of this re-zoning request. Water and wastewater services will have to be provided on-site. When the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission reviewed this request on October 9th, there were two individuals present to comment on the case and they expressed their objection to the zoning on the basis that it would permit lot sizes that are not in character with the surrounding ownerships and they were also concerned about potential drainage issues from this particular proposed subdivision.

This zoning request does conform to the Wichita land use guide, which depicts the site as appropriate for low-density residential usage. You can see on this graphic the location of the site within the urban service area of the City of Wichita and within the broad corridor that has been defined for the Northwest Bypass. And with that, I'll be glad to take any questions that you might have."

Chairman Norton said, "I don't see any right now but I'll kick off the discussion."

Commissioner Winters said, "Let's ask if there's anybody here."

Chairman Norton said, "Oh, okay. Is there anyone else here that would like to speak to this issue, since it is a zoning case? Anyone else? Yes, please state your name for the record, name and address."

Mr. Phil Meyer, Baughman Company, agent for applicant, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I will not go through a long winded presentation, I will just offer to answer any questions that any of

the Commissioners may have."

Chairman Norton said, "Okay. Anyone else that would like to address the Commission? In that case, I will limit the conversation to the bench and I'll be glad to kick it off.

As I tried to look at this, one of the things that struck me and I'll throw it out to the Commissioners to maybe talk about, is that this really fits the model for what we've been discussing over the last six months about density, developments in outlying areas where there is not services, where that it might really affect roads and water supply and drainage and we're starting to draft right now what we believe are some rules for how we deal with that. And I think we really need to process that in this particular one because we know we're going to have more requests like this and we're not quite ready, I think, with our new program, our new policy on road paving and water supply and I would urge us to think about that before we move forward today. And maybe there's some alternatives to moving forward today. Commissioner Winters."

Commissioner Winters said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I share some of those, and one of the questions/ things that we've talked about a bit is water and as we begin to work through some of these developments that are going to be of a little higher density, do we have some issues on water that need to be addressed and so, on this case, I guess I do have a question of Phil. Phil, if you could come back and just . . . has the developer on this particular property done any exploration regarding either quality or quantity of water on this site?"

Mr. Meyer said, "We've not done any specific testing for that. We feel there's adequate water . . . We've done some research on it. I've not done any testing that I can show you, but we've done research based on surrounding area and feel that there is adequate water supply."

Commissioner Winters said, "Okay, thank you. Thanks very much.

Probably, the largest question that I have in regard to this development is the road issue and just having the experience of being a commissioner for a while, know that once you get a certain amount of traffic on a sand and gravel road, you're first going to get complaints and then you will get to the point where the sand and gravel road just won't work, I mean, there's too much traffic and it becomes just a five mile an hour road.

And on this particular site, the closest paved road, or the way that I'd estimate 90% of the traffic will go, is directly south on 151st Street to 21st Street. Twenty-first Street is an excellent road and any amount of traffic that a development could get out there, 21st Street is going to be able to

handle. But the water already runs across 151st Street and there is another large lot development west of 151st that also the traffic dumps on, out of that development, dumps onto 151st Street. So, I see that as probably the principle concern that I have, that along with the water issue and as the Chairman noted, we're kind of in the process of talking about some of that.

The other thing, I believe the developer would be able to do two-acre lots on this piece of property. I guess I'd like to know kind of the impact on what's the economic difference to the developer of doing what they could currently do, as opposed to what this zone change request is. And then, perhaps my last point is a bit of concern, even though they're not here today to speak, but I believe the existing house is a seven and a half acre lot and this thing would surround that existing home and I'm not exactly sure what I think about that. So, I see there are others that would like to comment, so that's it for right now."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner McGinn."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. And I agree with you that this is probably the start of some of the things that we're going to be looking at in the future. And part of that is because the County has decided to move forward on alternative sewer systems, which gives us the availability to have communities like this. But to backup and explain why we did that, one is to have a system out there that's better for the environment, the affluent is much cleaner than a septic tank that we've had in the past. We'll also be able to put these systems not in every place that a lagoon is, but in some of those places which lagoons have tended to be pretty unsightly in the county.

Another part of that was also to have more dense communities so that we don't gobble up excessive farm ground and those kinds of things, and so I think we're moving down that road but I think it's important that we move slowly and do a very good job. I want these to be high quality developments and some of the issues that, as we have expressed, that we are working on, we're not there yet and that has to do with the water quality. I think we've been working on some language and I think we're getting there, but this does not address, at least for me, what the quality and the quantity of water availability is in that area and that's important.

Also, as we get into developments that are more dense and off of paved roads, it does become a road issue and we're working on that as well and so I'm going to have questions there and concerns

about that and I don't know if I want to move forward just yet.

But another thing that came to mind as I was looking at the backup material was one of the things that a neighbor had expressed and I would like for us to look into this, and that has to do with that this development will run into an area that has a three terrace system where water runoff occurs. And I would like to have us look into how that system works. You know, the terraces were built with tax dollars, through a soil conservation district. And I don't know if there's any requirements that those need to stay and if they are removed because a development comes in, what is the next step in solving some of the water runoff problems? And so, that's a new thing that just came to my attention and I'd like to know a little bit more about that.

So, those are some of the concerns that I have and I guess I'll wait to hear from the rest of you as to what we decide as far as moving forward."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "I share a lot of the concerns that I've heard. I even heard, speaking just yesterday that that road I think where we're going to see a lot of problems in that road and the deterioration of it is just in all the construction vehicles that will be going back and forth on that road just to get to and from the development. And I think even if . . . not right now, but in the future, I think when people start thinking about developing in the area, I agree with Commissioner McGinn, we're talking about many reducing the density . . . I mean, the sizes, because we want to be better stewards of the farmland and not gobble it up as quick.

We've got alternative sewer programs, which will allow that. But historically, nobody has really said anything about the road and the argument has been, 'Well they know it's dirt when they buy it there' but Tom is actually correct, they forget that and you know, while technically we can say, 'Well, that's a township problem', well that doesn't hold them off very long and they always look to us to resolve it and I think if more attention can be paid in the beginning on some of these future problems, the less onerous it's going to be on us and on the taxpayers, once the development gets done. I'm not against the development, but I just think there's a lot more thought that needs to go into this. I will not be supporting this concept right now. I think somebody needs to look at it a little more."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner Unruh."

Commissioner Unruh said, "Thank you. I would probably come to the same conclusion that Commissioner Sciortino is at. My problem is the combination of the issues that have been expressed so far. I definitely am in favor of development and want to be supportive of folks that want to bring this sort of development to our community, but the water is an issue, the road is definitely going to be an issue. I'm really having trouble trying to rationalize us allowing a development like this when it appears that that Northwest Bypass is going to be going right through it or right around it.

I know that probably doesn't stand a legal justification for objecting to this, but I mean common sense tells us if we think that's where it's going to go, we ought to be really careful about considering the request. Anyway, for all those things, I think I would be in favor of getting some of these questions answered before we proceed with this."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner Winters, I have a couple of more comments. I probably would like to defer this in some manner if we could, but what concerns me is that we're right in the throes of coming up with a brand new policy, some new ideas about how we let growth happen in a smart manner in our community.

And we've spent some pretty good time. Jim Weber has worked pretty hard on putting some ideas together for us. We were presented a lot of that at yesterday's staff meeting in fact and I think we're coming back in a couple of weeks to have all that nailed down so that we move the community, particularly in the outlying area, forward, allow more dense development, but do it in a manner that's not going to be onerous to the road system, to the water supply, to the drainage in our community.

And as I look, just in my district on the south side where we let some growth happen in flood plains and with some of the drainage issues. We just can't allow that kind of growth to happen anymore, where we just say, 'Yes, it's okay to just let it go by itself'. I believe in free market, but as government, knowing that there's going to be issues later down the road, on the road, that we have to be smarter about this. We have developed, I think, some pretty good dialogues but we just haven't quite nailed it down and I would like to make sure that we don't start off with this new program we've got and have the first . . . or at least the last development we allow be completely anti to what we're trying to accomplish. I don't know how you do that in a zoning case, with a 9-0 or 11-0 vote how we do that, but maybe there's a way. And with that, Commissioner Winters."

Commissioner Winters said, "Well, Mr. Chairman, I was going to say you know, I think we have two options. One, a vote to deny the request and list our reasons, which I think we can spell out

clearly because I think we've talked about them. Or we could move to return this to the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission and give them an opportunity to weigh in on some of these questions that we've been asking to see if they have suggestions and if they have some idea on some of these issues. So, I'd be willing to make a Motion, but I think we have two options, one to deny or one to return for further discussion. Is there a sense from the Commission of which of those they think would be most appropriate?"

Chairman Norton said, "Let me be sure, on a denial on this case, because it was a unanimous vote of MAPC we would have to have a super majority, is that correct?"

