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, May 16, 2001 in the County Commission Meeting Room in the Courthouse in Wichita, Kansas, by Chair Carolyn McGinn; with the following present: Vice Chair Ben Sciortino; Commissioner Betsy Gwin; Commissioner Tim R. Norton; Commissioner Thomas G. Winters; Mr. William P. Buchanan, County Manager; Mr. Rich Euson, County Counselor; Mr. Randall C. Duncan, CEM, CEPR (Commission on Emergency Planning & Response), Vice Chair; Mr. Sherdeill Breathett Sr., Director, Neighborhood Economic Development; Mr. Don Brace, County Clerk; Mr. Tim Kaufman, Operations Manager, COMCARE; Mr. Wayne Burns, Director, FCCS, COMCARE; Ms. Jeannette Livingston, Contract Manager, COMCARE; Mr. Marvin Krout, Director, Metropolitan Area Planning Department; Ms. Deborah Donaldson, Director, Division of Human Services; Ms. Annette Graham, Director, Department on Aging; Ms. Chris Kautzer, Systems Integration Coordinator, Department of Corrections; Mr. Pete Giroux, Senior Management Analyst, Budget Department; Mr. John Nath, Director, Kansas Coliseum; Mr. David Spears, Director, Bureau of Public Works; Mr. Chris Chronis, Chief Financial Officer; Ms. Kristi Zukovich, Director, Communications; and, Ms. Lisa Davis, Deputy County Clerk.

GUESTS
Ms. Jane Aleva, Youthville.
Mr. Jerry Davis, Finney County Commissioner.
Ms. Jana L. Mullen, Member, Sedgwick County Board of Zoning Appeals.
Mr. Gary Wiley, Agent, Wildcat Development Inc.

INVOCATION
The Invocation was led by Reverend Preston Barrett.

FLAG SALUTE

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

Chair McGinn said, “Next item.”
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CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES: Regular Meeting, April 18, 2001

The Clerk reported that Commissioner Winters was absent at the Regular Meeting of April 18, 2001.

MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 18, 2001.

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  Abstain
Commissioner Ben Sciortino   Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn   Aye

Chair McGinn said, “Next item.”

PROCLAMATION

A. PROCLAMATION DECLARING MAY 2001 AS “FOSTER CARE MONTH.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioners, I’d like to read this proclamation into the record.

PROCLAMATION

“WHEREAS, the family is the very foundation of our communities and our State; and

WHEREAS, in Sedgwick County, Kansas children in foster care are provided with safe, secure and stable families; and

WHEREAS, foster homes and foster parents are needed everywhere, throughout the county; and

WHEREAS, many Sedgwick County children, most of them older, in sibling groups or with special needs, are in need of foster parents; and

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WHEREAS, without foster care parents, many Sedgwick County teens would ‘age out’ of foster care without being prepared to go into the world; and

WHEREAS, great numbers of individuals, in both public and private organizations, work to increase public awareness of the needs of children in and leaving foster care; and

WHEREAS, foster parents deserve acknowledgement of their sacrifices and their continued support of children not their own.

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

“FOSTER CARE MONTH”

in Sedgwick County and urge all citizens to volunteer their talents and energies on behalf of children in foster care, foster parents and the child welfare professional staff working with them during this month and throughout the year.

“And here today we have Carl Martin.  No we do not have . . . Jane Aleva from Youthville accepting the proclamation.”

MOTION

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

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, “Good morning.”

Ms. Jane Aleva, Youthville, greeted the Commissioners and said, “Well, we would like to thank
you, all of you, for your past, present and future support. We have seen the number of family foster homes increase and that could not have happened without the support of all of our Commissioners, of our community, of our families and we’ve made a difference and you’ve helped make that difference. So, thank you and thanks to all of our family foster homes.”

Chair McGinn said, “Thank you. Clerk, call the next item please.”

