

**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**APRIL 25, 2001**

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, April 25, 2001 in the County Commission Meeting Room in the Courthouse in Wichita, Kansas, by Chair Carolyn McGinn; with the following present: Chairman Pro Tem Ben Sciortino; Commissioner Betsy Gwin; Commissioner Tim R. Norton; Commissioner Thomas G. Winters; Mr. William P. Buchanan, County Manager; Mr. Rich Euson, County Counselor; Ms. Marilyn Cook, Director of Clinical Operations, COMCARE; Ms. Annette Graham, Director, Department on Aging; Mr. Mark Clark, Assistant Chief Deputy Appraiser, Appraiser's Office; Mr. Robert W. Parnacott, Assistant County Counselor; Ms. Ann Swegle, Chief Attorney, Attorney's Office; Mr. Jim Weber, Deputy Director, Bureau of Public Works; Ms. Iris Baker, Director, Purchasing Department; Ms. Kristi Zukovich, Director, Communications; and, Ms. Lisa Davis, Deputy County Clerk.

**GUESTS**

Dennis, recovering mental health consumer.

**INVOCATION**

The invocation was led by Reverend Reverend Jerry Milleson of Mt. Olivet United Methodist Church.

**FLAG SALUTE**

**ROLL CALL**

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

**CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES:      **Regular Meeting, March 28, 2001****

The Clerk reported that all Commissioners were present at the Regular Meeting of March 28, 2001.

**Chair McGinn** said, "Commissioners, you've had a chance to review Minutes of March 28<sup>th</sup>. What's the will of the Board?"

**MOTION**

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Commissioner Sciortino moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 28, 2001.

Commissioner Norton seconded the Motion.

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

**VOTE**

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

**Chair McGinn** said, "Next item."

**PROCLAMATIONS**

**A. PROCLAMATIONS (THREE).**

**1. PROCLAMATION DECLARING APRIL 25, 2001 AS "FALUN DAFA DAY."**

**Mr. William Buchanan**, County Manager, said, "I request that you defer this item."

**MOTION**

Commissioner Norton moved to defer the item.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

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

**VOTE**

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
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Commissioner Tim Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

**Chair McGinn** said, "Next item."

**2. PROCLAMATION DECLARING APRIL 22-28, 2001 AS "NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT WEEK."**

**Chair McGinn** said, "Commissioners, I have a Proclamation before us that I'd like to read into the record."

**PROCLAMATION**

"**WHEREAS**, in 1867, the County of Sedgwick was established, with the primary functions of judicial services, road maintenance and law enforcement; and

**WHEREAS**, Sedgwick County Government has grown and is responsible for a wide range of services, including: emergency services, programs for the physically and mentally ill, recreational and cultural attractions, community development and environmental protection programs, services for the elderly, infrastructure through roads and technology, correctional programs for adults and youth, and many internal support functions; and

**WHEREAS**, Sedgwick County Government leaders are committed to improving the communities where our citizens live, work, play and raise families, by using the Internet and other technologies to improve the delivery of services and communication to citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, Sedgwick County builds partnerships in the community to meet many of the most challenging needs and ensure a high quality of life for all; and

**WHEREAS**, Sedgwick County continues to be the citizen's local government voice, providing solutions that bring communities together;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that I, Carolyn McGinn, Chair of the Board of County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim April 22 – 28, 2001 as

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in Sedgwick County, in recognition of the innovation and quality public service provided by the employees of Sedgwick County Government.”

**MOTION**

Commissioner Norton moved to adopt the Proclamation and authorize the Chair to sign.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

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

**VOTE**

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

**Chair McGinn** said, “I’d just like to make a few comments before we go on to the next item. I know, being a new Commissioner two years ago, I found it very interesting to find out how much we do, as County government, to provide human services here at Sedgwick County. E.M.S., Fire, Mental Health, Aging, Physical Disabilities, often times those aren’t the types of things we see on the front page top half, headline, but they are very important to our community. I think that this is a great Proclamation that we’re reading into the record today because that is what we do, we provide services to the citizens and we are here to serve them.

“I would like to also mention for the folks out there watching today that if they need more information about County government, that’s always a challenge, too. We’re in a new day and age and we have the Internet and we have an excellent internet site where you can access all kinds of information about our budget, our services, about what types of things are going on in our community and attractions, et cetera. I will read that slowly in case you want to write that down

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and you would like to go to that site. I think you'd find a great deal of information. It is [www.sedgwickcounty.org](http://www.sedgwickcounty.org) or you can also call our information desk at 383-7400. Next item please."

