

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING

OCTOBER 30, 1996

The Regular Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Sedgwick County, Kansas, was called to order at 9:00 A.M., Wednesday, October 30, 1996, in the County Commission Meeting Room in the Courthouse in Wichita, Kansas, by Chair Pro Tem Melody C. Miller with the following present: Commissioner Betsy Gwin; Commissioner Paul W. Hancock; Commissioner Mark F. Schroeder; Mr. William P. Buchanan, County Manager; Mr. Rich Euson, Acting County Counselor; Mr. Jarold D. Harrison, Assistant County Manager; Ms. Becky Allen-Bouska, Director, Bureau of Finance; Ms. Irene Hart, Director, Bureau of Community Development; Ms. Deborah Donaldson, Director, Bureau of Health Services; Ms. Louanna Honeycutt Burrell, Administrative Officer, Department of Housing and Economic Development; Mr. David C. Spears, Director, Bureau of Public Services; Mr. Jim Weber, Director, Sewer Operations and Maintenance; Mr. James Elvins, Major, Sheriff's Department; Dr. Corrie May, Coroner-Medical Examiner, Regional Forensic Science Center; Mr. Steve Gilbert, Administrator, Regional Forensic Science Center; Mr. Darren Muci, Director, Purchasing Department; Mr. Fred Ervin, Director, Public Relations; and Ms. Susan E. Crockett-Spoon, County Clerk.

GUESTS

Mr. Daryl Thornton, Administrator, Via Christi Home Health Care

Mr. Tom Straight, President, Oaklawn Improvement District

Mr. Joe Norton, Bond counsel, Gilmore & Bell, P.C.

Mr. Allen Bell, Finance Project Director, City of Wichita

Mr. Tom Kimbrell, Program Manager, Juvenile Intake & Assessment

INVOCATION

The Invocation was given by Mr. Bob Bruner of the Christian Businessmen's Committee.

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

The Clerk reported, after calling roll, that Chairman Winters was absent.

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CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES:

**Regular Meeting, October 9, 1996.
Regular Meeting, October 16, 1996.**

The Clerk reported that all Commissioners were present at the Regular Meetings of October 9 and October 16, 1996.

Chair Pro Tem Miller said, "Commissioners, I believe you all have had an opportunity to review these minutes. If there are no corrections or changes, may I get a Motion on the Regular Meeting Minutes of October 9, 1996, and Regular Meeting Minutes of October 16."

MOTION

Commissioner Hancock moved to approve the Minutes of October 9, 1996 and October 16, 1996, as presented.

Commissioner Gwin seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Paul W. Hancock	Aye
Chair Pro Tem Melody C. Miller	Aye
Commissioner Mark F. Schroeder	Aye
Chairman Thomas G. Winters	Absent at vote

CERTIFICATION AS TO THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

Ms. Becky Allen-Bouska, Finance Director, greeted the Commissioners and said, "You have previously received the certification of funds for today's Regular and Sewer District agenda. I am available for questions if there are any."

Chair Pro Tem Miller said, "Thank you. Next item please."

PROCLAMATION

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A. PROCLAMATION DECLARING NOVEMBER, 1996, AS “NATIONAL HOME CARE MONTH.”

Chair Pro Tem Miller said, “Commissioners, in front of me I have a Proclamation and I would like to read into the record.”

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, home care is the oldest and most humane tradition of health service in the United States, enabling the ill and disabled to receive high-quality medical assistance and retain a sense of dignity and independence in the comfort of their own homes; and

WHEREAS, home care in the United States is a growing alternative to hospitalization for acute and chronic illnesses, with an estimated expenditure of \$27 billion for services to more than 7 billion Americans; and

WHEREAS, thousands of hard working men and women, in association with more than 17,500 home care agencies throughout the Nation, deliver cost-effective skilled nursing, home care aide, and social services, and physical, occupational, and speech therapies that stimulate quicker and fuller recoveries and improvements than institutional care; and

WHEREAS, the President of the National Association for Home Care has declared the month of November, 1996, as National Home Care Month and is calling on all Americans to observe this occasion with appropriate ceremonies and activities;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Melody C. Miller, Chair Pro Tem of the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim the month of November, 1996, as

“NATIONAL HOME CARE MONTH”

in Sedgwick County, and encourage all citizens to support the home health care profession in its efforts to provide safe, affordable, and comfortable health care in the homes of our elderly, disabled, and infirm.

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MOTION

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

Commissioner Hancock seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Paul Hancock	Aye
Chair Pro Tem Melody C. Miller	Aye
Commissioner Mark F. Schroeder	Aye
Chairman Thomas G. Winters	Absent at vote

Chair Pro Tem Miller said, "Is there someone here today? Daryl Thornton, Administrator of Via Christi Home Health Care, would you please come to the podium and say a few words?"

Mr. Daryl Thorton, Administrator, Via Christi Home Health Care, said, "On behalf of Via Christi and the staff of Via Christi Home Health and all the outstanding home health agencies in Sedgwick County and south central Kansas in our region. We're very proud of our home health care program, our industry, and we think we are positioned for the future and we have a lot of good care that is rendered daily by a lot of fine staff. Thank you very much, we're proud of it."

Chair Pro Tem Miller said, "Thank you very much Mr. Thorton. Understanding that there is a move in the direction of managed care, you are correct, you are positioning yourself very well. Next item, Madam Clerk."

PUBLIC HEARINGS

B. PUBLIC HEARING AND RESOLUTIONS REGARDING A COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT GRANT.

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1. PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING APPLICATION TO KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMERCE FOR A COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT GRANT WITH EMPHASIS IN OAKLAWN-SUNVIEW CENSUS DESIGNATED PLACE.

Ms. Irene Hart, Director, Bureau of Community Development, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Once again this year, we bring to you a comprehensive grant application for the community of Oaklawn-Sunview. I'll call it Oaklawn just as a short description. Last year, we submitted a similar application. I'd love to spend considerable time telling you how much the community has evolved since that time but I won't. I'll talk to you more about this grant application. The grant application itself is being prepared by Marty Hughes and Eddy Chielo of County staff and is very much still a moving target even though we need to have it in the mail by this Friday. I'll explain what I mean by moving target. The grant application itself totals \$1,900,000. We're asking for \$850,000 of federal money through the Kansas Department of Commerce and Housing. The remainder obviously is local funding of one kind or another and I'll describe that.

"There are several projects being requested in this comprehensive grant application. One is to fund a multi-purpose community center. Second is an engineering study of the drainage, water drainage, in the entire neighborhood. A marketing study for retail businesses. The development of a comprehensive neighborhood strategy. A revolving loan program for housing rehabilitation, and once again, the wall along 47th Street. The community center, they are requesting a basic amount of funding with matching funds coming from tax credits which will be applied for later on in the fiscal year. The engineering study is important to the long range development of the community in that the area is so flat that water moves as it will or as it stands. The streets deteriorate, sidewalks deteriorate. Without the drainage study and subsequent implementation of the plan itself, we'll have difficulty with commercial and residential development and redevelopment. The housing and rehabilitation revolving loan program will be in cooperation with community housing services. They are providing matching funds into that revolving loan program. The wall, which we've talked about before and made application for before, the community has raised funds, nearly \$20,000, towards this wall project. So this is a low to moderate income neighborhood that has raised nearly \$20,000 on their own because they think this wall is so important.

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“Matching funds, again, come from community service tax credits that are anticipated from cash provided fund raising for the wall, cash provided by Community Housing Services, and the revolving loan fund. In-kind contributions with the code enforcement inspections as we’re doing with several of the programs right now, the Oaklawn Improvement District has the availability of land that is valued at \$250,000 for construction of the community center. We’re still awaiting confirmation on the cash contribution from the township toward the cost of the drainage study. If that confirmation comes in, then we will shift our application to include marketing study for retail businesses and neighborhood strategy. We’ll then have enough money to be able to incorporate those other two elements.

“The application is due November 1 and I’d be happy to try to answer any questions that you might have. If I can’t, certainly Eddy and Marty can.”

Chair Pro Tem Miller said, “Thank you very much Irene. Any questions from Commissioners? I need to open the public hearing regarding the application to the Kansas Department of Housing and Commerce for a comprehensive development grant with emphasis in Oaklawn-Sunview census designated place.”

Mr. Tom Straight, President, Oaklawn Improvement District, said, “An honor to be here today to speak in behalf of the Oaklawn-Sunview area. I ask as you look at this grant, look at our needs that we need out there, senior center, community center. We’ve grown out of our old center and need a bigger building. This is not just a senior center, it would be used for the youth, get crime off the street, so if you look at this, look at those items in mind. Drainage, we have water sitting out there. Trying to work with the township on it. It is just tearing up our sidewalks, our streets. We need to look at that issue. Mennonite Housing came in last year with the district and did a grant, did a beautiful job. We don’t want to lose the upkeep of the houses out there. So look at that issue. At the same time, we have community policing out there. We would use them in our community building so we could run a better security program for Sedgwick County, not just the Oaklawn area. Thank you.”

Chair Pro Tem Miller said, “Thank you. Are there any other individuals in the audience who wish to speak to this item at this time? If there are none, we’ll close the public hearing and reserve comments for bench and staff.”

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MOTION

Commissioner Schroeder moved to approve the application and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Commissioner Hancock seconded the Motion.

Chair Pro Tem Miller said, “We have a Motion and a second, and I will comment before we vote. Irene, this looks absolutely wonderful from a grant perspective and I am thinking that is this going to be a gift if we actually are awarded or given this grant? Would this be a model program or are we modeling after some other development or neighborhood?”

Ms. Hart said, “We’ve gotten ideas from other communities across the country, but it is very much responsive to the needs as identified by the residents of the community so we’re not trying to replicate a program from elsewhere. We’re trying to use our knowledge of different programs as a way to meet the identified needs of that neighborhood.”

Chair Pro Tem Miller said, “Very good. Good luck.”

Ms. Hart said, “We were close last year. I think we were third last year and they funded two.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “Were we really? I know we have asked in a tentative grant application to replace the old wooden fence with one of those walls and it didn’t make the cut. Was that what finished third?”

Ms. Hart said, “A similar comprehensive grant that we submitted last year. This year we believe we have a stronger application. We learned by not receiving the grant last year, the additional partners we needed to have included. We’ve been working with SCKEDD, South Central Kansas Economic Development District, to beef up the economic development component of the application and Boys and Girls Club has come in as a stronger partner this year. So we believe it is a stronger application.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “We hope the State sees it that way too. Thank you.”

