

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING

APRIL 14, 1999

The Regular Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Sedgwick County, Kansas, was called to order at 9:00 A.M., Wednesday, April 14, 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. Paul Rosell, Deputy County Clerk; Ms. Patty Peterson, Public Education Officer, Sedgwick County Park; Mr. Greg Thompson, Fire Marshal, Fire Department; Mr. Mark Sroufe, Superintendent, Lake Afton Park; Ms. Irene Hart, Director, Division of Community Development; Ms. Caroline Hosford, Environmental Training Specialist, Environmental Resources; Ms. Deborah Donaldson, Director, Division of Human Services; Mr. Ken Arnold, Director, Capital Projects Department; Ms. Delia Lopez, Sedgwick County Appraiser's Office; Mr. Steve Gilbert, Administer, Regional Forensic Science Center. 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; and Ms. Lisa Davis, County Clerk.

GUESTS

Ms. Sarah Schneider, Wichita Commission Status of Women;
Mr. and Mrs. Trent Rasmussen and family;
Ms. Janet Valente Pape, Juvenile Justice Task Force Board Member;
Mr. Dean Frankenberry, Sedgwick County Solid Waste Management Committee,
Mr. Carl Brewer, Sedgwick County Solid Waste Management Committee;
Mr. Bill Williams, Sedgwick County Solid Waste Management Committee
Mr. Joe L. Norton, Bond Council, Gilmore & Bell, P.C.;

INVOCATION

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

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

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

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CONSIDERATIONS OF MINUTES: Regular Meeting, March 24, 1999

The Clerk reported that all Commissioners were present at the Regular Meeting of March 24, 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 Meeting of March 24, 1999.

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 please."

PROCLAMATION

A. PROCLAMATION DECLARING APRIL 22, 1999 AS "NATIONAL TAKE OUR DAUGHTERS TO WORK DAY."

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

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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, young women need to gain the attention of the workplace and learn about the realities of work, employment opportunities, education and training which jobs require; and

WHEREAS, young women need to be invited into the workplace where they are able to meet professionals and gain working knowledge of any career which they may desire; and

WHEREAS, young women need to be listened to respectfully regarding their ideas and opinions; and

WHEREAS, a national public education campaign has been designed to focus attention on our young women - their ideas, their concerns, their spirit, and their dreams;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Bill Hancock, Chairman of the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners, does hereby proclaim Thursday, April 22, 1999, as

“NATIONAL TAKE OUR DAUGHTERS TO WORK DAY”

in Sedgwick County, and call upon all citizens to give the daughters of our County their support, interest and cooperation in this endeavor.

"I would request that you adopt the Proclamation and authorize the Chairman to sign it."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you Fred. Commissioners, comments on this Item?"

MOTION

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

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

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

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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

Mr. Ervin said, "Commissioners, Sarah Schneider is with us to accept the Proclamation."

Ms. Sarah Schneider said, "I'm here on behalf of the Wichita Commission Status of Women. Thank you for issuing this Proclamation. I encourage everyone to participate with this event on April 22. It is, 'Take Our Daughters to Work', but it can be any young lady. Thank you."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you for being here today. Fred, we've participated in this now for six years or seven. It's always nice to see the daughters come and visit. We invite anyone who brings a daughter to work, any of our employees, to come by the office and give them the tour. Thank you. Next item please."

APPOINTMENTS

B. APPOINTING RESOLUTIONS.

1. RESOLUTION APPOINTING GARY BLACK, DEAN FRANKENBERY, CARL BREWER AND BILL WILLIAMS TO THE SEDGWICK COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE.

Mr. Richard A. Euson, County Counselor, greeted the Commissioners and said, "These four appointments will complete the 30 member board appointments to this Board. Two of the appointments, Mr. Black and Mr. Frankenberry, are County appointments with terms that expire in December of 2000. The other two, Mr. Brewer and Mr. Williams, are recommended by the City of Wichita with appointments to expire in December of 1999. The Resolution is in proper form."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you Mr. Euson. Commissioners, what's the will of the Board?"

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MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved to adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

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

Chairman Hancock said, "I believe we have some appointments here today. Come forward and we'll get you sworn in."

Mr. Paul Rosell, Deputy County Clerk, said, "Raise your right hand and say "I do so swear" after I read the oath.

"I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the State of Kansas, and faithfully discharge the duties of the Office of Sedgwick County Solid Waste Management Committee, so help me God."

Mr. Dean Frankenberry, Mr. Carl Brewer, and Mr. Bill Williams said, "I do swear."

Mr. Frankenberry said, "I would like to thank the Commission for the opportunity to serve on the Solid Waste Committee so we can continue to go forward in this County on planning our solid waste issues and I thank you for the appointment."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you Dean."

Mr. Brewer said, "I'd like to thank the County Commission for allowing me to be able to assist in the solid waste here in the City of Wichita and Sedgwick County. Thank you."

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Mr. Williams said, "I'd like to thank the County Commission for electing me to this position and I'd like to continue on in community service."

Chairman Hancock said, "We appreciate all of your time on this committee. I know this one is particularly time consuming and a lot of decisions have to be made in the next couple of years. Wish you the best of luck and we appreciate your time. Thank you very much for being here. Next item please."

2. RESOLUTION APPOINTING JANET VALENTE PAPE (BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' APPOINTMENT) TO THE SEDGWICK COUNTY COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS ADVISORY BOARD.

Mr. Euson said, "This is a reappointment to the Board for a term to expire in April 2001."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Richard. Commissioners, what's the will of the Board on this?"

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to adopt the Resolution.

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. Janet is here."

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Mr. Paul Rosell said, "Raise your right hand and say "I do so swear" after I read the oath.

