

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING

November 22, 2000

The Regular Meeting of the Board of the County Commissioners of Sedgwick County, Kansas, was called to order at 9:00 A.M., on Wednesday, November 22, 2000 in the County Commission Meeting Room in the Courthouse in Wichita, Kansas, by Chairman Thomas G. Winters; with the following present: Commissioner Betsy Gwin; Commissioner Bill Hancock; Commissioner Ben Sciortino; Mr. William P. Buchanan, County Manager; Mr. Rich Euson, County Counselor; Mr. Jack Kegley, Deputy Director, Emergency Management; Ms. Lucretia Taylor, Diversity and Employee Relations Manager, Division of Human Resources; Mr. Ron Parker, Zookeeper, Sedgwick County Zoo; Ms. Deborah Donaldson, Director, Division of Human Services; Mr. Nathan McCommon, Intern, County Manager's Office; Mr. Mark Sroufe, Superintendent, Lake Afton Park; Mr. Warren Duscher, Superintendent, Sedgwick County Park; Ms. Kathleen B. Sexton, Director, Division of Information and Operations; Ms. Jeannette Partridge, Contract Administrator, Comprehensive Community Care; Ms. Stephanie Knebel, Senior Project Manager, Facility Project Services; Dr. Charles Magruder, MD, MPH, Director of Community Health; Mr. Marvin Krout, Director, Metropolitan Area Planning Department; Mr. David Spears, Director, Bureau of Public Works; Ms. Iris Baker, Director, Purchasing Department; Ms. Allison Ohlman, Communications Coordinator, Communications; and, Ms. Lisa Davis, Deputy County Clerk.

GUESTS

Mr. Randy Stroud, Detention Deputy, Sedgwick County Jail.
Ms. Crystal Turner, Director, Step Stones Achiever's Program, YMCA.
Mr. Randy Class, Executive Director, Family Consultation Services.
Ms. Nancy Corkin, Expect Respect Program.
Mr. Nick Mork, President/ CEO, Big Brother and Sisters Program.
Ms. Patty Davis, Stepping Stones Program.

INVOCATION

The invocation was led by Reverend Sally Fahrenthold, Retired Lutheran

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

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The Clerk reported, after calling roll, that Commissioner McGinn was absent.

Chairman Winters said, "Next item."

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES: Regular Meeting, November 1, 2000

The Clerk reported that all Commissioners were present at the Regular Meeting of November 1st, 2000.

Chairman Winters said, "Commissioners, you've had an opportunity to review those Minutes. What's the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to Approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 1, 2000.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

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

Chairman Winters said, "Next item."

YOUR COUNTY SERVICES

A. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.

Chairman Winters said, "Each week, we take a few moments to discuss a particular department in the County, in our organization. This morning, we're going to talk about Emergency Management. So,

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proceed.”

Mr. Jack Kegley, Deputy Director, Emergency Management, greeted the Commissioners and said, “I come to you this morning with a couple a projects that . . . or a couple of items that we’d like to bring to the attention of the public. Sedgwick County has been selected as Project Impact Community for 2001 and what this is is an initiative to try to form partnerships between the government, the private sector and non-profits to develop mitigation projects that will minimize our damage from disasters.

“We just returned from Project Summit 2000, where we heard from other communities that have already started this program. And, while we were gone to the summit, we ended up hiring a Project Impact Coordinator and I’d like to introduce her this morning. Dee Ann Kunkle just came on staff with us on the 16th of this month. And she’ll have the task of running this big project that will encompass all of the communities in Sedgwick County, all 20 cities and the County. And then partner with the private sector as well.

“Also, this time of the year, we’d like to bring to the attention of the public that we’re coming into a season that’s a silent disaster presenter for us, the winter weather. We’re coming into a season where it can be very treacherous for people and we want everybody to start taking the time now to prepare their house and their car for winter weather, be aware of winter weather warnings and terminology that the weather service uses and just try to educate theirselves to be better prepared for winter weather.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “Thank you, Jack.”

Mr. Kegley said, “Are there any questions?”

Commissioner Gwin said, “Yeah, I have a question. I was, for a short time, was with you and the rest of the representatives for the Project Impact summit in Washington and can you, just as an example, are there some cities out there that have been participants in Project Impact who’ve been able to make some real substantive changes that you learned about while you were back there?”

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Mr. Kegley said, “Yes, ma’am. The City of Denton, Iowa has probably done about as much as anybody with the funds that they were given. They’ve leveraged their funds to like five times what they started out with. They’ve started into some mitigation programs where they’re channeling streams in different ways, to where it doesn’t flood them. They’ve formed some flooding control canals to prevent their flooding in the city and we have five communities now in Kansas that are all Project Impact communities. We have four that are funded and one that is non-funded. They took it upon themselves, this little city of Kinsley out in western Kansas, took it upon themselves to start this project. All the communities that have been into it have already started into projects where they’re making a difference in their community.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “I think one thing that was particularly interesting to me, while we were there, was to learn that our community seems to be farther ahead in our relationship building, our partnership building, than a lot of the communities. Didn’t you feel that too, Jack?”

Mr. Kegley said, “Yes, ma’am I do and I think that a lot of that was because of some of the storms that we’ve had. We’ve had about as many presidential declarations as anybody over the country and Commissioner McGinn co-chaired a team that . . . or a task force that worked on wind mitigation projects that you’ve already received a report on and accepted that report and those recommendations and that’s going to be the basis for our Project Impact is that task force report.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “Well, it was a nice opportunity and, like I said, where we were back there, we were well represented by Jack. He made a presentation to those folks from our region about some of the school rehabs and the things we’re done to protect our kids in the schools here. So, he represented us very well back there. Thanks, Jack. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.”

Chairman Winters said, “Thank you.”

Commissioner Hancock said, “Jack, I just wanted to say thank you also. We’ve had a couple of tornados recently, well in the last decade, and it seems that they’re attracted to the second district exclusively almost, but I just want to thank you and your staff for everything you’ve done. And what we’ve talking about here, folks, is doing things in our community to limit the damage in the event of tragedy or disaster, whether it’s related to weather or otherwise. And these folks here are leading the way. These are people you do not want to get to know, but I want to tell you that if you do have to get to know them, they’re some of the finest individuals I’ve ever had the privilege of serving with, and I really appreciate everything you’ve done for me. Thank you very much.”

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Mr. Kegley said, "Thank you."

Chairman Winters said, "All right, thank you also, Jack. A question about winter weather. We saw, just this week, in Buffalo, New York had a tremendous snow storm during the daytime hours and just was stranded, lots of folks. If people want to . . . do we have a way people can find out more about winter weather problems or what they should be thinking about when they're concerned about winter awareness? Do you have any suggestions for folks?"

Mr. Kegley said, "Yes, they can contact our office at 383-7546 and we can make available to them various types of information or they can go on the FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) website and there's information on all types of disasters on the FEMA website."

Chairman Winters said, "And I don't want to put you on the spot. This is asking a question that I don't know the answer to, so I hope I don't put you on the spot. But does your department offer programs to folks? Will you be speakers at civic clubs and organizations that would like to learn more about what all your department of Emergency Management is involved in?"

Mr. Kegley said, "Yes, sir. We do talks to different types of groups, schools, churches, civic organizations, businesses on any type of weather safety or emergency management in general."

Chairman Winters said, "All right, very good. Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Thank you. I just had one. If you could have one thing that you could respond to people, what is the single most important thing people can do to get prepared for winter weather?"

Mr. Kegley said, "The primary thing they can do is educate themselves to weather terminology and pay attention to the changes in the weather and listen to the weather forecast."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Thank you."

Chairman Winters said, "Thank you again. Jack, why don't you give the department's phone number one more time, in case somebody would like to contact you all with a question."

Mr. Kegley said, "Yes, sir. It's 383-7546."

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Chairman Winters said, "All right, very good. And the department is lead by Randy Duncan, who is relatively new to the County but is doing an excellent job with the staff there. So, thank you to all of the staff and welcome to Sedgwick County and our Emergency Management Department. Thank you both.

"Do I have a motion to receive and file this report?"

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to Receive and file.

Commissioner Hancock seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

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

Chairman Winters said, "Next item."

RETIREMENT PRESENTATION

B. PRESENTATION OF RETIREMENT CLOCK TO RON PARKER, ZOOKEEPER.
Ms. Lucretia Taylor, Diversity and Employee Relations Manager, Division of Human Resources, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I'd like to present a retirement certificate and clock to Ron Parker. Ron was hired at the Sedgwick County Zoo on November 20th, 1978 as a ground keeper and then became a zookeeper on July 26th of 1979. Ron will retire as Zookeeper with the Sedgwick County Zoo on December 1st, 2000 after 22 years of service."

Chairman Winters said, "Ron, thank you very much. Step over here just a little closer. We certainly want to say thank you, on behalf of the Board of County Commissioners and the citizens of Sedgwick County and all of the folks who have ever attended our Zoo. We're extremely proud of that facility and

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the way that facility works is because people like you are out there working in the zoo, that others might have a good time.

