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Chairman Schroeder said, "Commissioners, you've received the Minutes of the meeting, what's the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner Hancock moved to adopt the Minutes of January 21, 1998 and January 28, 1998.

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
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Absent
Chairman Mark F. Schroeder	Aye

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

CERTIFICATION AS TO THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

Mr. Daryl Gardner, Controller, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I certify that there are funds available for those items that have been identified on today's Regular and Fire District Agenda requiring expenditure of funds. A list of these items have been provided to you previously."

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you Daryl. Next item please."

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ADOPT A HIGHWAY

- A. RENEWAL APPLICATION WITH MAIZE PRIDE ORGANIZATION FOR THE SEDGWICK COUNTY ADOPT A HIGHWAY PROGRAM ON MAIZE ROAD FROM 37TH STREET NORTH TO 53RD STREET NORTH. DISTRICT #4.**

Mr. David C. Spears, P.E., Director/County Engineer, Bureau of Public Services greeted the Commissioners and said, “Item A is a renewal agreement with the Maize Pride Organization regarding our Adopt A Highway litter pick up program. They will be responsible for Maize Road from 37th Street North to 53rd Street North. Recommend you approve the Agreement and authorize the Chairman to sign.”

MOTION

Commissioner Miller moved to approve the Application 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 W. Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Chairman Mark F. Schroeder	Aye

Chairman Schroeder said, “Thanks David. Commissioners, before we go on to the next item, I have an introduction and an announcement that I’d like to make. It is regarding one of our employees. Each year, the Board of Directors of the Kansas Chapter of International Association of Arson Investigators choose an investigator to honor as Arson Investigator of the Year. This year, Division Chief, Kenneth Cox of the Sedgwick County Fire Department has been selected for this award due to his efforts in organizing and sharing the South Central Kansas Strike Force, a group of seven counties banded together to assist each other in arson investigation. Chief Cox has been with the Sedgwick County Fire Department for 28 years and has spent the last two years in Fire Prevention and Arson Investigation. Kenneth is here today with us with his Chief and they’d like to make an announcement.”

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Mr. Gary Curmode, Fire Chief, said, "It is an honor and pleasure to be here today for one of our own. Chief Cox had 26 years in operational experience and about two years ago we had the support from the Manager and yourselves to try a rotation program of our division chiefs to give them the whole spectrum of management. Kenny accepted the challenge, has done an outstanding job in the past two years and it arose on the occasion a very unexpected pleasant surprise and he was received as the Investigator of the Year over all of Kansas. There are 301 investigators and this award is chosen through a vote of the Board of Directors. At this time, I would like to introduce Division Chief Kenneth Cox."

Mr. Kenneth Cox said, "Thank you. I'm very proud of this award and this is the plaque that the Kansas Chapter of the International Association gave me during their banquet on February 4. It came as a complete surprise. I had no idea that it was going to happen and I'm very proud of it and very honored to be able to represent Sedgwick County Fire District #1 at the State level."

Chairman Schroeder said, "Congratulations. There are some Commissioners that have some comments that they would like to make."

Commissioner Gwin said, "Thank you. Chief Cox, I don't know all the reasons this group decided to select you but I suspect that part of it had to do with your understanding of how important it is for different groups to work together to be successful. The fact that you've been able to pull together this group of counties and help form this regional cooperative effort to investigate arson fires is a big part of this award and I want to congratulate you for that. I think it is pretty extraordinary and it certainly does go to demonstrate that you understand that we are not in this alone but must work together to be successful. I want to thank you for that. Thank you."

Chairman Schroeder said, "Kenny, thank you again. I appreciate you showing up on short notice. We always take pride when one of our employees is honored like you have been honored and it says a lot about you and the department and we wish you the greatest success in the next year also. Thank you again for making us look so good and doing a good job for your community and for those seven counties. Thanks Ken. Thanks Chief. Thank you Commissioners. Next item please."

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NEW BUSINESS

B. AGREEMENT WITH ALLEN, GIBBS & HOULIK, L.C. TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT SERVICES.

Mr. Gardner greeted the Commissioners and said, "This Agreement is intended to obtain an annual audit of Sedgwick County's financial statements. The Agreement is a three-year agreement for the years ending 1997, '98, and '99. The amount of the first year is \$113,933, which is an increase of about \$9,000 over last year's agreement. The increase is due to some major grants that have been added over the last few years. If you have any questions, I'd be happy to answer them."

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you Daryl. Any questions for Daryl on this item?"

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.

VOTE

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

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you Daryl. Next item please."

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C. AGREEMENT WITH KANSAS ORGANIZATION FOR SPACE MODELING FOR USE OF LAKE AFTON PARK JUNE 6-7, 1998 TO HOLD A KANSAS ROCKET AEROMODELERS' OPEN MEET AND FEBRUARY 7, MARCH 1, APRIL 11, MAY 3, JULY 19, AUGUST 1, SEPTEMBER 13, OCTOBER 3 AND NOVEMBER 1, 1998 TO HOLD FUN FLY LAUNCHES.

Mr. Jarold D. Harrison, Assistant County Manager, greeted the Commissioners and said, "This is an organization that we've had an agreement with for several years at Lake Afton Park for the purpose of providing model rocketry at the park.

"The big annual event for them will be June 6 and 7, which will be their Fun Fly Launches, their open meet. Then the Fun Fly Launches are the dates that the clerk read. This is a standard form agreement and we recommend your approval."

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you Jerry. Discussion on this item? 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 W. Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Chairman Mark F. Schroeder	Aye

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you Jerry. Next item please."

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D. AGREEMENT WITH BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF OTTAWA COUNTY, KANSAS TO PROVIDE HOUSING FOR INMATES.

Mr. Lyman Reese, Major, Sheriff's Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "This is any more a standard contract with Ottawa County to house inmates in their facility. I think this morning, I checked before I came over, we have 213 people housed in various counties throughout the state. The biggest reason for some of these agreements is to give us the latitude to move inmates from one county to another when they become full with their own inmates. We need to kind of shuffle people around. So that is one of the big reasons other than always looking for additional bed space to use. Ottawa County has met all the requirements. We have visually inspected the facility and it is standard. We'd be happy to answer any questions."

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you Lyman. Questions on this item? If not, what's the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner Winters 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 W. Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Chairman Mark F. Schroeder	Aye

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you Lyman. Appreciate your hard work in this effort. Good luck to you. Next item please."

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E. KANSAS COLISEUM.

1. AGREEMENT WITH WICHITA GREAT EMPIRE BROADCASTING, INC. FOR ADVERTISING RIGHTS AT THE COLISEUM.

Mr. John Nath, Coliseum Director, greeted the Commissioners and said, "This agreement with the Wichita Great Empire Broadcasting is the same as some other agreements that we have for signage in the main arena. Great Empire is going to become a part of our sponsorship team. It is going to allow us to do some things to markets on the air Select A Seat quite extensively, to do some things this year with our 20th anniversary year. We recommend approval. "

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you John."

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 W. Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Chairman Mark F. Schroeder	Aye

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you. Next item please."

2. COLISEUM MONTHLY REPORT.

Mr. Nath said, "Starting out in 1998, the month of January, we had 24 events, which had 42 performances. We had an attendance of almost 100,000 people, 99,800. Net revenues were \$249,000, which was a 22% increase for the same period as last year. We are very fortunate, we expanded the U.S.S.

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“Thunder Nationals, the big truck show from two days to three days. Attendance increased by 4,500 people. That is now going to be a three-day event versus the two that it had been. We had a really good turnout for the World Tour Figure Skating Champions. As you know, they changed their marketing a little bit. Their pattern had been to put a mail order form on the back of the chairs. Next year is going to be the year after the Olympics, which is traditionally their highest attended year. They decided the event is saturated to market enough so that people know it is coming so they don't have to do the little extra bit with the mail in form on the chairs on the night of the show. They are just going to go with an open on sale probably around November like they do in many other markets.

"We've instituted a new accounting system for 1998. Previously we were operating on a high bred Lotus 1-2-3 spread sheet that had been modified many many times. We're doing small business software now, accounting software. It is working fairly well. We came within \$20 of the final number that the Finance Department came with the CAFR (Comprehensive Annual Financial Report) that is going to be coming out. We had a record year for the Coliseum. For the first time ever, we've exceeded \$2,000,000 in gross revenue in 1997. It was a record year in net revenue, over \$230,000 to the good. So we were very fortunate. Thank God for Garth Brooks. It worked out very well for us.

"The signage program that we just approved an agreement for, I think we came to you last year in May and asked to start the signage program. We initially targeted ten, three by ten signs in the main arena. As of this point, we only have one left to sell and I have a prospective client for that, so we could be sold out by the end of the week. If you have any questions I'd be happy to answer them at this time. "

Chairman Schroeder said, “Thank you John. Commissioner Gwin.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “Just a couple of compliments. I think the signage, I wasn't sure how that was going to look in the arena and now that I've been sitting in there for some events and looking at it, it looks good. I like that. My second compliment is, I really like the display cases you put in the concourse, the memorabilia, if you will, of the Coliseum. That is really fun.”

