

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING

JUNE 30, 1999

The Regular Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Sedgwick County, Kansas, was called to order at 9:00 A.M., Wednesday, June 30, 1999 in the County Commission Meeting Room in the Courthouse in Wichita, Kansas, by Chairman Bill Hancock; with the following present: Chair Pro Tem Betsy Gwin; Commissioner Thomas G. Winters; Commissioner Carolyn McGinn; Commissioner Ben Sciortino; Mr. William P. Buchanan, County Manager; Mr. Rich Euson, County Counselor; Mr. Jarold D. Harrison, Assistant County Manager; Mr. David C. Spears, Director, Bureau of Public Works; Mr. Darren Muci, Director, Purchasing Department; Mr. Fred Ervin, Director, Public Relations; Ms. Jo Templin, Personnel Specialist, Career Development, Division of Human Resources; Mr. Lyman Reese, Major, Sheriff's Department; Mr. Larry Reidlinger, Senior Administrative Officer, Sheriff's Department; Ms. Louanna Honeycutte Burress, Economic Development Specialist, Department of Housing and Economic Development; Ms. Jan Kennedy, County Treasurer; Mr. Joe L. Norton, Bond Counsel, Gilmore & Bell; Mr. Tom Pollan, Director, Emergency Medical Services; Ms. Marilyn Cook, Assistant Director, Division of Human Services; Ms. Annette Graham, Director, Department on Aging; Ms. Cecile Gough, Assistant Director, Department of Corrections; Ms. Jeanette Clary, District Attorney's Office; Ms. Jama Rallas, Assistant Director, Division of Human Services; and Ms. Heather J. Knoblock, Deputy County Clerk.

GUESTS

Mr. John Roper, Chairman, WCGC Board of Directors
Mr. Jack Ranson, Ranson Housing Compliance, LLC

INVOCATION

The Board of County Commissioners observed a moment of silence.

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

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

CONSIDERATIONS OF MINUTES: **Regular Meeting, June 9, 1999**

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The Clerk reported that all Commissioners were present at the Regular Meetings of June 9 and June 16, 1999.

Chairman Hancock said, "Commissioners, you received copies of those Minutes and had an opportunity to review them. What's the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meetings of June 9 and June 16, 1999.

Commissioner McGinn seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

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

RETIREMENT PRESENTATIONS

A. RETIREMENT PRESENTATIONS.

Ms. Jo Templin, Personnel Specialist - Career Development, Division of Human Resources, greeted the Commissioners and said, "This morning we are here to extend retirement best wishes and congratulations to two career employees of the Sheriff's Department. These individuals will not only be missed in the Sheriff's Department, but in the whole courthouse community as well."

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1. PRESENTATION OF RETIREMENT CLOCK TO LYMAN REESE, MAJOR, SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT.

"The first one is Major Lyman Reese. Lyman, would you step forward. Major Lyman Reese of the Sheriff's Department retired July 1, 1999 after 27 years of service. Lyman was hired on July 18, 1972 as a Patrolman and was promoted to Lieutenant November 24, 1974, promoted to Captain November 23, 1977, and promoted to Major on March 3, 1985.

"Lyman says he will enjoy traveling and fishing during retirement and spending time with his wife, children, and grandchildren. He describes he career in law enforcement as rewarding and that he has thoroughly enjoyed it. Lyman, congratulations."

Chairman Hancock said, "Lyman is I guess one of the main folks around here for so many years. Everybody expects Lyman to be here. He's done so many things for the Sheriff's Office and the people of Sedgwick County. I can't possibly, even in the short time that I've been here and haven't even approached the number of years you've been here. I can't think of all the things that Lyman has done for the citizens of Sedgwick County and the Sheriff's Office. You have seen tremendous growth. He has been instrumental in all of that. He's been one of our main players. People of Sedgwick County, Lyman, I know appreciate everything you've done. The Board of County Commissioners appreciate everything you've done and I know the Sheriff's you have worked for appreciate everything you've done. You are to be congratulated and we're going to miss you so much. Thank you, very much for everything."

Major Lyman Reese said, "I've stood up here so many times it seems like I should be asking you to approve something. I don't know if you're feeling charitable this morning. Words kind of escape me and that's unbelievable to a lot of people. The only thing I can do is say I've enjoyed the ride. Thank you, for allowing me to pursue a career that I really love and that goes for the Sheriffs too. Thank you."

2. PRESENTATION OF RETIREMENT CLOCK TO LARRY RIEDLINGER, SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT.

Ms. Templin said, "Larry Riedlinger, the Senior Administrative Officer of the Sheriff's Department, will retire July 1, 1999 after 25 years of service. Larry was hired on August 26, 1974, as a Program Officer,

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promoted to Corrections Director on September 15, 1975, and became a Senior Administrative Officer on January 1, 1997.

"Larry plans to spend time with his wife Mary and three grown children, Kimberly, Michael and Carla. They also have one granddaughter, Caley. Larry plans to spend more time working in the yard, running, and walking.

"While on the department, Larry was an active participant in the Law Enforcement Special Olympics Torch Run for eight years. Larry says he has enjoyed working for the Sheriff's Department and Sedgwick County and has found his time very rewarding and in his retirement, it will be short lived, because he has signed a contract to teach the seventh and eighth grade history and science classes at St. Peters School in Schulte. He says this is what I did for five years prior to coming to the County so he feels like his life has made a complete 360 degree circle. Larry, congratulations."

Chairman Hancock said, "Once again, Larry is one of those folks who during my time here on the Commission, you haven't been nearly as visible as Lyman has, but every bit as important. The Sheriff's functions have moved along over the last many years just as smoothly as any Sheriff's Department in the country. I know that you have played a significant role in that. You've made it easy for the rest of us. We appreciate that. Thank you very much. The citizens of Sedgwick County and the Board of County Commissioners want to say congratulations on your retirement and present you with this clock."

Mr. Larry Riedlinger said, "Commissioner Hancock has mentioned I'm not quite as visible as Major Reese, but we've both worked very closely together over the years. I think Lyman was one of the first people that I met when I was first hired on to the department. I, too, would like to echo his thanks to the Commissioners for all the help and support they've given to us. You've been instrumental in enabling us to accomplish a lot of the things we set out to do.

"I too have enjoyed the time with the County and the Sheriff's Department. I know a lot of people question my sanity for doing what I'm going to be doing, but it is something that I've always wanted to do too. Maybe I can have as much success in it I hope as I've had in my time with the County. Once again, thank you, all very much."

Commissioner Gwin said, "Thank you, all and congratulations. Thanks to all of you co-workers and staff members who came to congratulate them too. We'll give you a couple of minutes to get back to work."

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Chairman Hancock said, "Commissioners, at this time, I'd like to take up an Off Agenda Proclamation."

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to take an Off Agenda Proclamation.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

OFF AGENDA PROCLAMATION

Mr. Fred Ervin, Director, Public Relations, greeted the Commissioners and said, "We have one Proclamation this morning and I'd like to read it into the record."