“I would like to acknowledge that we’ve got several zoo folks here today to help celebrate Ron’s retirement. Mark Reed, the Director is here. Jim Marlett’s here. Dr. Bryant is here and there are other folks from the Zoo, so we certainly thank all of them for coming here, Ron, to say thank you for the years of work. And from the Board of County Commissioners, we would like to present this clock and hope that you will remember the good days. I’m sure that all of them weren’t that way, but this will help you remember the good days of your employment with Sedgwick County. Would you like to make just a comment?”

Mr. Ron Parker, Zookeeper, Sedgwick County Zoo, greeted the Commissioners and said, “Well, it’s been fun and it’s been real, but it hasn’t been real fun. It doesn’t seem like it was 22 years ago. My dad always said that once you got older, time flies. I guess, when you’re having fun it even goes faster, so it went real fast.”

Chairman Winters said, “All right, well thank you, Ron and congratulations and best wishes.

Commissioner Gwin said, “Thank all of you who came to support Ron and congratulate him. Good to see you all.”

Chairman Winters said, “All right, Madam Clerk, would you call the next item please.”

CITIZEN INQUIRY

C. REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGARDING COLLECTIVE BARGAINING.

Chairman Winters said, “Each week we do offer citizens, who would like to speak to the Board of County Commissioners, the opportunity to do that. If anyone out there would like to do that, please notify the Manager’s Office at least a week in advance of our meeting, so that it can be properly scheduled. We request that your time be limited to five minutes and if you would please give your name and address for the record and please proceed.”

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Mr. Randy Stroud, Detention Deputy, Sedgwick County Sheriff's Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "We appreciate the opportunity to come back here and revisit the topic on collective bargaining for Sedgwick County. I'd like to say that in the event that the Commission does approve a collective bargaining resolution, that's not necessarily the option that we're going to use, but it's an option that we'd like to see that is available for us.

"We brought up, on November 1st during the last meeting, that we felt that there was some violations of the fair labor standards act, with regards to 7K exempt employees, under the code of federal regulation section 778 and 553, in the equal pay act. General order 22.1, Civil Service policy 4.02, Sedgwick County wage and compensation policy 4.2000 and 4.2001. These mainly entail requirements for shift differential and overtime pay compensation. We'd like to see that these issues get resolved in a fair and expeditious manner.

"We do understand that our pay survey has been completed. That the report will be available to us on November 29th. We'll see what develops after that. I'm not sure what that's going to do for us. I know that there's a one to seven percent difference between some of the classifications in our County and other counties. I'd like to see what that does for the department and the County as a whole.

"In 1988, KDSE and the Kansas Highway Patrol had similar problems with their pay problems and FLSA. They did establish a case precedence in Kansas courts with regards to violations of FLSA and we hope that we don't have to go through class action litigation, but that is something that we're prepared to do if necessary. Hopefully, we can have everything resolved through without class action litigation and get our heads together and go for the future favorably. That pretty much covers it."

Chairman Winters said, "All right. Thank you very much, Mr. Stroud."

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to Receive and file.

Commissioner Hancock seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

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

Chairman Winters said, "Thank you very much. Mr. Manager, it is my understanding that part of that current study has been completed and that the report will be ready next week. Is that correct?"

Mr. William P. Buchanan, County Manager said, "Yes, the study was completed by Human Resources. It was presented to me. When they indicated, a week or so ago, after review I wanted a little more research done and sent it back to have that research completed. The report was presented yesterday to Sheriff Elect and Sheriff staff. Human Resources and others and I was there. We looked at a number of different options and concluded that there was significant financial work that needed to be completed, reviewed. It's a financial impact that's significant, some where in between a half a million to 1.3 million dollars financial impact. We need, because of the close out of the fiscal year and the beginning of the new budget, I thought it would be wise to take some time to examine this issue carefully. That examination will occur between now and December 20th, when we will review, on or before that date, options, impliment options with the Sheriff, Mike Hill and the Sheriff Elect, Gary Steed. In that meeting, when that meeting occurs, then we will bring back to you, the Board of County Commissioners, in January, second or third week of January, 15th I think or 16th a recommendation of how to proceed."

Chairman Winters said, "All right. You indicated that you had a meeting yesterday with Sheriff's staff."

Mr. Buchanan said, "Yes."

Chairman Winters said, "I know this is probably not a good question, but what was the tone of that meeting? Was there . . . can you talk about what the temperament was there?"

Mr. Buchanan said, "Sure. The . . . I need to start some place else. The process that the Human Resources did to gather the information was extensive. There were sixteen other communities that we have used, from time to time, as comparison. So, there were some counties, there were some cities and they had interviewed and reviewed their personnel rules and regulations and had a matrix of what was . . . what the market would look like.

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“When we do a wage and classification study, you try to determine what the duties are that are being performed and then, how they compare with your market, with your competitors. So that a sergeant in the Detention Facility may be a corporal in Iowa, or may be a lieutenant in Idaho. The title doesn’t mean anything. What are the duties. So, the work needs to be examined. To do that, two of our Human Resources employees when and spent time in the first, second and third shift in the Detention Facility and on weekends and on the road patrol, looking at both of those positions and then we gathered that information.

“So, yesterday, . . . I’m sorry. Now, to get to your question. So, yesterday the tone was how we gathered the information, what was in it and it was . . . everyone, I can say unequivocally, everyone in the room realized there’s a problem. Everyone wants to solve the problem. There’s a way in which we can get to that solution. There are several different ways and we need to examine it. It’s a significant impact, fiscally, to this organization. It is one that cannot be ignored, but we are at the end of one fiscal year and about to begin another one. The budget’s already prepared, so there is some work that needs to be done and that needs to be done carefully and slowly. Carefully and thoughtfully. We have a timetable that we’ve agreed upon. Sheriff Elect Steed, Sheriff Hill’s staff was cooperative and helpful and we shared, not only the information about the wage and salary, but we shared concerns, because when the people were riding, when our Human Resources people were riding or being in the Detention Facility, and we used focus groups, there were a lot of issues that were brought up, so we discussed those also.”

Chairman Winters said, “And Sheriff Elect Gary Steed seems to be fully involved and fully engaged in working with you and your staff in a good manner?”

Mr. Buchanan said, “It is . . . absolutely. There was . . . Sheriff Elect Steed wants to begin solving these problems and clearly, is willing to listen to ideas and suggestions and it’s clear that then he will make his best choices and proceed.”

Chairman Winters said, “Okay. Very good. I appreciate that further explanation of the process and I’m sure we’ll hear more about it. All right, Madam Clerk, next item.”

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DEFERRED ITEM

D. AGREEMENT WITH SAYED S. JEHAN, M.D. TO PROVIDE PSYCHIATRIC SERVICES TO COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY CARE CONSUMERS.

Ms. Deborah Donaldson, Director, Division of Human Services, greeted the Commissioners and said, "This is a renewal of our agreement with Dr. Jehan, who has worked with us a number of years. Just for your information, because I know many people don't realize that all of our clinical staff, whether they're full time, part time or no matter how long we've known them are all credentialed through the consortium. So we do full checks with everyone.

"Anyway, the amount of the contract will be \$18,720 and those are County funds and I would recommend your approval."

Chairman Winters said, "All right, thank you. Commissioners, you've heard the report. What's the will of the Board?"

MOTION

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

Commissioner Gwin seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

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

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

NEW BUSINESS

E. RESOLUTION INCREASING FEE RATES AT LAKE AFTON AND SEDGWICK COUNTY PARKS AND ADJUSTING LAKE AFTON PARK RULES.

Mr. Nathan McCommon, Intern, County Manager's Office, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Before you is a resolution to amend the fees at Lake Afton and Sedgwick County Park and to amend the rules at Lake Afton Park."

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

"I want to briefly explain why these rules . . . why these changes are important. In the 2001 budget, the goal for Lake Afton states that they want to produce sufficient revenues to cover the operating costs of the park and I'll point out that at the bottom there, to achieve this, their objective says that they want to increase their revenues to 100% of the operating budget within five years. As it is now, taxpayers subsidize the operations of both parks at \$286,000 for Sedgwick County Park and \$140,000 for Lake Afton Park. This totals to \$396,000 of taxpayer money that is covering the operating costs of these parks and we hope that, within five years, we can make this number zero."

"The services that are effected by this resolution will be fishing and boating at Lake Afton Park, shelter house rentals at both parks and camping at Lake Afton."

"How will the changes affect the cost? The fishing costs at Lake Afton Park will not change at all. The boating costs will increase slightly, by one dollar for the daily fee, for the daily pass, and ten dollars per year for the yearly pass. The shelter rentals at Sedgwick County Park, we suggested they be increased fifteen dollars across the board. And the camping fees will go up slightly for most campers."

"Why would we want to change now? Well, it's been four years since anything has happened. We've had the same fee structure for the last four years. Number one, we want to achieve our budget goal, and this resolution would be a step toward that process. We'd like to be able to expand our services, and extend the cost to those who actually use the services and not subsidize them by taxpayer dollars. We'd

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also like to be able to respond to the level of demand, because our parks are very popular. Many of the facilities, the services are booked. The shelter houses are booked and we'd like to be able to give them a little bit more.

“Also, by looking around the region, we find at the State and the municipal and the county parks that everybody is going to raise their fees for this coming year. By the way, I'll interject that, from looking around I'm finding out what everybody else offers. Sedgwick County has great parks. Outside of the City of Wichita, if you want to find something comparable, you'd have to go all the way to Topeka.