" I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the State of Kansas, and faithfully discharge the duties of the Office of Sedgwick County Community Corrections Advisory Board, so help me God."

Ms. Janet Valente Pape said, "I do so swear. I want to thank the County Commission for this reappointment. It's been my pleasure to serve on this and to be active in this and also the Juvenile Justice Task Force. Appreciate the opportunity to serve my community in this way. Thank you."

Commissioner Gwin said, "Thank you, Janet."

Chairman Hancock said, "Next item please."

AWARD PRESENTATION

C. PRESENTATION OF PLAQUE HONORING THE TRENT AND TAMMY RASMUSSEN FAMILY.

Mr. Greg Thompson, Fire Marshal, Fire Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "It is truly an honor this morning to come before you. We're here to pay tribute to a Sedgwick County family who suffered a devastating loss in an early morning fire in their home. There were nine members of the family at home that morning. All escaped safely, due to an escape plan that the children brought home from school and practiced with the entire family. Being in the business of fire prevention, it is often times difficult to measure the success of our efforts. So, it is with great pleasure that we stand before you today to honor this family for their commitment to fire safety in the home. At this time, I'd like to turn the presentation over to our Public Education Officer, Patty Peterson."

Ms. Patty Peterson, Public Education Officer, Sedgwick County Fire Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "First of all, I'd like to thank you for giving us the opportunity to be here in your meeting today. We asked to be here to share with you an incident of which we are most proud."

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“We have a true example of how successful and effective we can be when we're working with other agencies, businesses, and organizations in our community. Under the umbrella of the Wichita Safe Kids Coalition, we participated in the National Fire Protection Association's National Fire Prevention Week campaign entitled the 'Great Escape, Fire Drills in the Home,' last October. By working together, we accomplish numerous projects, one of which included compiling fire educational materials which were distributed to elementary schools within Sedgwick County. The materials included instructions for parents to assist their children in the development of a home fire escape plan. It also encouraged the parents to actively practice the fire drill in the home. Four children in the Goddard School District took heed to their teachers message and brought home the material. They went home and convinced their parents of the need to develop a home fire escape plan for their family. Two months later, four days before Christmas, the Rasmussen family woke up to find that their house was on fire. Because of cold temperatures, strong winds, and freezing precipitation, fire units were delayed in their response time. This meant the Rasmussen family was literally left to escape on their own. Trent and Tammy Rasmussen both believe that because they had developed an escape plan, all seven members of their family plus two visiting relatives were able to escape with a few minor injuries.

"I contacted the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), in January to share our story. They were so thrilled they have chosen the Rasmussen family to kick off the Great Escape 1999 Campaign and are flying the entire family to Washington D.C. to be guests of the NFPA for the Congressional Fire Service Institute's annual dinner one week from today. Each year, this dinner attracts over 2,000 political leaders and fire service personnel and recognizes their many accomplishments throughout the year. In appreciation for all their efforts, if I could have the Rasmussen family, come up and join me. In appreciation for all their efforts, we would like to say thank you to the Rasmussen family for taking our message seriously and doing your part to protect your family in the event of a fire. Also, to thank you for helping the Wichita Area Safe Kids Coalition by assisting us in promoting the importance of developing a home fire escape plan and practicing it with their family. I'd like to present this to the Rasmussens. Again, congratulations. We're glad that you took our message seriously and that you are all here with us today. Congratulations."

Mr. Trent Rasmussen said, "On behalf of my family, I'd like to say thank you to the Commission for having us here today and the Fire Department for taking the time and realizing the importance of getting this message to the children because it did make a difference in our house. I just want to say again, thank you."

Chairman Hancock said, "Who is the young fireman here today?"

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Commissioner Winters said, "Who brought the message home?"

Ms. Peterson said, "Actually, all four of these did. We got plans from each of them."

Chairman Hancock said, "Fantastic. Hope you enjoy the trip to Washington. I can't think of a better representative of our area and the concept 'The Great Escape.' Appreciate you being here today. Good luck."

Commissioner Winters said, "Could I say just a couple of words, too. I'd again thank you for being here. It is, as Greg Thompson, the Fire Marshall, said, it is so difficult sometimes to see when prevention really is successful. You are a case where it really has been. I just appreciate the work that all of the professionals involved in the fire service do, in spending time and effort on prevention. Patty and Greg, it is very rewarding to see that your work has made a significant difference. Here's a case where it really has. We're proud of the work that the fire department does in this kind of effort. To the Rasmussen family, thank you for being willing to share your story. I know you've gone through a lot of trauma on the loss of your home. We appreciate your being here. Thank you."

Chairman Hancock said, "I just have to say, with the way this family looks, you ought to be the poster family for a lot of things. Fantastic. Thanks for being with us."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Chairman, if I could just say one other thing, too, please. Often times the public is very quick to condemn and criticize and very slow to compliment. This is an example that heartens me that some of our programs are really working. If we have in a small part assisted one family and maybe even the saving of lives, it makes me feel that some of the work we're doing is very much worthwhile. Thank you."

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

Ms. Peterson said, "We are having a small reception in the Sedgwick County Board Room, third floor, in the County Manager's Office if you are able to attend, we'd love to have you there."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, very much. Thanks, everyone for being here today and congratulations. Next item please."

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NEW BUSINESS

D. STATEMENTS OF COSTS AND ASSESSMENT ROLL; ESTABLISHMENT OF PUBLIC HEARINGS REGARDING PROPOSED SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS FOR CERTAIN INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS IN THE COUNTY; AND PROVISION OF NOTICE THEREOF.