Mr. Schlegel said, "Correct, two-thirds majority would override the MAPC recommendation."

Commissioner Winters said, "And if we did deny it though, the Planning Commission is not going to wade in on some of these issues. They'll just keep sending these over. I mean, they'll keeping coming over, thinking 'Well, sounds good to us' but you know, one of the questions I want to ask or would like to have them address if we send this back is if we approve this zone change today, then Planning Commission, you then expect us to spend \$250,000 to improve a township road. Does that go along with it? And I'd like for them to think about that and help us come to some conclusion as we try to think about that. And if we just deny it, this case goes away and they'll never discuss it."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner McGinn had some thoughts. Commissioner McGinn."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Well, I think I could support returning it and I do that because we are on the verge of doing something new and different in this community and we have worked on this a great deal. This has not just been 'Hey, we woke up one day and said let's start doing these community systems'. This has been a three-year process of studying and working on policy and those kinds of things and trying to figure out how we can implement them.

And my goal has always been is I want a top quality development that's well thought out, well planned and that . . . to be used by communities as a tool to grow, if they so desire. And if we deny it, I guess we don't give the Planning Commission the opportunity to have some discussion on the things that we talked about today: roads, water quality/ quantity, and those kinds of things and the drainage issue that came up today too as well.

And so, I would support returning it so that we could have that discussion. I think also, by the time we see it come back, we would probably have a little better understanding of what we think about roads and those kinds of things as well. So, I support returning it to the Planning Commission."

Chairman Norton said, "I see no other lights. Commissioner Winters, are you willing to make a

Motion?"

Commissioner Winters said, "I'll make a Motion and then, if it receives a second, I'll make a couple of additional comments."

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to return this case to MAPC for their review of the following matters: 1) consideration of the likelihood of the impact on groundwater, involving both quality and quantity and 2) I would like to hear some discussion about the economic difference of being able to do what is allowed now as opposed to what would be allowed under this zone change and thirdly, to discuss the road issue and how these newer, more dense developments should be conducted with road issues and the specific drainage issue on this piece of property, including the terracing system and the soil conservation area.

Commissioner Unruh seconded the Motion.

Chairman Norton said, "I have a Motion and a second, and Commissioner Winters, you had some comments."

Commissioner Winters said, "Well, I think that some of these issues about water they indicated would be taken care of in the platting process. I think this is really, I think, is a direct question that should, in my opinion, be answered in the zoning, it's a zoning issue about water, whether it's there or whether it isn't and whether it's drinking water quality or whether it's not. So that's principally it and then the drainage issue, as Commissioner McGinn mentioned, I really hadn't thought about that too much, but the terracing is an interesting question and this is a unique piece of property. It is referred to as Hillcrest or something, it is . . . there's one hill there for sure and it is a kind of unique piece of property, could be the highest spot in western Sedgwick County, I don't know. So, that's all I had to add.

And I guess I would ask John, you've heard enough discussion here that you could lead the Planning Commission in some sort of a discussion of these issues that we've talked about today?"

Mr. Schlegel said, "Yes, I have and I'll be glad to do that."

Chairman Norton said, "Before we call the Motion, have you been part of some of the dialogue or you have knowledge of kind of what we're talking about John on roads?"

Mr. Schlegel said, "Yes, absolutely. I haven't attended a lot of your meetings, simply because you know I've had City Council on Tuesdays, but Dale Miller has been very much involved in the discussions and keeps me informed and I feel that I'm very well acquainted with the issues."

Chairman Norton said, "Well, we're trying to move this along. I think we're about maybe two to three weeks away from having it nailed down and I wanted to be sure you knew that, as you took it toward MAPC. I think we have no other questions. Clerk, call the roll."

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Thanks, John. Next item."

3. CASE NUMBER ZON2003-00041 – ZONE CHANGE FROM "SF-20" SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL TO "SF-5" SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL, GENERALLY LOCATED NORTH OF 13TH STREET NORTH, APPROXIMATELY ½ MILE WEST OF 159TH STREET EAST. DISTRICT #1.

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Mr. Schlegel said, "The applicant in this case is seeking 'SF-5' Single-Family Residential zoning on approximately 75 acres of land and you can see the location, out near the Butler County line on the graphic. The aerial photo shows the surrounding land uses. What the applicant is seeking the zoning to do is to develop a 168 lot residential development. Thirteenth Street North, on the south

side of this parcel, provides the property's only street frontage and currently is unpaved with a 30-foot half street right-of-way dedication.

The property abuts the subdivision immediately to the west called Savanna at Castle Rock Ranch. That's also platted for Single-Family residences. On the aerial photo, you can see Sundance Street, which dead ends at the western property line for this parcel and would provide a secondary access point to the property in addition to 13th Street North. And as you can see from the aerial photo, the property surrounding the application area is in either agricultural or residential use currently.

At the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission meeting on October 9th, there were two interested parties that appeared to speak on behalf of the residents living within the development to the west and both indicated that they did not per say object to the zone change, but wanted their views put on the record for purposes of when the platting issues . . . when the platting would be done for this property. Their concerns were the proposed roadway connection at Sundance. Also the preservation of the mature hedgerow that surrounds this property and also, the difference in lot sizes between this particular project and the lot sizes within their subdivision.

In addition to the two speakers at the MAPC meeting, there were a number of protest letters, which I believe you have copies of and have seen and we have received a protest petition which exceeds the 20% of the area, of the protest area, so it will take a three-quarters majority vote of the entire commission to override the neighbors' protest.

The MAPC did vote 12-0 to approve the request. Now on the issues that have been raised by the neighbors, only the issue of lot size is really pertinent to the zoning case that's before you today. The other issues are all relevant to platting. The requested rezoning would permit lot sizes of as small as 5,000 square feet in size, although what is being proposed currently in the plat that we've seen are lots of approximately 10,000 square feet in size.

And with that, I'll be glad to take any questions you might have."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner Winters."

Commissioner Winters said, "John, where did the protests . . . can we dim the lights one more time and can you show us basically where the protest petitions came from."

Mr. Schlegel said, "From the subdivision immediately to the west and a lot of the folks in particular that lived along Sundance. I have a protest map in here."

Commissioner Winters said, "So all those in red."

Mr. Schlegel said, "Well, the protest area is the entire area within the 1,000 acres and the red does indicate where they were able to obtain signatures of the property owners and that area in red does exceed the 20% of the entire protest boundary area."

Commissioner Unruh said, "And, Commissioner Winters, I just got the information, the blue also wrote protest letters, they're just not in the area."

Mr. Schlegel said, "Thank you, Commissioner Unruh, for mentioning that. They were not included as part of the calculation of the protest area."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner Unruh."

Commissioner Unruh said, "Well I just wondered, I noticed Bob Kaplin is here and he represents some of the folks in the protest area. I didn't know if he had anything he wanted to tell us."

Mr. Bob Kaplan, Agent for the protesters, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I am here on behalf of the Savanna Castle Rock Addition. I represent, perhaps directly, approximately 175 lots, homeowners. We basically are not here to oppose the zoning, the land use. We do not believe the land use to be inappropriate. We have had a number of meetings with the developer, Kyle Stevenson who is the developer of the Savanna has been working with the developers in Stone Bridge to attempt to come to some accommodation on lot size and other issues such as tree rows and minor issues that I don't believe you really need to deal with.

The reason that I came this morning was to alert the Commission to a future issue. John is exactly right, it is a platting issue and that is the connection of Sundance. Commissioner Unruh is familiar with the issue, has been gracious enough to involve himself in some discussions regarding it. We think it is unjustified and I understand that I'm ahead of the platting here, we believe it's unjustified to take Sundance, which you can see on your graphic. It's the second approach north of 13th Street. That is a ribbon asphalt, bar ditch narrow two-lane asphaltic road that is circuitous and turns as you can see and to utilize that road as a collector, which is how it will be utilized to serve Stone Bridge, we think that's not appropriate, we think that's unfair to the residents in Savanna to do that, especially during the construction period.

The Savanna residents, with their children and their skateboarders and the bicycle riders and etcetera are very concerned about concrete trucks and material trucks and Star Lumber trucks coming through there during the construction period. Now, we have managed to reach... I'll wind

this down. We have managed to reach accommodation with Mr. Meyer and his clients and Stone Bridge. We have an agreement between us, not yet formalized but evidenced by an exchange of correspondence, so the Stone Bridge development and the Savanna Addition we're now on the same page and we can work this out and we have a basis for doing so, we have an agreement that will accomplish it, the zoning can go forward and the platting can go forward. I simply want to alert you that when this comes back to you on the platting issue, we have not yet convinced Mr. Spears and Mr. Weber and we have not yet convinced staff that these streets do not need to be connected. We simply don't want Sundance to be used as a collector to serve the adjoining subdivision.