“At Lake Afton, the boating fees, like I said, would go up a dollar for a day pass or ten dollars for a yearly pass. Most folks would probably fall into the 21 to 99 horse power category for boating, which would mean their daily rate would go from four to five dollars, or from forty to fifty dollars for the yearly pass.

“The shelter houses at Sedgwick County Park, I mentioned that they would go up \$15 across the board. For example, the largest shelter there is Sunflower. They currently charge \$75 per day. We propose that we increase that fee to \$90 per day. The only exception would be the smallest shelter, you see at the bottom, it's a rather new one. We currently charge \$10 per day and we recommend that that remain the same.

“At Lake Afton, the shelter houses are somewhat more elaborate, larger and they offer some more services than Sedgwick County Park. Their fees are higher. Much of it will stay the same, we suggest, but we recommend that the largest shelter, #1, that the fee be raised from \$100 per day, that's a 24 hour period, to \$150 per day. The pavilion you see listed at the bottom is a comparable facility to shelter house #1 and we recommended the fee be the same for that one as well.

“The camping fees at Lake Afton Park will be adjusted slightly for the daily rate. If someone were to have electricity and camp, currently we charge eight dollars a day for that. We recommend that go up to ten dollars. The only structural change will be in regard to the yearly fee. It's currently a \$350 yearly pass. We recommend that that be removed and that a monthly fee be created at \$200 a month. There are comparable changes within the Senior Citizen discount rates as well.

“In addition to the fee changes, we recommend a few rule changes at Lake Afton Park. Those who would fish at the Park currently, if they were to use waders, they are not allowed to have a floatation device. There's a rule against that in the code as it stands. We suggested that rule be removed and that the

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floatation devise be permitted.

“We also suggest removing the electrical seasonal permit. Also, that if anybody would have a dog at the Park, that they would have it on a leash no longer than eight feet. We suggest including definitions for the words ‘fires’, ‘camps’, ‘barbequing’ and ‘open’. And we suggest that no fires would be allowed up on open ground or within stone burn rings, and that shoreline rocks could not be removed or relocated. What is happening right now is there’s a \$57,000 project to put stones along the shore line around Lake Afton Park. This is to greatly reduce the erosion of the soil into the lake. What is happening is people are finding those stones very attractive to relocate and make little fire pits. So, these two rules would give us the leverage to curb that behavior. And then, finally, we recommend a rule to withhold a deposit from any group that does not remove their directional signs.

“In the end, should this resolution be adopted, the changes would take affect on January 1st, 2001. It would be our first step towards our five year goal of making the Parks less dependent on taxpayer dollars and more independent. The resolution would allow Sedgwick County Parks to enhance the facilities and services that the residents now enjoy.

“Bob Parnacott from Legal and Mark Sroufe, the Lake Afton Park Superintendent, and I are available for any questions.”

Chairman Winters said, “All right, thank you. Commissioner Sciortino.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Thank you. I think I have this question of Mark. Mark, you came and talked to me about this and I can’t remember. I think we discussed this one, but have these changes already been reflected in your 2001 budget, these proposed increase?”

Mr. Mark Sroufe, Superintendent, Lake Afton Park, greeted the Commissioners and said, “No, they have not.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Okay, so that would mean that we could reduce the amount of Sedgwick County taxpayer dollars going in to augment your budget.”

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Mr. Sroufe said, "For 2001?"

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Yes."

Mr. Sroufe said, "Yes."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Okay, that's great."

Chairman Winters said, "That's it?"

Commissioner Sciortino said, "That's it."

Chairman Winters said, "Okay. I've got a couple of questions. It appears that one of the probably largest increase here is going to be at Lake Afton for the long-term campers, those that stay for more than 30 days and we're changing that from an annual fee to a monthly fee. How many folks do we have that use those kinds of permits, and have we had any contact with those, I guess, folks that have almost been regular customers?"

Mr. Sroufe said, "In 1999 we sold 20 yearly camping permits. I don't have the numbers for 2000. Once this resolution is passed, we're going to be creating a letter and sending to each of those people, so they'll know by January 1 what to expect."

Chairman Winters said, "But 20 is not a huge number. I . . . that's not as many as I thought."

Mr. Sroufe said, "In 1999 we sold, other than yearly camping permits, over 6,000 daily camping permits, so that's a small number in regard to that."

Chairman Winters said, "Okay. The other question I had was concerning the shelter fees. And, my question is, have we done a comparison, as you look around at other camps around the City of Wichita, are we in the ballpark? We're not getting out of the ballpark on our fees on shelters are we?"

Mr. McCommon said, "No, we are not. Actually, we are still cheaper. For example, the City of Wichita charges \$70 per four hour period, plus \$17.50 for every additional hour, plus a \$60 deposit. Which roughly equals what we would charge."

Chairman Winters said, "All right. Well, I just wanted to make sure. Even though these are very

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popular and they do get a lot of use, we don't necessarily want to price ourselves, or our citizens, into the point that it's not possible for reasonable people to enjoy the facilities that we're trying to provide. So, I agree that the goal of becoming self-sufficient is a worthy one, although I believe one of the things that local government does is provide some quality of life opportunities for folks. Commissioner Gwin."

Commissioner Gwin said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Warren Duscher, can you come up? Warren oversees Sedgwick County Park for us. Will for a while yet. I may refuse to accept his retirement.

"Mark came by and made the presentation to us and I just want to make sure that you too concur on the recommendations of increasing the rates in the shelters in your park?"

Mr. Warren Duscher, Superintendent, Sedgwick County Park, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Yeah, we talked about that and we both agree on these rates and the reason we're raising the rates at our place is we're going to put in air conditioning this year. So, it will be a little more comfortable."

Commissioner Gwin said, "And aren't your shelters rented most of the time?"

Mr. Duscher said, "Most of the time. We probably don't have a weekend that they're not rented."

Commissioner Gwin said, "And those are available on holidays and other things?"

Mr. Duscher said, "Holidays, every day of the year."

Commissioner Gwin said, "Every day of the year. Well, I appreciate you being here and appreciate Mark, you doing some legwork and Warren, your approval of these things, too. Thank you, Mr. Chairman."

Chairman Winters said, "All right, thank you. Commissioner Sciortino, did you have another question about the fees?"

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Well, just in general. I don't know who all to direct it to. But, I believe as I understand it, that the main reason that we wanted to do away with the annual fee is that because it was so low, we were actually getting people parking their trailer there and living there and that wasn't really the reason we had that. That was to make more frequent people and I think the \$200 a month, if I did my math, that would allow people to go 20 days a month, or 30 days a month actually, so to the frequent user of the park, the way it was designed to be used, it's still a bargain and it sort of discourages

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these people from maybe taking advantage of extremely low rates and literally parking their trailer there and living there as a . . .”

Chairman Winters said, “Absolutely, and I agree with this and am going to be supportive of that and you explained it very well. I was just curious if I was going to have 250 phone calls or 20. Twenty I can handle.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “They’re all in your district anyway.”

Chairman Winters said, “I know. All right, are there other questions or comments?”

MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved to Adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Hancock seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

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

Chairman Winters said, “Thank you very much, Nathan. That was a very good presentation. We appreciate the work that you’ve done on this project and Mark and Warren, we certainly continue to appreciate the work that both of you do in two very significant County facilities. So, keep up the good work and thank you very much. Next item.”

F. AGREEMENT WITH WICHITA CANTEEN COMPANY, INC. TO EXTEND THE CONTRACT TO PROVIDE FOOD SERVICE OPERATIONS.

Ms. Kathleen B. Sexton, Director, Division of Information and Operations, greeted the Commissioners

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and said, “We have before you today just a contract amendment to extend Canteen’s contract for three months to give us time to do the RFP process. It’s time we do that again. It was five years ago when we last competed for this business. So, if you have any questions, I’d be happy to respond.”

Chairman Winters said, “All right. Are there questions or comments of Kathy?”

MOTION

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

Commissioner Hancock seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

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

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

G. PRESENTATION OF THE SEDGWICK COUNTY GRANT AWARD COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 2001 PREVENTION FUNDING.

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Ms. Jeannette Partridge, Contract Administrator, Comprehensive Community Care, greeted the Commissioners and said, “Sedgwick County Community Crime Prevention fund began in 1998. It awards annual grants on a competitive basis to agencies providing prevention and early intervention services.

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“For 2001, the request for proposal was issued in September. Proposals were due back on October 3rd. A committee of knowledgeable individuals was selected to review and make funding recommendations. A total of 23 proposals were received. The proposals . . . the goal is for the proposals to target the three priority risk factors that were determined to the Juvenile Justice planning process. These are the family management problems, early and persistent anti-social behavior and lack of commitment to school.

“Of the 23 proposals that were received, 11 were recommended for funding by the committee. Of the 11, one of them is new to the prevention fund. That’s the Family Consultation Service. The others have received grants last year.