Mr. Joe L. Norton, Bond Counsel, Gilmore & Bell, P.C., greeted the Commissioners and said, "Today starts the process of completing various Capital Improvement Projects which the Commission has previously authorized and which are now under construction or have been substantially completed. Kansas State Law provides where these projects have been initiated by petition of property owners requesting that the improvements be made, they are then liable for payment of the costs of those projects, either up front when we do the assessment process or spread over time for 15 years, which the County will finance with permanent bonds.

"Step one today is for the County Commission to receive the statement of final costs prepared by the Bureau of Public Works and the Division of Finance and set a time and date for a public hearing for the citizens effected to have an opportunity to appear before the Commission prior to the levying of such assessments. The action for your consideration today is to approve this statement of final costs, approve the proposed assessment, which I believe you have received a copy of, which is a fairly large document, and a Notice of Public Hearing, which will establish May 12, 1999, at 9:00 a.m. as the date and time for the public hearing and authorize the dissemination of notice of public hearing, both by publication and by mailed notice to each individual property owner which may be affected by these assessments.

"There are ten projects in this agenda item which are Capital Improvement Projects for streets in various subdivisions within the County. They are located in Belle Terre South, Country Club Court Addition, Estates at Shadybrook, Rocky Creek, Tara Falls, The Trinity Academy and Messiah Baptist Church Project, and The Wheatland Addition, most of which are in the eastern portion of the County."

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"Again, the Bureau of Public Works and Division of Finance have prepared the statement of final costs for each of these projects. The line in blue, which reads total assessments, the amount of the total costs of the projects which will be spread to the various property owners. The assessment units and the average cost per unit appear on the statements of costs. These will be gone into in great detail at the public hearing where the property owners have an opportunity to go over these costs and so forth. I believe you received copies of these. I don't know, unless the Commission wants to, whether we need to go into great detail at this point in time on those costs and methods of assessment. Mr. Weber, Bureau of Public Works and Division of Finance folks are here to answer any questions you may have. The action today is to set the time and place for public hearing and authorize that notice. That would be on May 12."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Joe. Would copies of this be available to the general public?"

Mr. Norton said, "Copies of this will be on file in the Clerk's Office, available to the general public. As I said, individual statements will be mailed to each effected property owner, indicating the time and place of the hearing and the amount of the proposed assessment against their particular property."

Chairman Hancock said, "All right, thank you. Commissioners, questions for Joe Norton?"

Mr. Norton said, "I might add Mr. Chairman, that on that notice there will be information and phone numbers of the Bureau of Public Works and Division of Finance if they have specific questions that may be addressed prior to that public hearing. We can deal with technical things there."

Chairman Hancock said, "Okay, thank you. Commissioners, if there are no questions, the Chair would entertain a Motion."

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MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to approve the Statements of Costs, Assessment Roll and Notices of Public Hearing; establish May 12, 1999 at 9:00 AM as the date and time for a public hearing; and authorize a notice of such public hearing to be published and mailed as required by law.

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, "Next item please."

E. RESOLUTION AMENDING CHAPTER 20, ARTICLE IV, OF THE *SEDGWICK COUNTY CODE* RELATING TO RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE USE OF SEDGWICK COUNTY PARKS, LAKES AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AND THE ENFORCEMENT THEREOF.

Mr. Mark Sroufe, Superintendent, Lake Afton Park, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I'm here before you today to request your approval of some minor changes in our rules and regulations at Lake Afton. To highlight a few, we've added a self pay station and we need to put some rules in to govern that. We're making a few changes as far as the limited stay areas for camping. The third thing is animals, as far as harboring animals at night. We're requesting that they keep all dogs inside their camping units during quiet hours. If you have any questions, I'd be more than happy to answer them at this time."

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

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Commissioner Winters said, "Just a couple of quick questions, Mark. One, on the animals, in the memo that you sent us the first of the month, you referred that the quiet hours are going to be changed from 10:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. That's correct. Then on the second page you're talking about the animals and it shifts back from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. Is that correct or is it supposed to be 7:00 a.m.?"

Mr. Sroufe said, "It should be 7:00 a.m."

Commissioner Winters said, "All right. I guess one of the objects that we hope to accomplish and I'm going to be supportive of that is that in some instances we need to have people, instead of making permanent residences out of some of these camp sites. The object is, after you've been there a while you need to move on, is that correct?"

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

Commissioner Winters said, "On the island part of the lake at the north end, which is very popular, will people be required to move off of that island?"

Mr. Sroufe said, "We're going to combine that with the north section and the south section into one camping area. We'll have that signed. They will be required to move off of both areas every 14 days."

Commissioner Winters said, "I think that's good. We need to make sure that everybody has got an equal opportunity during the summer months to be out there. You are going to, as you enforce that, do it in an even handed manner. I keep hearing from folks that we treat some people differently than we treat others. I guess I just need your assurance that we're not doing that."

Mr. Sroufe said, "We're not doing that. We will treat everybody equally."

Commissioner Winters said, "Okay. Thank you very much, Mark."

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

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Commissioner Sciortino said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Just as a clarification to the definitions of alcoholic liquor, and I don't want to be branded as an expert on alcoholic drinks, but it says alcohol, spirits, wine, beer, et cetera, but then it specifically excludes cereal malt beverage and I was always under the assumption that beer was a cereal malt beverage and then in the definition of cereal malt beverage it states it means any fermented but undistilled liquor brewed or made from malt or mixture. Are you excluding 3.2 beer or what is the reason? I'm confused over that."

Mr. Sroufe said, "Well that is kind of a gray area. Mr. Euson might be able to help me out on that. They drew up these definitions."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "It was always my understanding that beer was a cereal malt beverage and we're excluding it and then we're including it. I'm just confused."