Mr. Nath said, “We've got a lot of favorable comments on those.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “I would point out to people who go out there to be sure to stop along the concourse and look at those display boxes because there is some great old stuff there.”

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Mr. Nath said, "It does break your heart to see a \$10 concert ticket. You don't see those any more."

Commissioner Gwin said, "That's really slick and it is looking good out there. Thank you John. Thank you Mr. Chairman."

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

Commissioner Winters said, "Just another quick comment. We had a good weekend out there. We were out for the rodeo. We appreciate the reception you put on for some of the people who have been long time sponsors of that. That kind of went from the rodeo over into the pavilion where there must have been a thousand kids racing bicycles. There was a duo event going on this weekend. There was just a couple of great events going on."

Mr. Nath said, "It was a busy weekend. We had a good time this weekend."

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you. Other questions or comments? It not, what's the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner Hancock moved to receive and file.

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
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Chairman Mark F. Schroeder	Aye

Chairman Schroeder said, "John, thank you. Appreciate your innovations out there."

Mr. Nath said, "We have fun."

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Chairman Schroeder said, "It is a nice enhancement. Appreciate it. Thank you. Next item please."

F. CONTRACT MODIFICATION NUMBER ONE WITH CARO CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A DELIVERY SALLY PORT AND FREEZER REPLACEMENT AT THE JUVENILE DETENTION FACILITY. CIP NOS. 1997-OR9706 AND 1997-OR9709.

Mr. Kenneth W. Arnold, Director, Capital Projects Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "This is an amount of \$5,050.92. However, with putting these two project together, even with this change if you approve it, we saved almost \$14,000 on this project. Recommend you approve the modification."

MOTION

Commissioner Miller moved to approve the Contract Modification 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 W. Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Chairman Mark F. Schroeder	Aye

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thanks Ken. Next item please."

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G. BUREAU OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.

1. AGREEMENT WITH WICHITA AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO PROVIDE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.

Ms. Irene Hart, Bureau of Community Development, greeted the Commissioners and said, "This week I have two contracts for your consideration that implement the Economic Development Strategy you all approved two weeks ago. The first one is with the Chamber of Commerce for \$250,000 and it supports our initiative in business growth, retention, and attraction. I'd be happy to answer any questions you might have. We went over these in greater detail two weeks ago."

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you Irene. Commissioner Miller."

Commissioner Miller said, "Thank you. Irene, when we talk about signing a contract with the Chamber of Commerce to the tune of almost \$250,000, if I recall there were fees, what do we call them a user fee or not even a user fee, but more of a fee that we pay to SCKEDD, what do we call that?"

Ms. Hart said, "Membership dues."

Commissioner Miller said, "Membership dues. That is about \$45,000?"

Ms. Hart said, "I think \$40,366."

Commissioner Miller said, "That is incorporated in this dollar amount?"

Ms. Hart said, "No, it is not."

Commissioner Miller said, "Okay. So break it down again, what exactly is incorporated in this \$249,999."

Ms. Hart said, "It is four cents short of \$250,000. It provides salaries and support for business visitation, for responding to inquires from outside the community of businesses that are interested in relocating here. It works with businesses who are expanding their business here in Sedgwick County. It provides for a marketing plan to attract workers to the community. Essentially, salaries and support for those activities."

Commissioner Miller said, "So salaries and support of individuals who work for the Chamber?"

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Ms. Hart said, "Yes."

Commissioner Miller said, "And when we talk about either retention or being able to attract new businesses here by way of incentives, more than likely monetary incentives, that amount is incorporated in this?"

Ms. Hart said, "Cash assistance to business is not included in this."

Commissioner Miller said, "So this is primarily for salary."

Ms. Hart said, "Salary and support in the expenses, quite a bit into printing, not a lot into video production but that is another one of the line items. The kinds of things it takes to promote a community. Maybe purchase of some advertising. I'm looking here."

Commissioner Miller said, "I think I understand that part of it. So the Chamber, are they bringing on new personnel, new staff to do this?"

Ms. Hart said, "They are."

Commissioner Miller said, "So they are in the process of searching for those individuals now?"

Ms. Hart said, "Yes ma'am, they are. In some cases they are expanding the duties of some of the people who are there and that is expanding the salaries to be commensurate with the duties. But in two cases, they are hiring new personnel."

Commissioner Miller said, "So approximately two new staff will be hired with this?"

Ms. Hart said, "I don't have the budget right before me."

Commissioner Miller said, "I'd like to see a budget."

Ms. Hart said, "Yes ma'am."

Commissioner Miller said, "Appreciate that. Thank you."

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Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you. Irene, this is as a result of the demise of the WI/SE partnership. This is going to be our partnership with the Chamber in order to try to maintain some of those programs and some of that effort we had through WI/SE with retention of business and helping an existing business, and bringing in new businesses, et cetera. They lost a lot of that personnel through the dissolution of WI/SE."

Ms. Hart said, "They did. This will also provide a core staff from which other private sector initiatives can be leveraged. There are private businesses in the community that will contribute for economic development. They may contribute for a brochure or video or some other specific initiative and this provides the core staff to pull the information together."

Chairman Schroeder said, "Do we know at this point, we obviously know what we want to do, but what does the City of Wichita plan to do? Does anybody know whether they are going to do the same kind of thing that we're doing or are they just doing their own economic development? Do we have a fix on that yet?"

Mr. William Buchanan, County Manger, said, "We don't know that yet. We are still in the process of examining that."

Chairman Schroeder said, "Okay. I still think the best way to provide the best kind of incentive and leadership in this community, in order to retain business and bring new business in is to do it as a group and that is why WI/SE was created. I was just kind of curious as to whether the City was going to partake in the same kind of venture that we are with the Chamber. If so, it would be helpful to everybody. Could you do some exploring and see what their intentions are and kind of let us know which way they're heading. Commissioner Gwin."

Commissioner Gwin said, "Thank you. Irene, in our back-up, we have an exhibit A and an exhibit B that lists accountabilities for the year. Are those the criteria by which we are going to measure the success of this program or is there more to it than that?"

Ms. Hart said, "As we know more about how this can be measured . . . this I think are initial bench marks, but do we measure the success of economic development based on the number of jobs that are created or the amount of wealth that is created? I'm not conversant enough with that to know how we measure effectiveness and that is what I hope to do over the next year is to help figure that out."

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Commissioner Gwin said, "It appears that this is the frame work then for accountability. I noticed on one of them was something we have not gotten before, as that we have already received our first monthly report summarizing client activity and we've never gotten that one before. I'm starting to be able to check off some of these things that will be important to us to understand where the taxpayers money is being used and also as a beginning list of accountabilities and how we expect the taxpayer dollars to be used in this contract. But in the end, like you said, does success mean more jobs, does success mean local expansion, does success mean a business comes in from someplace else. I guess we've yet to determine that."

Ms. Hart said, "Under this Contract you will also have quarterly presentation."

Commissioner Gwin said, "I appreciate that."

Ms. Hart said, "Which will help flush that out somewhat. I know Mr. Witsman had intended to be here."

Commissioner Gwin said, "I look forward to that and appreciate the back-up and we'll probably save it for review later. Thank you Mr. Chairman."

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you. My understanding is that we already have a staff member moving into the Chamber Building."

Ms. Hart said, "Our County Economic Development Specialist Louanna Burress has relocated her office to the Chamber. She'll be working particular with the business growth side of the equation and with the World Trade Center."

Chairman Schroeder said, "I think that is probably a good relationship and I'm glad to see we have somebody down there that can be directly involved that works for us. I think it makes the relationship much stronger and more viable and I'm glad we're doing it. Commissioner Hancock."

Commissioner Hancock said, "Thank you Mr. Chairman. I was just going to note for the purposes of folks who might be watching that when WI/SE was created 12 years ago or so it was something that needed to be done at the time. As I recall, maybe it was as long as 14 years ago. Anyway, because no one really had a handle on economic development here in Sedgwick County and the City of Wichita, we partnered with the City of Wichita along with private business, to create the WI/SE program which was phased out. This is kind of a back to basics as I understand it, Irene, in economic development for the community."

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“One little difference is that the County, while we are supporting the activity, we are not as much directly involved as we were before during the WI/SE period. It is my understanding that probably the City and the County didn’t do a very good job when we were in charge of it. So we asked the professionals to go ahead and do a little better job.”

Ms. Hart said, “I think it was a good organization for the time and I think we learned a lot over the years. It was a good thing to do then and I think this is a good thing to do now.”

Commissioner Hancock said, “As time came and went, but this approach, and I’m going to blame this on Commissioner Winters, this is a back to basic approach. I think it is a very good program and I’m very happy to support it.”