“Big Brothers/ Big Sisters provides mentoring services to youth that are at risk. The program has received a prevention grant since the funds inception in 1998. The committee recommended funding to the agency at \$147,000. I might mention that mentoring is one service that has some research base to show its effectiveness for crime prevention and Big Brothers/ Big Sister in particular does a very good job of targeting their services to youth that can best benefit from this. I also ought to mention, Big Brothers/ Big Sisters also received a prevention grant for their Operation Jump Start, which is not on the slide, for \$48,000. Operation Jump Start is a collaborative program between Big Brother/ Big Sisters and Communities in Schools. It provides in-school mentoring/ tutoring to kids one hour a week.

“Boys and Girls Club, the prevention grant funds for Boys and Girls Club Targeted Outreach Program, which provides academic services to youth that have been suspended or expelled from school. The Boys and Girls Club has received a prevention grant since 1998. The committee recommended funding the program at \$98,940. The program has had very good success at reintegrating youth that have been suspended and expelled from school, some for as long as a year, and returning them on grade where appropriate and even earning credits.

“Communities in Schools provides an array of services, through a collaborative partnership with other agencies, to youth in the school system. Communities in Schools has also received a prevention grant since the prevention funds inception in 1998. The committee recommended funding the program at \$139,000. The County funds serve Oaklawn and Cooper Elementary Schools and then partially fund Derby and Hamilton Sixth Grade Center. I might mention that Communities in Schools has some very challenging and meaningful performance goals and has performed very well, to date, through the prevention grant.

“Episcopal Social Services Teen Intervention Program serves youth that have been arrested for first-time shoplifting or other minor misdemeanors. The program received a prevention grant in 2000. The

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committee recommended funding the program at \$44,308. The Teen Intervention Program is part of the formal diversion process, through the District Attorney's Office, and are planning on beginning to implement some more follow-up services and expanding services to the parents of the kids they serve.

'Family Consultation Services' Expect Respect Program is a program that focuses on teen domestic and relationship violence. It's new to the prevention fund this year. The committee recommended funding it at \$43,029. The program is a nationally recognized curriculum that will occur in gym class in all Sedgwick County schools in 9th grade.

'KANSEL's Comprehensive Education Job Training and Placement Program provides GED services and also job training and assistance to youth. The KANSEL program has received funding since 1998. The committee recommended funding the program at \$95,000. In addition to assisting youth to obtain their GED, they also offer services for youth like office assistant training for kids to assist them to get into an apprenticeship programs for higher paying jobs like in the construction field or electricians. They provide, also, remedial classes for kids that, once they've dropped out of school, they realize that they are so far behind they can't even test for their GED at that point. So, they serve a lot of kids through their remedial classes.

'Tiyospaye's Higher Ground, Learning the Ropes Program is a substance abuse prevention and early intervention program. It has received a prevention grant since 1998. The committee recommended funding the program at \$81,600. The program has a challenge ropes course and provides experiential based services and promotes sober recreational alternatives.

'Wichita ACTS on Truancy provides truancy intervention services to youth in several USD 259 schools. Wichita ACTS has received prevention grant annually, since the prevention funds inception in 1998. The committee recommended funding ACTS at \$183,300, with \$20,000 contingent on how well they serve Asians in the school setting. The County funds services at North and West High Schools. Wichita ACTS is also a part of a collaborative serving Sedgwick County to reduce truancy throughout the County.

'Wichita Family Services Institute On-Trac Program serves youth that are exhibiting problem behaviors. They received a grant in 2000. The committee recommended funding the program at \$33,150. The program serves youth that may or may not have been arrested. Referrals come from Juvenile Intake and Assessment, or from concerned parents or, often, from the schools. They've exhibited very good outcomes for the kids they've served to date.

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“The Wichita YMCA Achievers Program provides a summer internship program and other year-round services for minority youth. The program has received a prevention grant for the last couple of years. The committee recommended funding the program at \$120,000. The program offers, in addition to their internship, they have career-based lecture series and a couple of summer camp opportunities. They’ve had very good performance on the goals that they’ve set for themselves.

“The agencies and funding recommendations from the committee are summarized on this slide. The recommended action is for the Commission to make the final determination for the funding allocations. After the allocation, I will work individually with each one of the contractors, to develop a contract and set the outcomes and goals for that. I’m available for questions and I know there are also several agency representatives in the audience.”

Chairman Winters said, “All right, thank you very much, Jeannette. What I think I’d like to do, Commissioners, is open this up if anybody is here who would like to address this issue. I know this is not a public hearing but it’s usually our intention to try to get input from as many people as we can. Commissioner Sciortino, I see you have a question. Would you like to go ahead? Okay. Well, I would open this up to anybody who is in the meeting room that would like to address us today on this issue. If you’d please come forward and state your name and address for the record please.”

Mr. Nick Mork, President/ CEO, Big Brothers/ Big Sisters, greeted the Commissioners and said, “I’m here to ask you to reconsider or perhaps amend the recommendation from the panel for Big Brothers/ Big Sisters. This actually represents a 9% cut to our program. A cut of about \$16,000. After speaking with Jeannette and trying to figure out what this recommendation was based on, and I don’t mean to make light of this, but I think the panel decided that we weren’t going to achieve our goals for the year, so they predicted an outcome prematurely. They projected that we were going to fall short of our goal 9% at year in, where in actuality it looks like we’re going to exceed our performance goal for new matches for the year 2000.

Commissioner Gwin said, “Excuse me, Nick. Is this for the Operation Jump Start program?”

Mr. Mork said, “No, this is the core program.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “Just the regular one that she calls Big Brothers/ Big Sisters for at-risk youth?”

Mr. Mork said, “That’s right. It’s our traditional mentoring program. Three years ago, we asked you to help us to grow our program. You funded us very generously. Provided us with two more case

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management teams which enabled us to increase the number of kids we're serving each year by 200.

"For the first two years, we were able to increase the number by 193, then 195, and this year we're projecting 214 new matches, and that's based upon, if I might share a memo with you?"

OVERHEAD PRESENTATION

"The memo and a chart. We actually, for the third quarter, had the best third quarter results and new matches that we've had under this grant. Historically, the fourth quarter of the year, I guess it's because people are feeling in the spirit of giving and because our recruitment activities increase, we made a large percentage of our overall new matches in the final three months. We actually are projecting that we can make over 80 new matches in this program in this fourth quarter, but we've been conservative in our projections, and are projecting 75. But even so, that would take us well over our goal and if indeed the panel did make that recommendation based upon the fact that they expected us to fall short, it doesn't seem to me to be fair to give us a reduction.

"And as a matter of fact, we have now the largest waiting list that we've had in some time and we've asked you to consider giving us a larger increase, so we can answer that need. I think that the people in Sedgwick County believe that we can address these needs. That's why we have so many kids, almost 1,000 now that have been referred to us. Frankly, unless we're able to find some way of increasing those resources, those kids are going to be waiting a long time. And the longer they wait, the more chance that they're going to end up in trouble and end up in some other division of your operation.

"With regard to the Operation Jump Start, that also is an issue, because last year we asked for funding for that program to pick up what was the tail end of a federal contract. What you've allocated for Operation Jump Start would be enough to run the program for about nine months. So, we have to figure out where the final three months of that funding will come from. But, my purpose this morning is to try to at least get the funding restored, if not an increase for our core program."

Chairman Winters said, "All right. Thank you. We've got some questions here. Commissioner Gwin

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has her light on for a question.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “Okay, thank you, Mr. Chairman. Nick, I’ll speak for myself, I’m not prepared to take any action on this today, because I think I need to review it, too. But, one thing I think that we hoped we would accomplish when we moved some of this funding from our old Finance General category was that we really would look at . . . we hoped to look at outcomes, real impact and those kinds of things, because we had gotten into a habit, quite frankly, of funding organizations the same amount for ad nauseum. And that was frustrating to me, in particular, and I’m sure to a number of my colleagues that if I’m going to be using taxpayer dollars to fund programs, I want them to be worthwhile and meaningful. And I believe that yours has been and continues to be.

“I would caution you and others, however, that I don’t know that this Commission, from year to year, makes a commitment to maintain funding or to increase it. We obviously have a huge list of folks here who’ve requested much more than we’ve allocated. And as you know, in your work, that sometimes when you have more need than you do the money to meet it, you’ve got to make some pretty tough choices. And so, I don’t know what the total is. The total that we’ve requested was . . . I don’t know if there is a total on there, but it’s considerably more than we’ve got. And so, I will assure you that I’ll take a while to go back and review the comments and the funding recommendations that came here, but I can’t promise you now that I’ll get to where you want me to. But I certainly will assure you that I’ll go back and look at the recommendations. Go back and read the quarterly reports and remind myself of your successes in the past.”

Mr. Mork said, “I appreciate that and we certainly believe in outcome based. Look at the kids who are in our program matched under these funds. They closely mirror the kids that are at the Youth Detention Facility. We believe that we’re keeping those kids out of that system. I think that that’s a wise investment for the County. I think it makes sense in a dollar and cents way, at least that’s what our board believes and if this decisions based on the fact that you’ve just have so many request and you sort of have to figure out how to pare it down, I guess, we wouldn’t like it but we could understand it. But if it’s based upon faulty reasoning, I don’t believe that’s fair.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “And I understand that concern, and I’ll certainly go back and look at that.”