Mr. Euson said, "Commissioner Sciortino, I think these definitions follow the state law, which recognizes the difference between a cereal malt beverage, which contains alcohol 3.2% by weight or volume and alcoholic liquor, which includes all other liquors, including so called strong beer, which would contain more like 5% by weight."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "So the beer that you can buy at a Quik Trip store would be permitted then? That's 3.2, I guess."

Mr. Euson said, "Yes. I think that's what can be purchased out there, if I'm not mistaken."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Fine, thank you."

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

Commissioner McGinn said, "Would you explain to me what the Class F violation is?"

Mr. Sroufe said, "Does it pertain to any certain area?"

Commissioner McGinn said, "Back on our back-up on page 41. It has violations and it seems a great deal of them are Class F. I was just curious of the intensity of how we're backing up."

Mr. Sroufe said, "Is that the \$50 fine?"

Commissioner McGinn said, "I don't know. Maybe you don't have my back-up."

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Chairman Hancock said, "That would be Section 20-111, 112."

Mr. Euson said, "I guess maybe I need to send you a note on that. I don't recall if that is a \$100 violation or a \$500 violation."

Mr. Sroufe said, "I don't think we have any \$500 violations at all. It would be \$100. We listed some violations on the self pay stations in an attempt to keep people from fraudulently using these forms they have available to them."

Commissioner McGinn said, "I was just curious because of, well, two items I guess. One was the noise and how do you define what is noisy and what is not."

Mr. Sroufe said, "Usually on the noise, if we get a complaint from a neighboring camper or something like that. That constitutes being too loud."

Commissioner McGinn said, "And then the littering, how stiff is the fine?"

Mr. Sroufe said, "Littering has been difficult and is very difficult to enforce."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Just like the rest of the County. Thank you. That's all."

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

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner McGinn 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, Mark. Good to see you. Next item please."

F. DIVISION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.

- 1. CONTRACT WITH MID-AMERICA WORLD TRADE CENTER INSTITUTE, DBA KANSAS WORLD TRADE CENTER, TO PROVIDE PROMOTION AND FACILITATION OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN THE STATE OF KANSAS THROUGH EDUCATION, RESEARCH AND COMMUNICATION, WHILE FOSTERING ECONOMIC GROWTH.**

Ms. Irene Hart, Director, Division of Community Development, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Sounds like the title of a book rather than a contract title. One of the major priorities of the County Commission in economic development is supporting local businesses and helping them grow and expand. One strategy we use to accomplish this is to develop international trade capacity within our region. An example might be a small company that makes airplane parts, who feels like they've done a good job in this market and want to expand their market to perhaps manufacturers overseas. How do you go about doing that? Where do you start? Where do you go to get information?"

"For four years, we've funded the Kansas World Trade Center here in this community and have substantially increased their capacity to provide this kind of assistance to a small business. They provide consulting and research services for an incredibly complex international trade operation. They provide translations and trade seminars and conferences.

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"This year, we have become more specific and asked them to provide direct assistance to local businesses. In this proposed contract we have asked them to provide trade readiness assessments to at least 30 businesses in our community, including a tutorial on the beginning stages of export and to provide on-going support until they do become experienced exporters. We've also asked them to provide research and assistance to our Foreign Trade-Zone by doing preliminary costing assessments and meet with at least ten businesses who could potentially use the Foreign Trade-Zone and expand their business and help their bottom line by doing so.

"I'm kind of excited about this direct business assistance that we can target through the World Trade Center. It is kind of a new initiative for us but we'll be able to show some direct benefit for local businesses here. I'd be happy to answer any questions you might have."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Irene. Commissioners, Pam Dugan is here with the World Trade Center. I propose we get her up here and ask her a bunch of real hard questions."

Ms. Hart said, "The contract is in the amount of \$50,000, which is the same amount we had last year."

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

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.

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 Irene. It looks like a good program. Good luck Pam with the program. Appreciate you being here today. Next item please."

2. APPLICATION TO SOLID WASTE ASSOCIATION OF NORTH AMERICA FOR AN EXCELLENCE IN SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AWARD.

Ms. Caroline Hosford, Environmental Training Specialist, Environmental Resources, greeted the Commissioners and said, "This morning I'm here to present an application for an award for public education regarding solid waste. This award is sponsored by SWANA, which is the Solid Waste Association of North America. When Sedgwick County assumed responsibility for all aspects of solid waste management, that included preparing a solid waste management plan that was subsequently approved by KDHE (Kansas Department of Health & Environment) in January of 1998. Once this plan was prepared, the real work of implementing the education goals that were included in that plan began. This was a particularly challenging task because there were no funds in the 1998 budget for solid waste education. So the education subcommittee of the Solid Waste Management Committee was immediately called into action and they helped to develop a proposed schedule of educational efforts that we should follow. That plan has been our guide since that time. About that same time, we applied to KDHE for a grant and we were awarded that grant. So we actually then began our efforts.

"One of the first things we did was to select a slogan for all solid waste education efforts that we were going to promote and what was selected was 'Trim Your Waist'. It is always depicted with a trash can with a skinny little waste with a tape measure around it hoping that we will actually be able to measure the amount of waste that we are diverting from our landfill and transfer station.

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"In this application, we have included some of our major educational efforts. One of them is that we have developed a recycling in our community guide, which is sort of a concise effort to let people know about recycling opportunities that are available here in our community. It has been distributed in a number of ways, at community events, through churches, mailings, newspaper advertisements, et cetera. We've produced two TV spots about yard waste. One was shown last fall about leaves and one is being shown currently. It actually just started this week about ways that we can handle our grass clippings, without bagging them and hauling them off. That will be shown for about five weeks on our TV stations. When we're talking about yard waste, one of our probably most successful efforts to date has been this guide to yard waste that we have produced. We have actually provided several thousand copies of this already. We're trying to give people options so they will be aware of what their options can be beginning October of 2001, when they will no longer be able to put yard waste in the local transfer station. We think it is an easy to read format and we're still getting requests for this.