Chairman Schroeder said, “Thank you. Other questions or comments? Thank you Irene for your presentation. I wish Tim could have been here today also because he always has a lot of good insight.”

Ms. Hart said, “He may yet arrive.”

Chairman Schroeder said, “He may show up later. Okay. Further discussion? It not, what’s the will of the Board?”

MOTION

Commissioner Winters 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 W. Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Chairman Mark F. Schroeder	Aye

Chairman Schroeder said, “Thank you. Next item please.”

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2. AGREEMENT WITH MID-AMERICA WORLD TRADE CENTER INSTITUTE, DBA KANSAS WORLD TRADE CENTER, TO PROVIDE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.

Ms. Hart said, “Again, this fills out another component of the strategy which was approved two weeks ago, the development and promotion of international trade. The contract is with the World Trade Center for \$50,000 as budgeted for 1998. I’ll answer any questions.”

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 W. Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Chairman Mark F. Schroeder	Aye

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

3. CONTRACT WITH AND CERTIFICATION TO U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT TO PROVIDE CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS FOR RENTAL CERTIFICATE AND RENTAL VOUCHER PROGRAMS.

Ms. Hart said, “This is wearing my hat as the Sedgwick County Housing Authority. The Contract that is before you today is to renew our agreement with HUD for 50 vouchers and certificates for another 15 months. The total is about \$256,000. These are Section 8 certificates and vouchers. It doesn’t expand the program but continues 50 units that are already in operation. Be happy to answer any questions.”

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Chairman Schroeder said, "Commissioner Gwin."

Commissioner Gwin said, "Just real quickly for the public. Do you want to explain what Section 8 vouchers do?"

Ms. Hart said, "Section 8 vouchers and certificates, even though we are a housing authority, we don't own property, we don't have our own rental units. The voucher and certificate program is a partnership with private landlords that we subsidize rent of eligible facilities in a private landlord's apartment or home. So we take eligible people who are handicapped by age, by income, or disability, and subsidize their rent for a period of time."

Commissioner Gwin said, "Thank you. I just wanted to make sure the public understood."

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

Commissioner Miller said, "Thank you. Irene, where are the majority of these dwellings located in the County?"

Ms. Hart said, "In the County, the majority are probably in the Oaklawn neighborhood. They're all over the County."

Commissioner Miller said, "When you say the County, are you talking . . ."

Ms. Hart said, "The County outside of Wichita."

Commissioner Miller said, "Because a lot of people don't quite get it. They're thinking still the City of Wichita, but we're talking outside the City limits of the jurisdiction of Wichita."

Ms. Hart said, "Right. In fact, we have several . . . it is actually a three county operation. About a third of our vouchers and certificates are in Butler and Harvey County."

Commissioner Miller said, "Okay. Thank you."

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you. Other questions or comments on this item?"

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MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to approve the Contract and Certification 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 W. Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Chairman Mark F. Schroeder	Aye

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

4. LEASE EXTENSION THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 1998 WITH W. R. KENNEY, DBA W. R. KENNEY COMPANY, FOR HOUSING AUTHORITY OFFICE SPACE LOCATED AT 1540 NORTH BROADWAY, SUITE 203.

Ms. Hart said, "The Housing Authority staff covers this entire program over three counties with two people. Those two people have to be located somewhere. This is an addendum to the current lease to extend their occupancy on North Broadway for another year at the same rental rate. I would ask your approval of this."

MOTION

Commissioner Hancock moved to approve the Lease Extension 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 W. Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Chairman Mark F. Schroeder	Aye

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you. Thanks, Irene. Next item please."

5. CONTRACTS (SIX) PROVIDING CERTAIN INCOME ELIGIBLE HOME CARE SERVICES AND AMENDMENTS TO CONTRACT FOR INCOME ELIGIBLE HOME CARE (15) RELATED TO COMPENSATION.

- CATHOLIC CHARITIES ADULT DAY SERVICES
- CRAIG HOMECARE, INC.
- HOSPICE, INC.
- KELLY ASSISTED LIVING
- PERSONALIZED HOMECARE
- SENIOR SERVICES, INC.
- AMENDMENTS TO CONTRACT:
- CARING HOME HEALTH SERVICES
- CENTRAL HOMECARE & HOSPICE
- DEPENDABLE HOME HEALTH CARE
- HOME HEALTHCARE SERVICES
- MAPLEWOOD HOME CARE
- MOUNT HOPE HOME HEALTH
- KIMBERLY HOME HEALTH CARE, INC., DBA OLSTEN HEALTH SERVICES
- PROACTIVE HOME CARE, INC.
- STAFF BUILDERS HEALTH CARE SERVICES
- RESOURCE CENTER INDEPENDENT LIVING, INC.
- SCCS HOME HEALTH & HOSPICE, P.A.
- SAINT RAPHAEL SERVICES
- SUNFLOWER SUPPORT SERVICES
- TOPEKA INDEPENDENT LIVING RESOURCE CENTER VIA CHRISTI-PRIVATE DUTY

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Mr. Doug Russell, Director, Department on Aging, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I will probably wear out my welcome. This is called don't work your staff too hard and then get the flu because it will all go on one agenda. The income eligible program was taken over from SRS and given to area agencies on aging last July. Basically SRS had staff that did that. When they turned it over to area agencies on aging and the Kansas Department of Aging, they privatized it which simply means we now buy a much larger menu of services and we buy it through private providers rather than staff.

"These contracts and addendum are to add vendors and increase the rate to all the vendors in the system. The biggest problem we have right now in home care across the board is that we cannot get staff. Even though we've got agencies, the agencies can't get staff in this market we've got. There are just too many good things happening in the economy and we're paying that. So we raised our rates with the State's blessing. This is all State money. I can read the contracts and I'll do that fast. Catholic Charities Adult Day Services is a contract new provider; Craig Homecare, Inc.; Hospice, Inc.; Kelly Assisted Living; Personalized Homecare; Senior Services, Inc. There is an error in that, Staff Builders Health Care Services is listed as an amendment, but in fact it is a new contract. I apologize for that.

"Amendments to the contract, which simply raises their rate from what was \$10.50 an hour to \$11.50 for homemaker and \$12.50 for attendant or respite services are the following: Caring Home Health Services; Central Homecare & Hospice; Dependable Home Health Care; Home Healthcare Services: Maplewood Home Care; Mount Hope Home Health; Kimberly Home Health Care, Inc., DBA Olsten Health Services; Proactive Home Care, Inc.; again, Staff Builders is a contract not an amendment, Resource Center Independent Living, Inc.; SCCS Home Health & Hospice, P.A.; Saint Raphael Services; Sunflower Support Services; Topeka Independent Living Resource Center; Via Christi-Private Duty. These are for the entire three county area. We manage that program out of the area Agency on Aging for all three counties. I would ask that you approve the contracts and addendums and authorize the Chairman to sign. I'd be happy to answer any questions."

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you, Doug. Questions for Doug on this item?"

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MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to approve Contracts and Amendments to Contract 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 W. Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Chairman Mark F. Schroeder	Aye

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

6. CONTRACTS (25) PROVIDING SENIOR SERVICES.

Mr. Russell said, "Thank you Commissioners. Twelve of these contracts are for senior centers, 13 of them are for community and in home service agencies. This is County mill levy-funded contracts which fits very well in our total service picture. I'll read them. Bel Aire Senior Club is \$1,973, Clearwater Senior Club is \$3,453; Colvin/Plainview Area Senior Center is \$13,000; Derby Multipurpose Senior Center is \$47,352; Haysville Multipurpose Senior Center is \$31,530; Maize Senior Club is \$2,960; Mount Hope Senior Center is \$8,385; Mulvane Senior Center is \$3,206; Oaklawn/Sunview Area Senior Center is \$11,838; Roving Senior Club Director, which is three senior centers is \$24,663; Sedgwick Senior Club is \$888; Valley Center Senior Center is \$4,735. That is the senior centers.

"Other contracts include: Catholic Charities, it says adult abuse and I apologize, that is in fact adult day care services for \$9,865; Catholic Charities - Foster Grandparent Program is \$41,433; Good Grief of Wichita, Inc. - Widowed Persons Services is \$9,372; Guadalupe Clinic-Health Screening and Public Benefits is \$16,958; Kansas Legal Services - Public Benefits Outreach is \$6,518; Kansas Legal Services - Protective Services is \$31,075; Medical Services Bureau - plus medical services is \$19,534; Mental Health Association of South Central Kansas - Adult Abuse Prevention is \$9,865;

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“Prairie View - Mental Health Services for helping our own people HOOP program, \$13,811; United Methodist Urban Ministry - Commodity Food Program is \$5,602; Via Christi Regional Medical Centers - St. Joseph Campus Adult Day Care is \$9,865; Wichita Indochinese Center - Asian Outreach is \$10,852; Riverside Health System, Inc. - Senior Companion is \$25,894. That is the network that makes up these services. I would ask that you approve and would be happy to answer any questions.”