Chairman Winters said, “All right, thank you. Couple of more questions, Nick. Commissioner Sciortino.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Thanks. Hi, Nick. As you know, emotionally, I’ve been very

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emotionally involved for a long time with Big Brothers/ Big Sisters, including being a Big Brother. But, just to kind of expand a little bit on what Commissioner Gwin has said, you know this is, I believe Nick, a case where there's limited funds attempting to satisfy unlimited needs. I have absolutely no doubt in my mind that we could probably figure out a program that you would be willing to work with us, if we gave you the entire \$1,000,000. I think that, I have no doubt in my mind that there's probably other organizations out there that feel that they could expand to accommodate that.

"But the one thing that we have, we're faced with limited income, trying to satisfy these needs and the one thing that Commissioner Gwin mentioned and I'd like to just address to all of you that might be in the audience, please don't assume that because you're getting a grant this year, that's the County's commitment that they will continue ad infinitum to support a program or part of a program. Because we can't make that commitment to you and I want to make sure that you're not entering into a program assuming that you're going to be funded continually forever.

"I also, if Commissioner Gwin feels strongly on this, would be willing to defer action for a week for us to look at that. I would like to hear from Jeannette, maybe later on or sometime between now and when we take action, maybe some of the criteria that went in. We have some little brief comments here as to who got funded, why they got funded and what proportion. But it's a tough decision that the Grants Award Committee had to do, going in with a fixed dollar amount. And there was 20-some-odd people. The one argument could be if the ten or eleven that we funded this year are doing a good job, that would preclude anybody else coming in with a new proposal, because we've already made a commitment to the eleven of you that we'd continue funding. And that's a big problem for us."

Chairman Winters said, "Okay, thank you. Those are good comments. Don't leave yet, Nick. Commissioner Hancock, did you have a question or a comment for Nick?"

Commissioner Hancock said, "A little further research and I figured out my question. I had a technical question. Thank you very much."

Chairman Winters said, "Thank you very much. Nick, we do appreciate the partnerships we've had with you over the years. Thanks for being here today. Is there anyone else who would like to address the Commissioners? Please come forward. Give your name and address for the record please."

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Mr. Randy Class, Executive Director, Family Consultation Services, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Mr. Chair and Commissioners, thank you for this opportunity to provide some information about, what I feel like is a very, very innovative prevention project for children. I'm Executive Director of Family Consultation Service and I'd like to introduce the Director of the Expect Respect Program, Nancy Corkins. Nancy, if you'd come up please. And also, Patty Davis, who is one of our collaborating agencies. Patty is the Director at Step Stone and also is the Chair of the City/ County Domestic Violence Coalition. I want to thank both of you for being able to attend this morning.

"Very, very briefly, and in a nut shell, what this program is is a nationally recognized program, dating back to 1988, that provides prevention training to children in our school system. It is estimated that by the time children enter 9th grade, fully 1/3 or 30% of those children will be effected by domestic violence in their home or directly in relationship to a peer. What this program does is provide professional facilitators, throughout all of the schools, the secondary schools here in Sedgwick County, train these youngsters about what constitutes domestic violence. Many, many kids do not see domestic violence as wrong, maybe because they've grown up with it. They expect it. They haven't had the training to see domestic violence as something that's very, very debilitating. Rather than me taking anymore of your time, I'm going to have Nancy, the Chairman, say a little bit more about the goals and outcomes of the program.

"We are not asking the County this morning for full funding of this program. This program has been in existence since the '97-'98 school year. For 2001, the program has a budget of approximately \$70,000. We are asking for County funding for a little bit over half of the cost of the program, which is \$43,000. The rest of the monies will be subsidized by Family Consultation Service and by a terminal final-year grant from the United Methodist Health Ministries in the amount of \$10,000.

"I'd like to have Nancy share with you, just briefly, a little more detailed information about the program and then I would entertain any questions that the Commissioners might have."

Chairman Winters said, "Okay, Randy. Before we do that, so the reason you've here is we have, the committee has recommended that this program be funded to the amount that you requested, but this is a new program and you just want to expose us?"

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

Chairman Winters said, "As far as you're concerned, the money is right."

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

Chairman Winters said, "Okay, thank you."

Ms. Nancy Corkin, Director, Expect Respect Program, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Thank you for letting us come here and speak to you this morning. It's a real exciting program and I feel very honored to be part of this program here in this County. Like Randy said, we started, this will be our fourth year and the first year, the school district in 259 allowed us to go into five of their high schools and as a result of the response by the teachers and the students, the following year they said please come to all of our high schools. Which is what we then began to do.

"In order to do that, then we started to find ways to expand our presenter base, to be able to have enough people to serve all the schools that really were calling us and asking us to come out there. Currently, we are a coalition of eight different agencies that have banded together to bring this presentation to the students. And most of the agencies are resources for these children. Teen Heartline, through Via Christi, they provide presentation plus bringing their . . . they provide pencils and cards and magnets for the kids that has their phone number on them, so they have a resource to turn to if they find that they're in this situation.

"Same way with the Wichita Children's Home program, Street Outreach. They are also a part of our program, providing that resource to the students. So, not only do the kids get the information and the education about domestic violence and relationship violence, but now we're also linking them within the community to where they can go if they find that they're in this situation. And it's been an exciting program. It's a program that's really taken on new life and we appreciate your putting us on your list of possible funders. So, thank you."

Chairman Winters said, "Thank you, Nancy. We appreciate your being here. Randy, did you want . . . Patty, did you want to make a comment?"

Ms. Patty Davis, Director, Step Stone, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I would just give you some comments on being one of the collaborators. I joined in this project this spring and I don't know

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how many presentations I did, but I think when the final count was done, I had spoken to almost 500 students in just the spring quarter. I can tell you that it's very satisfying to go into a direct discussion with these students on this topic. I'm sad to say, it's not a topic that they're unfamiliar with. What I do is come in as a follow-up to the Expect Respect initial presentation and I focus directly on the long term effects of trauma on the children in the family. Particularly talking to the boys, because there are not a lot of services available for intervention on the long-term effects, especially for the boys. And it is my belief that if we're really serious about trying to prevent domestic violence, we not only need to speak to the victims, the female victims, but we need to address the needs of the male children that grow up in these homes that can eventually become batterers themselves in adult life. So, I think this is a very worthwhile and affective program and I'm just happy I can be a part of it. Would entertain any questions."

Chairman Winters said, "All right, thank you. Commissioner Sciortino, do you have a question?"

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Yes, I think of the first presenter, Randy, if you would. If I understood it right, Randy, the funding committee's recommendation, \$43,000 or whatever, is sufficient to fund about 50% of the program?"

Mr. Class said, "A little over 50%, that's correct."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Is the rest of the funding already in place, so that we can be assured that the program will go forward?"

Mr. Class said, "That's correct. This program began in '97-'98' school year with seed funding from the United Methodists Ministries fund out of Hutchinson but it's terminal. Terminal funding that will run out in the next school year. So, this is supplemental funding to help us continue the program and we will, very definitely, be looking at other funding, beside just County Prevention funding, as we look ahead in years to come. I did have one other thing that I'd like to share. This program started in four high schools here in USD 259. And our vision is all County schools, not just Wichita schools, and in fact we'll be in the Maize school system. We're already scheduled to be there. So, we're looking at expanding out into the County school system likewise, not just City schools."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Thank you, that's all I had."

Chairman Winters said, "All right, thank you. I see no other questions. Randy, thank you for being here. Nancy and Patty, we appreciate your comments. Is there anyone else who would like to address the Commissioners?"

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Ms. Crystal Turner, Director, Urban Initiatives, YMCA, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I just wanted to say thank you, on behalf of the YMCA, for granting us the monies that you have granted. It does represent a cut in the funding for some of our programs, but certainly I do appreciate that there are different challenges that you face, in terms of determining who gets the funding. Just to remind you, we have achievers programs that deal with at-risk truant children. We have programs that also deal with health and fitness, in terms of tying health awareness to children and their habits, in terms of their physical fitness. We do have an internship program, that is trying to impact the lives of children, in terms of work and careers and what opportunities are available to them, along with exposure in terms of mentoring and career opportunities. This is all part of the Strong Communities agenda that is embraced by the YMCA. And, again, I just wanted to say thank you on behalf of the YMCA."

Chairman Winters said, "All right, thank you, Crystal. We appreciate your being here. Commissioner Gwin, do you have a question?"

Commissioner Gwin said, "I do. Crystal, on one of the comments, and I'm assuming these come from the members of this committee, they're questioning or they're concerned about who you are serving. Talk to me about the children that you serve, how they're identified, where these services are provided, those kinds of things."

Ms. Taylor said, "Okay. We have some partnerships that help us to identify the children that we serve. For the leadership camp, we work with the Wichita ACTS on Truancy and the children that are a part of the other programs, we have a partnership with the Boys and Girls Club for the fitness camp. The internship is opened up to children around the City, around the community. Does that answer your question?"

Commissioner Gwin said, "So, what age range are we talking about?"

Ms. Taylor said, "For the internship program, those are 14 to 18. Sometimes we do have 19 year olds. The fitness camp is elementary all the way through high school and the leadership camp is generally that's middle school and high school students. And then the Multi-cultural Resource Center is open to all ages."