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Drums Across Kansas, Inc. Will welcome to Wichita the Drum Corps International 1999 Edition of the Summer Music Games on July 19; and

WHEREAS, Cessna Stadium will be one of the few stops on a nationwide tour leading up to the DCI World Championships in Madison, Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, young people and band directors from outlying communities will be coming to Wichita to view this event, which is an opportunity for local music students to see the highest caliber of performers locally, instead of traveling hundreds of miles to the nearest show; and

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WHEREAS, since drum corps participation is extremely competitive and involves young people from 13 to 22 years of age, an event such as this can focus a child's attention on the opportunity available to them, give them goals and provide a positive alternative to gangs, drugs and alcohol;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Bill Hancock, Chairman of the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners, does hereby proclaim July 19, 1999, as

“DRUMS ACROSS KANSAS DAY”

in Sedgwick County, and encourage area parents to make this opportunity available to their children by taking them to Cessna Stadium on July 19, 1999.

"I request that you adopt the Proclamation and authorize the Chairman's signature."

MOTION

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

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

Mr. Ervin said, "Commissioners, the Drums Across Kansas organization was not able to be here this morning so I'll accept on their behalf and make sure they get this."

Chairman Hancock said, "I want to say Fred that it is truly one of the most magnificent events. If anyone has not had the opportunity to go watch these performances, they are fantastic. These kids work very hard and deserve folks to be out there and watch what goes on. It's amazing. These are good kids."

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Mr. Ervin said, "You're exactly right. It is one big event. Thank you."

Chairman Hancock said, "Next item, please."

PUBLIC HEARING

B. PUBLIC HEARING AND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF COLLATERALIZED MORTGAGE REVENUE BONDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$70,000,000.

Ms. Louanna Honeycutt Burress, Economic Development Specialist, Department of Housing and Economic Development, greeted the Commissioners and said, "This \$70,000,000 mortgage revenue bond program represents, if not the largest, one of the largest programs that we've done in the almost 20 years that Sedgwick County has been an issuer of mortgage revenue bonds. When one looks at the interest rates today, which are lower than they've been in many years, it is a valid question to ask why we feel the need to do a program at all or such a large program. This program is structured like the last couple of programs that Sedgwick County has sponsored, in that a 4% subsidy or gift will be given to the home buyer at closing just to help with the closing costs and down payment. We find frequently that when a person or family wants to buy a home, they may have the income to make the house payment, because they've got to be paying rent, but it is difficult to come up with the down payment and the closing costs. This sometimes keeps a family from purchasing a home. This program is designed to give some assistance with that. The 4% up front does not have to be paid back.

"As all programs that we do like this, we have to give the public an opportunity to address the issue so this morning I'm recommending that you first conduct the public hearing and following that, approve the Resolution authorizing a \$70,000,000 mortgage revenue bond issue. If you have questions, I've got a number of people here who can address those. We have Joe Norton, Gilmore and Bell, Chuck Bouilly with George K. Baum, and Jack Ranson with Ranson Housing Compliances. These are all experienced professionals and any or all of them can address questions you might have."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Louanna. Commissioners, do you have any questions at this time? If not, at this time I'll open for public comment, Item B, concerning issuance of Collateralized Mortgage Revenue Bonds. Is there anyone here who would like to address this issue this morning? Is there anyone here who would like to address this item on our agenda this morning? If not, I'll close the public hearing. Commissioner Winters."

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Commissioner Winters said, "I have a question of Jack. Jack, could you tell us just briefly how we arrived at this \$70,000,000 and how much Kansas has allocated to it? This does come as an allocation, is that right, from the federal government? Could you just touch on that."

Mr. Jack Ranson said, "This goes back to the Federal Housing Act in I think 1982. Before that, these types of issues were threatening to basically take over the mortgage market and there had to be some kind of limits and there were other reasons. The feds passed a law that says that Kansas can have \$150,000,000 per year to utilize for housing bonds, for industrial revenue bonds, for student loan bonds, for multi-family bonds, and some of the smaller states have \$150,000,000 and larger states have more. The history has been that there is a lot of competition annually for those allocations. This program, that the Sedgwick County Commission has been the leader on, on a state-wide basis, has been done in cooperating with the Kansas Department of Commerce and Housing. This particular issue of \$70,000,000, it is all based on the federal allocations, through a program suggested by George K. Baum and Company several years ago, virtually every month, as you know, we recycle some old allocation as people prepaid mortgages. We recover that allocation on a monthly basis and put funds aside in a temporary investment. Also, about a month ago, you did basically a liquidation of an old bond issue and we were able to recapture a considerable allocation there.

"We went to the state several weeks ago in conjunction with Shawnee County and requested not to exceed \$30,000,000 in allocation, which combined with the recovered allocation we already have, would bring us up to about a \$70,000,000 amount. In cooperation with the state, we finally determined that \$25,000,000 would do us, in order to give us adequate length on the mortgages, because the allocation we recover is limited and we have to combine that with new allocation in order to get the 30 year mortgages that this program entails.

"We have met with the lenders. They are enthusiastic. They applied for \$170,000,000 in allocations, so we had to allocate among the various lenders. The lender group has grown with the state wide group. We cover virtually the entire state now, including Johnson County, Olathe, Wyandotte County in Kansas City. But the allocation is the key in cooperation with the State Department of Commerce has been a key factor in doing that, because they have to grant the \$150,000,000 each year."

Commissioner Winters said, "All right, thank you, very much."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Commissioner. Commissioners, further questions? If not, what's the will of the Board?"

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MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to adopt the Resolution and authorize the Chairman to sign the appropriate documents.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Louanna. Thank you, all for being here today. We appreciate your time. Louanna said there are plenty of folks here capable of answering questions. I'll agree to that. Next item, please."

CITIZEN INQUIRY

C. REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGARDING WICHITA CHILD GUIDANCE CENTER (WCGC).

Mr. John Roper, Chairman, WCGC Board of Directors, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I want to thank you for placing this on your agenda on short notice and particularly thank Bill Buchanan, who helped us do that. We have a Power Point presentation which will give us some context of why we're here.

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"We're a community mental health center for children. We serve more children than any center in the State of Kansas with the exception of one, which is Pawnee Center. The WCGC is the Wichita Child Guidance Center. The FCS is Family Consultation Service. FCCS is COMCARE's Family and Children Community Services. Those are the total numbers. What is at stake here, you can see, we serve 1,0891 children, which is more than double the number served by FCS or FCCS.

"We've been in business as a mental health center serving the needs of children for 75 years. Since 1972, we've been a licensed community health center. The present contract we have with Sedgwick County, it is actually done through the Sedgwick County Department of Mental Health and dated January 24, 1985, which predates the existence of COMCARE. It has specific provisions concerning the work that our center has to do in order to comply with the contract and with the statute as well. We'll provide to residents of Sedgwick County a full range of mental health services to, in behalf of children and their families, such services will include but not be limited to evaluation, diagnostic services, individual family and group psychotherapy, medication and other services necessary and psychiatric treatment, mental health consultation to other County organizations relevant to the provision of childrens mental health services, and community information and education related to the mental health needs of children.

"Now, today, COMCARE, about ten years ago stepped into the shoes of the Sedgwick County Department of Mental Health. Chairman Hancock, you've given us a 90 day notice to terminate that contract if we do not negotiate a new one. Our status depends upon whether we are in contract either with the COMCARE group or SRS directly. We will lose our ability to be a community mental health center if we do not have a contract either with the County or with the State.