Chairman Schroeder said, “Thank you, Doug. Questions on this item? It not, what’s the will of the Board?”

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.

VOTE

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

Chairman Schroeder said, “Thank you. Next list please.”

7. CONTRACTS (SEVEN) PROVIDING PHYSICAL DISABILITIES SERVICES.

- **CATHOLIC CHARITIES, INC.-ADULT DAY CARE: \$54,628**
- **DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING SERVICES, INC.-HEARING COMMUNICATIONS: \$16,258**
- **GOODWILL INDUSTRIES EASTER SEAL REHABILITATION CENTER, INC.-SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT: \$54,055**
- **INDEPENDENT LIVING RESOURCE CENTER, INC.- INFORMATION AND REFERRAL: \$28,391**

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- **MENNONITE HOUSING REHABILITATION SERVICES, INC.-
HOME MODIFICATIONS: \$34,265**
- **RAINBOWS UNITED, INC.-VISION SERVICES: \$57,691**
- **SENIOR SERVICES, INC.-MEALS ON WHEELS: \$67,289**

Mr. Russell said, "Thank you, Commissioners. Our Department also manages the County mill levy funded physical disabilities program which is fitting very well with some transit initiatives. These are our partners in that effort and their funding: Catholic Charities, Inc. - Adult Dare Care for physically disabled people is \$54,628. Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services, Inc. - Hearing Communications Program is \$16,258. Goodwill Industries Easter Seal Rehabilitation Center, Inc. - supported employment program is \$54,055. Independent Living Resource Center, Inc., which is our single point of contact information referral partner is \$28,391. Mennonite Housing Rehabilitation Services, Inc. for home modifications is \$34,265. Rainbows United vision services program is \$57,691. Senior Services, Inc. Meals on Wheels for physically disabled homebound people is \$67,289. I'd be happy to answer any questions and ask that you approve it."

Chairman Schroeder said, "Doug, I do have a question. The last one, Senior Services Meals on Wheels, did they start the breakfast delivery yet? Is that something that has occurred at this point?"

Mr. Russell said, "Sir, they did not. When I ran that down, I found out that I was confused and misinformed you. It was not Senior Services that was looking at that, it was Good Neighbor Nutrition Program that suggested it. Bottom line is we're no where on that and we'll keep asking the question."

Chairman Schroeder said, "Okay, thank you. Other questions or comments?"

MOTION

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

Commissioner Winters 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 W. Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Chairman Mark F. Schroeder	Aye

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

8. CONTRACTS (NINE) PROVIDING TARGETED CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES.

- **MADELYN ABERNATHY-CORNELIUS**
- **JOAN FLYNN**
- **MELISSA HOGAN**
- **VALORIE HOWARD-WINDHOLZ**
- **LISA JOLLIFF**
- **DEBRA MCCLELLAN**
- **DONNA NOLEN**
- **JULIE OLIVAS**
- **ANTHONY RUBIN**

Mr. Russell said, "Thank you, Commissioners. This is for the Contracted Case Management that handles our Medicaid services which we received from the SRS about a year ago. Basically, we have eight staff who did this and we have these contractors. We'll probably be coming to you with another 12 or so contractors to keep the program modular. I wanted to mention, by the way, that in a recent review by the State on our program, it looks like we really excelled. I'll bring you more details as I know that our contractors and our staff really did an exceptional job and I'm very proud of them. The contracts, and again these are folks who have been with us for a year already, are: Madelyn Abernathy-Cornelius; Joan Flynn; Melissa Hogan; Valorie Howard-Windholz; Lisa Jolliff; Debra McClellan; Donna Nolen; Julie Olivas; and Anthony Rubin. These include three counties, Harvey, Butler, and Sedgwick County contractors. I ask that you approve the contracts."

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you, Doug. Commissioner Miller."

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Commissioner Miller said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Doug, I can recall I don't remember if it was the first of last year, but we were just a bit, had a little bit of anxiety in terms of how the system was changing and how much of a service increase we were going to have to provide. Am I correct on that? In terms of SRS down loading some of their services that they provided prior to."

Mr. Russell said, "We were anxious for two reasons. One is just the simple work load and could we handle it and the design of using contractors was our key and it is working very well. It would frankly have blown staff away. We couldn't have done it with just in house staff. It is not modular enough."

Commissioner Miller said, "So we've been able to bring on enough of these CPA . . ."

Mr. Russell said, "Yes, AAAs. It is working so well that the contract that was designed by our staff and legal has now been used by three other area agencies on aging because quite honestly it worked so well. The short answer is yes, it is working real well. The other piece of it, we were worried that the case management rate that we get for this work is too low and it is in fact too low. We should probably be getting about \$38 an hour reimbursement and we're getting \$30, which means we're not able to do some of the things we want to do to make the system run as well as we'd like it. But we're working with the State every week on that subject."

Commissioner Miller said, "Okay. So there is hope on that end."

Mr. Russell said, "Yes, there is."

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

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you. Other questions or comments? It not, what's the will of the Board?"

MOTION

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

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 W. Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Chairman Mark F. Schroeder	Aye

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you. Are you going to do the other three of these Doug?"

Mr. Russell said, "I will sir."

Chairman Schroeder said, "Okay. Please continue."

9. AGREEMENT WITH KANSAS DEPARTMENT ON AGING PROVIDING RELOCATION ASSISTANCE TO FORMER RIVER PARK HEALTH CARE RESIDENTS.

Mr. Russell said, "No list, good. I can just talk about this one. This Agreement is when River Park closed basically because of a falling out with Medicare Medicaid regulations, we had 52 residents who were in that facility that needed relocated to other facilities. They relocated to something like 16 other facilities in a two day period. What the Kansas Department on Aging and SRS asked us to do is to intercede with case management as a special project, work with these folks and their families, and even do some follow up services. That's what this contract is for. That's what we do and we're very pleased with what happened. We used volunteer programs to follow up with these people through Kansas Legal Services and the Helping Our People Prairie View program. Basically we contacted people and talked to them and found out how they were doing in their relocation because it is very traumatic. This contract is for \$5,404 and reimburses us for that work and I ask that you approve it."

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you, Doug."

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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 W. Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Chairman Mark F. Schroeder	Aye

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

10. SIGNATURE AUTHORITY AFFIDAVIT FOR DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED TO KANSAS DEPARTMENT ON AGING.

Mr. Russell said, "Commissioners, this is really a housekeeping item with the Kansas Department on Aging that says who can sign documents. It basically says the important documents can be signed by Chairman Schroeder, Pro Tem Hancock, everything else which includes routine billings and this and that can be signed by me or my assistants, Anita or Lynn. We ask that you approve it."

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you. Discussion on this item?"

MOTION

Commissioner Hancock moved to approve the Affidavit 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 W. Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Chairman Mark F. Schroeder	Aye

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

11. ADDITION OF ONE MILL LEVY-FUNDED OFFICE SPECIALIST POSITION, RANGE 15, TO THE DEPARTMENT ON AGING STAFFING TABLE.

Mr. Russell said, "Commissioners, this is under our physical disabilities and aging budget and basically MTA had a partnership with us for about three years where they had a person and later two people to handle a single point of entry for transportation that worked with MTA's transit system. The bottom line is that they decided after last year that they no longer wanted to do this job. It didn't fit with the direction they were going and some of the cut backs they were experiencing. We took those two contracts in house and to do the job right we needed to hire a person. We hired a temporary position and were fortunate enough to get a person who had worked for them so she is very sharp. We're now asking that be added to our staffing table so that we can do that position with a single person and we believe we can do it with one person."

Chairman Schroeder said, "Okay, thank you Doug. Discussion on this item? It not, what's the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to approve the addition to the Department on Aging Staffing Table.

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 W. Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Chairman Mark F. Schroeder	Aye

Chairman Schroeder said, "Doug, thank you."

Mr. Russell said, "Thank you for your patience."

Chairman Schroeder said, "Glad you're healthy again. Glad to see you back. Before we go on to the next item, I'd like to recognize Tim Witsman, President of the Wichita Area Chamber of Commerce. We just had Item G-1 where we discussed our agreement with the Wichita Area Chamber of Commerce to provide economic development services and Tim is here today to give us perspective on that."

Mr. Tim Witsman, President, Wichita Area Chamber of Commerce, said, "I'm sorry, I had a little trouble parking. I should have allowed more time. We really appreciate the opportunity to be in this partnership because the community needs the economic development effort, particularly our support of our local businesses. I think there were some questions I picked up while I was sitting there, things that you asked about. As WI/SE disappeared, and what the Chamber had to do was to eliminate a bunch of its programing, all of the things that don't raise money. We cut about a third of our programs out in the Chamber. The purpose of that was so that we could afford to bring in the salary for an economic developer, the AA in that area, and a researcher. I might point out that the research, which is never glamorous and you don't see on television, gets all the data we have, the information that we provide. He is now the eighth certified community researcher in the United States. So there is a quality level there that we sometimes win some battles with. We appreciate that. But in order to upgrade the position of the lead economic developer and also to provide some of the program money, that is part of what we are entering into this contract to do. On the community marketing, we have the cost of the communications people, but began as Jean Dickinson, the long time head of communications at the Chamber retires, we're upgrading that to include community marketing and putting a person in there."