AWARDS

B. PRESENTATION OF AWARD TO COMMISSIONER TIM NORTON FOR SERVICE AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO GOVERNOR BILL GRAVES’ COMMISSION ON EMERGENCY PLANNING AND RESPONSE (CEPR).

Mr. Randall C. Duncan, CEM, CEPR Vice-Chair, “I have the honor to serve you as your Emergency Management Director. In addition to that, however, I also serve the State of Kansas as the Vice-Chair of the Governor’s Commission on Emergency Planning and Response. It’s my pleasure to introduce to you this morning Commissioner Jerry Davis, who is from Finney County and has the honor of serving the Governor as Chair of that commission. Mr. Davis, you have a presentation to make.”

Mr. Jerry Davis, Finney County Commissioner and CEPR Chairman, greeted the Commissioners and said, “Mr. Norton, it’s my pleasure to present, on behalf of the Governor of the great State of Kansas, this certificate of appreciation from Governor Graves for your service on the Commission on Emergency Planning and Response. Individuals such as yourself, who’ve been through this trial by fire bring a great asset, I know, to Sedgwick County. The commissioners of this county have a really wonderful asset to draw on, in the form of Tim.”

Commissioner Norton said, “Thank you very much. Well, I’ve got to tell you, it was an honor to serve with this group because it was a state-wide group and they had some core values that I had . . . you’re right, baptism by fire. I’d learned them the hard way but they became some core values that I’ve continued to have and that is that the underserved in the populations of Kansas will always be
affected by weather. And there’s going to be other emergencies and the better we can prepare and understand those things throughout the County, throughout the State, the better we’ll be to serve those individuals. So, I was honored to be able to be on this panel and to contribute the little that I did. But I really enjoyed it. I made some great friends, and hopefully, the information that I could impart from that baptism by fire will make a difference in somebody else’s life, maybe not tomorrow, but some time in the history of Kansas. Thanks.”

Chair McGinn said, “You’re not done, Tim. Commissioner Winters.”

Commissioner Winters said, “Well, . . .”

Mr. Duncan said, “Commissioners, I forgot to tell you. When we stand here at the podium, we stand for questions from the Commissioners.”

Commissioner Norton said, “Abstain.”

Commissioner Winters said, “Well, I just wanted to make a couple of quick comments about the work that counties all over the state do, involving disaster management and any kind of situation like that and certainly we’re fortunate to now have the experience of Tim Norton on our commission and I think that’s going to be invaluable. Tim, we appreciate all that knowledge you bring.

“I also wanted to thank Commissioner Jerry Davis, as he has been involved in this business for a long time and has represented the Kansas Association of Counties all over the state. And Jerry, from a urban county, we want to say thank you to you for all of the work that you’ve put forth and I know you don’t know how many miles you’ve traveled around the state, but when you have to come from Garden City to Wichita or Topeka for a meeting, I’m sure you’ve put a few miles on some vehicles. And just as one county commissioner to another, I certainly, and I think all of us have appreciated the work that you do and we’re sure your colleagues in Finney County are lucky that they’ve got you out there working in that process. So, I think we’ve got a couple of great, outstanding commissioners working on issues like this and with staff like Randy Duncan it makes it, again, easier and we hope we never, ever have to use him again. But I’m sure there will probably will be an event sometime along the way. But, Tim, congratulations and Jerry, thanks for everything you do. Are you going to be out at Great Bend for the commissioner’s meeting? Okay, good, I’ll see you out there.”

Mr. Duncan said, “Commissioners, not that I don’t want to institute any friendly rivalry, but I might point out that Commissioner Davis is the only county commissioner in the State of Kansas, to my knowledge, that currently holds a certified Emergency Management credential.”
Commissioner Gwin said, “Get busy, Tim.”

Commissioner Norton said, “Although mine may not be certified, it has been validated.”

Commissioner Davis said, “I can assure you, education is a wonderful thing and I urge everyone to pursue it, but education does not validate experience. It’s experience that validates education. We appreciate Tim and what he’s been through.”