**3. PROCLAMATION DECLARING MAY 2001 AS MENTAL HEALTH MONTH.**

**Chair McGinn** said, "Commissioners, I have another Proclamation I'd like to read into the record.

**PROCLAMATION**

**"WHEREAS**, the U.S. Surgeon General states that mental health is fundamental to health and indispensable to personal well-being, family and interpersonal relationships, and contributes to community and society; and

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Surgeon General confirms that mental illness affects one in five Americans every years, regardless of age, gender, race, ethnicity, religion or economic status; and

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Surgeon General has found that a range of treatments exists for most mental disorders and the efficacy of mental health treatments are well documented; and

**WHEREAS**, Sedgwick County has made a commitment to community-based systems of mental health care for all residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the guiding principles of community mental health care have always been comprehensiveness, cost-efficiency, effective management and high-quality and consumer-responsive services, and these principles are now being adopted by private and public healthcare payors; and

**WHEREAS**, the National Mental Health Association, the National Council for Community Behavioral Healthcare and their national partners observe Mental Health Month every May to raise awareness and understanding of mental health and illness.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that I, Carolyn McGinn, Chair of the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2001 as

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in Sedgwick County, and call upon all citizens, government agencies, public and private institutions, business and schools to recommit our community to increasing awareness and understanding of mental illness and the need for appropriate and accessible services for all people with mental illness.

“And we have Marilyn Cook to accept the Proclamation today.”

**MOTION**

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

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

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

**VOTE**

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

**Ms. Marilyn Cook**, Director, Clinical Operations, COMCARE, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I'm really honored to accept this Proclamation today and to have a brief opportunity to educate the public a little bit more about mental health and mental illness. In 1999, as Commissioner McGinn read, the Surgeon General proclaimed that suicide was one of the top ten public health issues. Then last year, in the year 2000, a report that came out just about a month ago, lists mental health and mental illness issues as one of the top ten for the year 2000, as a public health issue. So, it is very important that we take an opportunity to look at this. In particular, the latest report talks about the stigma that is still there for people who are needing and seeking treatment. It is a hard thing to get past.

“I'd like to share just one concept this morning. That is the concept of recovery. It is a concept, I gave you each a copy of our annual report that we made as a theme for our annual report this past year. While recovery has been a concept and it has been well known and accepted in drug and alcohol programs, it is a relatively new concept for mental health. It is a concept that says that we do believe, at this point, that people with major mental illnesses can recover from those illnesses with proper treatment, with proper medication and they can resume functioning of their lives. This is something that is relatively new, even to the treatment community. In the past, we built our

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programs in a way that we felt that they needed us in a different way. We now have community based programs and programs that are geared toward work and living successfully. We try to respond to that.

“Recently, I attended the annual meeting for the local mental health association. That is one of our fine partners in the community. I listened to consumers talk about their recovery stories. One in particular touched me. That was Dennis’s story. At this point I don’t know if it was Dennis’s story or Dennis himself that was so appealing to me. After the meeting, I went up to him and said, ‘Dennis, at some point would you come and talk and read that same story that you read today to our Board of County Commissioners’. He was very gracious about it and agreed to do it. So I have with me today Dennis. I would like him to tell you his recovery story.”

**Dennis**, recovering mental health consumer said, “Thank you, Marilyn, for that very nice introduction. It was Dennis himself. When I spoke to my sister last night, whose name is Peggy Everett, a teacher in Haysville, she said to be sure to give her warm regards to Tim Norton. Since I so often forget to do things, at least I will have done one thing right by saying that.”

**Commissioner Norton** said, “Tell Peggy and Don hi for me.”

**Dennis** said, “I will do that. I appreciate your attention. This is the recovery reflection that I wrote.

“If you really want to learn about it, the first thing you’ll probably want to know is where I was born and what my lousy childhood was like and how my parents were occupied and all before they had me and all that kind of David Copperfield kind of crap. But I don’t feel like going into it, if you want to know the truth. Those aren’t my words, they are the words of J.D. Salinger character, Holden Caulfield, that begin the novel of Catcher in the Rye. There is a lot wrong with Mr. Sallenger’s character, but I tend to side Holden. The big issue of recover, as I see it, isn’t so much to do with how you got to be mentally ill, but what you are going to do or attempt to do about it.