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“We haven’t stopped doing the work during this period even though we hadn’t filled the positions. While we have a great trust between the County Commission and the Chamber, it is a little hard to hire people until you get contracts. So we’ve continued, for example on the video, we said we’d do a lead behind piece to go with that. That work is almost complete. That will be done very soon. We continue to work with the prospects. We’re doing about two a week externally through January. That has slowed a little bit since then. Continued to work with local businesses. I was in contact with one in Maize last week. Louanna has been of assistance to us. She is also working on some of the community marketing, doing some writing for us.

“In terms of the accountabilities, on the economic development side, we’ve said not only are we going to do the 200 calls from the business growth committee but we will use our ambassador calls which are our volunteers to pick up another thousand companies in that way. They won’t be quite as in depth as the business growth committee calls but they will still feed us the information about what people want. To give you an example, from last year, the number one issue, would you like to guess what it was from the businesses? Work force. It was far and away, nothing was close. Second was really business counseling because we do some of that. We provide some free counseling. The third was government issues, taxes, regulations, whatever.

“Business growth. We’re focusing this time on clusters. The first one is going to be trucking. There are several reasons for that. That is an important group. We think business growth will do better instead of shotgunning out to different businesses that we focus on industry clusters, about two months on each one. So we’ll have them in I think it is next week, and we’re trying to pick up what matters to them, what would help them grow, because there might be something we need to recruit into our area. I think warehousing may be the one after that. Also interest in the trucking because we want to know what they could use out of our NAFTA (North American Free Trade Agreement) super corridor initiative. What is it that Kansas wants out of that program? So in broad terms, those are the efforts that we’re making and the accountabilities are listed and we will be reporting those monthly to you and then giving a personal report on a quarterly basis.”

Chairman Schroeder said, “Tim, I think you’ve pretty well covered it. I’m sure there are going to be a few questions. I’d like to say thank you for working with us on this partnership. I’m unlike the rest of the Commissioners, I think it is going to be a great success and a wonderful partnership and I think we can accomplish some good things. I can’t stress enough the emphasis about small business, about retaining business, helping those businesses that are already here. I was talking with Chris Moore last weekend and that success story about Moore Labels is just unbelievable that he started with a small company and sold it eventually and now it is part of a billion dollar conglomerate. I can’t tell you the name of the company now, but it has sold a couple of times since he sold the business. But that was created here in our community and it is a great success story.

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“I like to hear more of those because when those businesses grow we employ more people, which is a nice problem to have when we don’t have enough people to fill all those slots. I’d rather have us in that condition than another. I think what we’re doing is the right thing to do and I appreciate your insight into what you see us doing in the future. We’re looking forward to it. Commissioner Miller.”

Commissioner Miller said, “Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Hi, Tim, how are you? I appreciate the detail that you’ve given because I did inquire about what we were basically funding in terms of staff. I heard an economic developer, is that what I heard?”

Mr. Witsman said, “The County’s money really helps us hire a person at a higher level. The Chamber budgeted enough money for what had been the level of last year.”

Commissioner Miller said, “And I also heard a AA researcher or what was that?”

Mr. Witsman said, “That person is already on board and is part of our cost.”

Commissioner Miller said, “Okay.”

Mr. Witsman said, “It is really the increment plus a lot of the support cost of programing.”

Commissioner Miller said, “Okay. Also a phrase that piqued my interest is community marketing. Can you define that?”

Mr. Witsman said, “The problem is, if I can explain, when WI/SE was at its heyday, there was a lot of money to create really good looking brochures. I think you’ve seen some of those. They are absolutely first rate. We had a company in New York that placed stories about Wichita in the Wall Street Journal and trade magazines. That money doesn’t exist any more. So we’re trying to do the community marketing in different ways. We’re still going to produce the documents. We did a community video and the Chamber just paid for that last year. We’re trying to produce some more things that will replace those old WI/SE materials. What we’re always trying to do and Louanna has just done the first, is to write stories that we hope to place in newspapers, for example, within Kansas. We have perceptions of crime issues. That is the first story, is about what is going on here with respect to crime and how do we compare. We’ll do others on quality of life kinds of things, the success of the aircraft. Then we’re also going to try to get those into trade magazines.

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“It depends upon the story. Each story will have a different client. Our purpose is to get somebody else to tell the story of our area where we don’t have a million dollars to go buy space advertising in Site Selection magazine or whatever. So we’re going to try to do it by using our brains and sourcing that to the places where we think people may accept it.”

Commissioner Miller said, “Okay. Then an issue that I raised I think it was last week or whatever week we actually got the original presentation from Irene on embarking on this endeavor with the Chamber was the relationship with the Chamber and the Minority Council. I know it is a positive relationship with the Minority Council moving out from under the wing of the larger group, the Chamber. What is the relationship from your perspective going to be as they do assume their autonomous role.”

Mr. Witsman said, “I was the one who actually came up with the idea originally for the Council. Last year, the Council decided that they thought they were ready to stand on their own. So what I offered as I learned that at a meeting, I said okay, I’ll make some offers to you. One is you can stay here in the building and we won’t charge you so you can get your feet on the ground and not have to put money into that. The second (inaudible - coughing) if a minority company will join the Chamber, we’ll send that the dues are for the Minority Business Council over out of that money to the Council to be supportive of it. I still remain on that Board. So we’re trying to continue to work cooperatively together. We believe in it, obviously. We put about seven years of work into it. But they have now spread their wings and are an independent organization.”

Commissioner Miller said, “It sounds as though it is also a partnership between the Chamber and the Council.”

Mr. Witsman said, “Right. And we have in our budget a certain amount of money of our expectation of minority business members that we will send over to the Council as support from our side.”

Commissioner Miller said, “When you are doing your community marketing how does that integrate or would you expect that the Council themselves would simply be able to market the diversity in terms of work opportunities or business opportunities from a minority perspective.”

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Mr. Witsman said, "Well, in this day and age you have to pay attention to diversity issues in any materials you develop. I don't know that there will be separate materials from them because they're more a membership and assistance organization. The role we have with the County, at this point there are only three entities in this area that are supporting community marketing. That is the Convention and Visitors Bureau, the County, and the Chamber. We try to make sure that whether it is a video or a printed document that we demonstrate the diversity that Wichita has."

Commissioner Miller said, "Okay, very good. Thank you. Thank you, Mr. Chairman."

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you. Tim, appreciate your being here today. Other questions or comments for Tim other than we need to get him a parking space."

Mr. Witsman said, "Again, thank you. We will try to justify your confidence."

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you, Tim. Appreciate you coming over. Okay, back to our regular agenda. Next item please."

H. DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS.

1. AGREEMENT WITH WICHITA STATE UNIVERSITY TO PROVIDE FACILITATOR SERVICES TO THE COMMUNITY PLANNING TEAM WORKING ON JUVENILE JUSTICE ISSUES.

Ms. Cecile Gough, Department of Correction, greeted the Commissioners and said, "The State's Juvenile Justice Authority has appointed Commissioner Winters as the convener of our local districts community planning team, which is tasked with addressing local juvenile justice issues. In order to support the functions of this team, JJA has provided grant funds to pay for facilitator services. Commissioner Winters has named Keith Williamson, in association with WSU's Hugo Wall School of Public and Urban Affairs as the team's facilitator. We are requesting that the Commission approve the proposed agreement with WSU which will formalize the fiscal provisions for these facilitator services. The total budget for the agreement will not exceed \$88,195 over the term of the agreement which expires June 30, 1999. Current JJA grant funding is sufficient to cover the cost for this year and we expect additional for FY '99."

Chairman Schroeder said, "That you Cecile. Question or comments? It not, what's the will of the Board?"

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MOTION

Commissioner Winters 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 W. Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Chairman Mark F. Schroeder	Aye

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

2. RECOGNITION OF SICK LEAVE AND LONGEVITY OF THREE KEY STAFF FOR THE JUVENILE OFFENDER FIELD SERVICES DIVISION.

Ms. Gough said, "We are in the process of hiring staff for the new Juvenile Offender Field Services Program. We've identified three key supervisory positions that we need to have filled by experienced candidates that can help us meet the program's progressive time lines, which include the transfer of the client in-take function and receiving of clients beginning in mid March. We have selected three applicants who are currently State employees engaged in providing juvenile offender services with SRS. In order to offer them positions which would not reduce their current wages, we are requesting approval of a policy waiver to hire two of these positions above Step 3 and to also recognize the sick leave and longevity of all three candidates. One candidate has over 27 ½ years of experience and we are requesting he be hired at Step 11. The other candidates wages would equate to Step 4. If approved, the total fiscal impact for 1998 would be \$7,192. This cost can be covered by the current Juvenile Justice Authority Grant Funds."