Commissioner Norton said, “One last comment and Tom said it pretty succinctly, but you know, one thing that struck me as I went through the process of healing my community and working on the tornado is that other government entities are very important and as I look around the state at some of the other disasters and some of the things you read in the paper even recently about some dysfunctional things happening, I’ve got to tell you, you can be very proud of Sedgwick County for what they did during the Haysville/South Wichita tornado, because all the emergency services, the county commission, the emergency management group wrapped around Haysville and south Wichita, put their egos aside and made sure they helped in the process at every step of the way. And you know, that’s not happening out there everywhere. So, we should be very proud that we’ve got individuals that understand what should be done but that they can be just as much in the way, if they try to do too much. We didn’t have those problems in Haysville and I applaud Sedgwick County staff and the commission for just that. Because even though I was the figurehead and the leader, it took a village to save a village, when it came to reconstructing our town. The county was very much a part of that. Thanks.”

Chair McGinn said, “Congratulations, Tim and we’re certainly glad to have you on board. You had on the job training, so to speak, and so we hope we don’t have another disaster but I’m sure we’ll be leaning on you if we do. And Randy, thank you. I think about . . . .every time you come forward I think about this is an employee that we pay year around that we hope we never have to use. I know you’re working year-around to always prepare and we’re doing some very good things in Sedgwick County. So, we appreciate . . . .”

Mr. Duncan said, “Thank you, Commissioner, and my family and my debtors are pleased that you pay me year-round.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Madam Chairman, I just want to know, when Randy made that one statement about this gentleman, as a commissioner, being the only one certified in his area of expertise . . . was he making a political statement of something that might be coming down the pike in a year or two? Running for office or anything?”
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Commissioner Davis said, “I’ve got all the office I can handle right now. I don’t know about Randy.”

Chair McGinn said, “Thank you. Clerk, call the next item please.”

C. RECOGNITION OF SHERDEILL BREATHETT, SR., DEVORE FOUNDATION’S 2001 EXCELLENCE IN PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENT.

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioners, last night we had the great pleasure of giving awards to some folks in our public service system who have done a great deal of things in the community, as well as in the work force, and their dedication. This award is given by the DeVore foundation to recognize outstanding public service employees. Several candidates, I understand, from Sedgwick County were nominated and, again, these folks they have to provide quality public service and also be involved in our community as well.

“This year, the County’s Excellence in Public Service award recipient is Sherdeill Breathett and I’d like to just give a few highlights about Sherdeill working here in Sedgwick County. Up until just a couple of months ago, Sherdeill was our Animal Control Director. He’s now serving as the Neighborhood Economic Development Director for Sedgwick County. He helped to implement standards and policies for the animal control department and interagency cooperation with other cities in our community to control animals out there of all kinds.

“One of the notable points of his nomination was a recent cattle spill on I-35. Sherdeill was dressed to the tee, suit and tie, ready to go, I believe, to your son’s graduation and he did make it for that, but he also rounded up the cattle before that. He’s the chairman of our Diversity Committee and assisted with community discussions, interview panels and other county activities. He volunteers as a Big Brother. He’s active with Boys and Girls Club. He’s a block coordinator for his neighborhood association and he’s a church minister. He uses his voice talent as a master of ceremonies for several organizations. With that, I’d like to introduce Sherdeill Breathett and congratulations.”