Chair Pro Tem Miller said, “If there are no further comments, Madam Clerk please call the vote.”

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VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Paul Hancock	Aye
Chair Pro Tem Melody C. Miller	Aye
Commissioner Mark F. Schroeder	Aye
Chairman Thomas G. Winters	Absent at vote

2. RESOLUTION OF ASSURANCE OF LONG-RANGE FINANCING FOR OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF IMPROVEMENTS FUNDED BY THE COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT GRANT.

Ms. Hart said, “The next two items have to deal with technical paperwork that needs to accompany the grant. I’m sure the Clerk will read those but one has to do with assuring that if there are things built that there is a way to continue to maintain them and the other one deals with making sure the Commission has the authority to actually submit the grant application.

Chair Pro Tem Miller said, “If there are no questions or comments on Item 2, the recommended action is to adopt the Resolution. Do I hear a Motion?”

MOTION

Commissioner Schroeder moved to adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Hancock seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Paul Hancock	Aye
Chair Pro Tem Melody C. Miller	Aye
Commissioner Mark F. Schroeder	Aye
Chairman Thomas G. Winters	Absent at vote

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- 3. RESOLUTION STATING INTENT TO SEEK FUNDING THROUGH THE COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO PURSUE ACTIVITIES IN AN ATTEMPT TO SECURE FUNDING.**

MOTION

Commissioner Hancock moved to adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Gwin seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Paul Hancock	Aye
Chair Pro Tem Melody C. Miller	Aye
Commissioner Mark F. Schroeder	Aye
Chairman Thomas G. Winters	Absent at vote

Chair Pro Tem Miller said, "Thank you. Next item please."

- C. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND RESOLUTIONS REGARDING CREATION OF SEWER DISTRICTS.**

- 1. PUBLIC HEARING AND RESOLUTION CREATING A LATERAL SEWER DISTRICT WITHIN SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS AND AUTHORIZING IMPROVEMENTS THEREIN (SAVANNA AT CASTLE ROCK RANCH 8TH ADDITION).**

Chairman Winters said, "Madam Clerk, would you please let the record show that I have arrived and the time is 9:20 a.m. Thank you."

Chairman Winters arrived at 9:20 a.m.

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Mr. Joe Norton, Bond Counsel, Gilmore & Bell, P.C., greeted the Commissioners and said, "For your consideration this morning, Item 1, is a public hearing regarding the creation of an additional lateral sewer district, Savanna at Castle Rock Ranch 8th Addition. This is an area in the northeast portion of the County, located north and east of 13th Street and 143rd Street East. The petition, signed by 100% of the owners of property in this proposed sewer district has been submitted to the County Clerk. Notice of this public hearing was published in accordance with the law and it is prime for your consideration today."

SLIDE PRESENTATION

"On the screen before you is a map depicting the proposed area and the properties that would be included in the benefit district. On the screen before you now is a depiction of the Bureau of Public Services estimate of project costs for this improvement. The middle column labeled sewer is the one appropriate for this particular agenda item. The total estimated cost, which is the item in red, the bond issue, is \$84,200. There are 26 lots in the proposed sewer district. The apportionment of cost on a fractional basis depending on the actual size of the 26 parcels, and if divided equally, would have a principal component per lot of about \$3,240, which spread over 15 years at 8% would be an annual cost of about \$475. Mr. Weber and I are available for questions you have at this time or at the conclusion of the public hearing. If there are none at this time, it would be appropriate to receive public comment before considering the Resolution."

Chairman Winters said, "Thank you very much. At this time, we will open the public hearing and receive public comment. Is there anyone here in the audience today who would like to address the Commission concerning our Item C-1, improvements at Savanna at Castle Rock Ranch 8th Addition? Is there anyone who would like to address the Commission? Seeing no one, we'll close the public hearing and reserve discussion to staff and Commission."

Mr. Norton said, "If not, we'd recommend you adopt the Resolution."

MOTION

Commissioner Hancock moved to adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Gwin seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Paul Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Commissioner Mark F. Schroeder	Aye
Chairman Thomas G. Winters	Aye

2. PUBLIC HEARING AND RESOLUTION CREATING A LATERAL SEWER DISTRICT WITHIN SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS AND AUTHORIZING IMPROVEMENTS THEREIN (KIMBERLY HILLS 2ND ADDITION.)

Mr. Norton said, "The same procedure here. A petition has been filed by the owners of 100% of the property to be contained in the proposed lateral sewer district known as Kimberly Hills 2nd Addition. This is an area of the County located between Central and 13th Street, just east of 127th Street East.

SLIDE PRESENTATION

"There are three lots in the proposed benefit district and newly platted area. On the screen before you is a map depicting lots 2, 3, and 4, which are encircled in the heavy black line. The estimate cost of the project, again, the item in red labeled total bond issue is \$50,597. There are three lots. The proposed method of assessment is equally per lot, which leaves a principle component of approximately \$16,865 per lot. Which, when spread over 15 years at 8%, would be an annual cost of approximately \$2,475. If there are no questions of Mr. Weber and myself, it would be appropriate to receive public comment at this time."

Chairman Winters said, "Okay, thank you very much. We will open the public hearing and receive comment from the public. Is there anyone here who would like to address the Commission on Item C-2, lateral sewer district in the Kimberly Hills Addition? Anyone here who would like to address the Commission? Seeing no one, we'll close the public hearing and reserve comments to staff and Commissioners. Commissioners, any questions?"

Commissioner Hancock said, "Just curious, how big are those lots?"

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Mr. Norton said, "They are fairly good size lots. This is an area adjacent to Crestview Country Club, newly platted on some vacant land that the country club sold to the builders. They are very large lots."

Commissioner Hancock said, "Okay, thank you."

Chairman Winters said, "Okay, thank you."

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Miller seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Paul Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Commissioner Mark F. Schroeder	Aye
Chairman Thomas G. Winters	Aye

Chairman Winters said, "Thank you."

- 3. PUBLIC HEARING AND RESOLUTION CREATING A LATERAL SEWER DISTRICT WITHIN SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS AND AUTHORIZING IMPROVEMENTS THEREIN (SMITHMOOR 5TH ADDITION.)**

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Mr. Norton said, "Smithmoor 5th Addition is an area of the County located south of Harry, between Webb and Greenwich Road, as depicted on the map on the screen before you. The proposed improvement district, would consist of three phases as outlined on the map. Phase one are the platted parcels, phase two also contains platted parcels and phase three has a number of platted parcels and an unplatted tract shown on the right hand portion of the screen.

"The estimate of cost has been prepared in the various phases and construction would be anticipated to proceed along those phases. As you can see each phase along the total bond issue side has costs of about \$56,000 for phase one, \$54,000 for phase two, and about \$66,000 for phase three. In each situation the estimated cost on pages one and two will be divided equally among those parcels, 19 in each of the first two phases. In phase three it will be divided on a proportionate basis, about half of the costs on the lots platted and the other half of the cost would be proportionated to the unplatted tract for future development.

"This is an area which is located within the City of Wichita. We have done sewer improvements in this area in the past and the State statute requires that prior to the creation of this district we must receive the consent of the City of Wichita. That consent has been received during the platting process. They approved the planning and consented to the County to provide sewer service to this area. So that phase of the approval has been received. Mr. Weber and I will be available for questions on this. If there are none, it would be appropriate to receive public comment. Notice has been published in accordance with state law."

Chairman Winters said, "Okay, thank you. I see no questions now. At this time I will open the public hearing to receive public comment. Is there anyone here who would like to comment before the Commission on Item C-3, lateral sewer district in the Smithmoor 5th Addition? Is there anyone who would like to address the Commission on this item? Seeing no one, we'll close the public hearing and reserve comment to Commissioners and staff."

MOTION

Commissioner Schroeder moved to adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Hancock seconded the Motion.

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

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VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Paul Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Commissioner Mark F. Schroeder	Aye
Chairman Thomas G. Winters	Aye

Chairman Winters said, "Next item."

NEW BUSINESS

D. RESOLUTIONS REGARDING ROADS.

- 1. RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO CONSTRUCT IMPROVEMENTS TO EXISTING ROADS AND INTERSECTIONS IN THE COUNTY; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO PAY THE COSTS THEREOF; AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AS REQUIRED BY LAW.**

SLIDE PRESENTATION

Mr. Norton said, "The first item is part of the County's comprehensive financing package for County at large projects for road improvements. As you are aware, every year you adopt a Capital Improvement Program that includes financing from sales taxes as well as certain projects to be approved by the issuance of general obligation bonds of the County. Before you today are two projects which have been submitted by Mr. Spears and his department.

Project one includes improvements to 47th Street South between Oliver and Rock Road at an estimated cost of \$2,500,000 for bond financing. The second project is improvements to the intersection of MacArthur Road and West Street including signalization and turn lanes, with estimated bond financing cost of \$750,000. State law provides that the Board of County Commissioners may issue general obligation bonds of the County to fund such projects provided the Commissioners first adopt a resolution declaring an attempt to do so. That resolution is published twice in the official County newspaper and provides for a 90 day period in which citizens may protest the issuance of such bonds.

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“Thus we are before you today requesting that the Resolution be adopted so the publication process can be started and the opportunity to protest to be ended early in 1997 so the Bureau of Public Services can proceed with this project if there are no protests. Mr. Spears will be available to answer any questions you might have concerning those projects. There are no requirements in State law for a public hearing but you may wish to receive comment at your discretion.”

Chairman Winters said, “Both of the projects you mentioned are contained within the Resolution concerning item D-1, is that correct?”

Mr. Norton said, “That is correct.”

Chairman Winters said, “Thank you. Commissioner Miller.”

Commissioner Miller said, “Thank you Mr. Chairman. David, just for sake of clarity, when we create road improvement districts, the dollar amount which we are going to bond, is that correct, are we asking to bond \$3,200,000?”

Mr. David Spears said, “Yes, \$3,250,000 for these two projects.”

Commissioner Miller said, “Is this assessed back to the district?”

Mr. Norton said, “There is no special benefit district, this is for the County at large. . . .”

Commissioner Miller said, “This is a part of our program, that’s what I was trying to understand.”

Mr. Norton said, “This is the part not funded from the sales tax receipts dedicated. . . .”

Commissioner Miller said, “Thank you. Just needed to clear that up.”

Chairman Winters said, “Thank you Commissioner. Other questions or comments?”