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

Chairman Winters said, "Thank you. Commissioner Sciortino, did you have a question?"

Commissioner Sciortino said, "No, I was going to have one for Jeannette, after everything was done."

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Chairman Winters said, "Okay. Crystal, thank you very much for being here. Is there anyone else who would like to address the Commissioners on this? Is there anyone else? All right, Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Jeannette, first of all, I want to compliment you and the awards committee for coming and doing all this hard work. The one thing I believe all of us appreciate, at least I do, is that politics is kind of left out of the picture and these are made based on your best attempt to figure out who merits what. And I think that's proper. The one question I had is on the applicants that won't be receiving money, will they be receiving a letter from you, indicating maybe why it was done and maybe some little idea on how they might be able to make a better presentation next time or something?"

Ms. Partridge said, "What we've done is a letter will come from the Purchasing Department, letting them know the committee's recommendations and then the Commission will finalize those. I've left my number on there if they have questions and very often I will receive calls and I'm more than glad to give feedback to any of the agencies."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "From the Purchasing Department?"

Ms. Partridge said, "The letter comes from the Purchasing Department, since it's a formal request for proposal process through the purchasing guidelines. If they haven't gotten it already, they should probably get it today or tomorrow."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Okay, thank you."

Chairman Winters said, "That's a good point. It might be that even the Commissioners might want to just send a recognition, because we do appreciate the work that a lot of these people do who are not receiving funding. It's not saying that they're not doing good work or they don't have good ideas and we need to maybe congratulate them on helping the process."

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Commissioner Sciortino said, "I like that. My only concern would be, you know, a letter from the Purchasing Department might be, could be just kind of cool. And just, 'this is it and I'm sorry you didn't make it and here's the ones that made it' and I think we do want to encourage these people to continue to try to, because I think all of them probably, at least in their own minds, had some very good programs that they would like for us to consider and some little more warmth or a little . . . and I don't know if it would be proper to come from your department directly, maybe in addition to that formal thing or . . .?"

Ms. Partridge said, "I could send out a letter, after the formal adoption, the allocations are made, and provide some feedback."

Chairman Winters said, "Jeannette, could you put something together and then perhaps share that with the Commissioners because we might want to have our touch on it."

Ms. Partridge said, "Certainly, I can do that."

Chairman Winters said, "And perhaps even come from us. Thank you, Commissioner. I would make a couple of comments here. One of the things that I think is very interesting about this program of these prevention funds is I think they do have the Board of County Commissioners' fingerprints all over it. This is a special project for us. This is not something that we just continue, as Commissioner Gwin has said, do the same thing year after year. I think we've got some pride of ownership in this whole concept and together with the Manager, Bill Buchanan, we decided that we were going to spend significant money on prevention efforts. We certainly take and respect the consideration of the folks who are on the Grant Committee and they've done, I think, an excellent job, and many of them are professionals. But again, as you can see from the questions that the Commissioners asked, we still want to have our fingerprints on these issues and know and understand exactly what is happening, where the funds are going, and eventually we are going to be able to say that we were part of a new system and we did have results and it was not done by accident, was not done by agencies alone, or staff alone or Commissioners alone but by a whole collaboration.

"So, Commissioners, unless others have comments or questions, I might suggest that we would defer this for a week, to let us really fully digest everything that we've had presented today, and come back in a week and make the final recommendation. If others are anxious to get on about it today, we could do that. This would also allow Commissioner McGinn to have any input that she might like to have. So, I'm open for suggestions. Jeannette, do you know any reason that this has to be done today?"

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Ms. Partridge said, "No, no reason."

Chairman Winters said, "Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Well, I'd be willing to support that, and as I indicated, I got the feeling that Commissioner Gwin was wanting to hold off a little bit. My only concern is, I don't want to let all these people that didn't get recommended and the other groups that felt that they were underfunded to start lobbying us as to why their project is better than somebody else's project and I thought, initially, and I think this was started before I came on board, one of the reasons for establishing this Grant's Award Committee was kind of to take a little bit of the politics out of the process and I have no problem in deferring it and looking at it, just as long as all of you might be prepared to start getting a lot of phone calls, lobbying you on why they should, . . . a project that was deferred should be increased. I anticipate getting one or two and I was just hoping we could avoid that. But, I'd be willing to support that."

Chairman Winters said, "All right. Commissioner Gwin."

Commissioner Gwin said, "Well, my . . . and I appreciate what you're saying, Commissioner Sciortino, because you're right. This committee is filled with very capable folks who do their best to analyze the applications and the requests and then fund them to a very limited amount that we have available. We still have some contingencies left in this?"

Mr. Buchanan said, "About \$23,000."

Commissioner Gwin said, "I guess . . . kind of waving back and forth. My thought would be . . . I mean, I do have some questions about some of the comments that are in here and I'd like to get clarification, but I suppose I could do that after the fact and be prepared to answer those and then with the understanding that I do have some contingency funds, if I think there's a place to put some of those or to hold them, I guess I could do that after the fact and just approve what I have today and move on."

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Chairman Winters said, “Well, I think I might, I guess, change my first opinion a bit too and agree with that, because in response to Commissioner Sciortino I was going to say, you know, what I want to do is look at some of these programs that are here. I don’t plan on changing anything. Well, I can do that by taking action today and getting information that has sparked an interest here. Because I don’t anticipate making any big changes in this presentation and these recommendations that have been made by the committee. I just, somehow, want to make sure that all of those that are working and are receiving these funds realize how important this whole process is to this Board of County Commissioners.

“This is a significant project that we’ve put in place and in motion and it’s been going on for a couple of years now and it’s not something that we just routinely say, ‘Bang, here’s the action, take this action and go forward’. But I do, as I look at the people who are on the Committee, have a great deal of respect for those folks. So, I would say, in light of there is a bit of a contingency there, maybe I am ready to act on this today.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “I think I could, too. I mean, as you said, I think any delay in this won’t necessarily change my opinion on what that committee has brought to us. I think I do want to talk to you, though, at the first of next week and try to get some of the questions that have been raised as I’ve read through this.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “I would feel more comfortable taking action. I liked what was presented to me when I first came on the Board, that we were going to try to protect this process from politics and try to get these people to make an un-biased no special axe to grind or pressure decision on what these twelve people felt was the best way to spend our limited funds. I had questions on some of the comments. Some of them would say something that was good and something that was bad, but that can be explained after we approve it.”

Chairman Winters said, “And I agree completely, Commissioner, that I mean we want to make sure it doesn’t become kind of a, in kind of a political situation, but having dealt with prevention and juvenile justice issues for four years, we’re not somebody who just fell off the truck last night on these issues. And I mean, there’s a number of us who have some information and qualities that can bring to this committee. But I think I’m coming closer to being prepared to act on this today. Commissioner Hancock, are you prepared to act today?”

Commissioner Hancock said, “I’m just smiling about the truck comment.”

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Chairman Winters said, “All right, well Commissioners, if there are no other questions or comments, what is the will of the Board concerning our Item G and the recommendation for the 2001 Prevention Funding?”

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to adopt and approve the recommendations as presented to us by the Grant Awards Committee.

Commissioner Hancock seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

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

Chairman Winters said, “Thank you, Jeannette. And Jeannette, you’ll be back with Commissioner Gwin on some of her questions and you’re going to think about some kind of correspondence from the Commissioners to the others.”

Ms. Partridge said, “Yes, I certainly will.”

Chairman Winters said, “All right, thank you very much. Madam Clerk, next item.”

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H. AMENDMENT TO THE 2000 CAPITAL BUDGET FOR WORK RELATED TO REMODELING VACATED SPACE ON THE EIGHTH FLOOR OF THE MAIN COURTHOUSE FOR THE DIVISION OF FINANCE. CIP #2000 PB-457.

Ms. Stephanie Knebel, Senior Project Manager, Facility Project Services, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I bring to you this morning an amendment request for the 2000 Capital Budget. This would be a new project added to this current year of Capital Projects. This project would remodel existing vacated space on the 8th floor for our Division of Finance. They've added additional staff and need additional space. The cost of this project is \$128,036. Funding has been identified from the Division of Finance operating reserve money. I request your approval and I'm available for questions."

Chairman Winters said, "All right. Commissioners, does anyone have a question of Stephanie? If not, what's the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner Hancock moved to Approve the CIP Amendment.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

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

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

I. COMMUNITY HEALTH DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT.

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

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Dr. Charles Magruder, MD, MPH, Director of Community Health, greeted the Commissioners and said, “Just to give you some information about some recent events, to provide you, since this has been in the news recently, another update on the Gilbert and Mosley progress. As you can see here, to the right is the overall map of the different plumes that have been identified, demarcating the areas of pollution. Our cleanup program has now been officially approved by KDHE. This applies to plumes A, B and E that you see demarcated on the map there. The plan calls for 13 wells that will be pumping 1.2 to 1.7 million gallons daily. It will be treated at a facility that will be located in the Herman Hill Park area. The final discharge, after things have been cleaned up, will go into the Arkansas River. We hope to have a formal contract completed by year’s end, for getting all of these things put into place as a result of getting this formal approval from KDHE.