"We've also developed an automatically timed power point slide presentation that can be shown, for instance during recesses at your own meetings, to let the public know about what their options are concerning recycling and to try to get them to think about not only recycling but also reuse and other ways they can reduce the amount of their waste.

"We've been at lots of community events and will continue to do that. So, these are just some of the educational efforts that are incorporated into this application for this award. I would ask your approval to submit this application and authorize the Chairman to sign."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you. Commissioners, questions on this? I know the general public doesn't know this, but on Tuesdays we have a staff meeting and we were presented with the whole program. It was very impressive. Appreciate your hard work on this. I know Kristi has helped you quite a bit. You guys kind of teamed up. I think this is going to be one of the most important aspects of our solid waste plan for the community. There are many changes in the works and I guess it is awfully popular to say these days, but we're changing our paradigms when it comes to solid waste and it is awfully difficult to change what we know about it and the attitudes on solid waste of 400,000 people, but we're going to give it our best shot. Appreciate you being here today. Commissioner McGinn."

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Commissioner McGinn said, "I just want to say thank you for the work you've done and the Solid Waste Management Committee, too, as far as putting that package together. I had the opportunity last night, to go to the Riverside Association Meeting and share some of your materials. I think they were very well received and they picked, a great deal of the material up. They liked the idea of "Trim Your Waste" and that is an area that has a lot of leaves and such as that. I think the feeling I got from most of them was that they're ready to move on with this program. Thank you."

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

Commissioner Gwin said, "Thank you. Caroline, just real quickly, for those people who may be watching this morning or will be watching on the rebroadcast, can you give them your number or some way to get hold of you if they're interested in getting some of these materials and haven't received them yet?"

Ms. Hosford said, "Certainly. Our number is 721-9418. Be glad to provide any materials that we have available."

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

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you. Commissioners, questions?"

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

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

G. DIVISION OF HUMAN SERVICES.

**1. AGREEMENT WITH STATE OF KANSAS JUVENILE JUSTICE
AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE PSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATIONS AND
MEDICATION REVIEWS FOR YOUTH IN DETENTION.**

Ms. Deborah Donaldson, Director, Division of Human Services, greeted the Commissioners and said, "This first item is an agreement with JJA, the Juvenile Justice Authority and, with the COMCARE Mental Health Department, to provide certain mental health services that will be paid for through the purchase of service money. I'd be glad to answer any questions."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Debbie. 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.

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."

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2. CONTRACT WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS SCHOOL OF MEDICINE-WICHITA AND THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS SCHOOL OF MEDICINE-WICHITA MEDICAL PRACTICE ASSOCIATION TO PROVIDE PHYSICIAN SERVICES.

Ms. Donaldson said, "Commissioners, this particular agreement allows us to have one of our psychiatrists provide the adolescent inpatient services at Via-Christi and at the same time, that is part of the KU program that trains residents. So not only will she provide that service, but during that service, residents work under her and she provides training for them plus ongoing education. I'd be glad to answer any questions."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Debbie. Commissioners, questions on this item? If not, the Chair would entertain a motion."

MOTION

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

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

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3. AGREEMENTS (TWO) WITH CITY OF WICHITA, KANSAS FOR LIQUOR TAX FUNDING.

! WOMEN'S ALCOHOLISM TREATMENT SERVICES

! ADDICTION TREATMENT SERVICES

Ms. Donaldson said, "Commissioners, this is the annual Contract I bring to you in terms of money we receive from the City in liquor tax dollars for our Women's Alcoholism Treatment Services and our Addition Treatment Services Program. I'd be glad to answer any questions."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Debbie. Commissioners, questions on this agreement?"

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to approve the Agreements 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 please."

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4. AGREEMENTS (TWO) FOR 1999 PREVENTION FUNDING.

! LITERACY RESOURCES OF THE METROPOLITAN AREA

! YOUTH HORIZONS, INC.

Ms. Donaldson said, "Commissioners, these are two of the Prevention Fund Contracts that I'm bringing to you. One is with Literary Resources of the Metropolitan Area. They did have a Contract with us last year and did a very nice job and we're looking forward to working with them again. The second one is with Youth Horizons. This is a new group for us, but they will be providing mentoring services to a large number of youth for \$35,000, and we're looking forward to working with them and helping them develop their outcomes over this next year. Be glad to answer any questions."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Debbie. Commissioners, questions on this item? I just have one comment. I know this is part of our prevention funding and it is hard to imagine how much I hope these programs are successful and they make a difference. It is going to be a big difference for our community and the people of our community for a long time to come. I have a feeling that not only are we going to continue to put these resources into these programs, but we're going to increase that over the years, hopefully. Especially if we see some positive outcomes in the next year or so. I want to wish these two agencies the best of luck in these programs. Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Debbie, just for my own edification. For example, Youth Horizons, how do they locate these children that are at risk so they can get into this program?"

Ms. Donaldson said, "They will work with a variety of different agencies. One of the best sources often is our juvenile intake and assessment center, because if any youth gets picked up for any reason then they will come through that particular screening and that helps in terms of diverting them and having places to send youth who are first coming to the attention of law enforcement that haven't done anything really bad, yet potentially could if something doesn't happen now."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "So this gives us another source to send these children to, to get the help they need?"

Ms. Donaldson said, "Yes."

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Commissioner Sciortino said, "Thank you. That's all I have Mr. Chairman. Thank you."

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

Commissioner Winters said, "How much more of the prevention funds for '99 are out there that haven't been allocated?"

Ms. Donaldson said, "Basically, the majority has been allocated. At this point, we're now just working through the contracts. There is a small amount put back, but it's pretty small."