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Commissioner Schroeder moved to adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Gwin seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Paul Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Commissioner Mark F. Schroeder	Aye
Chairman Thomas G. Winters	Aye

2. RESOLUTION AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING RESOLUTION NO. 155-1996 OF THE COUNTY, WHICH CREATED A ROAD IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT IN SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS AND AUTHORIZED IMPROVEMENTS THEREIN (WOODLAND PLACE ADDITION).

Mr. Norton said, "We're now back to special assessment benefit districts. On July 10 of this year, the Commission adopted a Resolution creating a road improvement district in Woodlawn Place Addition. This is an area located south of Central between Springdale Road and 159th Street East. Springdale would also be known as 143st Street East. The project proceeded through the bidding process. Bids were received and those bids exceeded the engineer's estimate of costs which was authorized for the Resolution. In order for this project to proceed, the Commission would have to increase the authorization for this project. The Bureau of Public Services has contacted the owners of property and 100% of the owners of that property have submitted a revised and amended petition requesting that the County authorize this project to proceed at an increased price. They consented to that increased price.

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“You can see on the screen before you, there are two columns on the right. One is the original estimate and one is the revised estimated based on actual bids received. This would result in a cost increase on the red line labeled total bond issue from \$124,000 to \$160,000. The principal component being increased from about \$8,800 to about \$11,500, or about \$270 per year on an annual basis spread over 15 years. Again, 100% of the property owners have consented to the increase in cost to proceed with the project and have requested that the Commissioners amend the Resolution adopted in July to authorize the project to proceed at the increased cost. Again, there is no requirement for public hearing although you may wish to receive public comment prior to considering the Resolution authorizing the increased amount.”

Chairman Winters said, “Okay, thank you. Commissioner Gwin.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “Thank you Mr. Chairman. Joe, on the revised estimate you have taken out the contingency amount, is that typical in trying to deal with the cost the contractor has submitted? I’m a little concerned that there wouldn’t be . . . “

Mr. Norton said, “I think Mr. Weber may be able to explain that best.”

Mr. Jim Weber, Director, Sewer Operations and Maintenance, said, “When we actually have bids, we will generally use the contingency amount that is in the original estimate. That’s why we have a contingency plugged into it. Just recognize the fact that we’ve used the contingency because the bids have gone higher than expected. So we would generally take out the contingency, the rest of the items have some contingency built into them separately for the inspection, for example, is still an estimate.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “Jim, can you tell me why the projected costs came in higher than what we expected? What’s going on?”

Mr. Weber said, “We had worked up the original estimate off of some actual County bids earlier in the year, built in contingencies, I think the best explanation that I can give is that it is a free market place. They may have built some things into the project during the design that we didn’t anticipate. That doesn’t fully explain it. Storm sewers, for example, like our sewer work, we’ve had problems doing underground work and it is higher than it had been. To me, it appears at the moment, that paving is up some too. So I think the combination of things just drove it up. This is a small job. It can be difficult, because of the cost of mobilization, it can run higher. We felt that we had factored that in but apparently not.”

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Commissioner Gwin said, "Well, I'm assuming then a lot of the contractors in and around the area are busy and there is a lot going on."

Mr. Weber said, "A lot going on."

Commissioner Gwin said, "Okay, thank you. Thank you Mr. Chairman."

Mr. David Spears said, "Commissioner Gwin."

Commissioner Gwin said, "Yes David."

Mr. Spears said, "One thing also that we mentioned before that, \$125,863 and we were able to negotiate down to the \$119,011 figure."

Commissioner Gwin said, "Okay, thanks. Thank you."

Chairman Winters said, "Thank you. Two quick questions. One, our recommended action shows adopt the Resolution, are we not actually amending the Resolution or are we adopting an entirely new Resolution?"

Mr. Norton said, "We are adopting an entirely new Resolution which amends the prior Resolution."

Chairman Winters said, "Okay. Then I assume that even with 100% of the property owners, would it not be wise for us to take public comment on this issue?"

Mr. Norton said, "That's at the discretion of the Chair. There is no requirement by statute to have a public hearing."

Chairman Winters said, "Okay, thank you. Commissioners, I think I would just ask if there is anyone in the audience who would like to address the Commission on Item D-2? Is there anyone in the Commission chambers who would like to address the Commission on Item D-2? Seeing no one in the audience."

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MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Schroeder seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Paul Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Commissioner Mark F. Schroeder	Aye
Chairman Thomas G. Winters	Aye

- 3. RESOLUTION CREATING A ROAD IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT IN SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS AND AUTHORIZING IMPROVEMENTS THEREIN (SAVANNA AT CASTLE ROCK RANCH 8TH ADDITION).**

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Mr. Norton said, "This is the companion project to the earlier item on the sewer district located in Savanna 8th Addition, which is approximately 143rd Street East, north of 13th Street. Again, the proposed benefit district, contains all platted lots and a small reserve. The proposed estimate of cost by the Bureau of Public Services is contained on the right hand column under streets. Again, we have received a petition signed by 100% of the property proposed to be included in the benefit district which consists of 20 lots. Proposed total estimate cost under the red line total bond issue is approximately \$346,000, which when divided among the 20 parcels, would have a principle component of approximately \$17,290 for about \$2,500 per year spread over 15 years at 8%. Mr. Weber and I would be available to answer questions you may have. Again, there is no state law requirement for a public hearing although you may wish to receive public comment prior to considering the Resolution which would create this district."

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Chairman Winters said, "Okay, thank you very much. I think I will ask, is there anyone here in the audience who would like to address the Commission on Item D-3? Is there anyone who would like to address the Commission on Item D-3? I see no one in the audience. Commissioners, you've heard Mr. Norton's report."

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Hancock seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Paul Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Commissioner Mark F. Schroeder	Aye
Chairman Thomas G. Winters	Aye

Chairman Winters said, "Thank you Joe. Next item."

E. PRESENTATION OF THE 1997 SEDGWICK COUNTY BUDGETS AND CAPITAL BUDGET, AND 1996-2000 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM; AND CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST TO SUBMIT BUDGETS TO THE GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION (GF0A) FOR REVIEW.

Mr. William Buchanan, County Manger, said, "If we continue to produce the documents that we do regarding the financial condition and the financial plans of the County, we're going to either have to buy trusses or use some of David Spears' heavy equipment, because there are several pounds of materials in front of you, all of which are the financial documents for Sedgwick County. You'll see that we have some budget books that are in great detail, with exactly how many pencils we're going to buy and to whom they are going to go to and for what purposes they'll be used."

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“We have other documents which are the Capital Improvement Programs, both what’s adopted for 1997 and what’s the five year program from ‘96 to the year 2000. Then we have the Capital Budget and then we have a Capital Improvement Program, adopted program, and perhaps the most favorite book of all, the Budget in Brief, which can slip easily into your briefcase which gives you the detailed information of how many employees there are, what the goal or purpose of the department is, who the department head is, how much the budget is, and under the four main categories of personnel contractual services, commodities and capital outlays, what that looks like, including percentage of change from the previous years. This was basically done at the request of certain Commissioners who suggested it be done in that fashion and we thank Commissioner Schroeder for that.”

Commissioner Schroeder said, “You’re quite welcome.”

Mr. Buchanan said, “Maybe it was because you couldn’t carry the big book. There are special people who have put a lot of time and effort into preparing this document. Of course, that’s folks who work in the Bureau of Finance through the Budget Department, Colin McKenney, Ren Fing Ma, Carlota Ponds, Brad Hanson and Tammy Brandt are the ones who make sure that the words are correct and the numbers are accurate, and it all works as it is supposed to work. We have special thanks too, because the quality of the printing, the documents, the item itself, has been produced in-house, in a timely fashion. You’ll see that the quality is just outstanding. That’s the good work of the people in the print shop. Some of those folks are here, Lori Westphal, Jack Lancaster, Ben Brehon, Terry Masters, and Tony Rich. We want to thank you guys. Those are the ones who absolutely make the work and make this document not only usable and friendly, but also one which we are proud of. The real purpose is to get your okay to submit these to GFOA so that we can continue the string of being evaluated, having our documents evaluated by professional financial people who are our peers, to see how we can do it better or we can learn and use this document not only as a working tool for you as a financial plan but for us in how to present things to the public. So we recommend you proceed with the agenda item.”

Chairman Winters said, “Thank you very much Mr. Buchanan. I think on behalf of the Commissioners, we’d also like to send our thanks to Becky Allen-Bouska and her team at the Budget Office and to Lori Westphal and your team and printing. We certainly appreciate all your work. We know, especially on budget items, we end up working longer and longer than we anticipate and we appreciate your help in meeting deadlines all through that process. Commissioners, you’ve heard the report and see the recommended action, what’s the will of the Board?”

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MOTION

Commissioner Schroeder moved to receive and file and authorize submission of the budgets to GFOA for review.

Commissioner Hancock seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Paul Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Commissioner Mark F. Schroeder	Aye
Chairman Thomas G. Winters	Aye

Chairman Winters said, "Thank you. Thank you all for your work on this budget project. Next item."

F. RESOLUTION DESIGNATING USE OF A PORTION OF THE SPECIAL AD VALOREM TAX LEVY MADE BY SEDGWICK COUNTY UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF K.S.A. 19-101A, HOME RULE RESOLUTION NO. 221-1987 OF THE COUNTY AND K.S.A. 12-1758.

Ms. Becky Allen-Bouska, Finance Director, greeted the Commissioners and said, "If you would like a very clear explanation as to what all that means, I'm here to just briefly tell you what they are requesting is that the City of Wichita, PBC, be allowed to issue bonds, a Public Building Commission, be allowed to issue bonds for our Cessna Stadium for Wichita State University. I have Allen Bell here, who will make a brief presentation. He's the Finance Project Director for the City of Wichita and has been in charge of that project. Thank you."

Mr. Allen Bell, Finance Project Director, City of Wichita, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Wichita State University came to the Wichita Public Building Commission last June to request that the Public Building Commission issue \$2,200,000 in lease revenue bonds that would be paid from the Country wide special tax levy for WSU, the 1.5 mill levy, for the purpose of providing a portion of the cost of renovation of Cessna Stadium."

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“At that time, during the budget process, President Gene Hughes of the University, came to both the City Council and County Commission during the budget hearing process and presented their proposal for the use of the mill levy described the project that they wished to undertake, the renovation of Cessna Stadium. It is driven in large part by public safety issues, not to mention the appearance and future use of Cessna Stadium by the community.