“It may be silly to say, but I was doing pretty well before I was doing terrible. I didn’t ease into mental illness slowly. It came on like a drop off a cliff. I had some expectation that medicine would cure me, put me in the state I was before. But it didn’t work well at all.

“If recovery is a process that is not necessarily a linear progression, then I would say my recovery started then. I had a plan. Take the medicine and wait to be better. Not particularly good results. More positive things happened about three years ago

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when Dr. Lance Parker told me, in our sixth or seventh talk therapy session, ‘I know you’re really sick, what I want to know is what you’re going to do about it’. It would be nice if recovery could be formulated into a twelve step program, but my best guess is that there are hundreds of little things that make up recovery and they are different for each individual and they often change.

“I think the key is having goals about your behavior that you own, not your doctors, case managers or therapists, but yours. They can be pretty small, if you’re looking from the outside. I once had a goal of staying out of bed six hours a day. I didn’t accomplish it very well for a time, so I reduced the goal to changing my bed. I split my depression between two beds. I may have been in bed 20 hours or more a day, but I altered my location and later added the couch as a third location. Now I’m out of bed more hours a day than I’m in one. I can’t remember the last time I didn’t brush my teeth. I shave almost every day. I now shower two or three times a week. There were months, in the past, when I never showered. My point is, that if a behavior becomes a habit, then it’s no longer a goal. Change the goal and raise the bar of expectation.

“Two years ago, on New Year’s Day, I wrote my list of five big dreams. I don’t know if they will ever happen. I’ll tell them to you if you are interested, with the understanding that I haven’t completed any of them. I think it is important to have them, even if they’re never realized. This past New Year’s, I wrote out a list of 25 mini-adventure goals. I think they are all in the realm of accomplishment. I have completed nine of them. I don’t know that they would get universal approval from this audience, but I’m the one that owns them.

“This reflection would take too long if I wrote all my notions about recovery. These are the four metaphors I use most often in talking about recovery. One, recovery is like dancing the tango. If you practice it, then you will sometimes look silly. If you don’t practice it, then you are bound to make a total screw up of it. Two, recovery is like a major league baseball team. The best team will lose 50 games in the season, the worst team will win 50 games in a season. What we, the mentally ill, try to do is to avoid a long losing streak. Three, recovery is like acting. You may be in a lousy movie or play. Good acting is really important then. Would anybody have watched ‘Silence of the Lambs’ if Anthony Hopkins weren’t in it? It is not even his best



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picture. He turned a piece of junk into a C+ film. That is what the mentally ill do with recovery plans. We take bad plots and turn them into lives worth living.

“Four, recovery is like playing hockey for the Hartford Whalers. If we get ahead by a goal or two, then we can rely on good defense to win or tie. If we get behind early, then we have to be creative. I’ve burned incense, chanted to all the gods, been to naturopathic doctors, talked to my plants, and stared into high intensity lamps. None of that stuff is really any good, but they were all better than no plan at all.

“Recovery isn’t being like other people. Recovery is being another person. People without mental illness are sometimes defensive, petty, say stupid things, have emotional ups and down, pose, worry about their status in a group, argue while pretending not to, have loves and hates about ideas, things and other people. Why, you are just like us. The toughest part about recovery is not admitting that there is something wrong with you. The toughest part about recovery is defending your humanity while admitting there is something wrong with you. Could I explain that notion any better? No, I don’t think so, but I wish I could.

“I use to volunteer at Christ the King school. I read to a different group of first graders four days a week. Children six years old tend to be blunt. I was with the orange group and had a big panic attack. Zack’s eyes got real big and he said, ‘Dennis, you’re sweating’. I said ‘Yeah. I have this brain disease that makes me do that. The good news is that it always goes away. The really good news is that you can’t catch it from me’. They seemed to be okay with that. Taylor, a tiny girl asked, ‘Are you going to die?’ I said, ‘I suppose I’ll have to in a hundred years or so. Do you mean am I going to die from this?’ She nodded and I said, with a wink, ‘Not a chance, I have to live long enough to dance at your wedding’. They all laughed. I looked at page 37 and I said, ‘I cannot find eight apples in the tree. I can only find six’. All seven members of the orange group rushed to help me. Hell, I knew where

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those two other apples were all the time. I don't know where all the apples of recovery are, but I'm going to keep looking.