And that is a platting issue. It will come back to you, after the MAPC determines the plat, assuming you approve the zoning and I'm simply here in a little bit in advance of that to ask you to think about that issue, because between the Savanna lots that are affected, approximately 175, there's another 167 to be developed in Stone Bridge, so we've got about 300 . . . close to 350 families affected and that's a lot of constituents. So, I ask that you give some thought to that subject when we come back with platting we're going to be able to present our agreement to you. I anticipate that staff probably is going to have some comments and perhaps some opposition to our accommodation and that's where we're going to need your help."

Chairman Norton said, "Before we move on, is there anyone else in the audience that would like to speak to this issue?"

Mr. Meyer, Baughman Company, agent for the applicant said, "Let's see if I can have a little better luck with this than the last one. As Mr. Kaplan stated, we have had numerous meetings with the adjacent homeowners' association and developer of Savanna at Castle Rock Ranch. We are working together. We will continue to work together. We want to start off to be good neighbors with them and are trying to get that done. So we're going to continue to work with them and try to come to a solution that amenable to both side. And with that, I will answer any questions you may have."

Chairman Norton said, "Okay. Is there anyone else that would like to speak? At this point, we'll limit the conversation to the bench. Commissioner Unruh."

Commissioner Unruh said, "Well, I appreciate Mr. Kaplan pointing out to us that this is a zoning issue, not a platting issue and it's also good to find out . . . experience in our meetings, that these

folks are trying to work very hard to resolve their issues before it comes to us to have to decide between them. So I think the land use is appropriate and I'm going to be in favor of approving the zone change."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner Winters."

Commissioner Winters said, "I guess I just wanted to make sure I understood Mr. Kaplan. You're comfortable with this zone change, but the platting is going to be . . . there's going to be some issues that you still have, but you're not here supporting that we deny this zone change before us now."

Mr. Kaplan said, "That's correct."

Commissioner Winters said, "Thank you."

Chairman Norton said, "At this point, if there is no other discussion, I would entertain a Motion."

MOTION

Commissioner Unruh moved to approve the zone change, subject to platting within one year, direct staff to prepare an appropriate resolution after the plat has been approved, and authorize the Chairman to sign the resolution.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Thanks, John. Next item."

E. PRESENTATION REGARDING PLANNING SUMMIT.

Commissioner Unruh said, "Thank you. Mr. Chairman and Commissioners, it's my pleasure today to report and to announce to you about the Sedgwick County Inter-Municipal Planning Summit that is going to occur this weekend out at W.S.U. at the Hugh's Metroplex. It will be an all morning meeting and hopefully we're going to gather together all the cities in the county to come together to talk about planning and boundary issues and those sort of things.

This need for this summit actually evolved because of a perceived need for communication among the cities and in response to that perception, we tried to pull together this planning summit and in the doing of that, we've also composed a purpose statement that I'd like to just share with you right now.

The purpose of the Inter-Municipal Planning Summit is to initiate a dialogue on how municipalities in Sedgwick County can accomplish community planning and growth in ways that enhance cooperative relationships with neighboring municipalities.

The impetus behind this need, the driver behind it all really is the result of successful growth of the communities. You know, there are housing developments started, their schools are being built, new retail is moving in, and so the cities' boundaries are being pushed out and that has resulted in some unintended consequences, especially with those communities that are proximate to the City of Wichita. And those unintended consequences are boundary disputes and annexation issues and issues relating to the extension of utilities and the definition of growth areas.

So the remedy to this seems to be that we need to get folks to the table and sit down and talk. To avoid future conflicts, we need to talk early and we need to talk often and continue the process. We want to promote a county-wide perspective on planning issues among all the participants and hopefully we will cultivate a fresh attitude of cooperation.

The summit will give each of the communities and their representatives an opportunity to engage in dialogue with one another, to identify those problems and try to come up with a plan of action. The history of how this developed, actually it began when Councilwoman Sue Schlapp and I were having lunch back in early August and we were discussing some of these problems and issues and thought that a good way to make a start on trying to solve them would be to bring some of the disputants to the table. And so we put together a meeting, the Sedgwick County staff help put this together and Sedgwick County hosted it early in September, a meeting between Wichita and Bel Aire, representatives from those communities. I think it went very well. I think some progress was made and because of that we had another meeting, later in September, between the City of Bel Aire and the City of Kechi and we had a similar, I think, successful result and progress was made.

The success and potential benefit of those meetings kind of stimulated us to go ahead and establish the planning summit and there are, as you know, 20 cities in Sedgwick County and I think nearly all of them are going to be present this Saturday to proceed with this dialogue.

This was actually . . . the hard work of putting this all together and the logistics was done by Manager Buchanan and by Irene Hart, the Director of Community Development and by Mr. John Schlegel, who is the Director of the Metropolitan Area Planning Department and they've done a good job and I think it's going to be a good program.

The format really is going to be interactive and we're going to get people involved in the discussion. Marla Felinge, who is from the Kansas Association of Counties, will moderate and facilitate the discussion. Discussion will be based on a survey that we've sent out to the communities and asked them to respond. We've tabulated those results, so between that and the initial dialogue, that's how the discussion will go and progress I'm sure will be made.

I want to emphasize that this is first steps in the process. It's first steps towards a preferred future. We are not going to solve specific problems at this meeting, bring resolutions to long-standing debates, but it is a beginning. And we will need to continue the process of meeting early and often to head off potential problems in the future.

I will close my remarks, but I think in order to kind of sum up what we want to do, I want to quote a world-famous doctor, Dr. Seuss. He said, 'You have brains in your head, you have feet in your shoes, you can steer yourself any direction you chose'. And I am very optimistic that the participants in this summit will chose to steer themselves in the direction of a preferred future."

Chairman Norton said, "Well, that's the first time since I've been Chairman somebody has quoted Dr. Seuss, but I think it was very appropriate. Commissioner McGinn."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Yeah, but he's also the guy that eats monkey food too. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I would like to commend Commissioner Unruh for moving forward with this and being the main driver of this. It seems like it was about a year ago, maybe a little more, that Commissioner Winters and I sat down with some elected officials from Maize and the City of Wichita to try to help them work out their differences. It evidently didn't work. A lot of changes occurred. At that time, we lost our planning director, and so everybody kind of went into limbo land and so I feel very enlightened that we've got a new beginning here, especially with our new planning director, John Schlegel. And I know that Maize and Wichita are continuing to try to work out their differences.

But another area in my district, Valley Center and Park City, came to heads and there's some confrontation there and what happens is then we file lawsuits and then commissioners kind of have

to zip their lip and stay out of it until some of these details are worked out. And so, it became past the time we could talk and it was very unfortunate.

And so my hope is, I just cited those two examples, but you know you have examples in your area too. But it's my hope with this planning summit is now we're going have 20 cities come together and we're not just talking about me against you or them against someone else or us, but it's my hope that we're going to start looking at planning from the whole perspective of the entire county and what makes sense for everybody, when we talk about drainage, when we talk about providing public services and those kinds of things, what's the most efficient for governments, especially during these times of tight budgets, we need to be very efficient with how we provide public services to communities.

So, I just wanted to share that and compliment you for being the main driver on this and I hope that people will come out of that meeting with a little different perspective on how we grow our communities in the future. And I think we're also going to have the opportunity to talk about the vision for our entire county and particularly Sedgwick County, we will focus on public health. That's a whole other deal with this, but it does give us a forum to talk with all the communities there as well, because that's also an issue that's coming before us in Sedgwick County. Thank you."

Chairman Norton said, "Well, I have to tell you, I'm really excited about the idea of bringing these people together. I often say that we need to work on the relationship first and try to solve the task second and I think that's what you've described is that we're probably going to take a macro approach to building some great collaborations and partnerships and relationships and maybe worry about the little border wars and the micro a little later, but we've got to build that strong basis of relationship and vision for the community and this is a great first step. I really applaud you Dave, for pushing us in that direction. And from the roster I've seen, it looks like the players are going to be there and I hope everybody comes leaving their egos and their feelings on the doorstep and come with open minds to try to solve what is the future of Sedgwick County and the City of Wichita and 19 other communities. It's powerfully important to us and that's Saturday at 8:30 at the Hugh's Metroplex."

Commissioner Unruh said, "That's correct."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "And there's going to be a lunch, and maybe it will be green eggs and ham."

MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved to Receive and file.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Next item."