“The 1996 Kansas Legislature appropriated \$400,000 to WSU out of the gaming revenues, Economic Development Initiative Fund, for use in this project with proviso that the University provide a local match and on State funds, a match of \$900,000. The Public Building Commission bond issue will provide for that match. At the same time, the University has embarked on a public fund raising effort with a target of \$1,000,000 to complete further enhancements of the renovation project that go beyond public safety and utilitarian aspects that the present project addresses.

“The action before you today is a step in the issuance of the bonds. Because the bonds are secured and paid from the 1.5 mill special tax levy, County wide levy, that includes a City portion and a County portion, the City Council and the County Commission are asked to adopt an ordinance and Resolution designating the use of the special tax levy for WSU as a guarantee for the bonds. In the budget process, there was a negotiation that took place between the City Finance, County Finance, and the University Finance staff on how this project would fit within the proposed budget for the use of the total revenues of that mill levy and adjustments were made to ensure that none of the current programs sponsored by that mill levy would be imperiled or reduced. If you have any questions, I’d be happy to answer.”

Chairman Winters said, “Okay, thank you. Commissioner Schroeder.”

Commissioner Schroeder said, “Mr. Chairman, if you please. One is for Rich Euson. Rich, this mill levy that is spread County wide, by Sedgwick County, technically or by law, do we need the City of Wichita’s approval to do something with that mill levy? I don’t quite understand. Does the City of Wichita collect their part of the mill levy or do we collect it all?”

Mr. Rich Euson, Acting County Counselor, said, “It is all collected by the County Treasurer.”

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Commissioner Schroeder said, "Okay, so maybe it was just by way of good business for the Wichita State University to ask the City of Wichita and Sedgwick County to approve that or does it need both communities approval, because there are 19 other cities who also participate in that?"

Mr. Euson said, "I don't know the history of that Mark. I understand there is an interlocal agreement that I am not familiar with and perhaps somebody else, Joe Norton is here."

Commissioner Schroeder said, "I'm glad you're here Joe."

Mr. Norton said, "I thought this might come up, it is kind of a complicated issue so I stayed. A little bit of history might be helpful. Several years ago, when Wichita University went into the State system in 1964, the legislature authorized a special 1.5 mill levy at that time to provide monies to pay off existing general obligation debt of the City of Wichita to fund capital improvements at the University. When those bonds were retired, that money was available to be distributed to the Board of Trustees of the University for various projects to enhance the University as it relates to the community. Several issues of bonds have been done by the Public Building Commission and that levy was City wide. The City had authorized a portion of that mill levy to be used, to in essence guarantee debt service on those bonds under leases by the Board of Trustees with the Public Building Commission.

"Several years ago, the University came to the Board of County Commissioners and requested that mill levy be spread County wide as opposed to just within the City. The legislature ceded to that request and authorized the levy to be undertaken County wide as well as giving the Commission the authority to pledge that toward debt service on Public Building Commission revenue bonds."

Commissioner Schroeder said, "That was in 1988 wasn't it?"

Mr. Norton said, "I believe that is correct. The Board of County Commissioners at that time adopted a Charter Resolution authorizing the implementation of 1.5 mill levy County wide and provide for notice and opportunity for protest and no protest was filed and therefore the County Commissioners were authorized by the legislature and the community to implement that 1.5 mill levy. At that time, there was an interlocal agreement entered into between the County and the City because there were several bond issues outstanding that the City had dedicated the mill levy to guarantee at that point in time.

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“As a result of not allowing those bonds to be in jeopardy by the City no longer imposing the mill levy but the County doing it, this cooperation agreement made several things clear at the time. One is that the City had the right to designate the use of a portion of the 1.5 mill levy attributed to the real property within the City of Wichita and the County had the right to designate the use of the 1.5 mill levy proceeds for property outside the City of Wichita. That agreement remains in full force and effect and provides that if there is a subsequent bond issue, which there have been one or two I think since the agreement was entered into, that each governing body would have to designate the guarantee portion from their attributable portion of the mill levy. My understanding is that the City Council has done that yesterday for their portion and now if the County would agree to that today, then the entire 1.5 mill levy necessary for guarantee of that debt, which is a very minor portion of the overall myriad would provide security for the bonds and thus allow the bonds to have a much lower interest rate than the Board of Trustees only were to provide funds for that.”

Commissioner Schroeder said, “Okay.”

Mr. Norton said, “Does that long winded explanation refresh it?”

Commissioner Schroeder said, “That’s very good, very precise. I appreciate that Joe. I just wanted to make another comment. I don’t know about the rest of you, but I received a letter at home a couple of days ago from an individual that was on this committee to revitalize the stadium. He basically was congratulating and maybe it was because I was in her senatorial district, this individual, for making this possible, and I just want to say I thought the City of Wichita, the County Commission, and Wichita State were just as instrumental as making this a doable deal rather than just one state senator and I wanted to congratulate the County Commission and the City of Wichita and Wichita State University for a job well done. I think it is going to be a worthwhile program and I just think that congratulations and thank you need to be spread among the entire community who supported this, not just one individual and I will have a conversation with that person who sent the letter and I think we all know who he is. I thought it was very ill timed since it is an election and I’m probably the only one that received it, but anyway, I think it is a good project Joe and I appreciate the City’s involvement and Wichita State for having the foresight to go ahead with it instead of removing the facility. I do think it has some purpose for us and I hope that it proves to be successful. Thank you.”

Ms. Allen-Bouska said, “At this time, I would request that you adopt the Resolution.”

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Chairman Winters said, "Thank you Becky. Commissioners, you've heard the report from Becky Allen-Bouska and Joe. Are there any other questions, comments, statements?"

MOTION

Commissioner Miller moved to adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Schroeder seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Paul Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Commissioner Mark F. Schroeder	Aye
Chairman Thomas G. Winters	Aye

Chairman Winters said, "Thank you. Thank you Becky. Thanks Joe for your explanation. Next item."

G. BUREAU OF COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY CARE (COMCARE).

1. CONTRACT WITH TOPP CONSULTING CORPORATION TO PROVIDE INFORMATION AND REPORTS CONCERNING PARENT ADVOCACY.

Ms. Deborah Donaldson, Director, Bureau of Comprehensive Community Care, greeted the Commissioners and said, "This first contract is with Topp Consulting. We've done a lot of work with them in our children's program for a number of years. We're requesting to contract with them to develop the report, because as you are aware, we had to cancel a contract with a parent advocacy organization because of a number of problems and concerns that were documented through an audit. This particular report will contain information on what the perspective purpose of an organization such as this should be, different options for organization structure, because when we looked at that, we were concerned with how that was set up. The outcomes that should be required of such a parent organization.

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“Mechanisms for ensuring accountability and also alternative strategies for long term funding because quite frankly this is an organization which has received most of its funding from a federal grant which we know will end in a couple more years and so the final report will contain this information and will be due February 1. At this point, as you are aware, the Mental Health Association, has picked up that job and will be doing that at least through the end of January and we want to look at some preliminary reports and make some decisions about what we’re going to do over the next couple of years. I would recommend your approval of this contract and will answer any questions.”

MOTION

Commissioner Miller moved to approve the Contract and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Commissioner Gwin seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Paul Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Commissioner Mark F. Schroeder	Aye
Chairman Thomas G. Winters	Aye

Chairman Winters said, “Thank you. Next item.”

- 2. AGREEMENT WITH KANSAS FOUNDATION FOR MANAGED CARE, INC. TO PROVIDE SERVICES AT A SPECIFIC RATE FOR EACH UNIT OF SERVICE FOR COMCARE’S TWO ADDICTION PROGRAMS.**

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Ms. Donaldson said, “Commissioners, this particular agreement is the one that we’ve been under for about the last couple of years. This is what the State has chosen to funnel their funding for programs that we’ve run. So this is really our regular state funding but they are now funneling this through a managed care organization and this is the agreement to receive those funds. I’d be glad to answer any questions.”

Chairman Winters said, “Thank you. Commissioners, any questions?”

MOTION

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

Commissioner Hancock seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Paul Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Commissioner Mark F. Schroeder	Aye
Chairman Thomas G. Winters	Aye

Chairman Winters said, “Next item.”

3. AGREEMENT WITH EPISCOPAL SOCIAL SERVICES INC. TO PROVIDE PAYEE SERVICES TO CONSUMERS ENROLLED IN THE COMCARE HOMELESS PROGRAM.

Ms. Donaldson said, “Commissioners, this particular agreement is a renewal of a program that we have and you are probably more familiar with it as ACCESS in terms of the federal grant. What has happened is that as we work with folks who are homeless often we can help work with them to get them into their own home and start to stabilize them. As you know, our focus is on individuals who have a mental illness and often have a substance abuse problem.

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“At least initially, sometimes these folks are not in a position to handle their own finances and it is very important if we want them to stay off the streets that their rent is paid, there is food in the house and so they provide payee services for that time frame until we can make sure someone is stabilized and able to handle this responsibility themselves. I would be glad to answer any questions.”

Chairman Winters said, “Okay, thank you. Commissioner Gwin.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “Just a question about the ACCESS program. I know that was a grant that we received and kind of a pilot project. Have we yet been able to determine the number or percentage of homeless people with whom we come in contact who have a mental illness or are chemically dependent? Are our numbers ready yet?”

Ms. Donaldson said, “Well we’ve come in contact with a number of people. I will have to get you some exact numbers but we’re averaging probably about 100 people a year we’re able to get off the street that meet that criteria and provide services for many more than that. We found quite a number, but frankly we have case managers who have crawled into sewer systems to find people and try to talk them out of there, who will go under bridges, who will do whatever it takes to find individuals who are homeless and also mentally ill. These folks are probably perhaps the most vulnerable of the whole population because they’re scared and will not come forward to seek services they need because of their illness.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “I was intrigued by a program on television last week about a young man who had a mental illness and would not only run from case workers but from his family and the difficulty in reaching him and getting him the kind of care and services he needed. So I wondered about your case managers and the challenges they must face here too.”

Ms. Donaldson said, “They have to be very tenacious. We’ve had case managers who will come and just hang around but not get too close and maybe leave some food or something and the next day they may come back and get a little closer and see if they’ll talk with them. Sometimes it is a very gradual process before they can build enough trust so the individual will work with them.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “Thank you. Just a question on the program, but I’ll support the action. Thank you Mr. Chairman.”