Commissioner Winters said, "Okay, so these are just the contracts. These are not new to the scheme of your committee that is allocating the funds."

Ms. Donaldson said, "Right. We're just working through and developing and getting the contracts signed now."

Commissioner Winters said, "Okay. Thank you."

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

MOTION

Commissioner McGinn moved to approve the Agreements 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. Next item please."

5. ADDITION OF ONE PSYCHOLOGIST POSITION, RANGE 26, TO THE COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY CARE (COMCARE) STAFFING TABLE.

Ms. Donaldson said, "This is one that you approved. We received the money and you approved that a couple of weeks ago for this particular program. This is for individuals who have a mental illness but are also challenged with Developmental Disabilities. This hires the physician for that program."

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

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to approve the addition to the COMCARE Staffing Table.

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, Debbie. Next item please."

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H. AMENDMENT TO THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP) FOR FLEET MANAGEMENT. CIP #PB-355.

Mr. Kenneth Arnold, Director, Capital Projects Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I'm here this morning to discuss with you the amendment to the CIP as reflected on page 84 of your back-up. It is brought as a result of our submitting a Request for Proposal to a number of architectural firms for the design services for the Fleet Management Complex.

SLIDE PRESENTATION

"I thought what would help here is if I could frame the issue for you a little bit. This is a site plan with Stillwell on the south side and Seneca, on the east side, on the right hand side of the drawing. We had originally, in the CIP for this past year, had a plan to build a Fleet Management building in the location where the old Public Works building is. As you recall, this last year, there was some additional land acquired across the street, so that David could build his facility and have sufficient parking, and that was part of this project. The next piece is to remove this building, tear it down, and the body shop that is next to it will come down also, eventually.

"We are then looking at this particular area to build a new Fleet Management facility, which will incorporate the heavy equipment shop, the light equipment shop, all of the supply parts, the administrative offices, basically move all of the fleet's personnel out of what we call the WPA building, which is otherwise currently known as the motor pool building. We will attach the new building to the west shop, at the corner of Seneca and Stillwell. We are also looking at that entire complex, from the standpoint of the utility issues. We've got multiple utility locations, numbers of different buildings, looking at the overall site, relative as to how it best lays out, traffic flow, parking, those types of things.

"We expanded the scope of the project from what it was originally to just dealing with the Fleet Management building to dealing with the entire complex, if you will. Obviously, when we build a new Fleet Management building and we move the people out of the WBA building, we need to look at some possible renovations of that building. They may be moving EMS down there so they can have all of their people and ambulances together and do training and that type of thing. That then frees up some space in the courthouse complex.

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"We have received proposals from a number of firms. We have gone through a selection process and a negotiation process. That selection committee included Marv Duncan, the Motor Pool Director, Bob Lamkey, Director of Public Safety, Stephanie Knebel and myself, from my office, and we have brought to you on the bid board, later this morning, a recommendation for the selection of a firm. We're asking you today to approve an amendment to the CIP to increase the architectural fees from \$216,000 to \$239,000.

"I thought it might be helpful, also, to show you that there are, built into this program as well as others, various decision points along the way that you will have an opportunity to review, where we are in the programming and could make decisions to stop, proceed, amend, as we go along. That would be, of course, after we start the programming schematic design phase for the project. Once each stage of development is done, such as design development or construction documents, then, of course, you'll see it through the bid board process as well. So there are a number of steps along the way that the project gets to be reviewed. We're always available to answer questions. I would recommend that you approve the amendment. I'd be happy to answer any questions."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Ken. Commissioners, questions on this item? I just have one. Ken, items one through three, that's the contract we're talking about."

Mr. Arnold said, "That's correct sir."

Chairman Hancock said, "That's all inclusive of those items?"

Mr. Arnold said, "That's correct. They would get us to the point where we'll be able to bid the project and all of the associated buildings, the site, the entire thing together or in phases if you want to."

Chairman Hancock said, "All right."

Mr. William Buchanan, County Manager, said, "Commissioners, it is our intent, after phases one, two and three, to come back to you and do another check, to say here's what we know and here's what we think is going to happen and do we need to proceed. That's why there are decisions points."

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

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MOTION

Commissioner McGinn moved to approve the CIP amendment.

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. Next item please."

I. ADDITION OF ONE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER POSITION, RANGE 21, TO THE APPRAISER'S OFFICE STAFFING TABLE.

Ms. Delia Lopez, Sedgwick County Appraiser's Office, greeted the Commissioners and said, "You have before you a request to make one addition of an Administrative Officer Position, Range 21, to the Appraiser's Office Staffing Table. We recommend approval to the addition of our staffing table."

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

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to approve the addition to the Appraiser's Office Staffing Table.

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 please."

J. RANGE REALLOCATION DUE TO MARKET CHANGE.

Mr. Steve Gilbert, Forensic Administrator, Regional Forensic Science Center, greeted the Commissioners and said, "We are currently still seeking to refill our chief toxicologist position at the center. Part of that search involved a survey contacted by Human Resources, and we learned from that survey that to become more in line with the market, we need to do a reallocation of the starting salary of Range 29, Step 9 to Range 30, Step 6. A budget impact statement was added to the agenda item. I'd like to recommend approval of this reallocation."

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

Commissioner Gwin said, "Steve, this just has to do with trying to fill a vacated position, correct?"

Mr. Gilbert said, "Yes Commissioner. We surveyed the field of nine different toxicologists of the same education degree and qualifications to get a feel about what we should offer someone of that stature and decided on the adjustment from that."

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

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Commissioner. Other comments or questions?"

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MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to approve the range reallocation.

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."