F. RESOLUTION SUPPORTING DEVELOPMENT OF JOINT LAND USE STUDY FOR MCCONNELL AIR FORCE BASE.

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioners, you have in front of you a resolution that will enter us into a supporting resolution, no money attached to it presently, but this will give us a chance to enter into a joint land use study for the land around McConnell, as they try to figure out their security needs and their land use needs for the future of McConnell Air Force Base. It's pretty straightforward, doesn't commit us to any money right now, but in good faith would commit us later, depending on what the study looks like and what the final motives will be. Commissioner McGinn."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Thank you and I think you answered my question. The question I had earlier was I couldn't see a dollar amount in here and I didn't know if we were committing to just anything and so, what it means is just let's get started and then we'll come back and if there's

dollars that needed to be spent at some future time it will come back to us."

Chairman Norton said, "I think we can debate the dollars later, if we see that it's a little more than we want to commit to, we can do all that later, but this pushes us forward in the study and to thinking what that study will look like."

Mr. William P. Buchanan, County Manager, greeted the Commissioners and said, "If it please the Commission, I don't know that we need to concern ourselves with the dollar figures much yet. The grant is, we're responsible for 25% of that and we've been told, and it's been John Schlegel's experience, that much of that can be in-kind service with use of current staff to do a lot of activities. So the actual cash outlay should be minimal."

Commissioner McGinn said, "I guess I didn't see where the grant . . . what is the total grant amount?"

Mr. Buchanan said, "Well, I think they're prepared to grant up to two hundred and some thousand dollars. We estimate that for this kind of a planning study, it would be somewhere around, at this preliminary stage, somewhere around \$100,000, which would mean about \$25,000 of in-kind service. John Schlegel coming from Las Vegas and those kind of accounting processes that he's learned there, I'm sure that will . . ."

Commissioner Winters said, "So where is the big money coming from?"

Mr. Buchanan said, "Pardon me?"

Commissioner Winters said, "Where is the big money coming from?"

Mr. Buchanan said, "The federal government, Department of Defense."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Okay. That wasn't in here."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "I was at a meeting, the Manager was with me and I believe the City of Derby was there and the Manager is exactly correct. The individual from the Department of Defense emphasized that the local match definitely could be in-kind, existing personnel and what have you. But the overall reason, and I'm glad that we're really seriously considering doing this, is not only to understand McConnell's present needs, but to make sure that maybe even dovetail into long-term visions what might be the needs in the future so that we don't inadvertently, through

development, limit the types of missions that could be used at McConnell and then wake up one day and find out that there's really only one mission and that mission has been moved to Arizona and then we have a drag racing strip or something. And I think it's very important that we do take these long-term looks.

Whatever the study comes out with, it's just going be recommendations. We not circumventing our authority. I am heartened by the fact that the resolution states here that we'll use best efforts . . . I can't remember exactly the words, it's not best efforts . . . Good faith efforts to implement the recommendations of it. So what we're saying right here is that we're willing to get this started. We don't know all the details yet on how the end product or if we're going to have to hire somebody or whatever yet, but right now I think it's a heck of a good plan just to get started, to show McConnell that it has a tremendous economic impact on this area that we understand they're an integral part of our vitality and we're willing to work with them."

Chairman Norton said, "Okay. I see no other lights flashing, so I would entertain some sort of a Motion."

MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved to adopt the Resolution.

Chairman Norton seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Next item."

G. RESOLUTIONS (FOUR) CREATING ROAD IMPROVEMENT BENEFIT DISTRICTS AND AUTHORIZING IMPROVEMENTS THEREIN.

1. SUNCREST 2ND ADDITION

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Mr. Joe L. Norton, Gilmore & Bell, P.C., Bond Counsel, greeted the Commissioners and said, "For your consideration this morning are four resolutions creating road improvement districts within the County."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Joe, can I ask you a question? Is there a possibility, can we take all four as one item, or do they have to be . . . Or I guess to Mr. Euson I'm asking that question. Do they have to be itemized?"

Mr. Norton said, "I would suggest we do it individually, because there's four different projects and there may or may not be the same vote on all of them."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "All right, thank you."

Mr. Norton said, "The first is Suncrest 2nd Addition. That is an area depicted on the screen in red, located at the intersection of Hydraulic and 71st Street South, abutting the Wichita/ Valley Center Floodway.

On the screen now is a plat map of this proposed street improvement district to pave Kansas Avenue. Petition has been requested by 100% of the owners of property within the proposed benefit district. The request is to assess each lot equally for the cost of the street improvements. The estimate prepared by Public Works indicates that the total project cost of the lowest bold number of \$200,895, when divided equally among 22 lots, would amount to about \$9,132 per lot or, if spread over 15 years at 6%, about \$940 per annum. I'll be available to answer any questions that you may have about this project. If not, we'd recommend you adopt the resolution."

Chairman Norton said, "I see no discussion. I will Move that we adopt the resolution. This is a continuation of Suncrest 1st Addition, along 71st Street east of Haysville. The first one is about to fill up and I think this will be just more growth just south of the Big Ditch, in that area between Derby and Haysville."

MOTION

Chairman Norton moved to adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Unruh seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Next item."

2. SAVANNA AT CASTLE ROCK RANCH 5TH AND 7TH ADDITIONS

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Mr. Norton said, "This subdivision may sound familiar from a prior agenda item. Again, it is located right north of 13th Street East, east of 143rd Street East. The map now is a depiction of the platted areas. Immediately to the east, or right side of this map, is the property which you were discussing earlier in the zoning case.

The proposed improvement here is to pave the two cul-de-sacs as well as Freedom Road. The petition is signed by the owners of all lots of the property, except the large lot, number 44 in the upper right-hand corner of the screen. Lots 5 and 6, which are to the upper left-hand corner of the map where it says 'A' and 'N', are proposed to have one-half assessment because they were assessed in part for the Sport of Kings Road, which goes across the north cutout of the map, where the other lots were not and lot 44 would have a 1.5% share because of its size.

The estimated cost of the project approved by Public Works is \$228,872. There are 19 lots. A majority of the lots would have an assessment of \$12,371 per lot. The two that get the half-share of course would be the \$6,000 number and the larger lot, 44, would get about \$18,557. The majority of the lots would have a cost of about \$1,274 per year, if spread over 15 years at 6%. Be available to answer any questions you may have on this project."

Chairman Norton said, "I see no questions. I would entertain a Motion, if there's no other discussion."

MOTION

Commissioner Unruh moved to adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Next item."

3. HEARTLAND CHURCH ADDITION

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Mr. Norton said, "This is another road improvement district. The subdivision is located south of Maple, about 162nd Street West. This is just one large lot for this church addiction proposed to be assessed for the costs of the road improvements, which are estimated to be about \$39,006 assessed to that main tract of the church. If there are questions, we'll be pleased to address those. If not, we'd recommend you adopt the resolution."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner Winters."

Commissioner Winters said, "Joe, this is at Maple and 162nd. Perhaps I have a question of Jim. Jim, can you tell me what all is getting paved here?"

Mr. Jim Weber, P.E., Deputy Director, Public Works, greeted the Commissioners and said, "The requirement for this subdivision was that they paved down to their first entrance, which it may be about half way down from Maple down. They'll have an entrance and their site plan that comes in up here, the church building sits out in this part of it and they'll have a back sort of a service drive here, but the pavement won't extend to the service drive."

Commissioner Winters said, "Okay. I know there's been some drainage problems down there on Maple right there. Is this work going to help some of those folks that live on the east side of 161st again?"

Mr. Weber said, "I don't know if I'll use the word help, but this project has been in design and we have worked with the consulting engineer on this one and we're looking at the crossroad culverts that are right in this area. We want to make sure that the situation either improves or at least stays the same. I think with the church development, this ditch area in here is getting cleaned out and the brush will probably be kept out of the end of the pipes and so on. The guy with the big concern is right over here, have not met with him to go over the details with him, but I think we need to talk to him and make sure that he understands what is happening there and I guess what I'm saying is I don't know if it's going to get better, but our goal is that it not get any worse."

Commissioner Winters said, "Right, okay. Well, if you would have conversation with him I would appreciate that, because I know right at the intersection there is problems and then that is dry area 99% of the time, but when it rains it's not."

Mr. Weber said, "That section of Maple, as you know, under significant rain goes under in several places. And as this ditch kind of goes in and out along Maple."

Commissioner Winters said, "Okay, well if you could have conversation or have somebody visit with him and let him know what's going on, I would appreciate it."

Mr. Weber said, "Okay."

Commissioner Winters said, "Thank you."

Chairman Norton said, "I see no other lights. So, what is the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Next item."

4. PRAIRIE CROSSING ADDITION

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Mr. Norton said, "This is another road improvement district located right south of Central, between 167th Street West and 151st Street West, right north of the project we just talked about basically.

The next map depicts the platted lots within the proposed Prairie Creek [sic] Addition. The roads that you see there are to be improved and costs assessed back to the platted lots. This one is a little bit different than our normal project in that overlaying the platted lots are also what are called bundles and the proposed method of assessment is to apportion the costs to the various bundles and then the costs that are apportioned to a bundle to be assessed equally per lot within each bundle, because there are different sized lots in each bundle. It is anticipated in the future that some of these lots may be replatted, so if that happens we can just address that now by showing versus six lots instead of five, they'll just get 1/6th of the bundle cost as opposed to having to reassess everybody in the whole subdivision.