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Chairman Winters said, "Thank you. Commissioner Miller."

Commissioner Miller said, "Thank you Mr. Chairman. Can you give an example of what a payee service would do for a client?"

Ms. Donaldson said, "What we will do is we will work with that person. Find out what kind of financial resources they might be entitled to. That might be some kind of Medicaid and some kind of financial support through SRS. Once we are able to determine that and get some kind of financial stability in some way then the payee service will monitor that money. They'll write the checks. Give the individual so much money each week so that they can go out and buy a coke or whatever they would want to do, but they also write out the check for the rent, the check for the utilities, and make sure all those are paid every month and monitor those finances."

Commissioner Miller said, "Is there any type of an agreement that is developed or signed off on between the payee service and the individual they are servicing in terms of not guardianship but certainly they're taking on a very structured part of their life, the payee service is?"

Ms. Donaldson said, "Obviously there is some agreement in terms of that the case manager usually negotiates how that is set up."

Commissioner Miller said, "Okay. I'll talk to you just a little bit more about that later. Thank you. Thank you Mr. Chairman."

Chairman Winters said, "Thank you. Commissioners, you've heard Ms. Donaldson's presentation, what's the will of the Board?"

MOTION

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

Commissioner Hancock seconded the Motion.

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

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VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Paul Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Commissioner Mark F. Schroeder	Aye
Chairman Thomas G. Winters	Aye

4. LEASE AGREEMENT WITH UNITED METHODIST URBAN MINISTRY OF WICHITA FOR SPACE LOCATED AT 300 NORTH BROADWAY, TO BE USED FOR THE HOMELESS PROGRAM.

Ms. Donaldson said, “Commissioners, this is a renewal of our ongoing lease agreement with United Methodist Urban Ministry for our homeless program. I’d be glad to answer any questions.”

Chairman Winters said, “Thank you. Commissioners, any questions? If not, what’s the will of the Board?”

MOTION

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

Commissioner Gwin seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Paul Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Commissioner Mark F. Schroeder	Aye
Chairman Thomas G. Winters	Aye

Chairman Winters said, “Thank you. Thank you Deborah. Next item.”

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H. LEASE AGREEMENT WITH JUVENILE INTAKE & ASSESSMENT.

Mr. Tom Kimbrell, Program Manager, Juvenile Intake & Assessment, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Since we started our program April 15 of this year, we've been sharing space with the DCCCA Day Reporting Program at 4921 East 21st Street. We have about 1,300 square feet over there. We knew that this was clearly not going to be the amount of space that we would need when we are up with all the law enforcement agencies in this County. As a result, I've been looking for the past several months for a building that would be adequate for our use. I have located that building at 1720 East Morris. It is 3,900 square feet, which is about triple what we have right now. It is close by the Juvenile Detention Facility so that gives us an opportunity to do what we need to do with those kids yet we're not so close that we can't work with other children that the detention facility would not be appropriate. The money that we intend to use for the lease on this is from a state grant. The money has been in the budget for this year and it is in the budget for next year. The budget after that should also be sufficient to carry our costs. Do you have any other questions?"

Chairman Winters said, "Yes, Commissioner Miller has a question."

Commissioner Miller said, "Thank you Mr. Chairman. Tom, in the meeting that we had earlier this morning, those that are members of the juvenile intake and assessment committee, we talked about what is going to be up and coming in 1997 and I think it is very exciting. Of course it has been a long road, a long ways for us to go to get to this point, but could you brief the Commission on what's going to be happening come the first part of 1997? What is different, what we're not doing right now?"

Mr. Kimbrell said, "Sure. We began operations with the Sheriff's Department September 3 of this year. We see approximately one child per day from the Sheriff's Department. Typically, a juvenile offender. We've had several runaways as well. When they come into our facility, we do an intake questionnaire that generates information for the state. We then do an assessment instrument and we interview the child, see if there are any domains that might be of concern such as mental health, substance abuse, educational skills, vocational skills, family and peer relations. If we find anything that causes some concern, we talk with the child, we talk with the parents and make recommendations and referrals to the agencies. What we are planning on doing is, in the next two months, when the building is ready for our use, we'll be bringing in all the other law enforcement agencies in the County with the exception of the Wichita Police Department.

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“The first of ’97, we will be in the new building if everything goes as planned. At that time, we will take on the Wichita Police Department as well. We expect that we’ll receive between 100 and 125 kids each week once all of these agencies have been brought into our program.”

Commissioner Miller said, “And I’ll just ask you, what would you say is the percentage of those children, adolescents, that are being brought to Juvenile Intake & Assessment, what is the percentage that is being referred on to like say the Children’s Home and the ones that are being referred to YRH?”

Mr. Kimbrell said, “For the kids we’ve seen so far, and I’m going to talk just about those kids that we have seen in our intake facility. We also go over to the juvenile detention facility and do an intake and assessment on them. Our recommendations don’t go quite so far since they’re already in the court system at that time. If the kids come to us though in our facility at 21st and Oliver right now, what we do is we make the recommendations and our primary goal is to find the best and safest place for that child. So if it is appropriate for that child to go home with his parents with certain recommendations then that’s what we’ll do. So far, we have seen 27 juvenile offenders and of those 27, we were able to send 25 of them back home. That is a pretty high percentage rate. Of course, I expect that will go down considerably once we take on WPD. We had 25 that went home with their parents, one we had to refer to the juvenile detention facility and the second one was referred to the Children’s Home.

“Of the children in need of care, what we’ve seen at that facility, I can’t give you the exact numbers but it is about 50% that have been referred on to the Wichita Children’s Home.”

Commissioner Miller said, “Okay. In other words, this program is being able to divert juveniles from going straight to the detention facility. Instead, right now we have a process that will do an assessment and intake on the spot that will assess what type of service or referral this juvenile needs.”

Mr. Kimbrell said, “Right, and because we see this as a collaborative effort, we have been making effort to refer to all the other service agencies in the community. I’m just really thrilled with this program. I think it has such awesome potential. Now let me give you just one small example. We had a child who was arrested for possession of a drug. He was taken home to his parents the first time. A few days later, the same child was arrested again for the same offense. He was brought to our program.

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“We did the assessment and talked with him and his family, and made referral. He’s now in therapy along with his family and they’re all much happier they say. If we can do that with a good percentage of the kids we see, I think we’ll make quite an impact in the community.”

Commissioner Miller said, “That’s the intention. Thanks very much. Thank you Mr. Chairman.”

Chairman Winters said, “Thank you. Thanks for giving us a brief update on what you’re doing. I think Commissioner Miller asked an important question. This is a new program and I think we do need to be more informed about what all Tom and his group are doing. So I do appreciate that update. Commissioners, you’ve heard the recommendation concerning the signing of the lease agreement, what’s the will of the Board?”

MOTION

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

Commissioner Miller seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Paul Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Commissioner Mark F. Schroeder	Aye
Chairman Thomas G. Winters	Aye

Chairman Winters said, “Thank you Tom.”

Mr. Kimbrell said, “Thank you very much.”

Chairman Winters said, “Next item please.”

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I. APPLICATION TO KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND HOUSING FOR AN ALLOCATION OF THE STATE'S PRIVATE ACTIVITY VOLUME CAP TO CONTINUE THE COUNTY'S SINGLE FAMILY MORTGAGE REVENUE BOND OR MORTGAGE CREDIT CERTIFICATE PROGRAM.

Ms. Louanna Honeycutt-Burress, Administrative Officer, Department of Housing and Economic Development, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Every year the federal government gives the State of Kansas the authority to issue up to \$150,000,000 in what is called private activity bonds. These bonds are used for a variety of purposes and they are tax exempt to the bond holders. It is primarily for economic development purposes so when a smaller company wants to issue industrial revenue bonds they can come to the State and make a request and almost without exception it is approved. These bonds come from this Private Activity Volume Cap and they are tax exempt to the bond holders. Over the years, the State has also used a portion of this volume cap for mortgage revenue bonds and mortgage credit certificates. Sedgwick County, from the very start, in 1980, has been the issuer.

"This year, we have already been given an allocation in the amount of \$15,000,000 to be used for a mortgage credit certificate program. The State has decided that they do want a mortgage revenue bond program this year. In the past couple of programs that Sedgwick County has been involved in we've structured the program so that the low and moderate income families that make applications for homes in this program receive some assistance in closing costs and in the down payment. This is very important for these families because in order to even make application for a home mortgage loan, you have to have good credit and a job and certain things that lenders always look at. So these families typically have no problem. They can come up with the monthly payment but they have difficulty in coming up with the down payment and closing costs. So this program has been very popular within Sedgwick County and throughout the State. I receive calls almost daily from people wanting to know if we have a program and how they can go about accessing it.

"The State has decided this year they're going to handle the program a little bit differently. I spoke with Steve Kelley from the State Department of Commerce and Housing earlier this week and he told me that this year rather than just accepting requests from any County or City that wants to be an issuer and then sort of splitting the authority up among these the State is going to issue a request for proposals, an RFP.

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“The first staff in receiving an RFP is to submit an application for an allocation from the State Volume Cap. So that is what I’m bringing to you today, a request that we need signed by the Chairman for an allocation from the Private Activity Volume Cap.

“What this will do, in essence, will indicate our interest in being an issuer and we would then receive an RFP from the State. What we would do in turn then would be develop a proposal. I’m sure you recall that several years ago Sedgwick County on its own decided to actually change the way these programs are done in the State. We set up a screening committee for proposals from investment bankers who want to be managing underwriters. We actually implemented a more professional way of doing the program. I would anticipate if we receive an RFP from the State that we would do it the way we did it several years ago. As a matter of fact, a little over a year ago we did start the RFP process again to select a new managing underwriter for any program that Sedgwick County should be involved in. We would do that this time as well. So what I am asking you to do this morning is to just approve submitting a request to the Kansas Department of Commerce and Housing for a \$30,000,000 allocation from the Private Activity Volume Cap for the purpose of a mortgage revenue bond program. If you have questions, I will attempt to address them.”

Chairman Winters said, “All right, thank you. Louanna, could you help explain for the folks that are listening and all of us here, our request is to continue the County’s single family mortgage revenue bonds or mortgage credit certificate program. Can you explain what each of these are and their relationship to each other?”

Ms. Honeycutt-Burress said, “Okay. A mortgage revenue bond program is where . . . “

Chairman Winters said, “Is that the same as a mortgage credit certificate?”