Mr. Sherdeill Breathett Sr., Director, Neighborhood Economic Development, greeted the Commissioners and said, “I’m honored and humbled to be a recipient of the 2001 Excellence in Public Service award. As I stated last night and I reiterate, I’m just honored to be an employee with Sedgwick County, a fine organization, and to have such a fine host of staff and other peers that will embrace you and build you up. I think Commissioner Norton hit it correctly when he made reference to the situation they encountered there in Haysville and we worked very closely with that,
Chair McGinn said, “Sherdeill, I have to make a few comments. A little over two years ago, when I became a Commissioner and I first started working with Sherdeill, I wasn’t sure I was going to like Sherdeill and I have this saying and that’s to tell me what I need to know and not what you think I want to hear and Sherdeill did that and I wasn’t quite sure I always liked what I was hearing. But I’d like to share, though, as I continue to work with Sherdeill, I have grown to really appreciate having Sherdeill, because of his honestly. He’s very straight forward and he’s very professional. I’ve had some tough cases in some animal control areas. I had to lean on Sherdeill. He’s very straight forward and we got to the bottom of it as best we could. I’ve gone out on an Animal Control case with Sherdeill, watched him work with some of the folks out there that are in need of those types of services the most and he was very, very professional. When I heard that Sherdeill was the individual that was chosen to head up the Neighborhood Economic Development program, I was very excited. And so, I just want to say to you, Sherdeill, you’ve enriched my life and it’s an honor for me to have crossed paths with you. So, congratulations.”

Mr. Breathett said, “Thank you, Commissioner and the feeling is very mutual.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioner Winters.”

Commissioner Winters said, “Thank you. I just, very briefly, again wanted to say congratulations. When I first arrived in this job, I really didn’t realize that Animal Control might be as important as it is. But we do often come in contact with constituents of ours that are having a problem and Sherdeill responded to every one of those citizens that I’ve dealt with and we’ve had some big events go on in my district with real big animals, lions and tigers. And so, Sherdeill, I think you’ve handled all of those just with the most professionalism that could be requested and I thank you for all the help that you’ve given me with my constituents over this time period. Thank you.”

Mr. Breathett said, “Thank you, Commissioner.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioner Sciortino.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Thank you, Madam Chairman. I, too, didn’t in my wildest dreams when I was thinking of becoming a county commissioner, think that I would ever have to deal with lions and tigers in Kansas. The one thing that impressed me about Sherdeill, and I’ll say it to his face, more than how he handled the animals is how he interacts with the citizens. As you know, Oaklawn is in my district and once a year they have a meeting where elected officials and staff members can go down and it’s almost like a roast. They’re there to air their feelings and what have you and animal control is often times a hot issue and Sherdeill stands up and he just massages these
people and handles them with a skill that’s almost an art form. So, I am very confident in your new responsibilities that you’ve assumed. You’re going to do a tremendous job because this job will even put you in front of the people more than your Animal Control responsibilities have and I, for one, have absolutely no reservations whatsoever in knowing that you’ll succeed in this job also.”

Mr. Breathett said, “Thank you, Commissioner Sciortino.”

Chair McGinn said, “Well, you’re well deserving of this award and congratulations.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Wait a minute. There was a cash award with this thing, too, if I understand it right. So, if I could make an analogy like in golf if you make a hole in one you’re supposed to pay for a round of libations. Well, why not ask for it, if the timing is right? I’ll ask him if he’ll buy us all lunch or something.”

Chair McGinn said, “My guess is he’s probably going to tithe ten percent.”

Mr. Breathett said, “That is correct. You’re absolutely correct and my wife has the other planned.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “My colleagues made me think that, as you mentioned, Sherdeill joins a long list of County employees who are former recipients of this award and I don’t have all those names but pretty neat people, pretty important parts of our organization who demonstrate delivery of quality public service every day that they work and as well, their contribution to our community. Then my other moment would be to thank the DeVore Foundation for recognizing public service in the way that they do. So, thanks to our former recipients as well as Sherdeill and congratulations to all of them and then our real thanks to the DeVore Foundation.”

Mr. Breathett said, “And I would concur with that statement as well, too. And I do want to thank the person that nominated me as well, that thought enough of the service that I provide and what I do. I quoted a scripture passage yesterday and I won’t quote that today, but it’s just a matter of doing my reasonable services and I believe we’re all blessed to be a blessing to someone else and I’m just grateful and thankful that I can do what I do and I hope to continue in even a greater capacity.”
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Chair McGinn said, “Commissioner Norton.”