"The ???? stumbling block to our negotiations on our contract has been an issue of equity and allocation of state grant money. That's the state grant money we're talking about. Hospital closure, mental health reform funds, and the community based service grant, \$1,184,764 for 1998. We believe that considering the case load that we had and the type of clients that we have, we need a sizable portion of that state grant. The issue of that equity didn't come up 60 days ago, it's been going on for quite some time and I just share with you a meeting I had with Secretary **Chronister** about four months ago in her office. I went through a paper, a position paper, describing our situation and what we serve and what we gain from the money that she has intrusted to see that all the children in the County are served. I said that in a very brief way, we serve two thirds of the children that are severely emotionally disturbed, what we call SED children. The FCCS, which is COMCARE, does not serve more than a third and yet of the state grant monies, those monies, we get 4% and FCCS gets 96%. She said in response, as I concluded about a 30 minute conversation, she said, you need some mediation on this, why haven't you been here before. Well, we're now at the point of mediation. We met last week with your advisory council of COMCARE and I believe,

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I do not have a copy of it, perhaps you do, there was a recommendation that there be mediation. I'm not sure what the content of that was. We've never received that recommendation. But if that is true, and I think it is true, then we have met and talked about, **Jennifer McGonia** and I, who is an attorney for the County, we met, and we talked about who might be appointed as a mediator. The name **Catherine Kirk** was presented to me this morning by Jennifer and she is very acceptable to me and I think she would be a wonderful mediator . I'm hoping we can get started right away framing the issue for mediation.

"I think, when we get right down to it, from your point of view, whether or not we receive any part of that grant money, more than 4% of it, is going to be based upon your assessment of two factors. First is a factor of duty. You ask the question, what are you legally obligated to. I would point first of all to the statute. The secretary, who is Secretary **Cronister**, shall administer and disburse these funds to each mental health center for the coordination and provisions of mental health services for all persons who are residents of the service delivery area of such mental health center. Quite obviously, when we do two thirds of the business and receive 4% and another group does one third of the business and receives 96%, there is no equality in the allocation of the money for the persons to be served. There isn't any question, in my view, and I don't think in COMCARE's view, that these monies are intrusted. In fact, a quote from one of the responses we got from COMCARE says, 'COMCARE believes that those monies allocated through the two grant funds,' really should say three because there are three, 'were intrusted to Sedgwick County.' The issue is not really whether they are intrusted but how and for what purpose were they intrusted. We would say simply they were intrusted to keep children out of state hospitals. How can we do that? We're doing that with less, together, but it is inequitable in what we're doing and we're going broke doing that.

"The existing contract is also a factor in your legal determination. What does it say in terms of allocation of state grant monies?"

Chairman Hancock said, "Excuse me. Mr. Roper, how much longer do you need?"

Mr. Roper said, "I'm on page three of four pages."

Chairman Hancock said, "Okay."

Mr. Roper said, "The Wichita Child Guidance Center is a licensed mental health center and will receive funds from the department utilizing the same formula applied by the State of Kansas for distribution of state aid. The Community Mental Health Center is defined by the statute. If that happened, then we might look and see what would happen to the money.

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"The pie charts, two of them there, the one on the left is the way it is and it is even a reduced amount somewhat from the original almost 1.2 down to a 1.054. We get \$46,000, which is 4%. If we did it according to the state allocation formula, ours is in the purple color. We'd probably get, and that is assuming that the Family Consultation Service participates in that as well, they're in the light blue and we're in the purple. You can see how drastically that would reduce the FCCS funding from those grants if you just applied the state aid formula.

"The second point that we make other than by duty, by contractual duty or statutory duty, we ask that you use common sense. That's rather easy to say. The right thing to do is what is in the best interest of the children of Sedgwick County. We know their needs exceed our abilities, all of our abilities, so the issue becomes how to best use the money that we have available. The money needs to follow the child. COMCARE and Wichita Child Guidance Center are working on developing the cost data to determine and establish the relative cost of services provided by FCCS and the Wichita Child Guidance Center. Your accountant, Mark Dick, who is here in the audience, is working on this for us on behalf of COMCARE and has requested information that we've requested. Hopefully that exchange will be taking place in the next number of days. I understand that Mark is going to be out of town. He has somebody working I think probably full time trying to get that information. We'll work very closely to get that data. It is important to know because it tells us who is most efficient, where the dollars should be spent. When this is on the table, we believe it is quite clear that what is going to happen is going to be quite clear that the Guidance Center is by far the most efficient provider of mental health needs of children in Sedgwick County and is entitled, if you will, to equity. We're not entitled because we are a community mental health center, we're entitled because we provide the services.

"With the context of what I just said in mind, I ask you to grant, this is where it becomes quite serious, to the Wichita Child Guidance Center, an interim advance of \$160,000 to partially pay for the unpaid certified match attributable to wrap around services that we provide. The wrap around services we provide are actually the certified match of \$320,000, we're asking only for half of that at this time. That covers the past four years. We're also asking, I think Bill you suggested, that maybe there would be a disruption of payments of state aid, we ask that that not be disrupted, those quarterly payments. Our preliminary discussions with SRS makes it clear that unpaid certified match relative to the wrap around services are attributable and should be paid and could be paid from those state grant monies. It is our view that you have the resources to easily provide this support without effecting FCCS programs. With the interim advance, I believe we should extend the termination date Chairman Hancock. It is July 21 or 20, depending upon how many days you count. What we've calculated is July 21. We need to do that in order to complete the mediation process. We've got a person we need to talk to to see what we think would be the mediation process time table and share that with you. I'd like to be on the agenda if I could

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next week, so we could hit those highlights for you. We presented a structure that might, to Jennifer Magana, I did yesterday, that might very well help us with the mediation. I have, in this book right here, which what I'm speaking from is Attachment D to this position paper and will distribute that to you. If time is running out, I won't go into the illustration. If you would prefer, I would be happy to share the illustration, but I think it might satisfy most of the concerns of the parties here. Would you grant me that time?"

Chairman Hancock said, "By Resolution we allow five minutes for addresses. How much time are we talking about?"

Mr. Roper said, "A minute. This is just to give the illustration. I think it might be helpful frankly for you to hear it because it gets a process of how we can actually come to the light at the end of the tunnel. I'd be happy to be as brief as possible. I'm almost at the end."

Chairman Hancock said, "Okay."

Mr. Roper said, "What I would illustrate would be through an individual who comes to the Wichita Child Guidance Center named Jerry. Jerry is evaluated by our therapist as a severely emotionally disturbed child at risk of hospitalization and needing some wrap around services. That is our recommendation from our therapist. Our therapist then goes to our case manager. Our case manager takes that case to what I would call a gatekeeper for COMCARE, an employee of COMCARE that would be like a gatekeeper. They would look at that data and say does that child fit the data that FCCS would use for wrap around services. If so, then those wrap around services would be provided to the child and the Wichita Child Guidance Center as the provider could provide those services. The amount would be determined based upon the intensity and the need of that child. It initially could be done on either a case by case basis, but once we have experience, it might be based upon some more general guidelines. It would be based basically on what does it cost FCCA to do this. Then we may consider a discount to make an incentive to grant that. That would establish what COMCARE wants is a contract for services.

"Who would agree to the outcomes? The procedure for the outcomes. We already have to do that with United Way. So we could easily do that. The child then receives the services of the case manager or the wrap around services. The outcome requirements are granted, the control, the gate keeping function of COMCARE is satisfied, and we continue to be a community mental health center and we receive the funding that would be equitable as between those two agencies, between FCCS and Wichita Child Guidance Center. That would be one way it would work. I believe if we talk about that in mediation and

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get details before them, get data together, we really are Mr. Chairman, asking for and getting a 90 day continuation from the July 21 date to accomplish that. We cannot accomplish that by July 21. Unless the request for interim funding is granted and we're given some continuation, then what we really have is 1,081 children at risk of discontinuation of service. The only alternative we have to do at that point would be to talk to Secretary Chronister to step in and help us out and contract with us directly so we can continue.