Ms. Honeycutt-Burress said, “No, I was going to explain the difference. The mortgage revenue bond program is one where bonds are issued and we receive an allocation, we issue the bonds, and in turn, we allocate out to area lenders that want to participate in the program. We have an investment banking firm who services it and a managing underwriter for the program to coordinate it for us. There is a fixed interest rate for all the loans in the program. The lenders have to do certain things to participate. They have to give us a commitment fee they get back as they originate loans. The mortgage credit certificate program is different in that the individuals do not have or the program does not have a fixed interest rate for everyone who is participating in the program. It is a home buyer. What they do is they go to their lender and they negotiate the best interest rate that they can get.

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“There is paperwork that has to be filled out by both the lender and the potential home buyer and then the loan is made and the home buyer makes the monthly payment to the lender. The advantage of this program to the home buyer is that at the end of the year, whenever they submit their federal income tax return they receive a dollar for dollar tax credit for a percentage of the amount of interest that they pay. This is different from the standard deduction. Say the amount of interest that they paid on their home mortgage is \$10,000 they would get 15 or 25% tax credit subtracted from their tax liability to the federal government. So they pay fewer income taxes than they would without utilization of the program.”

Chairman Winters said, “When will we decide which one of those options we’re going to utilize?”

Ms. Honeycutt-Burress said, “Okay. The way the program is structured by the federal government is that if we want to participate in the program in any way, we have to submit an application to the State for a mortgage revenue bond allocation. Once we receive that allocation then we can elect, you can elect, whether to use it for a mortgage credit certificate program rather than a mortgage revenue bond program.”

Chairman Winters said, “So then you’ll be back to talk to us depending upon how the State reacts to our request for the \$30,000,000?”

Ms. Honeycutt-Burress said, “Right and I should tell you that the State has, while we can elect to issue MCCs rather than MRBs, we have to take our cue from the State and the State has indicated that they do want a mortgage revenue bond program. So I’m bringing this request to you today with the understanding that we will, if we receive an allocation, we will use it for a mortgage revenue bond. But again, we could elect to do an MCC program.”

Chairman Winters said, “How did we arrive at the \$30,000,000? Did we get some direction from the State or is that just a good number? It seems like that wasn’t as much as it has been.”

Ms. Honeycutt-Burress said, “The State, over the years, has allocated less of the authority for these first time home buyer programs. What we have been involved in has been single family programs. Over time, they’ve been in to receive requests for multi-family programs. There is more and more demand on this kind of authority and generally, frankly we ask for more money, a larger allocation than we think we will get.

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“We know from communication that I’ve had with the Department of Commerce that they have decided that they’re going to allocate about \$15,000,000 for a mortgage revenue bond program.”

Chairman Winters said, “How much?”

Ms. Honeycutt-Burress said, “About \$15,000,000. That is much lower than what we’ve seen happen in the past and we just essentially came up with the \$30,000,000 figure. Maybe we could get more. Not planning on it, but certainly want to make sure that our request is for as much as the State might decide to allocate.”

Chairman Winters said, “Okay, thank you. Commissioner Miller.”

Commissioner Miller said, “Thank you Mr. Chairman. We have received an issue of MCC or that will be designated for MCC money?”

Ms. Honeycutt-Burress said, “That’s correct.”

Commissioner Miller said, “So we’re going to ask for \$30,000,000 and more than likely receive \$15,000,000 for the MRB.”

Ms. Honeycutt-Burress said, “We’re asking for an allocation of \$30,000,000. We’re hoping that when the State goes through its RFP process that Sedgwick County will receive an allocation of \$15,000,000 for an MRB program.”

Commissioner Miller said, “But we currently do have an MCC.”

Ms. Honeycutt-Burress said, “We have an allocation of \$15,000,000 from the State for the Kansas Mortgage Savers Program, an MCC program. What we have to do before we can implement that program is publish a notice of the program and then we have to wait 90 days before we can actually implement the program. Right now, we’re in the process of waiting that 90 days.”

Commissioner Miller said, “So for the public’s sake, and we’ve talked about this for quite some time, but for the public viewers that are watching, what’s next? How quickly, and I understand the 90 day time frame, how quickly will we possibly have an MRB program if we’re awarded it and have it available for the public?”

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Ms. Honeycutt-Burress said, "A mortgage revenue bond program does not have this 90 day lag time. So we could implement that program within 30 days certainly once we receive the allocation. I would expect that we would begin the program just as quickly as we could arrange it."

Commissioner Miller said, "Now we will be updating the information that we request from institutions that we allocated the monies to. We will be updating the information that they have sent us which is similar to I suppose an RFP. It is what we request of them to do in order to receive the monies."

Ms. Honeycutt-Burress said, "What we do is we submit an RFP to the investment bankers that would be the managing underwriters and what we have asked them in our most recent RFP was specifically how they would manage the program and I now that you're interested in the amount that we set aside for the target areas and we have asked them to tell us how they would market a program such as this as a target area. Of course, we also visit with the lenders. I think this is something that you are interested in particularly. We want to be assured that they are going to actively seek and make loans in the target area. That will be a part of the proposal that we would make to the State as to how we intend to manage the program."

Commissioner Miller said, "Thank you. Thank you Mr. Chairman."

Chairman Winters said, "Thank you Commissioner. Commissioner Gwin."

Commissioner Gwin said, "Just real quickly Louanna. You said that the State is asking for RFPs for the issuer of the mortgage revenue bond. I am assuming then that whoever is designated as that issuer would oversee the program on a state wide basis like we've overseen mortgage credit or do we know that?"

Ms. Honeycutt-Burress said, "We don't know that but I know from conversations that I've had with State officials over the past year or so, they're interested in doing the bonds themselves. Frankly, I think that's what will happen whether they get authority this year or next year. It isn't clear but I think that's the direction we're moving and I think if they cannot issue the bonds themselves this year, if they do have an issuer to do it state wide then they are beginning to set up a system that they can eventually take over when the State gets that authority"

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Commissioner Gwin said, "But whether the issuer is the State of Kansas or Sedgwick County or Shawnee County or Riley County or whoever, that program will be available to all people of this State no matter what, correct?"

Ms. Honeycutt-Burress said, "No."

Commissioner Gwin said, "No? Well let's not get into it then. Then I'm looking at something differently because I was on the assumption that it would be the same as a mortgage credit certificate."

Ms. Honeycutt-Burress said, "It generally reaches most of the people of the State but there are a few counties that do not fall in the program area. What we have done, when we are an issuer or the last couple of issues, we've looked at a map and we have made an offer to include any area that is not a part of another program area, into the Sedgwick County area."

Commissioner Gwin said, "The only reason it is not available is because those people out there have chosen not to do so, is that correct? We've certainly gone out to try to market across the State. We've had agreements from other counties saying that certainly they want to be participants. The ones we've not heard from are the ones who don't want to."

Ms. Honeycutt-Burress said, "I'd say that's true."

Commissioner Gwin said, "I think we've tried to make it wherever possible. If they choose not to do so then that is their decision. I'm going to support the application I'm just not sure that . . . I mean the State has the opportunity to change its mind and to do it in some other manner, but I'm certainly going to support us submitting an application and then we can wait and see what happens. Thank you."

Chairman Winters said, "Okay, thank you very much. Commissioners, you've heard Louanna's report, what's the will of the Board?"

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MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to approve the Application and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Commissioner Miller seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Paul Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Commissioner Mark F. Schroeder	Aye
Chairman Thomas G. Winters	Aye

Chairman Winters said, "Thank you Louanna. We're going to take a short five minute break."

The Board of County Commissioners recessed for a five minute break and reconvened at 10:30 a.m.

Chairman Winters said, "Let the record show we're back in session. Next item."

J. GRANT APPLICATION TO OFFICE OF THE KANSAS ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR FUNDING TO TRAIN TWO D.A.R.E. INSTRUCTORS.

Mr. James Elvins, Major, Sheriff's Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "The Office of the Attorney General of the State of Kansas, administers the Federal Governor's Discretionary Portion of the Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities Grant which was established to assist programs in providing services to at risk youth to reduce the incidents of drug abuse and violence. The Sedgwick County Sheriff's Department is presenting an application for funding for training in Topeka, Kansas, of two of our deputies to become D.A.R.E. Instructors.

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“It also includes their travel expenses. The request is for \$4,048 and it is a ten day training period and it will increase our instructors up to the bare minimum that we require to put on the numerous D.A.R.E. programs in the elementary and middle schools throughout Sedgwick County. We’re asking for your approval and authorization for the Chairman to sign.”

MOTION

Commissioner Hancock moved to approve the Application and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Commissioner Schroeder seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Paul Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Commissioner Mark F. Schroeder	Aye
Chairman Thomas G. Winters	Aye

Chairman Winters said, “Thank you very much. Next item.”

K. REGIONAL FORENSIC SCIENCE CENTER.

1. PRESENTATION OF EVIDENCE DUPLICATION PROCESS.

Dr. Corrie May, Coroner-Medical Examiner, Regional Forensic Science Center, greeted the Commissioners and said, ““I come before you today with a process outlined before you. Just going to step back and very briefly, it involves duplication of different types of evidentiary materials from the Sedgwick County Forensic Science Center. Our autopsy reports and investigative reports are filed at the District Clerk’s Office and from there go to interested parties. Then we have another type of evidence that is a little bit problematic, that has to deal with X-rays, microscopic slides, other types of evidence that actually come from the autopsies.

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“We were having some sort of confusion on that process and had developed this policy with the advice of the County Counselor’s Office. It has also has been reviewed by the District Attorney. It stipulates that the Office of the Coroner will assume the cost of the duplication if the requesting party is part of the County or is financed by the County. So what that means is for court purposes, investigative purposes, for various law enforcement agencies and the District Courts, we will bear the cost of duplicating evidence. On the other hand, if the request comes from private attorneys or private individuals, then those costs will not be born by the government.

“I think the policy is rather brief and self explanatory. I’d be happy to answer any questions. If not, I would recommend you approve the policy and authorize the Chairman to sign.”

Chairman Winters said, “Okay, just one quick question. Dr. May, you say you have reviewed this with the County Counselor’s Office and the District Attorney’s Office and they both agree that this is the proper thing to do?”

Dr. May said, “I haven’t spoken with the District Attorney. I understand they have reviewed it, but the County Counselor’s Office actually developed the policy with us.”

Chairman Winters said, “Okay, very good. Mr. Manager, you looked at this policy and it appears to be in order to you?”