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you, Cecile. Discussion on this item? If not, what's the will of the Board?"

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MOTION

Commissioner Hancock moved to approve recognition of sick leave and longevity for three new employees.

Commissioner Gwin seconded the Motion.

Chairman Schroeder said, "Commissioner Miller."

Commissioner Miller said, "This is probably a question that should go to the Director but I will just pose it so that Mark can get this. I just had some questions in regards when Mark presented it to me. I had some questions regarding how it is in terms of open and I'm not sure how else to call it, but open competition within the department being able to hire individuals from SRS primarily as opposed to not within house."

Ms. Gough said, "I'd defer that to him. Certainly he has identified these three supervisory positions as critical to the success of this program and the rigid time line that we're under. It was open. These positions were all advertised and open and these persons did apply and all the applications were reviewed and he made that decision that this was the proper way to go and consulted personnel. I'd have to defer any other details to him. He is out of town this week."

Commissioner Miller said, "Thank you."

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you. Any other questions or comments? If not, Clerk call the vote."

VOTE

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

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you, Cecile. Next item please."

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3. GRANT APPLICATION TO KANSAS JUVENILE JUSTICE AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE FUNDING TO ASSIST COMMUNITIES IN SUPPORTING JUVENILE JUSTICE PROGRAMS.

Mr. Robert Brassfield, Facility Manager, Department of Corrections, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I'm here this morning to request your approval to submit a Community Initiative Grant Application to the State of Kansas Juvenile Justice Authority to fund additional juvenile offender placements in Sedgwick County. The amount of these funds is \$535,000 and I would request you approve the application and authorize the Chairman to sign."

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you, Robert."

MOTION

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

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

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

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you Robert. Next item please."

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I. BUREAU OF HUMAN RESOURCES.

1. REALLOCATION OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR POSITION, BUREAU OF COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY CARE, FROM RANGE 31, STEP 8 TO RANGE 32, STEP 8.

Ms. Mary Anne Nichols, Personnel Director, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I am here to request your approval for a Range Reallocation for the position of Executive Director of COMCARE from a Range 31, Step 8 to a Range 32, Step 8. The 1998 budget impact is \$5,239 and in 1999 is \$6,509. Would request your approval."

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you. Discussion?"

MOTION

Commissioner Miller moved to approve the reallocation.

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
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Chairman Mark F. Schroeder	Aye

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you, Mary Ann. Next item please."

2. EMPLOYEE SUGGESTION AWARDS PROGRAM POLICY REVISIONS.

Ms. Lucretia Taylor, Director, Diversity and Employee Relations, greeted the Commissioners and said, "What I am presenting today is policy revisions to the Employee Suggestion Awards Program. As you know, Commissioners, we have had this program in place approximately since 1992. The Employee Suggestion Award Program is designed to reward employees for their creativity or innovation and enhancing County services."

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“Also, the program is in place to look at monetary savings and reward employees for those savings within the County. What the Committee, and there is an Employee Suggestion Awards Committee, embarked in 1997 was to step up ESAP or the Employee Suggestion Award Program. What the Committee looked at were revisions to that particular policy. How do we make the policy better? What are the things we need to do? Are there ways in which we can make rewards or the dollar amount so the monetary rewards more adequately, how can it adequately reflect what people were submitting in. So the committee embarked in 1997 in looking at the policy and making some recommended changes. What we have looked at and the committee has looked at are basically two types of awards. One are what we call the tangibles and the other is intangible awards. Those tangible awards are the awards that pay for or reward employees for ideas that will save money. If you have something that will save the County X amount of dollars because of a process or way of doing something better, then we would reward you for that. Under the old policy to reward tangible rewards, it was either \$5,000 or 10%, whichever was less. In the intangible side, and that was to reward creativity, morale, or productivity, those things that we could not measure, the old policy said \$1,000. You could be rewarded \$25 or a certificate up to a maximum of \$1,000. What the committee looked at were those two types of awards and went to one system, which was \$500 for both the intangible and the tangible awards. It also went to a formula to adequately reflect or weigh those suggestions that we received within the department.

“Since the program’s inception, what we have looked at were the total awards that were paid out and the monetary savings. In 1993, which was really the first year we actually started looking at monetary awards, we paid out \$5,735 for a monetary savings of \$57,000. So as you can see, even in that really first year of implementation the suggestion award program was doing something. It was saving County dollars. In 1994, we paid out \$1,030, but we also had monetary savings of \$18,000. So in each year, there has been an increase. In ‘94 we paid out \$1,400 and we have monetary savings of \$96. So that was probably an off year in ‘95. But I want to point out really ‘96 and ‘97 as significant years. We paid out \$4,847 and in ‘96 and we had \$52,00 in monetary savings to the County. In ‘97, which was last year, the committee paid \$3,603 with an associated annual cost savings of \$58,038 to Sedgwick County. So what this program does, really does, we have good employees out there that are thinking, that are creative, that are innovate. They are looking at ways and processes in which we can do business better, and also coming up with monetary the savings for the county, which is a real good incentives for us to continue this program and also looking at making some minor revisions to the process. I would entertain any questions that you have. ”

Chairman Schroeder said, “Okay, Lucretia, thank you very much. Questions? Commissioner Miller.”

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Commissioner Miller said, “Just more for a comment from being on the EASP board. Lucretia, for the public and for the Commission, when we moved from the monetary awards of the tangible being the \$5,000 threshold and the intangible being the \$1,000 down to both the tangible and intangible, they’re the same for the most part, we as a board were looking at just simply having the employees generate ideas and not necessarily judge which idea is just that much better than another. If there was a cost savings involved then that is great and wonderful and we are looking for that. But just to keep those creative and innovative juices flowing and be able to reward individuals for being bold enough to actually lend them to the County and see them implemented. That is what I kind of grasp from the decision making and moving to this type of a system.”

Ms. Taylor said, “You’re right and there was some discussion on the committee and what we really want is we want employees to submit those suggestions and it really doesn’t make any difference the total amount that is received but if employees see that people are just being rewarded, not necessarily monetarily rewarded but just recognized for doing something innovative and creative and submitting those suggestions in and that was really one of the mind sets of the driving force for going to just a flat \$500 award for both types of awards. Also, too, what we also included into the revision is also a gift item or a taxable gift item so if the employee says I don’t want this monetary award of actually money, they can also choose something else as well.”

Commissioner Miller said, “Very good. Appreciate that. Thank you.”

Chairman Schroeder said, “Thank you. Other questions or comments on this item? It not, what’s the will of the Board?”

MOTION

Commissioner Miller moved to approve the policy revisions.

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 W. Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Chairman Mark F. Schroeder	Aye

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you. Appreciate you being here today. Next item please."

J. BUREAU OF PUBLIC SERVICES.

- 1. AGREEMENT WITH PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS FOR DESIGN ENGINEERING SERVICES ON PHASE 1 OF THE BELLE TERRE SOUTH ADDITION STREET PROJECT AND PHASE 1 OF THE BELLE TERRE SOUTH ADDITION SANITARY SEWER PROJECT. DISTRICT #1.**

Mr. Jim Weber, P.E., Director, Sewer Operations and Maintenance, greeted the Commissioners and said, "In Item J-1, we are requesting your approval of an agreement with Professional Engineering Consultants for design services on Phase I of the Belle Terre South Addition street paving and sanitary sewer project. The cost of this work will not exceed \$57,500 for the street paving project and \$23,700 for the sanitary sewer project. All costs of the project are to be paid by benefited properties through special assessments and we request your approval on the recommended action."

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 W. Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Chairman Mark F. Schroeder	Aye

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you. Next item please."

2. CONTRACT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES WITH PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS TO CONDUCT A DRAINAGE STUDY OF THE "SOUTHERN SEDGWICK COUNTY DRAINAGE BASIN." DISTRICTS #2 AND #5.

Mr. David C. Spears, P.E., Director/County Engineer, Bureau of Public Services, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Item J-2 is a contract which with Professional Engineering Consultants to design and conduct a drainage study of the southern Sedgwick County drainage basin. The cost of the study is \$63,272. Over the past several years, southeast Sedgwick County has experienced drainage problems of various types. The problems are recurring and with increasing pressure from new development, the situation continues to worsen. Accordingly, the County desires to plan long term solutions for flooding, erosion, and standing water conditions that either exist or are identified to potentially exist in the future within this basin. The study also includes meetings with local officials, local residents, and workshops to review our progress. This is Phase I and the scope of services for Phase II will be determined during the later stages of Phase I. I'd be glad to answer any questions you may have and recommend that you approve the Contract and authorize the Chairman to sign."