K. PRESENTATION REGARDING OFFICE SPACE NEEDS.

Mr. Buchanan said, "Commissioners, we were informed yesterday that Ms. Foulston, the District Attorney, is not able to be here today and would like delay that."

Chairman Hancock said, "The Chair would entertain a motion to defer from one week."

MOTION

Commissioner McGinn moved to defer the item for one week.

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

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

L. RESOLUTION RECLASSIFYING 159TH STREET EAST BETWEEN US-54 AND CENTRAL FROM THE MINNEHA TOWNSHIP ROAD SYSTEM TO THE SEDGWICK COUNTY HIGHWAY SYSTEM. DISTRICT #1.

Mr. David C. Spears, P.E., Director/County Engineer, Public Works, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Item L is a Resolution to reclassify 159th Street East, between US-54 and Central from the Minneha Township road system, to the Sedgwick County road system. With development and growth encroaching upon 159th Street, the traffic has increased to the point that the road maintenance responsibilities would burden Minneha Township. Additionally, this section of roadway will be added to the County ice and snow removal system. I recommend that you adopt the Resolution."

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

Commissioner Gwin said, "For clarification, 159th Street, as you all know, is the boundary between Sedgwick and Butler County. Years ago, the section north of Central is the responsibility of Bruno Township. We were asked numerous times to help them in assisting repair of that portion of 159th Street. I declined those requests from both the Butler County Commission and the City of Andover and others, expressing to them that I knew the day would come in the not too distant future when we would have to address the issues of 159th Street South of Central. Sure enough, here it is. That road is currently a paved road, albeit in very poor repair. It needs to be maintained as a paved road, particularly because of the additional traffic on it and the improvements and so I ask for your consideration today in your approval of the Resolution that David brings before us. Thank you Mr. Chairman."

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

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MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to adopt the Resolution.

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 please."

**M. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF BIDS AND CONTRACTS' APRIL 8, 1999
REGULAR MEETING.**

Mr. Darren Muci, Director, Purchasing Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "You have Minutes from the April 8 meeting of the Board of Bids and Contracts. There are eight items for consideration.

**(1) 1999 BM-1 OVERLAYS - PUBLIC WORKS
FUNDING: SALES TAX**

"Item one, 1999 BM-1 overlays for Public Works. It was recommended to accept the low bid of Ritchie Paving, Incorporated. That amount is \$627,306.80.

**(2) WEED CHEMICALS - PUBLIC WORKS
FUNDING: NOXIOUS WEEDS**

Item two, various weed chemicals for noxious weeds, Public Works. It was recommended to accept the low individual bids meeting specifications, first from Vegetation Management, their amount \$615, Pueblo Chemical & Supply, \$42,023, and Van Diest Supply Company, \$19,116.87. A grant total of \$61,754.87.

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**(3) MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT FOR SECURITY & FIRE SYSTEM -
FACILITIES MANAGEMENT
FUNDING: DIVISION OF OPERATIONS**

"Item three, maintenance agreement for security and the fire system, facilities management, Division of Operations. This is for the Adult Detention Facility. It was recommended to accept the bid of Simplex Time Recorder. This one year amount for maintenance, \$111,654.

**(4) CAD HARDWARE MAINTENANCE - EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS
FUNDING: EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SERVICES**

"Item four, CAD hardware maintenance for Emergency Communications. It was recommended to accept the only bid received of PRC Public Management. That amount is \$16,000. That is for 1999 into the 2000 fiscal year.

**(5) FOUR WHEEL DRIVE LOADER - FLEET MANAGEMENT
FUNDING: FLEET MANAGEMENT**

"Item five, four wheel driver loader, a modification to a current contract with Foley Equipment Company. As you note, this item received Board of County Commission approval this past December. We're asking for an additional amount to correct invoicing of \$22,940.

**(6) ICE FLOOR REHABILITATION/REPLACEMENT - KANSAS COLISEUM
FUNDING: CAPITAL PROJECTS**

"Item six, ice floor rehabilitation and replacement at the Kansas Coliseum. It was recommended to accept the only proposal received, not to exceed \$524,000 of C.W. Davis Supply Company, Incorporated. You might note, Commissioners, that the price has been reduced a little bit and the new price is \$520,900.

**(7) ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES - STILLWELL COMPLEX - CAPITAL
PROJECTS
FUNDING: CAPITAL PROJECTS**

"Item seven, architectural services for the Stillwell Complex for Capital Projects and Fleet Management. Mr. Arnold has presented a brief overview of this particular item. It was recommended to accept the proposal of Schaefer, Johnson, Cox, Frey, and Associates. That negotiated amount is not to exceed \$239,000. There are four pages of a write-up regarding that.

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**(8) X-RAY PROCESSOR - ADULT DETENTION FACILITY
FUNDING: DETENTION FACILITY ADDITION**

"Item eight is an x-ray processor for the Adult Detention Facility. It was recommended to accept the modification to the contract, in an amount of \$4,350. A note of explanation follows that item as well. 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. There are questions. Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Darren, I'm just a little concerned on a lot of the bids that come before us that there is only one bidder. Are there not other reputable firms out there or is there just one out there? Do we send out bids for other reputable firms?"

Mr. Muci said, "Thank you for the question, Commissioner. I will admit that we are somewhat limited depending upon the commodity or service area. As you will note at the top of the recommendation for each item, we do list the number of vendors that are issued the document and we also have eight separate advertising venues that we hit for each bid. We include Channel 8 after or during this broadcast, the Wichita Business Journal, Derby Reporter, et cetera. Also, our web site. We do work hard to make sure that we canvass the market place. Depending upon the commodity and service that we're looking at right now, generally, contract for service for any kind of construction, what we are seeing is that there is a tremendous amount of work. We are just not able to hit the number of vendors that can be beneficial at this particular time. We do, for certain commodity areas, we recognize that we are not hitting lots of vendors. We try to ask the vendors that we do solicit if they will tell us what it is that is keeping them from submitting bids. Generally the response is that there is an abundance of work and they're pleased with their volume at this particular time."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "So, it is just the economy that is causing this."