"Thank you for your time and attention."

**Chair McGinn** said, "Thank you, Dennis, for being here today and sharing your story. The comments you made were of great interest and thought provoking, as far as all of us surviving everyday life. I was just curious, have you shared your story with others? Have you had an opportunity to do that?"

**Dennis** said, "Yes, sort of a brief background on the story. I'm sometimes forgetful the names. I think Carol Manning, the Director of the Mental Health Association, suggested to a lot of you now called consumers that we write reflection stories regarding our recovery, not centered so much on what happened to us. A great number of us, roughly 15 to 20 people participated in that. We got together at the Mental Health Association and read those stories to each other and then four of us made some presentations at the Mental Health Association meeting. About that, the number of people that were in essence edited out, were to me some of the most powerful and insightful stories, the people that felt uncomfortable about presenting it to a larger audience. I would say to you, if my story or my reflection touched the compassion of your hearts in any degree or touched the wisdom of your mind in any degree, then to give full credit to all of those people, you need to magnify that by 50,000 or 60,000."

**Chair McGinn** said, "I think you hit on a lot of areas of life and you've just touched all those folks who are out there watching today. I certainly appreciate you coming in today and sharing that story. Commissioner Norton."

**Commissioner Norton** said, "Thank you, Dennis, very much for sharing your journey. I think that through all your journey the Lord has blessed you with being a storyteller. You should take that story and expand it and put it into some kind of a book where it can be shared with many more people. The way you wordsmith, the way you weave your words was amazing today. Thank you for sharing that with me."

**Dennis** said, "You're far too kind but flattery will get you every where with me."

**Commissioner Norton** said, "It is amazing that through all of this, you have gained something very special, and that is your ability to use the word to affect the human condition. You've done that today. Obviously, you've done that in your life. You should take a tip from a journalism major,

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you should use that gift you've got to effect people in the spoken and written word, because you've got it."

**Dennis** said, "Thank you."

**Chair McGinn** said, "Thank you, Dennis, for being here. Clerk, call the next item please."

### NEW BUSINESS

#### **B. DEPARTMENT ON AGING.**

##### **1. CONTRACT WITH THE CRAMER REED CENTER FOR SUCCESSFUL AGING TO CONDUCT A TRI-COUNTY SURVEY TO DETERMINE AGING POPULATION NEEDS.**

**Ms. Annette Graham**, Director, Department of Aging, greeted the Commissioners and said, "The Cramer Reed Center for Successful Aging will be conducting a survey on the tri-county level that will help the Central Plains Area Agency on Aging determine the needs of the aging population within our region. This method has been used in various places but is unique in that it will be the first time that the people of Butler, Harvey, and Sedgwick County will have the opportunity to voice their opinions. The information will be assessed by Wichita State University and will result in statistical measures that will help us to prioritize the needs of aging citizens in our community and the services that we will be providing. The Cramer Reed Center has agreed to conduct this survey during the spring and early summer of 2001. The final results of the survey will be presented to the Central Plains Area Agency on Aging and the directors of Butler, Harvey, and Sedgwick County Department on Aging in the form of a written report due no later than September 30, 2001.

"This is being conducted under the Community Service Advisory Board that we chair here in this area. It was as a result of looking at the needs of the aging population, Kansas Department on Aging had just recently, late winter or very early spring, had completed a state-wide survey to determine what the needs of the aging in our state and by county and by Triple A are. Basically, what they did was send out surveys to 15,000 elderly across the State. They received about 8,000 back out of that. What they did was conduct it on a person by person level. What this survey attempts to do is to go to a different audience to deal with individuals in our community, businesses and organizations and agencies that have first-hand knowledge of dealing with the elders in our society, so we can get a different perspective on what the needs might be. This will be the first time, to our knowledge, that this has been done in this state so that we can have a more balanced view. What we found is person to person you get a very personal kind of approach about what those needs are. What we are trying to do is gather a more holistic picture so that we can see the big picture from different perspectives and pull those all together. So we are surveying similar

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types of organizations or people in all three counties, like physicians and postal delivery, geriatric physicians, psychiatrists, the Aging Department, the councils on aging, a variety of businesses. So we're really excited about this process.