“The plan for the other plumes that you see there, C, D and F. At this juncture, it is felt that there is no reason to provide any intervention for plume C, because it is not moving, but it will continue to be monitored. D, as I indicated to you in a previous presentation, is being currently addressed by the dry cleaner trust fund. And for plume F, an application has been made to that same fund in order to get the necessary resources to address the remediation in that area.

“In terms of flu shots, to let you know what is happening, more vaccine has started to arrive. We just recently got 2,000 doses. However, demand still exceed supply throughout the community. We did have a community meeting, prior to the time that we gave all of those vaccinations. We have met with most of the key players that are involved in providing vaccinations. We have developed a consensus agreement on how we will manage things and everyone is in agreement that we’re going to continue to work together to reach high risk people. We’ll meet again in early December to reassess the situation and make further decisions.

“One of the first steps was a Flu Clinic this past Saturday that we did at the main Health Department November 18th, from 9 a.m. to noon. We brought enough staff together to give over 800 shots within three hours. Despite the lines you see there and so forth, lining up outside the Health Department, things did move very efficiently to get that number of people done in that time frame. Fortunately, we also had very nice weather.

“Also, to make sure you are aware, we did take, of that portion that we received, about 15% to 20% of that dose that we gave to our vans staff. And aside from what we did at the main Health Department, we

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also provided vaccinations in Clearwater and Haysville. And we'll continue to operate in that manner, until we make final decisions about giving it to the entire population, aside from high risk.

“Just to make you aware of an upcoming event that involves the Health Department, World AIDS Day is Friday, December 1st. We'll have free HIV testing at the main Health Department building from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Also, there will be a candlelight walk along the Arkansas River. People can meet at 6:30 p.m. in the Exploration Place parking lot. After the walk, at the Indian Center, there will be an unfolding of the Names Project AIDS quilt panels for people to view.

“Be happy to answer any questions that you have.”

Chairman Winters said, “All right, thank you. Commissioner Hancock.”

Commissioner Hancock said, “Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I have forgot my question. Flu shots. Yes, thank you. Why is there a shortage? Can you explain that for our public, why there is a shortage of flu vaccinations this year?”

Dr. Magruder said, “The primary reason, sir, is that we had problems in growing one of the strains that was unanticipated. For whatever the reason, they had difficulty in anticipating the time frame it would take to grow it. As a result, everything was delayed for a period of time. And hopefully, this will not end up being an actual shortage, but it will simply end up being a delay in provision. So that, instead of providing to all of the population that desires by mid-November, it will be mid-December.

“Now, one thing that is also important to relay to the public is that, as we look at this surveillance data nationwide, we are still not showing an indication that there is a quote ‘bad flu season’. So, we are not . . . and what that means, basically, is we're not seeing rampant cases of influenza go through our community to this point. So, we're still in pretty good shape. But given what we have, in terms of vaccines at this point, we're going to maintain our strategy of only going for people who fall into the high risk categories that I defined earlier.

“Now, there is a second reason for the delay that has been reported in some areas that perhaps has not been well substantiated and that is that the federal government had some actions against one or more of the suppliers, because they were concerned about the quality or manner in which the vaccine was being produced and so that decreased the amount that could be produced. But the primary reason is because

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one of the strains has taken longer to grow and culture than they originally anticipated.”

Commissioner Hancock said, “Thank you very much. That’s good information to have. Thank you very much. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.”

Chairman Winters said, “All right, thank you, Commissioner. Are there other questions or comments on Dr. Magruder’s report? Seeing none, what’s the will of the Board?”

MOTION

Commissioner Hancock moved to Receive and file.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

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

Chairman Winters said, “Thank you, Charlie. Have a good Thanksgiving. Next item.”

J. METROPOLITAN AREA PLANNING DEPARTMENT (MAPD) MONTHLY REPORT.

Mr. Marvin Krout, Director, MAPD, greeted the Commissioners and said, “October was the month that we finally did launch the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee structure. All but one of the Committee members has been appointed to the Committee. We hired a facilitator. Met with the Chairman and the facilitators, set an agenda, sent out notices for the meeting and that meeting was held November 9th. Unfortunately, I was a little late to that meeting, because the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission was still in their hearings until 8:00, but I think that committee got off to a good start at their first meeting. It was a little cozy, because we weren’t able to use the large conference room, but we’ll try

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to fix that in the future.

“We also assembled a committee of City and County staff members who are reviewing consulting proposals to look at how we finance growth in the community. We’re planning on having interviews with two of those consultants later, at the end of this month. And we’ve also invited a representative from Wichita State and the Chair of the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee, who’s the Chairman of the Real Estate Department at Wichita State, to sit in on those discussions and we hope to have someone to recommend for hiring in December.

“We also assembled a group of transportation officials. This was a meeting that was Chaired by Commissioner Sciortino last month, to talk about the needs for transportation improvements. Originally we talked about in the southeast quadrant of the County. That was expanded, as the group continued their discussions to looking at the entire south half of the County, southwest and southeast quadrants both. We had representatives from Derby, Mulvane, Haysville, the Turnpike Authority and Department of Transportation, City and County Public Works at this meeting. There was a consensus that there were going to be future transportation demands that needed to be looked at, that we needed to do a broad scale study, similar to the study that was done in the northwest quadrant of the County about two years ago. And we’re working now on trying to develop a proposal for how to finance and cost share that project, which would be fairly expensive and we’re looking for possible other resources.

“We also initiated meetings with the Advanced Plans Committee, the Metropolitan Planning Commission, on an extensive set of zoning amendments and the Committee has met several times over the past couple of months and is nearly complete with their work. We also organized retreat for the Planning Commission to discuss a number of issues. One of those was notification in the subdivision process. An issue that came up, as we were talking about the Comprehensive Plan. So, the Planning Commission discussed that. They also discussed their bylaws, their meeting flow, some particular difficult land uses, the City’s Capital Improvement Program, which is going through a proposed amendment process right now, and also some

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of the federal mandated requirements in the Transportation Program.

“The Planning Department also prepared reports that you have for you and for the Planning Commission to consider the proposals of Maize and Valley Center, to annex property that they would not be able to annex unilaterally, but have to come through the County Commission for public hearing. As you know, you have a continuing hearing on the Maize request and have one coming up on Valley Center next month.

“The Planning Commission considered 21 zoning and subdivision items. That’s out of 69 new development applications that we received of various kinds. We continued efforts of various neighborhood plans. We assisted the area para-transit providers in prioritizing the purchase of new vans to provide transportation assistance in the community. Began the public involvement process for the new round of transportation enhancements grants that need to be submitted to KDOT before the end of the year. And the Department also sponsored an audio conference on affordable housing that Planning Commissioners and others attended. Be glad to answer any questions you have about October or November.”

Chairman Winters said, “All right. Commissioner Sciortino.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Marvin, I was not able to attend that first meeting of the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee but I do thank you for sending me the data on it. With regards to hiring a consultant to devise a plan, I was seeing in the back of that packet, I think, figures of anywhere from \$65,000 to \$90,000 or something. Was that expenditure approved in the first meeting, or are those monies already been approved to spend or how did it . . .?”

Mr. Krout said, “Monies have not been allocated.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Have not?”

Mr. Krout said, “They have not. When we talked about this issue, at the Comprehensive Plan, we said that we’d go through the process of finding someone. If we found someone, and you agreed and this Advisory Committee agreed that it would be worth the while, then we would come back and probably ask the City and the County to split the cost of that study.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Okay. I just needed that for clarification, because I didn’t know how that item got started. Okay, that’s all I have. Thanks.”

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Chairman Winters said, "All right, thank you. Are there other questions of Marvin? All right."

MOTION

Commissioner Hancock moved to Receive and file.

Commissioner Gwin seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

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

Chairman Winters said, "Thank you, Marvin. Happy holiday. Did you notice that powerpoint production that Dr. Magruder brings us every time?"

Mr. Krout said, "I did notice that. I applaud his efforts."

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

K. PUBLIC WORKS.

1. RESOLUTION DESIGNATING AND CLASSIFYING CERTAIN STREETS TO THE TOWNSHIP SYSTEM.

Mr. David C. Spears, P.E., Director/County Engineer, greeted the Commissioners and said, "It is standard procedure that after a road is constructed within a platted residential subdivision in accordance with County standards, that road is then assigned to the township road system. In this particular case Brookway Drive, Artesian Drive, Bluestream Drive and Springwater Drive located in the Spring Creek 2nd Addition will become the responsibility of Ohio township. The Ohio township board was informed

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that this resolution would be on the agenda, by letter, dated October 2nd. I recommend that you adopt the resolution.”

Chairman Winters said, “All right, thank you. Commissioners, you’ve heard that. What’s the will of the Board?”

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

Chairman Winters said, “Next item.”

2. RESOLUTION RECLASSIFYING OLIVER BETWEEN 55TH STREET SOUTH AND ITS CUL-DE-SAC SOUTH OF 61ST STREET SOUTH (827-W) TO THE RIVERSIDE TOWNSHIP ROAD SYSTEM.

Mr. Spears said, “As a result of the Oliver relocation, Oliver between 55th Street South and its cul-de-sac south of 61st Street South, has become a frontage road serving primarily those that live along it. Therefore, it is our request that this stretch of “Old Oliver” be added to the Riverside township road system. The Riverside township board was informed that this resolution would be on the County Commission agenda, by letter, dated November 1st. I recommend that you adopt the resolution.”