Mr. Muci said, "I believe that is the majority of the case depending upon the commodity. If there is a particular item that we want to look at, I'll be happy to do some research on it for you."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "No, it's just in general. I've noticed that hear lately we've been getting a lot where there is just one bidder."

Mr. Muci said, "It is an issue and I've had a discussion with the financial officer and we're definitely looking at it."

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Commissioner Sciortino said, "Thank you. That's all I have, Mr. Chairman."

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

Commissioner Winters said, "A couple of questions. One, on the ice floor and there is only one bid there. I would think that this is a pretty specialized business. My question before Commissioner Sciortino asked his is just that we're satisfied that this company can do this job? They're the only bidder, but that's a pretty technical . . . it's not just everybody who will be able to put down an ice floor."

Mr. Muci said, "There were, as you see Commissioner, and again thank you for the question, there were eight vendors, all quite reputable as recommended by the consultant that works with us in developing the specifications for this particular project. All were recommended and all were very busy. We felt fortunate to have C.W. Davis Supply available for us and we are confident, and that's discussing with Capital Projects and Kansas Coliseum, that they can do the job."

Commissioner Winters said, "Okay."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "The other thing that concerns me is there is a lot of work out there and people aren't too interested in bidding, can we be looking at deferring some of the projects that we need to get completed until there are vendors that can bid? I would assume that in this case, we're probably not getting a real competitive bid. It's well, I'll do this job if they'll pay me X number of dollars, but I'm really not all that interested in doing the job, that we may be paying premium for getting someone just to do our work for us. I'd just encourage you, if there is anything we can defer for a while, I don't want the economy to turn down, but waiting for some of these other vendors that might be more hungry for our work."

Mr. Muci said, "Certainly, we do work with the departments to determine as to when it the best time. Often times, projects are brought to us and it is a matter of Darren, we need to get this rolling quickly. I'll try to pay attention to that and we'll make sure we do that Commissioner."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Thank you. No further questions."

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

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Commissioner Winters said, "Last question. I wonder if somebody could speak to the recommendation for the contract on the Fleet Maintenance project. We got quite a bit of back-up in our material and I wonder if someone could just briefly help us understand the selection process and the final selection."

Mr. Muci said, "I see Mr. Arnold coming and I think we can double team that."

Mr. Arnold said, "We went through our standard Request for Proposal process, Commissioner, that we've used on a number of other projects. Tried to specify in that what we were looking for, the scope of work, the services. That was sent to 54 firms. Of those 54, 20 firms requested copies of the proposal. Of those 20, 11 attended a mandatory pre-bid at the site. Of those 11, we had seven firms submit a proposal. The committee reviewed those proposals. We conducted interviews with four of those firms based upon their proposals and their dollars. We, unlike a lot of interview processes, we can give them a lot of questions, about three pages worth of questions to make sure that we understood and they understood what we're looking for. Then they have about five minutes to present any additional information they wanted to. We then met with one of the firms and negotiated with them relative to where we were with the dollars, plus the additional scope of work that is outlined in the back-up that was requested to be done. That's how we came up with the proposal that we've given you."

Commissioner Winters said, "So, you're saying that the proposal, as it was made in that interview time was the deciding factor really?"

Mr. Arnold said, "A combination of the proposal and the interviews that we had with the firms, yes sir. A review of their background, the work they have done, their experience in fleet management and building a heavy equipment shop type thing, the expertise of the architects and engineers they brought to the table as well as their firms experience."

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

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

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MOTION

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

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."

CONSENT AGENDA

N. CONSENT AGENDA.

1. Right-of-Way Agreements.

- a. One Easement for Right-of-Way for Sedgwick County Project No. 809-J, K, L; Tyler Road between 29th and 53rd Streets North. CIP #R-217. District #4.
- b. One Easement for Right-of-Way for Sedgwick County Project Nos. 624-12-142; Bridge on 23rd Street South between 215th and 231st Streets West, and 791-S-5232; Bridge on 231st Street West between 23rd and 31st Streets South. CIP #B-303 and B-304. District #3.
- c. Two Temporary Construction Easements for Sedgwick County Project No. 827-V, W; Oliver between 47th and 63rd Streets South. CIP #R-212. District #5.

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- d. One Dedication Deed for Fiedler in the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, Section 36, Township 25 South, Range 1 East of the 6th P.M. District #4.

2. Section 8 Housing Assistance Payment Contracts.

<u>Contract Number</u>	<u>Rent Subsidy</u>	<u>District Number</u>	<u>Landlord</u>
C99019	\$325.00	5	Geraldine Loehr
C99018	\$199.00		Sunflower Apartments
C99017	\$248.00		Erma King

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>
C95005	\$385.00	\$324.00
V94081	\$162.00	\$248.00
V98041	\$239.00	\$304.00
C863005	\$325.00	\$295.00
V97060	\$375.00	\$346.00
C95129	\$345.00	\$214.00

4. Order dated April 7, 1999 to correct tax roll for change of assessment.

5. Plat.

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

U-Needa Self Storage Addition

6. General Bills Check Register of April 9, 1999.

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7. Payroll Check Register of April 2, 1999.

8. Budget Adjustment Requests.

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

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	Aye

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you. I'll adjourn this meeting at this time."

O. OTHER

P. ADJOURNMENT

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There being no other business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 10:09 a.m.

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ATTEST:

James Alford, County Clerk

APPROVED:

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