"Cramer Reed will receive \$1,500 plus reimbursement for 1/3 of the reasonable postage expenses incurred by them in conducting the survey mailings. Fifty percent of the base compensation is payable upon the effective date of this contract. The remaining 50% will be within 30 days after the presentation of the result. Butler and Harvey County Department on Aging will each be responsible for one third of the total cost. This contract has been reviewed by the Legal Department and what we are requesting is that you approve and authorize the Chairperson to sign off on this."

**Chair McGinn** said, "Thank you, Annette. Commissioner Gwin."

**Commissioner Gwin** said, "Thank you, Madam Chair. I guess the question I have is then, what is done with the survey results once you get them? How do you propose we use them or how does the State propose to use them?"

**Ms. Graham** said, "Well, we will share this with the State. This is a tri-county process that we are pursuing. But what we intend to use it for is at two different levels. One is simply to share the information with others so we can, as an area and as a State, begin to look kind of a whole picture of that. Also, we'll be using it for legislative activity, to share that back with the elders and with the organizations, as we pursue legislative advocacy. One of the questions we're asking is what are the top three legislative advocacy issues you think we should be dealing with.

"Another part of the questionnaire addresses what are the top three issues that we can have an impact at the local level, as far as what the service needs are. So we'll use that in our planning and our programming, as we look toward the future as to what kinds of services we're going to be providing. Are we providing the correct services? Do we need to change? Are there other needs out there that we haven't been aware of that people are seeing? I guess the final piece of this, a really nice outcome we anticipate is, as we broaden our circle of people that we are involving, we're hoping to get some buy-in and more people identifying themselves as a part of the aging network, people that might not have even, in the past, have that perception."

**Commissioner Gwin** said, "So, do you anticipate though, after we look at the results and the state looks at the results that we will be able to either reprioritize our funding or make some adjustments in how we are utilizing State dollars or local dollars for senior services?"

**Ms. Graham** said, "Yes, that is our anticipation. That we'd be able to use this as we do our

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planning on where our funds are going and what services. Another piece of that too is we'll have some very nice data to use to go in search of grant funding and other types of opportunities for some additional funding, but certainly to more finely tune the services that we provide and to actually target those services that people are identifying as the biggest needs."

**Commissioner Gwin** said, "Okay, thank you."

**Chair McGinn** said, "Commissioner Sciortino."

**Commissioner Sciortino** said, "Thank you, Madam Chair. Annette, I'm looking at the contract and it says, under our responsibilities, to identify 100 community leaders. So this won't be the consumers of, the aged that we'll be asking to fill this out. This will be community leaders?"

**Ms. Graham** said, "Correct."

**Commissioner Sciortino** said, "And are community leaders further defined as people that are working for various aging departments or what have you?"

**Ms. Graham** said, "No, not really. It is more like professionals who have come in contact, like E.M.S., the Fire Department, Police Department, the Sheriff."

**Commissioner Sciortino** said, "Okay, then I think that answers my second question. I was trying to figure out how someone would discern the difference between a want and a real need. Perhaps maybe some of these professionals deal with the aged on a daily basis could act as that filtration process and determine what really is needed. Thank you. That's all I have."

**Chair McGinn** said, "Commissioner Norton."

**Commissioner Norton** said, "Thank you. Have we done a study like this similarly five years or ten years ago so that we have some empirical evidence of what is changing so we have a base line of what people wanted five years ago and where we're going, how it is changing?"

**Ms. Graham** said, "Not this particular type of survey. What we have done and what we have to do on a regular basis is do a needs survey, where we ask the individuals, the elders themselves. Where we send out surveys or the State does it or we do it at a local level. We're required to do that when we have our area plan as an area agency on aging, whenever we do a new area plan, we have to do a

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needs survey, so that we can look at the need, from the consumers perspective, and then adjust funding to meet those needs. So we do have that on a regular basis.”

**Commissioner Norton** said, “How will you communicate the results and the information that is gleaned out of this to the community at large or will it be? Is it more for your in-house use than it is for the community at large?”

**Ms. Graham** said, “We anticipate sharing it and doing it at different agency meetings and different forums, presenting that back, as we will have a completed report that comes back and we’ll be going out and presenting that information and sharing that.”

**Commissioner Norton** said, “I just find that to do a study and then put it up on a shelf somewhere just really doesn’t provide us with the kind of information out to the community it should. I would urge us to make sure that it is very globally accepted and provided for everyone. Thank you.”