Commissioner Norton said, “Well, I have a little bit different take. I’m proud of what you’ve done in Sedgwick County but I looked into a young man’s eyes last night, I think his name is Kaiser, and there’s the true mark of what you’ve done in this community. You’ve made a difference in a young man’s life and when they were talking about you and giving the spiel, he was very proud to be part of you and you a part of him. So, there is your legacy that you’ve left, a young man’s life. Thank you.”

Mr. Breathett said, “Thank you, Commissioner. He’s part of the family. Thank you.”

Chair McGinn said, “Well, and I can vouch that you’re out in the community because I run into Sherdeill a lot out there. So, anyway, thank you for being here at Sedgwick County and thank you for all that you do for our community. Clerk, call the next item please.”

APPOINTMENT

D. RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING JANA L. MULLEN (COMMISSIONER WINTERS’ APPOINTMENT) TO THE SEDGWICK COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS.

Mr. Rich Euson, County Counselor, greeted the Commissioners and said, “We’ve prepared this resolution to reappoint this member to the Board of Zoning Appeals, which is a five member board. This is a three year appointment and I would recommend that you adopt this resolution.”

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to adopt the Resolution 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
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Chair McGinn said, “And I see we have Jana Mullen here today. Good morning.”

Mr. Don Brace, County Clerk, said, “After I say the oath, please say ‘I do affirm’. Raise your right hand.

“I do solemnly affirm that I will support the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the State of Kansas and faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Zoning Appeals Board, so help me God.”

Ms. Jana L. Mullen, Member, Board of Zoning Appeals, said, “I do.”

Mr. Brace said, “Congratulations.”

Ms. Mullen said, “I’d just like to thank the County Commission, again, and Mr. Winters for re-electing me and nominating me for this board. Enjoyed it very much and just getting to know the people on the board and serving the community, extremely enjoyed it and looking forward to another term. Thank you very much.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioner Winters.”

Commissioner Winters said, “Well, I certainly just want to say thank you. You know, volunteers, people who volunteer their time and effort to help on advisory boards and this kind of board are certainly very important and we know there may be times when there’s not much activity, but when there is we value the people who have agreed to serve on these boards. So, thanks, Jana. I appreciate your willingness.”

Chair McGinn said, “Thank you, Jana. Thanks for coming up today. Clerk, call the next item.”

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

E. CASE NUMBER ZON2001-00016 – ZONE CHANGE FROM “RR” RURAL RESIDENTIAL TO “SF-20” SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL, LOCATED ON THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF 71ST STREET SOUTH AND HYDRAULIC.

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Mr. Marvin Krout, Director, Metropolitan Area Planning Department (MAPD), greeted the
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Commissioners and said, “I’m here to tell you what you need to know. Hopefully, it’s what you want to here, too, because I’m not expecting opposition in this particular case.

“This is a request for a 17 acre property. It’s on the northeast corner of 71st Street South and Hydraulic. It also borders the Big Ditch on this side. Wichita has grown to the Big Ditch by annexations. Haysville is in the other direction and this is one of those areas between the communities of Haysville, Derby and Wichita that we’ve generally supported for suburban residential lot development when public services, both public water, both public sewer, are not there because it is close to those communities. And this request is to change the zoning from the Rural Residential District, which would permit a maximum of two acre lots with septic tanks on this site, to SF-20, which would permit half-acre lots on septic tanks, because the City of Haysville is intending to provide water to this site, too and you can get down to a lot size of 20,000 square feet if those are the circumstances.

“This property is in the area of zoning influence of Haysville and, because of that, it went to Haysville’s planning commission. They had a hearing and recommended approval, unanimously, of the change in zoning which is basically the same type of zoning that you don’t see over here. This map should be changed to show the SF-20, that shows the platting that has occurred and that needs to be updated. But basically, the same kind of zoning that’s been approved in this general area in the past. This is also Haysville’s extra territorial subdivision jurisdiction area and so Haysville will be the community that will approve the plat, if the zoning is approved and then they’ll go together.