Chairman Schroeder said, "David, there are no lights on, but I will comment and I know Commissioner Hancock, this obviously effects him as well and he may wish to say something. Bill probably has had problems a lot longer than I have down in his district and probably to a much greater severity."

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“However, in the last few years, I have a lot of people call me with concerns and questions about how we control run-off around the Derby area, the Oaklawn area, Boeing, McConnell, and there seems to be greater concern regarding those issues. I think a lot of it though lately and Commissioner Hancock and I have had this discussion, has been attributed to the amount of rain that we’ve had in the last few years and the volume that we have gotten in such a short period of time, which doesn’t typically happen but in the last few years we have had great volumes of rain in a short period of time. It has obviously caught the attention of a lot of people. Some of them are affected by those rains. But regardless of that, we still have some drainage problems in my area and in Bill’s and together Commissioner Hancock and I have decided that the best way to confront this problem is to do it together to see if we can create some solutions and determine how to finance it, which I think will be a big question. Hopefully solve some of the problems in those areas, then help maintain property values and ease a lot of the fear that these residents have and maybe help the growth potential by solving some of this. I know Bill and I have been to a meeting with you and our friends at PEC who are helping us with this project and I think we are going to come away from this with some great solutions. This is one that we will see through to the end and it is not going to be a short term project by any means and I think you will agree with me on that. This is going to be a long term process and I think the folks of Haysville and Derby and those surrounding areas of Oaklawn will greatly benefit from it and I am really looking forward to getting into that first phase and starting the exploration of those problems and coming up with solutions and then figuring out where to go from there. So I am excited about this. I think it is long over due and I think Commissioner Hancock and I are very amenable to whatever needs to be done and obviously it effects both of us greatly and the people who live in those areas. David, I hope that all the Commissioners support this project. I think it is worthwhile and I think we can learn from this if there are other areas in the County that have these kinds of problems, I think we can learn a lot from this process. Commissioner Hancock would you like to add anything?”

Commissioner Hancock said, “I appreciate what Chairman Schroeder has said and I appreciate his support. Thanks to the Legal staff and David’s engineering people, PEC, and others, kind of put together this plan to approach some of the exceedingly fast drainage on the east side of the river that Chairman Schroeder has experienced in his district and exceedingly slow drainage on my side of the river where it just won’t go away. Each one of those areas up there are somewhat unique in their problems that they are experiencing. I think this is a first for Sedgwick County to take an approach like this. But if you stop to think about it, about everything it involves in the Arkansas River Valley ends up right down there to a certain extent and we’re receiving virtually all the water that comes from the north part of the County and elsewhere.

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“I hope that the folks in all of these areas will be a little bit more patient. It took a long time to develop some of the problems and it won’t take that long to solve them or to get relief, but it will take a little while longer. So for me at least this is an interesting process and it is going to be as much fun to watch happen as to make it happen. It will be a fun thing to observe. With a lot of intelligence from people like David and his staff, PEC and others, and support by the Commissioners, there will be a lot of happy residents in the lower end of the County.”

Mr. Spears said, “I can tell you this, our staff is excited about tackling this project. It is huge. Like you say, it is a new process. We’ve not done this before. I think we get the same calls that you get and it is frustrating for us not to be able to solve some of these. I think with this new process, our hope is that we can solve some of these drainage problems in these areas. These are the worst areas in the County.”

Commissioner Hancock said, “I’ll also note, Mr. Chairman, we’re utilizing statutes that are unique and we’re being very inventive with them, so I wanted to make that comment. Thanks to Richard and his people we’ve been very inventive in our approach to this. I also might note that this probably will not be for the most part in the long run a County wide cost. It will be associated with those districts and the folks who need the benefit will pay the most for those benefits. Thank you, David. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.”

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

Commissioner Winters said, “Just two quick questions, or a question and a comment. How long do you think this Phase I portion will take?”

Mr. Spears said, “It is 180 calendar days.”

Commissioner Winters said, “That is pretty quick then. Secondly, I was just going to say that I’m certainly going to be supportive of this because this is the kind of project that if we didn’t help participate in finding some solutions, there would be no one out there to find the solutions. I’m certainly going to be supportive of it. Thank you.”

Chairman Schroeder said, “Thank you. What is the cost again for Phase I?”

Mr. Spears said, “It is \$63,272.”

Chairman Schroeder said, “Okay, thank you. Other questions or comments about this item? It not, what’s the will of the Board?”

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MOTION

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

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

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

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you, David. Appreciate it. Next item please."

K. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF BIDS AND CONTRACTS' FEBRUARY 5 AND FEBRUARY 12, 1998 REGULAR MEETINGS.

Mr. Darren Muci, Director, Purchasing Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "We have minutes from the February 5 and February 12 meeting of the Board of Bids and Contracts. First, February 5.

**(1) REMODEL WOMEN'S ALCOHOL TREATMENT CENTER - COMCARE
FUNDING: COMCARE**

"Item one is remodel the women's alcohol treatment center for COMCARE. It was recommended to accept the low bid of VanAsdale Construction in the amount of \$10,700.

**(2) BRIDGE IMPROVEMENTS - BUREAU/PUBLIC SERVICES
FUNDING: DEBT FINANCING**

"Item two, bridge improvements for Public Services, Projects 787-Z-1710 et al. It was recommended to accept the low bid of Utility Contracts, in the amount of \$275,536.

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(3) ANNUAL DATALINE CHARGES - INFORMATION SERVICES
FUNDING: INFORMATION SERVICES

“Item three is the annual dataline charges for Information Services. It was recommended to accept the only bid of \$105,203.68 from Southwestern Bell Telephone.

(4) UPGRADE IBM 9672-R42 - INFORMATION SERVICES
FUNDING: EQUIPMENT RESERVE

“Item four is the upgrade of the IBM 9672-R42 mainframe computer, the Escon Channels. This price from IBM is \$14,600.

(5) HARDWARE & SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE - INFORMATION SERVICES
FUNDING: INFORMATION SERVICES

“Item five, hardware and software maintenance for Information Services for the Storage Technology Corporation equipment. It was recommended to accept the only bid of Storage Technology for \$111,599.16.

(6) XEROX PRINTER MAINTENANCE - INFORMATION SERVICES
FUNDING: INFORMATION SERVICES

“Item six, Xerox printer maintenance for Information Services. These are the small printer systems used throughout the County. It was recommended to accept the low bid of Xerox Corporation for the maintenance for 1998, \$36,761. I’ll be happy to take questions on these items from the February 5 meeting of the Board of Bids and Contracts.”

Chairman Schroeder said, “Thank you, Darren. Other questions or comments on this item? It not, what’s the will of the Board?”

MOTION

Commissioner Hancock moved to approve the recommendations of the Board of Bids and Contracts for the February 5, 1998 meeting.

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 W. Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Chairman Mark F. Schroeder	Aye

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you. Now I believe we have the February 12 Minutes?"

Mr. Muci said, "There are five items for your consideration.

(1) PERSONAL COMPUTER NETWORK SERVICES - CAPITAL PROJECTS
FUNDING: DETENTION FACILITY ADDITION

"Item one, personal computer network services for Capital Projects and the Sheriff's Department. It was recommended to accept the low total bid of Computerland East for \$32,634.33.

(2) IBM ANNUAL HARDWARE MAINTENANCE - INFORMATION SERVICES
FUNDING: INFORMATION SERVICES

"Item two is the IBM annual hardware maintenance for Information Services for the big hardware. It is from IBM, \$290,882.17.

(3) IBM ANNUAL SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE - INFORMATION SERVICES
FUNDING: INFORMATION SERVICES

"Item three is the IBM annual software maintenance for all of the software applications. Again, the vendor is IBM Corporation, and the amount is \$250,554.

(4) DIGITAL RECORDING SYSTEM - EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS
FUNDING: EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SERVICES

"Item four is the digital recording system for Emergency Communications. It was recommended to accept the proposal meeting mandatory requirements of Dictaphone Corporation in the amount of \$114,905.50 with options. Following that was a three page recommendation from Kent Koehler of Emergency Communications explaining the recommendation.

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(5) FURNITURE - JUVENILE JUSTICE AUTHORITY
FUNDING: JUVENILE JUSTICE AUTHORITY

“Item five is furniture for the Juvenile Justice Authority for the Department of Corrections. It was recommended to accept the low total bid of Scott Rice. That amount is \$38,994.10.

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(6) UNIFORMS - EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES
FUNDING: EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

“There is one item that did not require action at that particular time. Those were uniforms for Emergency Medical Services. Those bids are being reviewed. I’d be happy to take questions and would recommend approval of the minutes provided by the Board of Bids and Contracts.”

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to approve the recommendations of the Board of Bids and Contracts February 12 Meeting.

Commissioner Miller seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

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

Chairman Schroeder said, “Thank you. Next item please.”