The estimated cost of the project are about \$224,000. There are 99 lots within these 13 bundles and the petition, signed by 100% of the property owners, requests that basically bundles A, C through I and K through M share an equal cost of the project. Bundle B, having a little bit larger lots, share a little bit larger costs and bundle J, if you may recall which is the one in the lower right-hand corner of the project has some very large lots in it, that that bundle J average lot cost is about \$4,300, again based relatively on the approximate size of the lots within this particular bundle.

For the majority of those lots it will amount to about \$222 a year, spread over 15 years at 6%. The effort here is to try to address some of these future potential replatting problems now, as opposed to having to come back and replat and reauthorize the project as they maneuver around different size lots. So by doing this it may very well make it more efficient over time, as opposed to having to come back time after time as a replat occurs."

Chairman Norton said, "Okay. Commissioner Winters."

Commissioner Winters said, "Joe, could you go back to the map and orient me again with where we're at."

Mr. Norton said, "This is . . . the red hatched area is located . . . the north end is on Central and the large red line, going north and south on the map, is 167th Street."

Commissioner Winters said, "Okay."

Mr. Norton said, "It's right almost directly north . . . as you can see on the map, down below the little red square is where we talked about the Heartland Church Addition."

Commissioner Winters said, "Right. And this is a development that is just newly created, Jim?"

Mr. Weber said, "That's correct. This is Prairie Crossing Addition. They've been working on it for a while, but there may be . . . I don't even think there's one house out there from an older farmstead or anything. And then there's another little plat, Martin Estates, to the south of this one that will get accessed by coming through this plat. You may have seen that one come through also."

Commissioner Winters said, "Okay. So how far is this away from the City limits? Is there one that's going to be in the city relatively soon, or is it . . .?"

Mr. Weber said, "Well, this map is not totally up to date because the software I'm using is a little bit dated, but this would be 135th and I know they've jumped out at least a half-mile west of 135th, perhaps farther at this point. So part of the reason for the bundling is that subdivision regulations are looking at these close end ones being able to convert from the large lot type subdivision to a smaller urban scale down the road."

Commissioner Winters said, "Yeah, I guess I like that, but I guess I hadn't really been aware that

that was going to happen out there. But I think that sounds like a good plan."

Mr. Weber said, "It presents certain challenges but this one is the second one I think I know of that we've had the bundling actually done on it."

Commissioner Winters said, "But what we're doing today is going to . . . Let's go back to the map then of the development. Okay, so what are we doing today?"

Mr. Weber said, "Well, the project today would build this main road down through the middle of the subdivision and each of these bundles then accesses that main road. So, that's how you ... you pull a permit today on the entire bundle, with your access coming out to the main road. Later, if you wanted to further develop your bundles, you'd have to submit additional petitions for sewer and water or the urban style street that would actually provide access back to the lots in your bundle."

Commissioner Winters said, "Okay, so that's going to be an urban style street, the street Reese Road?"

Mr. Weber said, "Reese Road will not be urban style. It's going to be suburban style with open ditches."

Commissioner Winters said, "Okay, but it will be asphalt?"

Mr. Weber said, "Asphalt, that's correct, to the county road standards. It's really not known when City services would become available out there and so, this gets them in and gets them started. It's also not known how many of these people will eventually want to convert to an urban scale subdivision. That's one of the challenges is that right now we're putting in . . . we may not be putting in the street that we want in 20 years, if they're really going to urbanize it."

Commissioner Winters said, "Well, how big can they build those lots today? Are those two-acre lots of five-acre lots?"

Mr. Weber said, "I believe those are fives, the whole bundle."

Commissioner Winters said, "Well I think it's good that they're doing a petition to pave at least this road. All right, thank you very much. That's all I have."

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioners, before we move on, I would like to recognize Councilman Bob Martz who has joined us today. Welcome Bob, it's always good to have you in the chambers here. I hope you feel welcome. Next item."

H. CONVEYANCE OF REAL PROPERTY TO CITY OF HAYSVILLE.

1. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE AND CONVEYANCE OF REAL PROPERTY.

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Mr. Robert W. Parnacott, Assistant County Counselor, County Counselor's Office, greeted the Commissioners and said, "This item is really related to the next item that follows on the agenda and it's really a culmination or a conclusion of a series of decisions the board has been making over the last four years that began with the acquisition of some properties in Haysville after the tornado. It's all the properties in blue, basically.

These were certainly damaged in the tornado and at the time also I guess there were plans to do this grade separation project in Haysville, so it was a good opportunity to take title of these properties in

anticipation of right-of-way needs and then of course, the next series of decisions involved the creation of the project and entering into the agreements for the project with the railroad and the City of Haysville.

And part of that agreement then included an agreement that we would eventually negotiate a contract with Haysville to turn over these properties to them. Earlier in September, and the first time was really dealing with these two properties down here, that were part of a larger parcel, there was a dedication made by this board to dedicate the center portion that's now shown as planned right-of-way.

As part of all this, we're of course governed by 19-211 which requires us to go through certain steps for conveying property and we have already concluded the 19-211 requirements for most of these parcels and the first item is the conclusion of the 19-211 procedures for these two small remnants from the dedication of the right-of-way through here and all told, there will be eight parcels that will be subject to the contract that will be the following item.

But unless there are further questions on this, I would recommend you approve the resolution and direct the Clerk to publish the required notice for two weeks and then we can proceed with the contract discussion."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "So, would the Motion be just adopt the resolution?"

Mr. Parnacott said, "Yes."

Chairman Norton said, "I do have a comment. That was a pretty large piece of property, with the Victory Baptist Church on it. It was one of the pieces of property that I think in the condemnation costs probably the most amount of money, but the train project, that has rerouted a street, closed down one street and rerouted a street right through the middle of that property. So it is two small pieces that are really going to end up being green space and probably will never have any development value at all. So I think they were left out originally, when we were authorizing the sale and conveyance, and they will be added on but are pretty small pieces of property now. Is that correct, Bob?"

Mr. Parnacott said, "That is correct. And part of the 19-211 process is . . . and incorporated in the resolution is a finding that those really can't be used prudently for public purposes by the County anymore and that's one of the reasons why we're proposing the transfer of title."

Chairman Norton said, "At this juncture . . . Oh, Commissioner McGinn."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Well, I'm not sure if this is where I need to start discussing my concerns that I have or would it be the next item?"

Chairman Norton said, "I believe it's the next item but we could start."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Next item, okay."

MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved to adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Clerk, call the next item."

2. CONTRACT WITH CITY OF HAYSVILLE PROVIDING TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR CONVEYANCE OF REAL PROPERTY.

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Mr. Parnacott said, "As we previously discussed, this really is the concluding decision to be made then, and we have already actually entered into an agreement that has said we will negotiate a contract for conveyance of these properties.

We have come to terms now with what a proposed contract would be and it essentially has two primary features and the first is not in the language of the contract you probably have in the backup, but Haysville has agreed to and will be in the final draft we submit for signature if the Chair is authorize to sign the contracts and that would be a reservation of rights, primarily for our Public Works purposes, to use those properties for storage of equipment, supplies or other materials associated with the grade separation project during the pendancy of that project. So we will

continue to be able to use those properties as we need to during the pendancy of that project.

The other more important feature, which is included in the contract that you see in your backup, is a provision that since we're transferring title to Haysville for no real consideration, we've agreed with them that as they market and develop these properties, if they are able to make a profit more than just a nominal sum over the development costs, that we would share equally in those proceeds.

So there certainly is a possibility of receiving some compensation back from Haysville, depending on how successfully they are able to market and sell off these properties. Unless there are other further questions, then I would recommend again that you approve the Chair to sign the contract as approved by the County Counselor's Office and proceed with that."

Chairman Norton said, "Okay, Commissioners? Commissioner McGinn."

Commissioner McGinn said, "I guess first question, where I need to start, and maybe it was David Spears. How much did it cost to acquire this property?"

Mr. Parnacott said, "I have those figures. Denver Bland prepared a listing and I have a total of, I believe, 520,000 approximately for the seven parcels. We have eight now, because we split one, but there were a total of seven acquired and that included purchase or condemnation costs and the recording of the deed, closing fees, those kinds of things."

Commissioner McGinn said, "But \$520,000 was the total for the property?"

Mr. Parnacott said, "Yes."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Okay. I guess that's a different figure than I thought, but it's been a while since I looked at that."

Chairman Norton said, "And I think the difference is he probably didn't include the one that was just split in half. I think if you add that one, it gets it to that original \$600,000."