"We're here to work with the County. We want to remain as a community health center. I'd like, if you possibly could, to have some member of your Board appointed as a point person during the course of the week so that this information could flow to the Commissioners, whichever person you would appoint. I'll be happy to answer your questions."

Chairman Hancock said, "Commissioners, questions?"

Commissioner Winters said, "I have a comment. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I guess I'm lukewarm on pursuing with this mediator and if we need to do that I think that is a much better way to have an exchange of questions and try to come to a resolution. I don't know that I have a lot of confidence in the mediator process. I do know that I've got confidence in staff of COMCARE. I've known Debbie Donaldson since 1993. I've followed her around a lot. I've been to negotiations which she's conducted with state officials, Secretary Chronister and others, and I tell you I just can't tell you how confident I am in her management abilities, decision making process and how she works. If she has attempted to resolve this problem over at least the last six months or longer, the letter that Chairman Hancock sent was a matter of last resort for us. So I think if we're willing to think about having a mediator, I guess I'm willing to do that. I don't know exactly what the outcome is going to be. I guess I would turn to the Manager and ask if he is prepared to set down with the mediating process and what that may lead to. Have you thought about that Mr. Buchanan?"

Mr. William Buchanan, County Manager, said, "We have not only thought about it but have talked amongst ourselves and believe it might be in the best interest for all parties to enter that process. At best, the numbers that you heard today don't reflect a side of the story. We have not been as good as we could have been in providing this group with numbers that we could compare. We think that is an important process to make sure that we're arguing about the right things or we're having disagreements about, at least can agree about the data. That we haven't been able to do. I think there are some issues that clearly a mediator might be able to help us through."

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"Currently, we have an attorney, Mr. Roper, and an accountant, Mr. Dick, trying to solve the mental health problem and that's a scary thought. I thought maybe a person who is trained in the mediation process, might be a helpful process. There are several issues of importance to us. The children in this community need to be cared for and this group has done that over the past several years and we need to make sure that a system is in place if they're in business or if they're not in business. We need to comprehend about how that might put systems in place to do that. We need to understand what their mission is and what our mission is and ours has been to keep children out of hospitals and we've been successful at that with those grants. We need to continue to understand the issue. The short answer is that yes, I would recommend to you that we proceed with the mediation process. I think it will be helpful for this organization and for the Wichita Child Guidance Center and for the people that we serve."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you. Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I also echo support for Debbie and COMCARE. Mr. Manager, I don't see her in the audience. Am I right in assuming we are taking steps, in the event that WCGC goes away that we will have something in place that will take care of these children that need taken care of?"

Mr. Buchanan said, "Yes sir."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Okay. That's all I have."

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

Commissioner Gwin said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Mr. Manager, the other thing that I think that seems to be at issue is the contractual agreement wherein COMCARE and WCGC agreed upon the services to be provided and reimbursement for those services. So, like Commissioner Winters, I guess

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I'll support the mediation if you think that's important, but I do have concerns about how mediation will solve that issue. I don't believe that this organization, whether it is COMCARE or Sedgwick County government, plans to reimburse outside agencies for services outside, that they chose to provide, outside a contractual relationship. Several years ago we entered into contracts with all outside agencies who receive funding from Sedgwick County. They state very specifically what services are to be provided and ask for outcomes, measurements, and those kinds of things to assure us and the tax payers that those monies are being used as we intend them to and as partners expressed that they would. So obviously that is an important part of our relationships with outside agencies in providing services. That seems to be the bottom line issue of this.

"What services are going to be provided, how are they going to be compensated when they are provided, and do the services meet with the guidelines and criteria that COMCARE, in this case, have established. If you think mediation will help, that's fine, but I'm certainly not going to change, I don't intend this County government to change the way it does business with its external partners. I think those partnerships are successful and are successful because we ask for accountability and responsibility. So I would certainly think that I'm not willing to give up that side of it in mediation. Thank you, Mr. Chairman."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you. Further comments?"

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to receive and file

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

Mr. Roper said, "Is there any response at all to the interim financing. It may be helpful next week maybe to present again?"

Chairman Hancock said, "I'll tell you what. I think we'll direct the Manager's Office and COMCARE's Office to get in touch with you. It is probably pretty difficult to discuss contractual matters in a meeting like this."

Mr. Roper said, "Right. Thank you, Mr. Chairman."

Commissioner Winters said, "Just for intentions though, I would have to see some strong kind of something I haven't seen before, before I would be interested in any kind of additional supplemental funds

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at this point in time."

Mr. Buchanan said, "If I may address that issue. This is the first time that I've been aware that a concrete number was being requested and a specific proposal was on the table. We will respond to you and Mr. Roper after we do the appropriate analysis."

Chairman Hancock said, "Very good. Okay Mr. Roper?"

Mr. Roper said, "Thank you."

Chairman Hancock said, "We have a Motion to receive and file. Clerk, call the vote."

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you. Thank you, for being here today. Next item, please."

NEW BUSINESS

D. PRESENTATION OF A CHECK FOR \$26,309.80 FROM THE 1998 AUTO LICENSE FUND.

Ms. Jan Kennedy, County Treasurer, greeted the Commissioners and said, "As you know, statutes require that unspent fees from the Auto Tag Office be turned over to the general fund. Last year, I was privileged to do that at the end of my first year. I haven't been here quite two years, but now we've ended another fiscal year and this year we have quite a bit more money for you. I think it is quite a bit more. This is on top of being able to set aside for the updating and remodeling of the facilities. I'm kind of pleased that we've been able to accomplish those kinds of things and I have a check for you for the \$26,309.80. I would assume you would want to receive the check."

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Commissioner Gwin moved to accept the check.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

Chairman Hancock said, "Jan, just a question. The updating in the facilities. Does that include electronic stuff?"

Ms. Kennedy said, "That is a state decision. I am serving on the advisory committee to look at new equipment because we're desperate."

Chairman Hancock said, "Can those funds be used to purchase those items?"

Ms. Kennedy said, "I suppose they could be, but if we don't work in coordination, we use the main frame program in Topeka so if we're not in concert and communication with that, it doesn't matter."

Chairman Hancock said, "If it was, could you use these funds for those items?"

Ms. Kennedy said, "Yes. They don't provide as much equipment as we use in Sedgwick County so we usually supplement. I think roughly 44 or 45 terminals that are provided by the state and then we've supplemented that with an additional 12 so we can offer the substation services to our citizens."

Chairman Hancock said, "We appreciate it. Good work."

Ms. Kennedy said, "I need a new roof now. I would beg that you consider that."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Are you taking it back immediately."

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Ms. Kennedy said, "Our roof is leaking. We have big barrels setting around. I'm on my way down there because it is the end of the month and it is a little hectic. In addition, as you know, generally in the government when there is money presented, there is a string attached. I would say today that if you're going to take my money that you're going to have to be a member of my team so I have shirts for you."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Why do I think those shirts are going to cost us \$26,000?"

Commissioner Gwin said, "Thank you, Jan."

Chairman Hancock said, "See you in Mexico. Thank you, Jan, very much. Good work. Tell the staff good work too. We appreciate everything you do down there."

Ms. Kennedy said, "Thank you. I'll do that."

Chairman Hancock said, "Next item, please."

E. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE OFFER FOR SALE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES A, 1999 AND TEMPORARY NOTES, SERIES 1999-1 OF SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS.