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CONSENT AGENDA

L. CONSENT AGENDA.

1. Right-of-Way Easement.

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 799-V, Owners: Wesley D. Capps and Melissa M. Capps, located in the Northeast Quarter of Section 22, Township 28 South, Range 2 West, more specifically located east of 167th Street West and south of 47th Street South. Illinois Township. District #3.
- b. Road Number 590-15, Owners: Glenn R. Hamilton and Dixie M. Hamilton, located in the Northwest Quarter of Section 9, Township 25 South, Range 2 West, more specifically located on the south side of 117th Street North and east of 183rd Street West. Eagle Township. District #3.

2. Right-of-Way Instruments.

- a. One Temporary Construction Easement for Sedgwick County Project No. 616-32, 33, W ½ 34; 13th Street North between the Wichita city limits and K-96. CIP #R-225. District #1.
- b. One Easement for Right-of-Way and one Temporary Construction Easement for Sedgwick County Project No. 612-18-2000; Bridge on 29th Street North between 119th and 135th Streets West. CIP #B-313. District #3.

3. Section 8 Housing Assistance Payment Contracts.

<u>Contract Number</u>	<u>Rent Subsidy</u>	<u>District Number</u>	<u>Landlord</u>
V98008	\$264.00		River Road Residences
V98007	\$201.00	5	John Van Winkle

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<u>Contract Number</u>	<u>Rent Subsidy</u>	<u>District Number</u>	<u>Landlord</u>
V98009	\$235.00		Guy's Rental Property
V98010	\$154.00	5	Cottage Grove
V98011	\$204.00	5	William Favreau

- 4. 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>
V97016	\$204.00	\$214.00
V93028	\$128.00	\$201.00
C96020	\$170.00	\$000.00
C861001	\$191.00	\$209.00
C97052	\$514.00	\$414.00
V97000	\$211.00	\$251.00
V96079	\$210.00	\$210.00
V94069	\$144.00	\$144.00
V96003	\$119.00	\$119.00
V95095	\$159.00	\$155.00
C97024	\$225.00	\$225.00
C93021	\$301.00	\$290.00
V97018	\$207.00	\$191.00
C97068	\$203.00	\$199.00
V95140	\$327.00	\$471.00
V95095	\$425.00	\$255.00

- 5. Appointment of a Special Prosecutor for the District Attorney.**
- 6. Certificate of Substantial Completion for reconstruction of the Walter Morris Dam at Lake Afton Park. CIP #PR-168.**
- 7. Agreements (two) with Kansas Investigative Services, Inc. and Cableworks to provide on-line access to Sedgwick County's electronic data.**

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- 8. Authorization per K.S.A. 79-2012 to withhold delinquent personal property taxes under the County Treasurer's certification dated February 5, 1998.**
- 9. Ratification of Galyardt Estates 2nd Addition Plat.**
- 10. Plat.**

Approved by the Bureau of Public Services. The County Treasurer has certified that taxes for the year 1997 and prior years are paid for the following plat:

Resurrection Cemetery Addition

- 11. Orders dated February 4, 1998 and February 11, 1998 to correct tax roll for change of assessment.**
- 12. Applications for License to Retail Cereal Malt Beverages.**

<u>Applicant Name</u>	<u>d/b/a</u>
Michael R. Billingsley Clearwater Golf Club	Course Strategy, LLC, dba
Attis M. Murrill	Mother's Finest LTD

- 13. Addendums to Contract (37) with Absolute Home Health Care, Agape Services, Arrowhead West, Inc., Best Home Health Care Agency, Catholic Charities, Inc. Adult Day Services, Catholic Diocese of Wichita Ministry with Persons with Disabilities, Cerebral Palsy Research Foundation of Kansas, Inc., Charles E. Collier, Craig HomeCare, Dependable Home Health Care, Inc., Dream Catchers, Envision, Epimelos Associates, Goodwill Industries Easter Seal Society of Kansas, Inc., Heavenly Housecalls Homecare Services, Inc., Hortencia Granado, Interim Healthcare of Wichita, Inc., Kansas Elks Training Center for the Handicapped, Inc., Kansas Truck Equipment Co., Inc., Kimberly Home Health Care, Inc., Leticia Aldrete, Life Patterns, March, Inc., dba Assisted Healthcare, Prime Health LLC, ProActive Home HealthCare Services, Rainbows United, Inc., RISE, Inc., Saint Raphael Home Care, Inc.,**

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SCCS Home Health and Hospice, P.A., Special Care Services, Inc., Starkey, Inc., Steve Mallernee, Inc., The Arc of Sedgwick County, Topeka Independent Living Resource Center, United Methodist Youthville, Inc., Wichita Lifeline, Inc. and Zachary House, Inc. to provide Certified Developmental Disability Organization status.

14. Consideration of the Check Registers of February 6 and February 13, 1998.

15. Budget Adjustment Requests.

<u>Number</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Type of Adjustment</u>
980061	COMCARE	Transfer
980064	Court Alcohol/Drug Safety Action Program	Supplemental Appropriation
980066	Aging	Supplemental Appropriation
980067	COMCARE-CDDO	Supplemental Appropriation
980068	COMCARE-Children's Federal Grant	Supplemental Appropriation
980069	Coroner-DNA Grant	Supplemental Appropriation
980070	Diversion Drug Testing	Supplemental Appropriation
980071	Corrections-Juvenile ISP	Transfer
980072	Special Highway Equipment Fund	Supplemental Appropriation
980073	Road and Bridge Sales Tax	Supplemental Appropriation
980074	Belle Terre South Phase 1 - Street	Supplemental Appropriation
980075	Public Services Engineering Building	Supplemental Appropriation
980076	1998 Bridge Projects	Supplemental Appropriation
980077	1998 Bridge Projects	Supplemental Appropriation
980078	Finance General COMCARE Prevention Funds	Transfer

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Mr. Buchanan said, "Commissioners, you have the Consent Agenda and I would ask you take a look at Item 13, which is an addendum to a number of contracts certified development disability organization status. The 38 addendums rather than 37 and we need to add PACT as the company's name to that addendum. Therefore, with that change, I would recommend you approve the Consent Agenda."

Chairman Schroeder said, "Mr. Manager, PACT, that was in the item previous then? Was that included as discussed? Okay, thank you. Commissioners, what's the will of the Board?"

Commissioner Hancock said, "I don't know what he said."

Chairman Schroeder said, "Well, he wants us to amend Item 13 to include 38 addendums including PACT, that's the change."

Mr. Buchanan said, "Item 13 is an addendum to existing contracts. These contracts have to do with we are certifying that they are developmentally disability organization status, which allows them to go through the process and receive funds from us and receive the waivers from the federal government for those payments. A company was excluded when we put the list together. That company's name is PACT."

MOTION

Commissioner Hancock moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented with the addition on Item 13 of one organization, PACT.

Commissioner Miller seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

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

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you. I'll recess this meeting."

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The Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners recessed into the Sewer District Meeting at 10:28 a.m. and returned at 10:34 a.m.

Chairman Schroeder said, "I'll call the meeting back to order, the Regular Meeting of the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners, February 18, 1998. Other business?"

M. OTHER

MOTION

Commissioner Hancock moved that the Board of County Commissioners recess into Executive Session for 60 minutes to consider consultation with Legal Counsel on matters privileged in the attorney client relationship relating to pending claims and litigation and legal advice and personnel matters of non-elected personnel, and that the Board of County Commissioners return from Executive Session no sooner than 11:30 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 W. Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Melody C. Miller	Aye
Chairman Mark F. Schroeder	Aye

Chairman Schroeder said, "We'll be in Executive Session."

The Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners recessed into Executive Session at 10:34 a.m. and returned at 12:10 p.m.

Chairman Schroeder said, "Let the record show there was no binding action taken in Executive Session. Mr. Euson has some legal issues to discuss."

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Mr. Richard Euson said, "While in Executive Session we discussed some worker's compensation claims. We have two that we recommend for you to settle. One is for an employee by the name of Jim Simon involving a low back injury. To settle in the amount of \$14,027. The other is for a former employee by the name of Edmund Pearson, in the amount of \$13,238.50. We recommend those for your approval in one Motion."

Chairman Schroeder said, "Commissioners, discussion on this item?"

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to approve the Workmen's Compensation claim amounts of \$14,027 to Jim Simon and \$13,238.50 to Edmund Pearson.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

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

Chairman Schroeder said, "Thank you Rich. Any other business to come before this Board? Mr. Manager? Then we're adjourned."

N. ADJOURNMENT

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There being no other business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 12:11 p.m.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS**

MARK F. SCHROEDER, Chairman
Fifth District

PAUL W. HANCOCK, Chairman Pro Tem
Second District

BETSY GWIN, Commissioner
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THOMAS G. WINTERS, Commissioner
Third District

MELODY C. MILLER, Commissioner
Fourth District

ATTEST:

James Alford, County Clerk

APPROVED:

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