Mr. Parnacott said, "And I had previously heard \$600,000 so maybe I'm looking at a different sheet."

Chairman Norton said, "I think that's the difference there."

Mr. Parnacott said, "But mine had the \$100,000 for the Victory Baptist Church. Maybe Dave has a better ... I should have let Dave answer the question. He's probably got a better figure than I do.

He's showing \$650,000 approximately."

Chairman Norton said, "I'm sure it's that one piece of property."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Okay, we're close, around \$600,000, how's that? And then I guess my question on the railroad, David, how long is that . . . when is the completion date for it?"

Mr. David Spears, Director, Bureau of Public Works, greeted the Commissioners and said, "We are anticipating being finished about no later than next December, December of 2004."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Okay, all right. And the reason I ask that question is Bob, you talked about this nominal sum, which I don't know what that means either without having a dollar put to it."

Mr. Parnacott said, "Well, I mean there's certainly no dollar amount that I could tell you that would be a nominal sum, but generally we're talking about an insignificant amount. If they're transferring it for a dollar or ten dollars or just to get the property over into the private sector, if it's not marketable and they just want to transfer it for that purpose. More than a nominal amount would be something in the neighborhood of \$10,000-\$20,000 or some significant amount of money that would be over and above of course their of course development and marketing cost, which in that case they would have to share."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Okay, and then we put in there though if it happens, if the sale happens after two years, we're not even a part of that, is that correct?"

Mr. Parnacott said, "That's correct. That seemed to be an appropriate figure and certainly these things are subject to still some negotiation if you want to recommend a different time length, for instance. But obviously we don't want to be tracking this for the next 20 years."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Right, but I'm sitting here thinking, you know, the sale of property may not be very appealing until after the railroad is finished and so here I'm hearing the railroad might be done by the end of next year, but if it's not, you know I mean . . ."

Mr. Parnacott said, "We could certainly entertain a recommendation for a longer period if you'd like. We put two in the contract and that is not necessarily a set figure."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Okay, well and then I had another question and this I don't remember. We talked about this a couple of years ago, maybe it was longer than that back when Hancock was here. There was something about the sale of properties the County's can't let go of if

they're more than \$50,000 or you have to advertise."

Mr. Parnacott said, "There's a different procedure involved in 19-211 matters if the property is worth 50,000 or more or less than 50,000. For example, the two parcels that we looked at earlier in the previous item. Both, individually, are valued less than 50,000 and even together are valued less than 50,000. We have already completed the 19-211 process for the other parcels and I can't remember off the top of my head how we handled those."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Well, we paid \$600,000 and now we're saying it's less than 50,000 value. Have we done some work like that?"

Mr. Parnacott said, "Again, that's an aggregate."

Commissioner McGinn said, "We're talking per parcel."

Mr. Parnacott said, "And again, I think there's a difference in . . . I mean, you're looking at a figure that we paid four years ago and really we're looking at what it's worth now, what these parcels are worth now, rather than what we may have purchased them for four years ago, not necessarily the same figure. And the example again would be the parcel we just talked about. It was \$100,000 approximately parcel once it was attached, but now there's been a big chunk of right-of-way taken out of the middle of it, which created two remnant parcels that are certainly worth less than that."

Mr. Spears said, "Commissioner, one thing I might add, we bought the parcels in total, because when we bought them, right after the tornado, we didn't know how much right-of-way the railroad, the yellow strip going up through there, how much they would want. We know that now and that has to be taken off of what you're actually selling to Haysville and that's why they're worth less now than they were when we got them because it's a smaller piece of property now than when we bought it. And I think they had the appraiser appraise each property, didn't they Bob?"

Mr. Parnacott said, "They should have, yes."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Well, I guess where I'm having a little bit of difficulty is I think about the money that Sedgwick County has given to Haysville for the railroad and is that four or five million dollars, is that right? To do the railroad, Sedgwick County has committed what, four or five million dollars to do the railroad?"

Mr. Spears said, "The entire railroad project, the total expense is projected to be, including everything, about nine and a half million dollars."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Okay. And 7.5, or 2% of that was federal dollars?"

Mr. Spears said, "Well, yes. We're going to receive 7.2% of \$50,000,000 from the state, which would be 3.6 million. We'll receive 7.2% of the fed money, which is about 7.2% of almost \$25,000,000, which is one and three-quarters million that we'll get and then we'll also receive money from the railroad of about a million dollars. So, it's very complicated. We have bonding involved in it, but we have several sources of funds and ..."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "The bottom line is I think we pay about three to four million after it's all . . ."

Commissioner McGinn said, "I think it's over four million dollars, Sedgwick County."

Mr. Spears said, "We're bonding three . . . almost three and a half million."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Does that include the study and everything? I just, for some reason, the total project that we've committed is over four million dollars to do drawings, everything."

Mr. Spears said, "No, that's a separate expenditure on the design, which has already been done."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Right, but we paid for that, didn't we?"

Mr. Spears said, "Yes. Well, Haysville participated \$300,000 and that was the extent of their participation."

Commissioner McGinn said, "So of this 9.5 million, Haysville has contributed \$300,000."

Mr. Spears said, "Well, plus they are doing on their own . . . We're doing another crossing at K Street, we're killing two birds with one stone when we do the railroad, the bypass with the railroad, so they are paying on that \$485,000."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Okay, all right."

Mr. Spears said, "Plus another 300,000 I mentioned that they contributed towards design."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Okay. Well, I guess to move on here, the concern that I have is that

in the past, and we've done projects in other communities, we asked them to give a good faith offering, as far as contributing and I'm looking at the third largest city in the County and I don't know . . . I don't have that feeling, especially on this land, you know I mean just something would have been at least a good faith offering to move forward, to say, 'We're trying to help, we're trying to be part of this solution, we want to be a partner with Sedgwick County' and I didn't know if this was going to change the direction of how we do projects in the future. Maybe we need to go out and tell our other communities that Sedgwick County is going to start funding 80% of your projects for you.

And I didn't know if our philosophy was changing. I personally, I very much like interlocal agreements with our 20 communities. We've done some with Wichita, the Maize and Tyler project that we're seeing right now and Wichita came up with a big chunk of change to help us out ... we came up to help you guys out, but they're committed to that project and they realize that that's in their community and that's something they need to do and so, I'm just ... It's more a philosophical problem I have today on this item. I support helping small communities with the dollars that we have and we can share and I think that Sedgwick County has done that, over and above the call and we lobbied hard to get some of those federal dollars as well and so did they as well, I'm sure.

But to come out and ask us to go purchase land and then turn around and say, 'Now, just give it to us', I just, I have some concerns about that because I think to me it's not saying we want to be part of helping us move down the road as a community. And so, I just had to let those comments be known for the record. Thank you."

Chairman Norton said, "Okay. Any other discussion? Well, certainly I'm going to be supportive of this. I was, as mayor years ago, I worked with Bill Hancock when he was a commissioner, as we first started going down this road. I think there will be . . . I would like to think that there would be some money coming back to the County in this interlocal agreement, but the truth is all the property on the south side is not going to have any value at all. It will probably be green space. It will be converted into Old Town district and will have virtually no marketable value at all. So, it doesn't make sense not to just automatically convey that.

The pieces on the north side may have a little more marketable value, but as I work through the process, economic development-wise and worked with developers, when I was mayor and as I continue to do as a commissioner, I think all that land is going to have to be just deeded over to some developers to make the deals work, to get their costs down, to build the kinds of things that they would like to build in today's environment down there and I think that's what Haysville would like. Not to develop those metal buildings and the cheapest rental property that could be built, but something more along the lines of upscale, and I think to get that deal done and to keep the rent down, it will have to be conveyed probably to the developers. And I don't know if that's going to be the fact, but I bet you that's how it's going to be.

I'm going to be very supportive. I certainly understand your reservations, Carolyn. I applaud you for stepping up and saying them in public. I'm going to be supportive. I think it's the right thing to do for a community that had a different kind of issue than just helping them out with economic development. This is helping them recover. And it's unfortunate that probably without the railroad project this would already have been developed, but it's held up Haysville's development for almost four years, and it's been a very slow project to develop, mainly because of the extreme amount of bureaucracy that's attached to federal, state, county and railroad collaborations and that's been onerous on Haysville's downtown development and I think this will move them forward and hopefully will be marketable enough that it will bring some money back to the County.

I am going to be supportive. I would entertain a Motion at this point, if someone would join, or I will make the Motion myself."

MOTION

Chairman Norton moved to approve the Contract and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Commissioner Unruh seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	No
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Thanks, Bob. Next item. I'm sorry. Commissioner McGinn."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Just again for the record, I do want to just reiterate that I do totally support that Sedgwick County does help our 20 communities and I think we've done a good job of that and I think we've just had a little bit of a philosophical difference here and I want to thank you. Yesterday, you did come in and we visited about it and we had to end up agreeing to disagree. So, thank you."