SLIDE PRESENTATION

Mr. Joe L. Norton, Bond Counsel, Gilmore & Bell, P.C., greeted the Commissioners and said, "For your consideration this morning, we have an Agenda item to establish a date and time for the public sale of general obligation bonds and temporary notes of the County to permanently and interim finance various County projects. As you may recall, we've been through the process in the past of authorizing certain County at large bridge and road improvements and the special assessment process for capitalized infrastructure improvements to various department areas within the County. That assessment process has been completed. We've gone through the 30 day time period in which property owners can pay in and the finalized numbers are now before you to consider this resolution to further the process.

"In the general obligation bond issue, in the amount of \$12,195,000, this comprised of four basic components. The bond finance road program for 1999 is in at \$4,393,459. You have previously authorized 17 bridge improvements for which you've authorized financing in the amount of \$2,000,000. There are special assessment components, 10 street projects, for \$4,549,970. There are 11 sewer special assessment projects, in the amount of \$1,579,653. That aggregates the \$12,195,000. There are so many

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projects and so much development going on that they are really kind of small to understand that but we're trying to get them all on the screen for you.

"The basic components of the general bond issue are as follows. We will have them dated August 1. The road and bridge component, the County at large portion, would be repaid over a 10 year period with the special assessments paid over a 15 year term. The bonds would be subject to optional redemption at par and at 2009 or 10 years from now, but we do anticipate again working with the Finance Department and the outside financial advisory to obtain ratings on this issue. As you may recall, the County's general credit by their national rating agencies is very high. In the existing GO bonds, the County is rated AA1, AA, and AA+ by the three rating agencies listed on the screen there, which is a very high credit rating. We anticipate the sale to occur on July 21, 1999, at 9:30 a.m. for the bonds, with the closing to occur, in which we trade bonds for money, on about August 20 of this year.

"The note component for the 1999-1 notes, in the amount of \$3,500,000 are to fund 21 capital improvement projects for which the County has previously authorized the construction. The Bureau of Public Works has estimated they will need this amount of money to keep those projects going through the end of the year and commence construction for those. We anticipate that many of those will then be ready in the spring to proceed with the assessment process and complete the permanent financing next summer or the following summer depending upon the size of the project and the scope of it. The temporary note issue will also be dated August 1. They would mature September 1 of next year, again timing with the closing of the bond issue if those projects are ready.

"Again we anticipate rating the notes. The County has outstanding notes that had been rated by the three agencies, Moodys, S & P, and Fitch. These ratings represent the highest ratings available nationally for short term financing. So the County has a very solid credit rating on these particular short term financings. We anticipate the sale date for these to be at 10:00 a.m., July 21, with the closing occurring about simultaneously with the bond issue.

"The resolution will establish the sale dates and the amounts. Authorize the chief financial officer to advertise the sale as required by statute and to disseminate bidding documents to those interested parties that might submit bids for the bonds. We also know that in order to do that, we have to prepare a document which would provide information to those prospective bidders and the rating agencies about the bond issues and note issues, and about the demographic and finance information of the County. We have prepared a preliminary official statement, some light easy reading for you. We have to tweak it a little bit and anticipate that would go out to potential bidders early next week in anticipation of that sale. This is

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a good review of the operating and financial data of the County. This will be disseminated nationally. I think the staff has done a very credible job of pulling this information together in a short time frame and are to be commended for that. If there are questions, I'd be happy to try to answer them. People from the Finance Department are here also if you have questions."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Joe. Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Joe, I'd be interested in finding this out and perhaps the public would. Why is it, in your opinion, that Sedgwick County enjoys such a high outstanding credit rating?"

Mr. Norton said, "I think a variety of factors. I think that management of your financial resources is probably the highest criteria they evaluate. Every government nationally has levied resources for which they want to spend on a variety of programs and have to make those assessments, maintaining cash balances, prudent management practices. We do have some help with our state legislative statutes on the cash basis law that doesn't allow us to spend money beyond what we have means unless we authorize these kinds of capital financing. We can't do short term borrowing for operating capital, for example. That helps. I think the economy in the community over the years has diversified. Clearly the aircraft industry is a dominant player but over time, that has become less of a percentage factor of the overall economy. There has been growth. Populations have increased. I think you've seen in local publications growth in some of the surrounding smaller communities within the County prospering. Overall, I think it is a healthy economic and financial picture. Those things are important. Valuations are going up. But I think prudent management of the resources your budgeting and capital improvement programs are very, very important."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "So we are good creditors."

Mr. Norton said, "I think so."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Commissioner. Commissioners, further questions on this item?"

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to adopt the Resolution.

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Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

Mr. Norton said, "Thank you, very much."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Joe. Good work. Good luck on the sale also. Next item, please."

F. EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE (EMS).

1. PRESENTATION OF THE 1998 EMS ANNUAL REPORT.

Mr. Tom Pollan, Director, Sedgwick County EMS, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I am privileged this morning to bring to you our official publication of our 1998 Annual Report. Up front, before I give you some information highlights on it, I would like to give credit to those who put out a special effort to bring this forth. That is our Division Officer Bill Auchterlonie and Lieutenant Tony Lamb and also the print shop for the County.

"Some highlights for 1998, we ran 34,783 calls, that is 95 a day or one every 15 minutes. We continue to have around a six minute response time average to those calls, as well as maintaining, in fact, improving to 29% our cardiac arrest save rate. These are some quality performance measures of our organization. One might ask the question, why do you take and develop the resources necessary to put a program like this together. There was really two purposes. One was to be educational to our external stakeholders by demonstrating the complexity of the services we provide. Two, to be accountable to the internal stakeholders, to demonstrate the quality of public services that we have provided. There is not one person that I stand here representing today that would not tell you that the quality of services is not how it is measured in the past, it is measured on how you do it and that point of contact with the patient that you

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are going to meet today and how they perceive that. That's the important piece. It is what we do each and every day. But this is a celebration of 1998 and I would recommend that you receive and file this report as an official document for Sedgwick County EMS."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Tom. Commissioners, comments on this? Tom, it is really a good report. Say again who put this together."

Mr. Pollan said, "Division Officer Bill Auchterlonie, who works on my staff and one of the field paramedics, he's a Lieutenant, he's in charge of a crew, Tony Lamb are the two that put it together. They did this basically on their own time."

Chairman Hancock said, "Good job. It is really understandable and it is interesting to read what you have. I had the opportunity to go over it the other day and it is a very good job. Will this be disseminated?"

Mr. Pollan said, "Yes, we will disseminate that to all the key stakeholders and have some available for anybody who would like to request a copy."

Chairman Hancock said, "I know there is a handsome person on the front."

Mr. Pollan said, "The story behind that is that when we sent it to the print shop, I had to take that picture off because we couldn't get it on a disc."

Chairman Hancock said, "It's a good job and we appreciate the publication. I think it is real important to get it out folks who may have an interest or a need to know about our Emergency Medical Service. It is a good report. Thank you, very much. Commissioners, comments? If not, the Chair would entertain a Motion."

MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved to receive and file.

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 Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

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

**2. AGREEMENTS (TWO) FOR SEDGWICK COUNTY EMS TO PROVIDE
FIELD INTERNSHIPS FOR TRAINING PROGRAM STUDENTS.**

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! FLINT HILLS TECHNICAL SCHOOL

Mr. Pollan said, "These are two standard agreements on behalf of providing field internship for paramedic students. For the public, this is our opportunity as a community of providers to extend out knowledge and expertise to those who are entering the field. It also gives us a wonderful opportunity to recruit as well as see how they perform. I would recommend your approval and allow the Chair to sign."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Tom. Commissioners, comments on this item? If not, what's the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner McGinn moved to approve the Agreements and authorize the Chairman to sign.