**Chair McGinn** said, “Commissioners, are there any other questions? Do I have a motion to approve?”

### MOTION

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

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

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

### VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

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**Chair McGinn** said, "Next item."

**2. REVISION TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2001 SENIOR CARE ACT/INCOME ELIGIBLE BUDGET.**

**Ms. Graham** said, "This is a revision to the allocation funds to the various services supported by the Senior Care Act and Income Eligible state funded programs and the addition of additional funding made recently available to these programs by the Kansas Legislature through the Kansas Department on Aging. The Income Eligible administrative and program budget for fiscal year 2001 is \$594,848, which is funded totally through State and client contributions. Senior Care Act budget totals \$532,093, which includes the additional \$22,204 approved by the State legislatures. It is funded through State legislative monies.

"The Senior Care Act program requires a two to one match to be allocated State dollars. The match consists of County mill levy funds and consumer contributions. Sedgwick County mill levy funds are included in the totals and no additional funds are requested. This is just a revision to the budget to show the additional \$22,204 we received. We would request approval of the revision and authorize the Chairperson to sign."

**MOTION**

Commissioner Sciortino moved to approve the budget revision.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

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

**VOTE**

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

**Chair McGinn** said, "Thank you, Annette. Next item."

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**C. ADDENDUM TO AGREEMENT WITH JOSEPH A. DENGEL & COMPANY TO ASSIST THE SEDGWICK COUNTY APPRAISER'S OFFICE REGARDING CESSNA AIRCRAFT COMPANY'S 1998 AND 1999 VALUATION APPEALS.**

**Mr. Mark Clark**, Assistant Chief Deputy Appraiser, greeted the Commissioners and said, "This morning I am bringing before you an addendum to the Joseph Dengel contract that you approved on September 23, 2000. The contract allows funds to be expended for technical services and professional testimony provided by Joseph A. Dengel regarding the Cessna Aircraft Company case before the Board of Tax Appeals. Funding for the contract has been budgeted in the amount of \$15,000 under other professional. The Appraisal Office respectfully requests that you approve the contract."

**MOTION**

Commissioner Winters moved to approve the Addendum to Agreement and authorize the Chair to sign.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

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

**VOTE**

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

**Mr. Buchanan** said, "Madam Chair, before this item is announced, it was my mistake. This shouldn't be on this agenda. We should have this on the Sewer agenda but you don't have a sewer



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agenda. We would like to have a sewer meeting after you complete this meeting and after the Fire District meeting.”

- D. ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT WITH PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES, P.A. TO CITY OF WICHITA FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH CONSTRUCTION OF SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS IN THE BROOKHAVEN ADDITION, PHASE 2.**

**MOTION**

Commissioner Gwin moved to remove Item D from the Regular Agenda and place it on the Sewer Agenda.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

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

**VOTE**

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

**Chair McGinn** said, “Next item.”

- E. GRANT APPLICATION TO KANSAS CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR A FEDERAL BYRNE GRANT TO FUND TWO FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES IN ADULT DIVERSION.**

**Ms. Ann Swegle**, Deputy District Attorney, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I appear before you today to seek your approval of an application for a Byrne Grant. We are seeking to expand our diversion program to allow for the inclusion of certain felony and misdemeanor drug offenders. Currently, we are unable to offer diversion to those offenders because of lack of resources to develop and implement an appropriate corrections and treatment program suitable to meet their needs and the needs for public safety. We envision creating a program that would contain as

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elements an intensive substance abuse treatment program, comprehensive case management services and frequent random drug testing. COMCARE has pledged support in developing and implementing such a program. We have worked with them successfully in the past in our juvenile diversion program allowing drug offenders in that arena to receive our services.

“Our application requests monies to fund two full-time staff positions for diversion coordinator and office specialist, as well as two computers. The total budget is \$79,937. It would require a 25% match to come from County contingency funds. That is in the amount of \$19,984. I would ask that you approve our application and authorize the Chair to sign.”

**Chair McGinn** said, “Any questions for Ann? If not, what's the will of the Board?”

**MOTION**

Commissioner Winters moved to approve the Grant Application and authorize the Chair to sign.

Commissioner Gwin seconded the Motion.