Chairman Norton said, "Gosh dog, you mean that can happen and it's okay? Thank you, Commissioner McGinn, I appreciate that. Next item."

I. AGREEMENT WITH CITY OF WICHITA FOR PROVISION OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE AND CREATION OF AN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE SYSTEM.

Mr. Bob Lamkey, Director, Division of Public Safety, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I'm very pleased to be before you today with this item. As you know that the City and the County have been without a formal EMS agreement since the start of this year. And working together, City and County staff have arrived at a mutually acceptable agreement for your consideration. I also note that the City Council took action to approve the agreement just yesterday.

The agreement before you today does two important things. It provides a framework by which the County will continue to provide EMS service to the City of Wichita and it establishes the structure for a new emergency medical service system, which we'll call EMSS. Initial EMSS participants include 9-1-1 emergency medical dispatching function, City and County fire, medical response and Sedgwick County EMS.

The initial term of the agreement is for five years, with annual renewal thereafter, with some exceptions. It grants the County exclusion right to provide emergency and non-emergency ambulance service in the City of Wichita. The agreement provides for a full-time medical director, something that our consultant recommended, something that's supported by the Medical Society and as we visited communities around the country, something that's in place in many, many communities.

The medical director will be appointed by the managers and he will provide medical direction, coordination oversight of quality assurance, clinical training and compliance with medical protocols and procedures. And it's important at this time to recognize the vital and statutory role of the Medical Society of Sedgwick County in developing and approving medical protocols as part of this process. Those protocols form the foundation of pre-hospital patient care and will apply to medical activities of all EMSS participants.

The creation of an Emergency Medical Services Systems Performance Board is outlined in the agreement. It is designed to help develop a more unified and integrated approach to the service delivery, help establish system standards, monitor system performance and guide future initiatives.

The board will consist of 7 voting members and three ex officio members. The County and City managers will each independently appoint three members, two voting and one ex officio. Together, the managers will jointly appoint two emergency room physicians, one each from Wesley and Via Christi hospitals who will be voting members. ALARM will appoint one voting member and the medical director is the remaining ex officio member. He will chair the meetings, work the agendas and work that process in his capacity or her capacity.

The board will provide regular reports and input to the County and City governing bodies. Board membership is designated to enable participation from diverse professional background, so we'll certainly have a medical focus, but membership could include members from the medical, clinical, business, education, community leadership and the like to provide a more cosmopolitan representation, as we guide this new system to the future.

The County has agreed to fund the medical director. Funds have been identified for that purpose. Commissioners, I would editorialize that this agreement does not constitute an end but a new beginning. It's an opportunity to forge a more integrated system with a continued focus. Something that the men and women in the street, both in Wichita and Sedgwick County have done from the beginning, a continued focus on positive patient outcomes. I recommend that you approve the agreement and authorize the Chairman to sign, and I stand ready for any questions that you may have."

Chairman Norton said, "Well, I see no questions right now. I think Commissioner Sciortino will have some comments. I would like to see if there's anyone else that would like to speak. I notice we've got some folks from the City side here, Dwight Allen here. Dwight, I assume that because you're getting up that you might have some comments."

Mr. Dwight Allen, Director, Medical Society of Sedgwick County, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I've learned one thing. I should have done this a long time ago, that rather than coming when the meeting starts, I find out what place you are on the agenda. Well, my name is Dwight Allen and I'm the Director of the Medical Society and I come here today representing the society's board of directors, its trauma sub-committee and the EMS physicians' advisory committee.

Some 30 years ago, I participated in the efforts to organize and develop our current City/ Countywide EMS system, which I think all of us feel, through its involvement, is one of the best systems not only in the state, but in the entire United States for a city of our size and even compared to larger cities.

And I come to you again, 30 years later, to comment on behalf of the society on the continuation of that program and hopefully I won't be here 30 years from today commenting again, but we feel that

the agreement that's before you and has been approved by the City, we hope you will also give your approval to that agreement today on behalf of all of the citizens of Sedgwick County that will be served by that agreement will continue to provide state of the art emergency medical services to all the residents that live in Sedgwick County, as well as all the visitors to Wichita and Sedgwick County.

And in response to hopefully the passage that the Medical Society pledges its continued support to the goal of this joint endeavor, a goal that relies on a team approach to extend the highest quality emergency medical services to all the area's sick and injured and in accordance with the recognized medical standards and available resources. And if you have any questions, I'd be happy to answer those for you."

Chairman Norton said, "I see none at this time. Thank you, Dwight. Well, before I pass it on to Commissioner Sciortino, I would like to make just one general comment that yesterday we met in a combined meeting with City, County and the school board and I think we kicked that meeting off with kind of a resolution that we should collaborate and partner and work together in a cooperative manner.

And at this point, I would like to . . . I guess I'll have to direct it to Bob Martz, but congratulate and applaud Bob for being in the fight with us, the good fight for almost two years, as we challenged ourselves to seek the best solution. And I appreciate that he was always at the table and as Commissioner McGinn said a few minutes ago, we agreed to disagree but you know what, we finally came to a conclusion, the relationship is whole, we will move forward and I think that's a powerful message that we're starting to send on issues that can be contentious, can be hard, but that we can continue to work together, get past our differences and look for the things that we can collaborate on and know that we'll probably have another one that we'll have to work on soon and we'll take the same attitude to come to a conclusion. So, Bob thanks for being here today and thanks for being part of this solution. I appreciate it. Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I don't want to use the word fight. Let me give you the history of this, it started if my memory serves me right, back in December of 2000 is when we started this whole process, where the City felt that it would be very important for all of us to look at how EMS service is being provided within the city limits of Wichita. And they were going to hire, at their expense, a consultant. And then we thought gee, that would be an excellent opportunity, instead of just the city limits of Wichita, why don't we expand it to have someone take a look at how we provide service to all the citizens in Sedgwick County. And we asked Wichita if they would agree to expand it a little bit. We'd pay for I believe half of the cost of it and they

agreed to that and that's how the process started.

And you have to have an evolutionary thing. You have to have kind of maturing thing, and yeah it got feisty once in a while and Bob and I were the elected that were directly involved in it. But if you remember . . . I don't know if Kristi is around . . . about a year or a year and a half ago when we had a demonstration here where EMS came in and Fire came in and asked me if I'd be the dummy, I said no, so they brought in another dummy. And we actually got to see a simulation of how integrated things happen to someone needing this type of service. I mean, we were having letter, EMT, ALS, BLS, etcetera and so forth, but we got to really see how the system worked. That even if an ER doctor was the first one on the scene, basic life support had to be done first and then advanced life support and all of the sudden the dummy started breathing again.

But I mean, right then it kind of trigger, at least in me but I think all of us, that wait a minute, the major focus of what we're trying to do is quality patient care and how do we have a system's approach toward reaching that. And once we got focused on that, I think things moved along quite nicely. Now, yeah there were times I was thinking it was going at a snail's pace, and sometimes we'd take three steps backwards, but in retrospect right now, I think it was smart of us to ere on the side of being slow and methodical, as opposed to fast and maybe having unintended consequences, because we are talking about, for this particular service, people's lives.

And it did take a while to get settled, but what we have accomplished here, ostensibly it's an agreement with the City of Wichita and Sedgwick County, but all the citizens of Sedgwick County that get EMS service are going to benefit by what we've contracted to do.

I'm going to take a risk here, I'm going to start naming names, and this is going to be dangerous because I'll sure as heck offend somebody by forgetting them. We've already complimented Councilman Bob Martz, but I see two people from the Fire Department, Ron Aaron, Joe Couey, they were involved in just about every meeting that I attended where there were neighborhood meetings. They were there and they were passionate and I got the distinct impression that their focus was patient care, that's what they were concerned about.

Dwight Allen, definitely, the doctors that kept advising us at our joint En Banc meetings about emergency room protocols and the need for a unified medical director, unified protocols. On our side of the street Bob Lamkey, Tom Pollan . . . that other fellow, his mother is real important, oh Andy Schlapp. No, I'm joking but it was a lot of people working and we finally got the horses and the team directed to quality of patient care and that's when we finally wound up with this product, which I hope you all will join me in supporting. I've got a sense that you might, but I'm hoping you will.

But there's another group of people out there that need to be recognized publicly. They didn't

attend the meetings. They weren't in feisty negotiations between Bob and I or talking about, but what they did is and I'm talking about Wichita and Sedgwick County firefighters that are EMT qualified, our EMS people, they continued through all this turmoil to provide the patient care that needed to be . . . and I know it had to be tough on them, because some of them didn't know were they going to have a job tomorrow, what was going to be expected of them, were they qualified to do this or that, but they hung in there with us. And not once during all that time did I see any evidence that patient care deteriorated during that three-year period of time. And I wish they were all here in this room where I could stand up and just give them an applause that they deserve. We're going to try to figure out some way to let them know how much we appreciated that they stayed focused. They're professionals, and they stayed focused on their jobs while we worked our way through this agreement, which turns out that we owe them and all the citizens owe them a heartfelt thanks.