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Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

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

G. DIVISION OF HUMAN SERVICES.

1. AMENDMENT TO EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT WITH GARRY PORTER, M.D. PROVIDING A CHANGE FROM FULL-TIME TO PART-TIME EMPLOYMENT.

Ms. Marilyn Cook, Assistant Director, COMCARE, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I'm here for Deborah Donaldson who is taking a well deserved vacation this week. The first item has to do with Dr. Porter's employment. He's been with us for a little over six years serving in our crisis program in our community support services program. He is requesting to go part-time effective July 1."

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to approve the Amendment to Employment Agreement and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Commissioner Gwin seconded the Motion.

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Commissioner McGinn said, "Marilyn, I have a question. I was looking at the background material. What does he currently make?"

Ms. Cook said, "I don't know that. I know this is a little less than half of what he is currently making. I could get that number for you."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Okay."

Ms. Cook said, "He would be on a permanent part-time status with us, so that would include continuation of his benefits."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Okay. Maybe that is part of this."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Commissioner. Commissioners, further questions? Clerk, call the vote, please."

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

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

2. AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT WITH MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH CENTRAL KANSAS PROVIDING THE ADDITION OF A SUMMER CAMP TO CURRENT RESPITE CARE FOR SEVERELY EMOTIONALLY DISTURBED YOUTH.

Ms. Cook said, "This second Agenda item has to do with an amendment to a current respite care contract that we have with the Mental Health Association. They are requesting, and we are very anxious for them,

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to provide a summer camp for children with severe emotional disturbances this summer that would run approximately nine weeks. The aim of the summer camp would be to provide a unique framework for children who have severe emotional disturbances to develop a reserve of experiences, similar to what other children would enjoy in a summer camp.

"The camp will serve children in middle and elementary schools. We're hoping to have 25 of them in the camp at any one time, 25 slots, opening it up to almost 100 children in the Wichita area. The camp would be provided within a compensation limit that is already in the respite care contract, so no additional dollars are required."

Chairman Hancock said, "Okay, thank you. Commissioners, questions on this item? If not, what's the will of the Board?"

Commissioner Gwin said, "It sounds like a nice way for some kids to spend the summer."

MOTION

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

Commissioner McGinn seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

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

3. AGREEMENT WITH KANSAS DEPARTMENT ON AGING FOR CENTRAL PLAINS AREA AGENCY ON AGING (CPAAA) TO PROVIDE NURSING

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HOME PREASSESSMENTS.

Ms. Annette Graham, Director, Department on Aging, greeted the Commissioners and said, "The Central Plains Area Agency on Aging has operated this mandated state program since January 1, 1995. Under this program, the department does preassessments for all nursing homes in Harvey, Sedgwick, and Butler County, in accordance with KDA policies. The program is fully funded by the Medicaid funds through the state and we recommend approval of the state agreement for the Central Plains Area Agency on Aging 2000 Care Program."

Chairman Hancock said, "Okay, thank you, Annette. Commissioners, questions on this item? Commissioner Gwin."

Commissioner Gwin said, "Annette, the purpose of this is a preassessment for individuals who may be at risk of being placed in a nursing home. Is that to determine where they need to go? Are there other options? What all does the preassessment look at?"

Ms. Graham said, "The preassessment looks at are they appropriate for a nursing home placement? Are there other options? Are there services available in the community? It serves to educate them on the other options if they so choose."

Commissioner Gwin said, "Okay, thank you. I just wanted to clarify that. Thank you, Mr. Chairman."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Commissioner. Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "What is the charge that Central Plains is charging for this service?"

Ms. Graham said, "We get reimbursed a reimbursement rate through the Kansas Department on Aging that has not actually been approved at this point in time until this agreement goes in. The tentative rate that we're looking at is a contracted amount of \$90.29 for Department on Aging staff that do that. That is a \$79.91 rate and for hospital and nursing facility staff you do that, it is \$43.77 an assessment."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Any estimate on an annual basis what that cost might be? Perhaps you could get that for me."

Ms. Graham said, "I don't have that with me, but I can certainly get that for you and provide the information to you."

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Commissioner Sciortino said, "Thank you."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Commissioner. Commissioners, further questions or comments? If not, what's the will of the Board?"

MOTION

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

Commissioner McGinn seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

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

- 4. AGREEMENT WITH CITY OF WICHITA, KANSAS FOR SEDGWICK COUNTY TO PROVIDE A GRANT-FUNDED POSITION TO ADMINISTER A PROGRAM ASSISTING FRAIL AND AT-RISK RESIDENTS TO ACCESS SERVICES AND RETAIN INDEPENDENT LIVING WITHIN THE COMMUNITY.**

Ms. Graham said, "The Wichita Housing Authority received funding for a service coordination position from the Department of Housing and Urban Development to coordinate the service needs of the low income seniors or persons with disabilities residing in two apartment complexes. The Sedgwick County Department on Aging has experience in providing this type of service and we'll hire, train, and supervise one staff person to provide this service for the purpose of helping the residents at these two complexes to remain as independent as possible. This is a \$39,871 annual grant."

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Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Annette. Commissioners, questions on this item? If not, what's the will of the Board?"

MOTION

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

Commissioner McGinn seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

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

5. AGREEMENTS (TWO) WITH STEVE AND CAROL MARTIN, DBA REMOTE DATA SERVICES, TO PROVIDE MEDICAID BILLING SERVICES.

Ms. Graham said, "This item is for two agreements that are a continuation of previous agreements with the Remote Data Services, to handle the Medicaid billing for Aging in-home services, physical disabilities support services through the Medicaid Waiver Program and for Medicaid non-ambulance medical transportation. Remote Data Services specializes in Medicaid billing for other area agencies on aging throughout Kansas and this service provides a faster turnaround time for receiving payments. The payment for this is 3% of the billings for each of those programs that they bill for. If there are denials on payments then they do not bill for that service."

Chairman Hancock said, "Do they do collections also?"

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Ms. Graham said, "I think they do. They bill and collect."

Chairman Hancock said, "Commissioners, questions on this item? If not, what's the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner McGinn moved to approve the Agreements 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 Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

Chairman Hancock said, "Next item."

6. CPAAA FISCAL YEAR 2000 AREA PLAN, TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE KANSAS DEPARTMENT ON AGING.

Ms. Graham said, "This item is a Fiscal Year 2000 Area Plan, which describes how the Central Plains Area Agency on Aging will intend to operate in Harvey, Butler, and Sedgwick County for the federal fiscal year of 2000, which begins October 1, 1999. Included in this plan are administrative objectives and council recommendations for allocations of the Older Americans Act and associated funds. The area plan is reviewed by the County Commissioners in each County and if the area plan is approved then authorization is given to the Chairman of the Sedgwick County Commission to sign the plan. The plan must be submitted to the Kansas Department of Aging by July 1, 1999. In our fiscal year 2000 plan, it has the same level of funding as for 1999. However, last year we had carry over funds and this year we have no carry over funds available so the fiscal year 2000 plan shows a slight decrease in funding due to that lack of carry over. This is Older Americans Act funding and how we intend to use that. The total of that is \$1,342,570 for fiscal year 2000."