Chairman Winters said, “All right, Commissioners?”

MOTION

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Commissioner Sciortino moved to Adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Hancock seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

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

Chairman Winters said, "Next item."

3. RESOLUTION RECLASSIFYING MAPLE BETWEEN 167TH STREET WEST AND 199TH STREET WEST (620-14,15) FROM THE ATTICA TOWNSHIP ROAD SYSTEM TO THE SEDGWICK COUNTY HIGHWAY SYSTEM.

Mr. Spears said, "Due to an increase in traffic counts, a cold-mix asphalt surface was laid on Maple, between 167th Street West and 199th Street West. As a result, we feel that we are better able to maintain this stretch of road and are asking that it be reclassified from the Attica township road system to the Sedgwick County highway system. The Attica township board was informed that this resolution would be on the County Commission agenda, by letter, dated November 1st. I recommend that you adopt the resolution."

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to Adopt the Resolution.

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Commissioner Hancock seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

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

Chairman Winters said, "Next item."

4. RESOLUTION RECLASSIFYING 135TH STREET WEST BETWEEN US-54 AND ½ MILE NORTH OF US-54 (803-S ½ Q) FROM THE ATTICA TOWNSHIP ROAD SYSTEM TO THE SEDGWICK COUNTY HIGHWAY SYSTEM.

Mr. Spears said, "This item is similar to the previous item, in that due to an increase in traffic counts, a cold-mix asphalt surface was laid on 135th Street West, between US-54 and a point ½ mile north of US-54. We feel that we are better able to maintain this stretch of road and are asking that it be reclassified from the Attica township road system to the Sedgwick County highway system. The Attica township board was informed that this resolution would be on the County Commission agenda, by letter, dated November 1st. I recommend that you adopt the resolution."

Chairman Winters said, "All right, Commissioners, you've heard the report."

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MOTION

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

Chairman Winters said, "Next item."

5. RESOLUTION RECLASSIFYING 143RD STREET EAST BETWEEN 13TH STREET NORTH AND 21ST STREET NORTH (839-N) FROM THE MINNEHA TOWNSHIP ROAD SYSTEM TO THE SEDGWICK COUNTY HIGHWAY SYSTEM.

Mr. Spears said, "Item K-5 is a resolution reclassifying 143rd Street East, between 13th Street North and 21st Street North, from the Minneha township road system to the Sedgwick County highway system, due to development and increased traffic. This stretch of road is under contract, paid partly by special assessment. The Minneha township board was informed that this resolution would be on the County Commission agenda, by letter, dated November 1st. I recommend that you adopt the resolution."

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Commissioner Gwin moved to Adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Hancock seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

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

Chairman Winters said, "Next item."

6. RESOLUTION RECLASSIFYING TYLER ROAD BETWEEN 29TH STREET NORTH AND 53RD STREET NORTH (809-J, K, L) FROM THE PARK TOWNSHIP ROAD SYSTEM TO THE SEDGWICK COUNTY HIGHWAY SYSTEM.

Mr. Spears said, "This item is similar to the previous item, in that this resolution calls to reclassify Tyler Road, between 29th Street North and 53rd Street North, from the Park township road system to the Sedgwick County highway system, due to development and increased traffic in the area. The Park township board was informed that this resolution would be on the County Commission agenda, by letter, dated November 1st. I recommend that you adopt the resolution."

Chairman Winters said, "Thank you."

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MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to Adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Hancock seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

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

Chairman Winters said, "Next item."

7. MODIFICATION OF PLANS AND CONSTRUCTION, REQUEST NUMBER ONE, WITH RITCHIE PAVING, INC. ON SEDGWICK COUNTY PROJECT NO. 807-K, L, N ½ M; MAIZE ROAD FROM THE NORTH CITY LIMITS OF WICHITA TO 45TH STREET NORTH. CIP# R-246. DISTRICTS #3 AND #4.

Mr. Spears said, "Item K-7 is a modification of plans and construction for the road project on Maize Road from the north city limits of Wichita to 45th Street North designated as R-246 in the Capital Improvement Program. There will be a net increase of \$12,251.75, due to construction of a pond for mitigation of removal of a portion of existing wetlands. This is required by the National Resource Conservation Service. We've been working with them for quite some time. This will mitigate the wetlands

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problem that we have there, due to the widening of our road.

“I recommend that you approve the modification and authorize the Chairman to sign.”

MOTION

Commissioner Hancock moved to Approve the Modification of Plans and Construction and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

Chairman Winters said, “And again, this was an increase of \$12,251.”

Mr. Spears said, “And seventy-five cents.”

Chairman Winters said, “We have a motion and a second. Any discussion? Seeing none, call the vote.”

VOTE

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

Chairman Winters said, “Thank you, David for your work. Next item.”

**L. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF BIDS AND CONTRACTS' NOVEMBER 16, 2000
REGULAR MEETING.**

Ms. Iris Baker, Director, Purchasing Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, “The Board of Bids and Contracts held a regular meeting on November 16th. As a result of this meeting, there are four items being presented for consideration of approval today.

**1) OFFICE REMODEL/ CONFERENCE ROOM ADDITION TWIN LAKES-
COMCARE**

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FUNDING: FACILITY PROJECT SERVICES

The first item is an office remodel and conference room addition at Twin Lakes for COMCARE. Low bid is Commerce Construction for \$137,568.

**2) MOTOROLA EQUIPMENT- SEDGWICK COUNTY FIRE
FUNDING: SEDGWICK COUNTY FIRE**

“The second item is Motorola equipment for the Sedgwick County Fire Department. Recommendation is sole source bid of Motorola for \$57,267.05. This matches existing equipment guarantees and maintenance programs.

**3) XEROX DIGITAL COPY MACHINE- 18TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
FUNDING: DISTRICT COURT ADMINISTRATION**

“The third item is Xerox digital copy machines for the 18th Judicial District court system. Sole source bid of Xerox for \$20,000.

**4) INSTALL SEWER LINE- PUBLIC WORKS
FUNDING: PUBLIC WORKS**

“The fourth item is install a sewer line for Public Works. Low bid of Dondlinger and Sons for \$46,880.

“Would recommend that you approve these items as presented by the Board of Bids and Contracts.”

Chairman Winters said, “All right, Iris.”

MOTION

Commissioner Hancock moved to Approve the recommendations of the Board of Bids and Contracts.

Commissioner Gwin seconded the Motion.

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

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VOTE

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

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

CONSENT AGENDA

M. CONSENT AGENDA. Presented by William P. Buchanan, County Manager.

1. Right-of-Way Agreements.

- a. One Easement for Right-of-Way near 69th Street East and Greenwich Road. District #1.
- b. One Sanitary Sewer Easement for Reece Farms Estates Addition; District #3.

2. Section 8 Housing Assistance Payment Contracts.

<u>Contract Number</u>	<u>Rent Subsidy</u>	<u>District Number</u>	<u>Landlord</u>
V20125	\$569.00	5	William Favreau
V20126	\$385.00	5	Cottage Grove

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>
V99075	\$500.00	\$500.00

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V92013	\$239.00	\$275.00
V95151	\$154.00	\$145.00
V97069	\$283.00	\$291.00
C99017	\$265.00	\$245.00
V2039	\$332.00	\$332.00
V87020	\$000.00	\$173.00
V2076	\$348.00	\$277.00

- 4. MAPD Case Number DED 2000-31 - Dedication of a drainage easement, located on the southeast corner of 29th Street North and Hoover.**
- 5. MAPD Case Number DED 2000-32 - Dedication of street right-of-way, located on the southeast corner of 29th Street North and Hoover.**
- 6. Order dated November 15, 2000 to correct tax roll for change of assessment.**
- 7. General Bills Check Register of November 17, 2000.**
- 8. Budget Adjustment Requests.**

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

MOTION

Commissioner Hancock 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 Bill Hancock	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Absent

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Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Thomas G. Winters	Aye

Chairman Winters said, “We do not need an Executive Session today. Am I right, in that there’s no Sewer or Fire District Meeting? All right. Any other business? I might just make one comment, and I should have made this at the beginning of the Meeting, but for those of you who may still be watching, the reason Commissioner McGinn is not here today is she’s attending the funeral of the young lady, Stacey Farrell, who was killed up on 53rd Street this past weekend. Commissioner McGinn is friends of their family and the mother of the young woman killed, Anita Farrell, works in the District Attorney’s Office here in the Courthouse. And so, from the Board of County Commissioners, we certainly extend our condolences to the Farrell family.

“With that, if there is no other business to come before this . . .”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Mr. Chairman, I would just like to take this time to wish the three of you a Happy Thanksgiving.”

Chairman Winters said, “Thank you very much. And we hope every one has a good Thanksgiving weekend. This meeting is adjourned.”

N. OTHER

O. ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

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

THOMAS G. WINTERS, Chairman
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Fourth District

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BILL HANCOCK, Commissioner
Second District

BEN SCIORTINO, Commissioner
Fifth District

ATTEST:

James Alford, County Clerk

APPROVED:

, 2000