I hope I haven't forgotten anybody but I probably have but those were the people that I wanted to recognize on that. And it's so vital that whenever the citizens of Wichita/ Sedgwick County see a fire unit rolling to the scene of a car wreck or medical disaster or see an ambulance, to know that they're highly qualified, trained professionals coming to their aid. So that's all I wanted to say and thank you for giving me the time to say it."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner McGinn."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Good comments. I guess, in looking back, I think about this all started because some people raised a few issues and we thought we had a pretty good system and now today I think we have a better system. And I think this exercise has been good for everybody, from the government level policymakers to the staff support, to the employee level. I think we have a better understanding of this county-wide system and we have a better system that's going to serve the citizens of Sedgwick County. And I'm very pleased that we have this before us today because the bottom line is providing great patient care for our citizens.

The last thing I just wanted to say, and this hurts me a great deal, but I think we have to give great accolades to Ben Sciortino, because this has been a long, enduring process and he made light of some things, saying you know it wasn't that bad and all that. There was some pretty hot moments and we're talking about people's jobs, we're talking about territory, we're talking about a lot of things and I have to . . . my hat is off to you, Ben, because you stayed the course and this was not something that got taken care of in a couple of months. It actually took a couple of years and I again want to say thank you to you because you stayed on top of it and today we're sitting here getting ready to vote on something that's only going to be great and beneficial to our community and our citizens, so thank you Ben."

Chairman Norton said, "Any other comments, discussion?"

MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved to approve the Agreement and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Commissioner McGinn seconded the Motion.

Chairman Norton said, "Any other discussion? Gee, that's pretty neat, you did all the work and I get to sign the agreement. That's a pretty good deal. Clerk, call the item."

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, "And I would like to thank our compatriots from across the street for joining us today. Next item."

DIVISION OF HUMAN SERVICES - COMCARE

J. PROPOSAL TO CITY OF WICHITA FOR COMCARE TO PROVIDE DRUG TESTING SERVICES.

Ms. Marilyn Cook, Director, COMCARE, greeted the Commissioners and said, "You have received a copy of COMCARE's Addiction Treatment Services program response to an RFP that was submitted by the City of Wichita, through the Municipal Court Probation Office, to do drug testing for about 1,000 probationers in the City. The proposal indicates that the municipal court probation office would be referring about 30 individuals a week for drug testing and if selected for

this, our Addiction Treatment Service staff would be responsible for collecting the urine samples, according to guidelines, insuring proper chain of custody and providing the court with documentation about the results of those tests.

Our Addiction Treatment Service program, if they get this contract, will utilize current staff to do that. Individuals who are being tested will pay for those services at the time that the samples are taken and the Addiction Treatment program will utilize a current lab that we use, that we already have a significant relationship with.

This is a one-year contract, but it does have an opportunity to have four one-year options for renewal. We are requesting that you approve the proposal."

Chairman Norton said, "I see no lights flashing for discussion."

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to approve the proposal and authorize the Chairman to sign all necessary documents, including the proposal award agreement containing substantially the same terms and conditions as this proposal.

Commissioner Unruh seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Thank you, Marilyn. Next item."

K. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF BIDS AND CONTRACTS' REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 30, 2003.

Ms. Iris Baker, Director, Purchasing Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "The referenced meeting resulted in three items for consideration today.

1) MUNGER BUILDING 1ST FLOOR RENOVATION- FACILITY PROJECTS FUNDING: CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

The first item, the Munger Building 1st floor renovation for Facility Projects. Recommend the low bid, including the alternate, from Alcon Construction in the amount of \$373,150.

2) CHANGE ORDER FRONT END RECORDS MANAGEMENT SYSTEM- REGISTER OF DEEDS <u>FUNDING: REGISTER OF DEEDS</u>

Item two is a change order to the front end records management system for the Register of Deeds. Recommendation is for you to accept the change order with Computer Information Concepts for an expenditure of \$30,225 and a net decrease in the contract of \$15,650.

3) SCANNERS & RELATED EQUIPMENT- VARIOUS COUNTY DEPARTMENTS <u>FUNDING: VARIOUS COUNTY DEPARTMENTS</u>

And item three, scanners and related equipment for various County departments. Recommend the low overall proposal meeting specifications from Galaxy Business to execute the County wide one-year contract with two one-year options to renew, to purchase at a per unit price not to exceed \$100,000.

Would be happy to answer questions and recommend approval of these items today."

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to approve the recommendations of the Board of Bids and Contracts.

Chairman Norton seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

<u>VOTE</u>

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye

Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Next item."

CONSENT AGENDA

L. CONSENT AGENDA.

1. Two Temporary Construction Easements for Sedgwick County Cowskin Creek Project. District #2.

2. Applications for License to Retail Cereal Malt Beverages.

Applicant Name

Business Name

Mark O. Branham Sharon F. Anderson Quik Trip Bud's Bait & Burgers

3. Plats.

Approved by Public Works. The County Treasurer has certified that taxes for the year 2002 and prior years have been paid for the following plats:

Erin Springs Addition Martin Estates

- 4. Order dated October 29, 2003 to correct tax roll for change of assessment.
- 5. Payroll Check Register of October 24, 2003.
- 6. General Bills Check Register(s) for the week of October 29 November 4, 2003.

Mr. Buchanan said, "Commissioners, you have the Consent Agenda before you and I would

recommend that you approve it."

MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Is there anything else to come before us today, Commissioners?"

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Do you want to recess to the Fire Department thing first?"

Commissioner Winters said, "If we can get to the Fire Department, we could have that on television."

Chairman Norton said, "At this point, I'll suspend the Board of County Commission meeting."

The Board of County Commissioners recessed into the Fire District #1 Meeting at 11:56 a.m. and returned at 12:06 p.m.

Chairman Norton said, "Is there any other action or other items to come before us today as the Board of County Commissioners."

M. OTHER

Commissioner Sciortino said, "I have one real quick one."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "There's so much going on Sunday it looks like it's a workday."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Saturday."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "No. There's so much going on Sunday that it seems like it's another workday. I know what day I'm talking about. That's on Sunday, isn't it, the deal with the church?"

Commissioner Unruh said, "Yeah, New Day Christian is on Sunday."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "And you're going to be receiving from Oaklawn, they're having their . . . annually they have two and the other one is going to be this Sunday at 4, there's a group of fellows down there that they have a ministry where they go out and catch fish and they freeze them and then they put on a tremendous fish fry, mountain oyster type thing free to the whole community and we all are going to be . . . It's a little bit late. I suggested if they wanted us to come, why don't they invite us, but we're going to be invited to that at 4:00 if you want to eat fried catfish and those other things and coleslaw and what have you. So it's going to be fun and if you're not doing anything, come on out. If we have any room in our stomachs after the other thing, we're going to eat a lot Sunday. That's it."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner McGinn."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Are we still on the air?"

Chairman Norton said, "Yes."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Okay, I just wanted to make sure because I'm going to announce something that you guys aren't going to be able to attend, but Saturday is also the Doris Kerr Larkin annual luncheon that the Kansas African American Museum sponsors every year and has had excellent speakers every year and this will be, I believe, the fifth year. This year it's Julianne Malveaux and she is an author and columnist and she's been on some of the different syndicated shows and providing comments. So I think we're going to have another great one and that is at

11:30 at the Select Inn, Holiday Inn . . . no, how do you say that? Holiday Inn Select at Rock and Kellogg and if you're interested in attending this event you can call the Kansas African American Museum at 262-7651."

Chairman Norton said, "Just two things for me. The planning summit will be Saturday morning, 8:30. I will be in attendance but at some point I may drift out of there because my second son is getting married that night and my wife has already indicated to me that if I spend too much time doing County business don't come home. So, I will be here. I will kick it off and at some point I may turn it over to you, Tom to kind of wrap it up and everything, but I wanted to give you a heads-up on that.

The second thing I wanted to talk about was we did meet with the school board, as I've indicated, the school board and the city yesterday. I think it was a great meeting. Hopefully, we've embarked on a new spirit of cooperation. One thing that I urged yesterday is that we not fail to remember that there are other school districts and other small towns in our community that weren't at the table and we need to continue to try to engage them. But it was a good first beginning. We had some great conversations and hopefully that will just build a collaborative spirit within the four walls of Sedgwick County to move us forward into the future for the kinds of things we need to do as government. Anything else to come before us? We are adjourned."

N. ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

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ATTEST:

Don Brace, County Clerk

APPROVED:

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