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Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Annette. Commissioner Gwin."

Commissioner Gwin said, "I'm assuming that since it is here today for consideration that the other County Commissions, Harvey and Butler, has consider it and approved it."

Ms. Graham said, "Yes, they have. They've all signed off on it."

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

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Commissioner. Commissioners, further questions? If not, what's the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved to approve the Plan 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 Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Annette. Appreciate you being here. Next item, please."

- 7. AGREEMENT WITH THE HUNTER HEALTH CLINIC, INC. TO PROVIDE DENTAL SCREENING SERVICES FOR JUVENILE DETENTION FACILITY RESIDENTS.**

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Ms. Cecile Gough, Department of Corrections, greeted the Commissioners and said, "We are requesting approval of the professional services agreement with the Hunter Health Clinic. This agreement would provide for basic dental screenings for the residents at the juvenile detention facility. The payment per screening is set at \$18. The maximum annual expenditure for this agreement is expected to be \$6,000. The funds are County operating funds and they are currently in the detention budget. We would ask that you approve the agreement and authorize the Chairman to sign."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you. Commissioners, 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 Sciortino seconded the Motion.

Chairman Hancock said, "Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Do we let out these agreements to people and have them actually bid on this type of a service so that we can make sure that we are getting the most efficient service possible for the citizens of Sedgwick County?"

Ms. Gough said, "No, this was not a bid process. As a professional agreement, we're able to go out and try to recruit dentists or providers that are willing to work with us. This is a small contract and we, in the past, have had a lot of difficulty in getting persons interested in performing these services. The answer is no, it has not gone out for competitive bid."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Thank you."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Commissioner. Commissioner McGinn."

Commissioner McGinn said, "On the \$18, is that just an examination?"

Ms. Gough said, "It is just an appraisal. No X-rays. Just take a look and see if it need further examination and referral to another provider."

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Commissioner Sciortino said, "Would Hunter then do the work also or would that be an additional charge if dental work is needed?"

Ms. Gough said, "Yes, it would be an additional charge if dental work is needed. Each individual child would have a different circumstance as far as coverage and whether they have coverage or not, and how urgent that need would be. It would be determined whether it would need to happen while the resident was at detention."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Do our residents, when they get checked in, have this examination?"

Ms. Gough said, "Only if they are with us for at least 50 days. I believe it is at the 50th day then we are required by KDHE to make sure that they have a dental appraisal."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Commissioner. Commissioners, further questions? If not, what's the will of the Board?"

Commissioner Winters said, "We already have a motion don't we?"

Chairman Hancock said, "Clerk, call the vote please."

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

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

8. GRANT APPLICATION TO KANSAS JUVENILE JUSTICE AUTHORITY (KJJA) FOR FUNDING OF A SCHOOL RESOURCE COUNSELOR

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POSITION.

Ms. Gough said, "The Juvenile Justice Authority has offered us an opportunity to apply for grant funds to provide a school resource counselor position for the next one or two school years. A school resource counselor would be responsible for coordinating information on approximately 30 identified juvenile offenders, monitor their school attendance, and communicate with school and court services staff regarding the juvenile offender's progress. The grant application requests the maximum award of \$80,000, which would be over the two school year period. There is no grant match required for this grant. We recommend you approve the application and authorize the Chairman to sign."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you. Commissioners, questions on this item? If not, what's the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner McGinn moved to approve the 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 Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

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

**9. GRANT APPLICATION TO KJJA FOR FUNDING OF A PRETRIAL CASE
MANAGER POSITION.**

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Ms. Gough said, "The Juvenile Justice Authority has offered us another opportunity and this is to apply for grant funds to provide a pretrial services case manager at the Juvenile Intake and Assessment Center for one or two school years. The pretrial case manager would provide services for youth alleged to be juvenile offenders prior to their possible adjudication. The grant would reduce the likelihood of high risk offenders reoffending while reawaiting disposition of the case. It is anticipated that case manager services would be provided for 120 high risk youth each year. The grant application requests the maximum award of \$80,000 and there is no grant match required. We recommend that you approve this application and authorize the Chairman to sign."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you. Commissioners, questions on this item? If not, what's the will of the Board?"

MOTION

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

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

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

H. GRANT APPLICATION TO KJJA AND KANSAS ADVISORY GROUP FOR FUNDING OF ONE HALF-TIME SENIOR ATTORNEY POSITION, ONE FULL-

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TIME SENIOR JUVENILE DIVERSION COORDINATOR POSITION AND ONE FULL-TIME LEGAL ASSISTANT POSITION.

Ms. Jeanette Clary, District Attorney's Office, greeted the Commissioners and said, "The grant, as has been noted, is with the Kansas Juvenile Justice Authority, it is a Title II Grant. Essentially it is for a juvenile diversion program that utilized balanced and restorative justice concept. You may recall a few months back, we appeared before you with a similar type of program. Unfortunately, we were not able to obtain funding under that grant application. We've made a few modifications and we're trying again for that.

"One of the good things with this grant is there is no match required, so we are thrilled about that piece. The concept does employ collaboration between the District Attorney, the Wichita Police Department, Community Policing Division, as well as Inter-Faith Ministries. The grant is requesting a total amount of \$194,450 of which that includes staffing for both the District Attorney and Inter-Faith Ministries, training for Inter-Faith Ministries for the facilitators for the project, computers for the District Attorney and computers for the Community Policing. I'm open to questions if you may have them. I'm requesting that you approve the Application and authorize the Chairman to sign."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Jeanette. Commissioner Gwin."

Commissioner Gwin said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Jeanette, if this grant were approved, where would the people be housed?"

Ms. Clary said, "In our office, within the District Attorney's Office, they would be housed in the juvenile area. There had been some plans to move some personnel around in the very near future which would open up some offices out in the Friendly Gables building. The Inter-Faith Ministries people would be working out of their facility. The rest of it is a volunteer type program utilizing community volunteers and they will be working with the faith community and utilizing those types of facilities. Where the actual conference would occur is coming that would be agreed upon amongst the parties involved in that particular incident."

Commissioner Gwin said, "I appreciate that. As you know very well, the space demands are very difficult right now so I just wanted to get some sense on that."

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Ms. Clary said, "I do believe we would be okay with that based on information we've received recently with opening up some space around the first of the year."

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

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Commissioner. Commissioners, further questions? If not, what's the will of the Board?"

MOTION

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

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Jeanette. Next item please."