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

**VOTE**

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

**Chair McGinn** said, “Thank you. Next item.”

**F. PUBLIC WORKS.**

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- 1. AGREEMENT WITH KANSAS GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC. TO RELOCATE AN ELECTRICAL LINE IN CONNECTION WITH SEDGWICK COUNTY PROJECT NO. 628-10, 11; MACARTHUR ROAD THROUGH LAKE AFTON, CIP# R-233. DISTRICT #3.**

**Mr. Jim Weber**, Deputy Director, greeted the Commissioners and said, "In Item F-1, we are asking for approval of an agreement with Kansas Gas and Electric Company for relocation of an electric line in connection with a Sedgwick County MacArthur Road project through Lake Afton. This is designated as R-233 in the Capital Improvement Program at a cost of \$75,693. The lines are in a private easement. I recommend that you approve the Agreement and authorize the Chair to sign."

**MOTION**

Commissioner Winters moved to approve the Agreement and authorize the Chair to sign.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

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

**VOTE**

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

**Chair McGinn** said, "Next item."

- 2. RENEWAL APPLICATION WITH FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH/YOUTH GROUP FOR THE SEDGWICK COUNTY ADOPT A HIGHWAY PROGRAM ON 85<sup>TH</sup> STREET NORTH FROM THE EAST CITY LIMITS OF VALLEY CENTER TO HYDRAULIC. DISTRICT #4.**

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**Mr. Weber** said, "Item F-2 is a renewal application with the First United Methodist Church Youth Group for the Sedgwick County Adopt-A-Highway Program. They will be responsible for 85<sup>th</sup> Street North from the east city limits of Valley Center to Hydraulic. I recommend that you approve the agreement and authorize the Chair to sign."

**MOTION**

Commissioner Norton moved to approve the Application and authorize the Chair to sign.

Commissioner Gwin seconded the Motion.

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

**VOTE**

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

**Chair McGinn** said, "Thank you, Jim. Next item."

**G. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF BIDS AND CONTRACTS' REGULAR MEETING OF APRIL 19, 2001.**

**Ms. Iris Baker**, Director, Purchasing Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "The Board of Bids and Contracts held a Regular Meeting on April 19, 2001. As a result of this meeting, the following items are being presented for consideration of approval today.

**(1) CONSULTANT SERVICES FOR COMPENSATION PAY PLAN – HUMAN RESOURCES**  
**FUNDING: HUMAN RESOURCES**

"Item one, consultant services for compensation pay plan for Human Resources. Recommending the proposal of Fox, Lawson & Associates for \$120,735. This includes services and expenses.

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- (2) RECYCLE PAPER STOCK & LABELS – DIVISION OF INFORMATION & OPERATIONS**  
**FUNDING: DIVISION OF INFORMATION & OPERATIONS**

“Item two, recycle paper stock and labels for the Division of Information and Operations. Recommend low total bid of Unisource for \$210,528.53.

- (3) ROAD IMPROVEMENTS – PUBLIC WORKS**  
**FUNDING: PUBLIC WORKS**

“Item three, road improvements for Public Works. Recommend the low bid of Cornejo & Sons for \$637,192.50.

- (4) TRAFFIC PAINT & GLASS BEADS – PUBLIC WORKS**  
**FUNDING: PUBLIC WORKS**

“Item four, traffic paint and glass beads for Public Works, recommend the low bid of Sherwin Williams for Items 1 & 2 for \$28,193, and low bid of Flex-O-Lite for Item 3 for \$8,560 for a grand total of \$36,753.

- (5) RECONSTRUCT TWO TENNIS COURTS – FACILITY PROJECTS**  
**FUNDING: FACILITY PROJECTS**

“Item five, reconstruct two tennis courts for Facility Projects, recommend only bid received of Southwest Recreational for \$69,940.

- (6) CHANGE ORDER FOR JUDGE RIDDEL BOYS RANCH REMODEL – FACILITY PROJECTS**  
**FUNDING: FACILITY PROJECTS**

“Item six, change order for Judge Riddel Boys Ranch remodel for Facility Projects, acknowledging the change order for Van Asdale for \$1,640.

- (7) UPGRADE AND ANNUAL SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE – DIVISION OF INFORMATION AND OPERATIONS**  
**FUNDING: DIVISION OF INFORMATION AND OPERATIONS**

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“Item seven, upgrade and annual software maintenance for the Division of Information and Operations, recommend sole source quote of Mainline Information Systems for \$104,556.