Mr. William Buchanan, County Manager, said, “Yes sir.”

MOTION

Commissioner Schroeder moved to approve the process.

Commissioner Miller seconded the Motion.

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

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VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Paul Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Commissioner Mark F. Schroeder	Aye
Chairman Thomas G. Winters	Aye

Chairman Winters said, "Thank you. Thank you Dr. May."

Dr. May said, "Thank you Commissioners."

Chairman Winters said, "Next item."

2. SLIDE PRESENTATION OF EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES PROVIDED TO LOCAL AREA SCHOOLS BY THE SEDGWICK COUNTY REGIONAL FORENSIC SCIENCE CENTER.

Mr. Steve Gilbert, Administrator, Regional Forensic Science Center, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Since we opened last December, we have been providing educational opportunities to various organizations in the community, namely medical schools, colleges, and law enforcement. We've expanded that particular program. We're happy to announce that we're working more with the high schools in the area as part of our community relations. I have a short series of slides to show you of some of the activities we've been involved in just recently. We'd like to announce this to the various schools. I get a lot of feedback from teachers about how excited the students are. There are a lot of high schools out there with science classes and gifted and talented students that have taken advantage of this particular program that we're offering.

SLIDE PRESENTATION

"On October 9, the County Fire Department had a fire prevention luncheon at the Dumont Stadium and we participated in that. The young lady there in the middle, Mary Jo Foley, our arson analyst, she demonstrated what she does to analyze fire debris for accelerants in an arson investigation. These are all third graders that are participating there.

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“She was able to get the students to successfully interpret a graph from a gas chromatograph mass spectrometer (GCMS). It is an instrument used to break down the elements that may be an accelerant in an arson fire.

“We have had several high schools come by with science classes and this is one of them we had recently from Wichita North High School. Again, Mary Jo, she had on a trace analysis in addition to arson. Trace being hair, fibers, pieces of dirt or glass, things of that nature, any minute particle of evidence. She was demonstrating some things there. She also went ahead and showed the same graphs to the high school students. This was about sophomore year and they also successfully were able to identify certain trends in the graphs of arson. So you can see they really do have an interest in science and we’re supporting the sciences in our schools with this program.

“This is Douglas Smart, he is a DNA Analyst. He demonstrated some basic serology work and answered some biology questions and quizzed the students on their biology knowledge. They did quite well. He also talked about DNA and how DNA works in both paternity and also criminal work. That received a lot of attention by the students. He has demonstrations that he did for the students.

“This here is a view of our toxicology lab. All those computers on the right there are GCMS machines. That’s what they look like. This particular demonstration here was by Lillian Gong and Connie Euphort, two of our chemists. They are demonstrating a presumptive drug test with fluids that present a certain color for presumptive identification of a drug and they take that result and put it into the GCMS for a confirmation of that drug. They were demonstrating how this was done in the toxicology lab.

“This is Garrett Miller, our Firearms Examiner. He presented some information on how he analyzes weapons and bullets and how he makes comparisons. Also how he examines tool marks and foot print impressions. How to match up the object with a particular mark. He did some presentations to the students as well.

“After the demonstrations, I take the students on a tour of the facility. They’re real excited about this. You can tell they’re all definitely science students, they had some really good questions for the analysts and so I think this was a very successful program for the high schools. In addition to this, we have another program I call the mentorship program. We’ve had several gifted and talented students to come in to interview the doctors or particular analysts on various fields of study in forensic science.

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“This program started up on it’s own several months ago with a phone call from one of the high schools and word has gotten around. We have one high school now that is requesting a regular visit by a certain student to advance her knowledge of science. So our mentorship program is now off the ground too as well as the demonstrations for the high schools and other schools. So we like to announce this and show what we’re doing as far as education support in the schools and also to tag on to this, we are working on tentative arrangements for the media to come in the near future to visit us and also to show them what we’re offering the community as far as science. Are there any questions? If there is, I’d be happy to answer them.”

Chairman Winters said, “I think that sounds like a great program. I think it is very worth while. You are all very scientifically intensed and focused and I think to relate that to educational process with students is an excellent program. I’m pleased to see that happening. Commissioner Miller.”

Commissioner Miller said, “I just needed to get a little bit more detail on the mentoring program. I understand that, are you actually pairing a student with an individual that works within the facility?”

Mr. Gilbert said, “What will happen is depending on the student’s interest. Some of the students or most of the students so far have expressed an interest in medicine, or pathology, so they come in and interview the doctor, take a lot of notes. One student came with a teacher to photograph the session. So we identify someone in the center who will speak to the students and answer their questions. One student wants to continue to come in on a regular basis and go from section to section. What I would do in that case, we’ll identify an analyst to meet with the student and demonstrate and answer questions and basically yes, we would pair up depending upon the interest of the student.”

Commissioner Miller said, “I can see that this will probably grow into something that you might not be able to keep your arms around it, once this starts to spread through the district and students start to find out what a great facility it is and how you are partnering with them.”

Mr. Gilbert said, “ We identify that it does take time away from the analysts work but we think it is worthwhile. If there is an interest out there, a deep interest in science, we don’t want to turn that away so we’ll make time to bring the students in.”

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Commissioner Miller said, "Glad to see it happen, thank you."

Chairman Winters said, "Thank you very much Steve. Thanks for showing the slides. Next item."

L. BUREAU OF PUBLIC SERVICES.

- 1. CONTRACT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES (DESIGN) WITH PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS FOR A ROAD PROJECT TO BE CONSTRUCTED ON 13TH STREET NORTH BETWEEN THE WICHITA CITY LIMITS AND K-96. SEDGWICK COUNTY PROJECT NO. 616-32, 33, W ½ 34. CIP #R-225. DISTRICT #1.**

Mr. David Spears, Director, Bureau of Public Services, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Item L-1 is an agreement with Professional Engineering Consultants for professional services regarding the design of 13th Street North to 4 lane arterial standards between Wichita City limits and K-96. This project is designated as R-225 in the Capital Improvement Program. The total cost of these services will not exceed \$273,099.50. Final plans, specifications, and estimates will be completed by July 1, 1998. Recommend you approve the agreement and authorize the Chairman to sign."

MOTION

Commissioner Hancock moved to approve the Contract and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Commissioner Gwin seconded the Motion.

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

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VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Paul Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Commissioner Mark F. Schroeder	Aye
Chairman Thomas G. Winters	Aye

Chairman Winters said, "Thank you. Next item."

2. RESOLUTION DESIGNATING AND CLASSIFYING CERTAIN STREETS TO THE ROCKFORD TOWNSHIP SYSTEM. DISTRICT #5.

Mr. Spears said, "It is standard procedure, that after a road is built within an unplatted residential development in accordance with County standards, that the road is then assigned to a township system. In this particular case, 87th Street South Court, which is located north of 87th Street South and west of 159th Street East, will become the responsibility of Rockford Township. Recommend you adopt the Resolution."

MOTION

Commissioner Miller moved to adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Hancock seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Paul Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Commissioner Mark F. Schroeder	Aye
Chairman Thomas G. Winters	Aye

Chairman Winters said, "Thank you. Next item."

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M. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF BIDS AND CONTRACTS' OCTOBER 24, 1996 REGULAR MEETING.

Mr. Darren Muci, Director, Purchasing Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "You have the minutes from the October 24 meeting of the Board of Bids and Contracts. There are ten items for consideration.

(1) STREET IMPROVEMENTS - BUREAU/PUBLIC SERVICES
FUNDING: SPECIAL ASSESSMENT (WITHIN PETITION AMOUNT)

"Item one, street improvements for the Bureau of Public Services for the Brookhaven Addition, Phase Two. It was recommended to accept the low bid of Conspec, Inc., for \$120,943.20.

(2) CANOPY FOR NEW SECURITY OFFICE - CAPITAL PROJECT
FUNDING: 1996 CAPITAL PROJECT

"Item two, canopy for the new security office for Capital Project, Bureau of Central Services. It was recommended to accept the negotiated bid, the only bid, of Caro Construction, for \$26,665.

(3) TRACTOR WITH CAB - MOTOR POOL
FUNDING: MOTOR POOL

"Item three is a tractor with cab for Central Motor Pool for Sedgwick County Park. It was recommended to accept the low bid of Western Implement with trade-in for \$14,900.

(4) TRACTOR - MOTOR POOL
FUNDING: MOTOR POOL

"Item four is a tractor for Central Motor Pool and Sedgwick County Sewer Department. It was recommended to accept the low bid of Wichita Ford Tractor, with trade-in, of \$20,707.07.

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**(5) PERSONAL COMPUTERS & PERIPHERALS - PUBLIC RELATIONS
FUNDING: PUBLIC RELATIONS**

“Item five, personal computers and peripherals for Public Relations and Information Services. It was recommended to accept the bids you see listed there from Computerland East, for various hardware items totaling \$11,292.89. Entex, both low bids, for software items and Hewlett Packard printer items for \$4,700. Business Computer Center, also low bids, for an additional printer and software for \$2,200.97. Walnut Creek Computers for the actual IBM Personal Computers for \$11,400. Microage for additional hardware, hard drive and scanner and CD-Writer for \$1,704.67. A complete tabulation listing all those items follows on those two pages.

**(6) 2000 PROJECT CONSULTANT CONTRACT - INFORMATION SERVICES
FUNDING: INFORMATION SERVICES**

“Item six, 2000 Project Consultant contract for Information Services. It was recommended to accept the low bid of Terry A. Young for additional services, this is an additional amount of \$18,000, for a total amount of \$27,000 for project consultant services.

**(7) SDE SOFTWARE & MAINTENANCE - GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS
FUNDING: GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS**

“Item seven, SDE software & maintenance for Geographic Information Systems. It was recommended to accept the sole source bid of the publisher of Environmental System Research Institute, for \$69,614.89.

**(8) SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS - BUREAU/PUBLIC SERVICES
FUNDING: SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS**

“Item eight, sanitary sewer improvements for the Bureau of Public Services, Savanna at Castle Rock Ranch, 8th Addition. It was recommended to accept the low bid of Dondlinger & Sons construction company, for \$53,435.

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**(9) SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS - BUREAU/PUBLIC SERVICES
FUNDING: SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS**

“Item nine, sanitary sewer improvements for the Bureau of Public Services for Kimberly Hills 2nd Addition. It was recommended to accept the low bid of Dondlinger & Sons Construction Company for \$35,962.