I. RANGE REALLOCATIONS AND RECLASSIFICATIONS.

1. RECLASSIFICATIONS

! ENVIRONMENTAL SPECIALIST, ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES, RANGE 19, TO SENIOR ENVIRONMENTAL SPECIALIST, RANGE 21

! SENIOR GROUNDSKEEPER, SEDGWICK COUNTY PARK, RANGE 15, TO SENIOR MAINTENANCE WORKER, RANGE 16

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- ! OFFICE ASSISTANT, SEDGWICK COUNTY PARK, RANGE 12, TO OFFICE SPECIALIST, RANGE 15**
- ! SENIOR GROUNDSKEEPER, LAKE AFTON PARK, RANGE 15, TO SENIOR MAINTENANCE WORKER, RANGE 16**
- ! ALTERNATIVE SERVICES COORDINATOR, CORRECTIONS, RANGE 21, TO CORRECTIONS COORDINATOR, RANGE 22**
- ! RESIDENTIAL FACILITY COORDINATOR, CORRECTIONS, RANGE 21, TO CORRECTIONS COORDINATOR, RANGE 22**
- ! INTENSIVE SUPERVISION OFFICER III, CORRECTIONS, RANGE 20, TO CORRECTIONS COORDINATOR, RANGE 22**
- ! YOUTH COUNSELOR, CORRECTIONS, RANGE 19, TO CORRECTIONS SHIFT SUPERVISOR, RANGE 20**
- ! SENIOR CORRECTIONS WORKER (THREE POSITIONS), CORRECTIONS, RANGE 17, TO CORRECTIONS SHIFT SUPERVISOR, RANGE 20**
- ! TRANSPORTER, CORRECTIONS, RANGE 11, TO CORRECTIONS WORKER, RANGE 16**

2. REALLOCATIONS

- ! ENVIRONMENTAL TRAINING SPECIALIST, ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES, RANGE 20, TO RANGE 22**
- ! PARK SUPERINTENDENT, SEDGWICK COUNTY PARK, RANGE 23, TO RANGE 25**
- ! PARK SUPERINTENDENT, LAKE AFTON PARK, RANGE 23, TO**

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RANGE 25

- ! FOOD SERVICE COORDINATOR, CORRECTIONS, RANGE 16, TO RANGE 18**
- ! CONTROL BOOTH OPERATOR (THREE POSITIONS), CORRECTIONS, RANGE 11, TO RANGE 15**
- ! SENIOR CORRECTIONS TECHNICIAN (THREE POSITIONS), CORRECTIONS, RANGE 17, TO RANGE 18**
- ! RESIDENTIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATOR, CORRECTIONS, RANGE 24, TO RANGE 27**
- ! JUVENILE FIELD SERVICES ADMINISTRATOR, CORRECTIONS, RANGE 24, TO RANGE 27**
- ! ADULT FIELD SERVICES ADMINISTRATOR, CORRECTIONS, RANGE 24, TO RANGE 27**
- ! YOUTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATOR, CORRECTIONS, RANGE 26, TO RANGE 27**
- ! OPERATIONS ADMINISTRATOR, CORRECTIONS, RANGE 24, TO RANGE 26**
- ! FACILITY MANAGER (TWO POSITIONS), CORRECTIONS, RANGE 23, TO RANGE 24**

Ms. Jane Moralez, Compensation Specialist, Division of Human Resources, greeted the Commissioners and said, "During the first quarter of 1999, the Human Resources Department reviewed 102 positions. Of the 102 positions reviewed, 13 of the position reviews were post-poned until a later time, 57 of the position reviews did not meet the criteria for reclassification or reallocation and were denied, and 32 positions were recommended for range reallocation or reclassification.

"A position study includes completion of a questionnaire outlining the current job responsibilities and

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interviews by the Human Resources Department with the employee and the supervisor, point factoring, using the Sedgwick County position management plan, and a market study of salaries paid to like positions in other jurisdictions. We're recommending approval of these reclassifications and reallocations. The budget impact for 1999 would be \$36,515 and the budget impact for the year 2000 would be \$52,583."

Chairman Hancock said, "I was just sitting here and calculated about 31% are reclassified. Has that been changing over the last couple of years?"

Ms. Moralez said, "We've seen a lot of changes in positions, doing more with less and we're adding new job duties to positions. That's about normal."

Chairman Hancock said, "The same rate the last couple of years?"

Ms. Moralez said, "Yes."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Jane. Further questions?"

MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved to approve the Reclassifications and Reallocations.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

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Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you Jane, good to see you. Next item please."

J. CONTRACT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES (DESIGN) WITH PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS FOR SEDGWICK COUNTY PROJECT NO. 618-36; WIDENING OF KANSAS TURNPIKE AUTHORITY BRIDGES OVER CENTRAL BETWEEN 143RD AND 159TH STREETS EAST. CIP #R-251. DISTRICT #1.

Mr. David Spears, Director, Bureau of Public Works, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Item J is an Agreement with Professional Engineering Consultants to provide engineering design services to Sedgwick County for the replacement of twin Kansas Turnpike Authority bridges over Central between 143rd and 159th Streets East, designated as R-251 in the Capital Improvement Program. The purpose of the replacement is to increase the size of the opening below the bridges so we can widen Central to four lanes in the year 2002. The KTA has approved PEC as the consultant. The total cost of this engineering service will not exceed \$110,069. Recommend that you approve the Contract and authorize the Chairman to sign."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, David. Commissioners, questions on this item?"

MOTION

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

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

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Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, David. Next item please."

K. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF BIDS AND CONTRACTS' JUNE 24, 1999 REGULAR MEETING.

Mr. Darren Muci, Director, Purchasing Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "You have Minutes from the June 24 meeting of the Board of Bids and Contracts. There is just one item for consideration this morning.

**(1) PAPER STOCK AND LABELS - INFORMATION SERVICES
FUNDING: INFORMATION SERVICES**

"Item one, paper stock and labels for Information Services. It was recommended to accept the low bid of Convenience Computer Supplies. That estimated amount for 1999 into 2000 is \$66,606.

ITEMS NOT REQUIRING BOCC ACTION

**(2) REMODEL RECEPTION AREA - COMCARE
FUNDING: COMCARE**

**(3) FOOD & BEVERAGE OPERATIONS SERVICES - KANSAS COLISEUM
FUNDING: KANSAS COLISEUM**

"There were two items that did not require action at that particular time, those were tabled for review. Item one is remodel the reception area for COMCARE and item two, the food and beverage operations services contract for the Kansas Coliseum. Those proposals are being reviewed. I'll be happy to take questions and recommend approval of the Minutes provided by the Board of Bids and Contracts."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Darren. Commissioners, questions on this item? If not, what's the will of the Board?"

MOTION

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

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Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Darren. Next item, please."

CONSENT AGENDA

L. CONSENT AGENDA.

1. Right-of-Way Agreement.

One Dedication Deed for Gateway Center Addition. District #1.

2. Section 8 Housing Assistance Payment Contracts.

<u>Contract</u> <u>Number</u>	<u>Rent</u> <u>Subsidy</u>	<u>District</u> <u>Number</u>	<u>Landlord</u>
V99032	\$222.00		Sunflower Apartments

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C99038	\$424.00		of Andover
V99039	\$204.00	3	David A. Coryell
			Mt. Hope Community
			Development, Inc.
C99040	\$276.00	2	Sandy Sammons

- 3. 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>
C95032	\$23.00	\$357.00
V94116	\$248.00	\$239.00
V93118	\$290.00	\$32.00
V98063	\$298.00	\$232.00
V97054	\$386.00	\$359.00
C74002	\$418.00	\$443.00
C95129	\$214.00	\$259.00
C98054	\$100.00	\$55.00

- 4. Plat.**

Approved by Public Works. The County Treasurer has certified that taxes for the year 1998 and prior years are paid for the following plat:

Huntington Pointe Addition

- 5. Order dated June 23, 1999 to correct tax roll for change of assessment.**
- 6. Payroll Check Registers of June 25 and June 30, 1999.**
- 7. General Bills Check Register of June 25, 1999.**
- 8. Budget Adjustment Requests.**

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Mr. William Buchanan, County Manager, greeted the Commissioners and said, "You have the Consent Agenda before you and I would recommend you approve it."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you."

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Abstain

Chairman Hancock said, "Is there any other business to come before the Board? If not, we're adjourned."

M. OTHER

N. ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

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James Alford, County Clerk

APPROVED:

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