**(8) ECOSCOPE TRACKING & REPORTING SOFTWARE – DIVISION OF INFORMATION & OPERATIONS**  
**FUNDING: DIVISION OF INFORMATION AND OPERATIONS**

“Item eight, ecoscope tracking and reporting software for the Division of Information and Operations, recommend sole source quote of Compuware for \$99,863.

**(9) REVENUE COLLECTION SYSTEM MODULE FOR ERP-FINANCE**  
**FUNDING: DIVISION OF FINANCE**

“Item nine, revenue collection system module for ERP for Finance, recommending the contract proposal with PCI for \$514,197.

**(10) FIRE ALARM & SECURITY SYSTEMS AGREEMENT – FACILITIES MAINTENANCE**  
**FUNDING: FACILITIES MAINTENANCE**

“Item ten, fire alarm and security systems agreement for Facilities Maintenance, recommending sole source quote of Simplex Time Recorder for \$69,433.

**(11) SECURITY SERVICES – AUTO LICENSE**  
**FUNDING: AUTO LICENSE**

“Item eleven, security services for Auto License, recommending low bid of Brink’s Incorporated for \$11,720. If there are no questions, I would recommend these items be approved as presented by the Board of Bids and Contracts.”

**Chair McGinn** said, “Commissioners, are there any questions for Iris?”

**MOTION**

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

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

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

**VOTE**

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

**Chair McGinn** said, "Thank you, Iris. Next item."

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**H. CONSENT AGENDA.**

**1. Right-of-Way Easements.**

One Temporary Construction Easement and one Permanent Easement for Drainage for Sedgwick County – Tyler Road Drainage Project; Tyler Road between 37<sup>th</sup> and 45<sup>th</sup> Streets North. District #4.

**2. Section 8 Housing Assistance Payment Contract.**

<u>Contract</u>	<u>Rent</u>	<u>District</u>	
<u>Number</u>	<u>Subsidy</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Landlord</u>

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- 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>
V96042	\$233.00	\$313.00
V96035	\$219.00	\$233.00
V2038	\$154.00	\$235.00

- 4. Resolution amending Chapter 19 of the *Sedgwick County Code*, providing for enforcement of various codes by the Department of Code Enforcement; defining violations and providing penalties therefore.**
- 5. Establish a petty cash fund at the Forensic Science Center in the amount of \$100.**
- 6. Increase change fund at Sedgwick County Park from \$100 to \$500.**
- 7. Increase petty cash fund at Sedgwick County Youth Aftercare Program from \$100 to \$200.**
- 8. Order dated April 18, 2001 to correct tax roll for change of assessment.**
- 9. Payroll Check Registers of April 3, 2001 (pollworkers) and April 13, 2001 (two).**
- 10. General Bills Check Register of April 20, 2001.**
- 11. Budget Adjustment Requests.**

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

**MOTION**



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Commissioner Gwin moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

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

**VOTE**

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

**Chair McGinn** said, "I believe we have an Executive Session today, so I will recess the Regular Meeting of April 25, 2001.

**The Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners recessed at 9:47 a.m. and returned at 9:54 a.m.**

**Chair McGinn** said, "I'll call to order the Regular Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners. Commissioners, is there any other business to come before this Board?"

**I. OTHER**

**MOTION**

Commissioner Sciortino moved that the Board of County Commissioners recessed into Executive Session for 40 minutes to consider consultation with Legal Counsel on matters privileged in the attorney client relationship, relating to pending claims and litigation, and legal advice and that the Board of County Commissioners return from Executive Session no sooner than 10:35 a.m.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

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

**VOTE**

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

**Chair McGinn** said, “We’re in Executive Session.”

**The Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners recessed into Executive Session at 9:55 a.m. and returned at 10:56 a.m.**

**Chair McGinn** said, “I’ll call the Regular Meeting back to order. Let the record show there was no binding action taken while in Executive Session. Is there any other business to come before the Board? Mr. Euson? Mr. Manager? We’re adjourned.”

**J. ADJOURNMENT**

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There being no other business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 10:56 a.m.

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SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS**

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**CAROLYN McGINN**, Chair  
Fourth District

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**BEN SCIORTINO**, Chairman Pro Tem  
Fifth District

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**BETSY GWIN**, Commissioner  
First District

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**TIM R. NORTON**, Commissioner  
Second District

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**THOMAS G. WINTERS**, Commissioner  
Third District

ATTEST:

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**Don Brace**, County Clerk

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APPROVED:

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