**(10) STREET IMPROVEMENTS - BUREAU/PUBLIC SERVICES
FUNDING: SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS**

“Item ten, street improvements for the Bureau of Public Services, for the Woodland Place Addition. It was recommended to accept the negotiated bid of Asphalt Construction, in the amount of \$119,011.

ITEMS NOT REQUIRING BOCC ACTION

**(11) STREET IMPROVEMENTS - BUREAU/PUBLIC SERVICES
FUNDING: SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS**

“There is just one item that does not require action at this time, street improvements for the Bureau of Public Services for the Savanna at Castle Rock 8th Addition. It was moved to table these responses indefinitely for review. Unless there are questions, I would recommend approval of the minutes as submitted by the Board of Bids and Contracts.”

Chairman Winters said, “Thank you Darren. Commissioner Schroeder.”

Commissioner Schroeder said, “Thank you Mr. Chairman, I just have one question. Darren, I don’t know if you can answer this. Item six, 2000 Project Consultant contract, can anybody tell me anything about that?”

Mr. Muci said, “I will do my best Commissioner. We have hired a consultant to begin the process of reviewing our software and hardware needs for the transition from 1999 to the year 2000. I believe we have all heard that computers are not set up to handle the 2000 year transition.”

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Mr. Buchanan said, "On the reports that we get based on the date, that reports by date and by year, so we receive reports that have 1997 on them and 1998, and 1999, then the year 2000. Fifteen, twenty years ago, when we were programing, no one understood what those zeros were going to cause and what they are going to cause is either to throw out that information or put it back at the beginning or if you're looking at reports based on month and year, they either disappear or wander around or get put in the wrong place or somehow don't calculate. So we are discovering through Ken Keen's effort, and we have been working on this the last couple of years, the more we work on it, the more we are understanding that everybody else is facing the exact same problem. It is a programing configuration that no one gave thought to when they were building software programs ten years ago. A lot of our reports, a lot of the Sheriff's reports, the way cases are numbered, they were, they are kept by the year, all needs to be done again so we can continue to use the same system we have in the past."

Commissioner Schroeder said, "It does seem kind of expensive, \$27,000 to figure out what to do with the zeros."

Mr. Buchanan said, "I think we have already spent a couple of hundred thousand dollars. I think it is about a \$500,000 project over the last three or four years."

Commissioner Schroeder said, "To do that? Wow!"

Mr. Buchanan said, "Yes sir, and ours is a pretty minor problem compared to most organizations. We've been working on it for a couple of years and we continue to look at it."

Commissioner Schroeder said, "What's this person's goal, to help us with that process? Who did we use prior to him?"

Mr. Buchanan said, "Some of the stuff we did internally, some of the stuff, the original budget figures were in excess of a couple of hundred thousand dollars. So we're now getting on to it."

Commissioner Schroeder said, "So on your PC at home, are we going to have the same problem with those?"

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Mr. Buchanan said, "I think you need to talk to the people in operations. It depends upon how you store information."

Commissioner Schroeder said, "Well, \$27,000 seems expensive, a half a million dollars I can't comprehend."

Mr. Buchanan said, "The last budget figures I heard were several hundred thousand dollars and that was a year or two ago."

Commissioner Schroeder said, "Thank you Mr. Chairman. Thank you Bill."

Chairman Winters said, "Thank you. Commissioner Miller."

Commissioner Miller said, "On item number two, negotiated, and it was the only respondent, so you started out at \$35,885 and we just decided to negotiate it or do we negotiate everything?"

Mr. Muci said, "No, we do not. As per our Charter Resolution, if we believe that the bids received exceed what we have as a budgeted amount, our Charter allows us to enter into a discussion with the low bid vendor, in this case it was the only bid vendor, to bring that project within an acceptable range. Mr. Brace and his staff have worked hard to obviously drop this nearly \$9,000 and some odd dollars to an acceptable figure."

Commissioner Miller said, "Okay, thank you. Thank you Mr. Chairman."

Chairman Winters said, "Thank you. Commissioners, are there other questions concerning the report of the Board of Bids and Contracts?"

MOTION

Commissioner Miller moved to approve the recommendation of the Board of Bids and Contracts

Commissioner Gwin seconded the Motion.

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

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VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Paul Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Commissioner Mark F. Schroeder	Aye
Chairman Thomas G. Winters	Aye

Chairman Winters said, "Thank you. Thank you Darren. Next item."

CONSENT AGENDA

N. CONSENT AGENDA.

1. Right-of-Way Easements.

The following tracts of land have been granted by Easement for Right-of-Way at no cost to the County. These Easements were requested by the Director, Bureau of Public Services, as a condition of receiving a Platting Exemption on an unplatted tract.

- a. Road Number 638-24, Owners: Randall C. Cole and Diane L. Cole, located in the Southwest Quarter of Section 1, Township 29 South, Range 1 West, more specifically located on the north side of 79th Street South and east of 39th Street West (West Street). Ohio Township. District #2.
- b. Road Number 791-S, Owners: Darryl J. Klein and Cindy J. Klein, located in the Southwest Quarter of Section 1, Township 28 South, Range 3 West, more specifically located on the east side of 231st Street West and north of 31st Street South. Afton Township. District #3.

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- c. Road Number 614-12, Owners: Scott Lies and Ed Bugner, President, dba Randy Dean Custom Homes, located in the Southeast Quarter of Section 1, Township 27 South, Range 3 West, more specifically located on the north side of 21st Street North and west of 215th Street West. Garden Plain Township. District #3.
- d. Road Number 803-C, Owner: James F. Roach, Partner, dba Bentley Farms, LLC, located in the Southwest Quarter of Section 13, Township 25 South, Range 2 West, more specifically located on the east side of 135th Street West and north of 101st Street North. Eagle Township. District #3.

The following tract of land was granted by Easement for Right-of-Way at no cost to the County. This Easement was requested by the Director, Bureau of Public Services, to construct a new public road in an unplatted subdivision. Street name "104th Street North Circle."

- e. Owner: James F. Roach, Partner, dba Bentley Farms, LLC, located in the Southwest Quarter of Section 13, Township 25 South, Range 2 West, more specifically located on the east side of 135th Street West and north of 101st Street North. Eagle Township. District #3.

The following tract of land has been granted by Easement for Temporary Cul-de-Sac Right-of-Way at no cost to the County. This Easement is for the construction of a temporary Cul-de-Sac on a new public road in an unplatted subdivision. Street name "104th Street North Circle."

- f. Owners: James F. Roach, Partner, dba Bentley Farms, LLC, located in the Southwest Quarter of Section 13, Township 25 South, Range 2 West, more specifically located on the east side of 135th Street West and north of 101st Street North. Eagle Township. District #3.

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- 2. The following Section 8 Housing Contracts are being amended to reflect a revised monthly amount due to a change in the income level of the participating client.**

<u>Contract Number</u>	<u>Old Amount</u>	<u>New Amount</u>
V95152	\$335.00	\$387.00
V95110	\$243.00	\$295.00
V95048	\$303.00	\$496.00
C62017	\$150.00	\$236.00
V96085	\$238.00	\$390.00
V94087	\$147.00	\$479.00

- 3. Application for License to Retail Cereal Malt Beverages.**

<u>Applicant Name</u>	<u>d/b/a</u>
James L. Chandler	Wichita Canteen Company

- 4. Authorization per K.S.A. 79-2012 to withhold delinquent personal property taxes under the County Treasurer's certification dated October 15, 1996.**

- 5. Order dated October 23, 1996 to correct tax roll for change of assessment.**

- 6. Consideration of the Check Register of October 25, 1996.**

- 7. Budget Adjustment Requests.**

<u>Number</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Type of Adjustment</u>
960657	Information Services	Transfer
960658	Geographic Information System	Transfer
960659	COMCARE-Administration	Transfer

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<u>Number</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Type of Adjustment</u>
960660	Finance General	Transfer
960661	Central Motor Pool	Transfer
960662	Sheriff	Transfer
960663	Corrections	Supplemental Appropriation
960664	Aging	Supplemental Appropriation
960665	Aging	Supplemental Appropriation
960666	COMCARE	
	CDDO Grant	Transfer
960668	Juvenile Intake & Assessment	Supplemental Appropriation
960668	Capital Projects	Transfer
960669	Capital Projects	Transfer
960670	Capital Projects	Transfer
960671	Capital Projects	Transfer
960672	Road and Bridge	
	Sales Tax	Transfer

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

MOTION

Commissioner Miller moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Commissioner Gwin seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Paul Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Commissioner Mark F. Schroeder	Aye
Chairman Thomas G. Winters	Aye

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Chairman Winters said, "If there any other business to come before the Board at this time? Seeing none, we'll recess the regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners."

The Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners recessed in to the Sewer District Meeting at 11:01 a.m. and returned at 11:04 a.m.

Chairman Winters said, "At this time, I'll call back to order the regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners, October 30, 1996. I might make one comment here. Next week is election day, November 5, and the Sedgwick County Commissioners will not be meeting on next Wednesday, so there will be no regular Board of County Commissioners meeting next week, for those of you who are here or may be watching today on television or a rebroadcast. Is there other business to come before this meeting?"

O. OTHER

Commissioner Miller said, "Yes there is Mr. Chairman."

MOTION

Commissioner Miller moved that the Board of County Commissioners recess into Executive Session for approximately 15 minutes to consider consultation with Legal Counsel on matters privileged in the attorney/client relationship relating to pending claims and litigation and personnel matters of non-elected personnel and that the Board of County Commissioners return from Executive Session no sooner than 11:20 a.m.

Commissioner Gwin seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Paul Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Commissioner Mark F. Schroeder	Aye
Chairman Thomas G. Winters	Aye

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Chairman Winters said, "Thank you very much. We're recessed for 15 minutes."

The Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners recessed into Executive Session at 11:06 a.m. and returned at 11:20 a.m.

Chairman Winters said, "Let the record show that we're back in session at 11:22 a.m. and also let the record show that there was no binding action taken in Executive Session. Is there any other business to come before this board? Mr. Euson?"

Mr. Euson said, "Nothing further for me."

Chairman Winters said, "Thank you. Mr. Manager? Alright thank you very much. This meeting is adjourned."

P. ADJOURNMENT

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There being no other business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 11:22 a.m.

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Fourth District

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Second District

MARK F. SCHROEDER, Commissioner
Fifth District

ATTEST:

Susan E. Crockett-Spoon, County Clerk

APPROVED:

_____, 1996