“This case then went to the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission, who approved it unanimously. This is the aerial photograph to show you the area. It’s a little bit dated. I think it’s 1997 but that’s the tract in question, along the Big Ditch. They recommended approval unanimously. Again, there was no opposition at the planning commission meeting and there have been no written protests filed by any property owners in the vicinity of this tract and so just require a majority vote to the County Commission to approve the re-zoning request. The applicant’s agent is here if you have any questions and I think that I can stop here, unless you have any other questions of me.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioners, would you like to hear from the applicant? Please come forward.”

Mr. Gary Wiley, Agent, Professional Engineering Consultants, representing Wildcat Construction, greeted the Commissioners and said, “We are in agreement with the Planning Commission’s recommendations and would be happy to answer any questions that you have.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioners, are there any questions of Mr. Wiley?”

Commissioner Norton said, “I am familiar with this and it kept up with what’s happening on the
south side. It is very congruous with what Haysville is looking to do and that’s to annex towards the east. Water extensions have gone along 71st Street and have been hooked up to the Suncrest Addition, I believe, and will move across Hydraulic to pick up the new additions. Along the way, there are some annexation studies being done for other neighborhoods that could hook up. Storm water has been looked at. I think they’re moving along pretty well, so I would be very supportive of this annexation and this movement. Thanks.”

Mr. Wiley said, “I might just indicate that we have submitted a preliminary plat on this and this 17 acres will produce 22 lots with areas of detention for storm water run-off.”

Chair McGinn said, “Okay, are there any other questions for Mr. Wiley? Are there any questions for Marvin Krout? Is there anyone here that would like to speak to this item today?”

MOTION

Commissioner Norton moved to Adopt the findings of fact of the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission and approve the zone change subject to the condition of platting within one year; adopt the Resolution and authorize the Chair to sign; and instruct the MAPD to withhold publication of the Resolution until the plat has been recorded with the Register of Deeds.

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, “Marvin, why can’t they all be this easy. All right, thank you. Next item.”
NEW BUSINESS

F. DIVISION OF HUMAN SERVICES.

1. AMENDMENTS TO CONTRACT (FOUR).

- ROSA STARNES (2) – MEDICATION MANAGEMENT, AND INDIVIDUAL THERAPY FOR YOUTH ON HEALTHWAVE
- FAMILY CONSULTATION SERVICE, INC. – HEALTHWAVE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
- SOUTH CENTRAL MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING CENTER – HEALTHWAVE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Ms. Deborah Donaldson, Director, Division of Human Services, greeted the Commissioners and said, “You’ve seen me fairly regularly here making some amendments and changes to contracts. We’re in the process of moving our contracts that are funded primarily by State dollars to the State fiscal year and combining those contracts to give you a more complete picture of what each agency is receiving and the scope of the services they provide.

“Our item today is along those same lines and those are amendments to contracts with Rosa Starnes, Family Consultation Service and South Central Mental Health Counseling Center, which is the mental health center in Butler County. I’d be glad to answer any questions.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioners, are there any questions for Debbie Donaldson?”

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to Approve the Amendments to Contract and authorize the Chair to sign.

Commissioner Norton seconded the Motion.

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

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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, Debbie. Next item.”

2. GRANT APPLICATION TO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES FOR A “BUILD MENTALLY HEALTHY COMMUNITIES” GRANT PROVIDING FUNDING OF MENTAL HEALTH PREVENTION AND EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES.

Mr. Wayne Burns, Director, Family and Children Community Services (FCCS) greeted the Commissioners and said, “We’re in the process of a grant which is being submitted to SAMSA, with the federal government, for the purpose of expanding services to children ages zero to five in the City of Wichita and Sedgwick County. It will provide three separate components. One of these components will provide expertise to existing pre-school settings, utilizing information from proven programs such as the Incredible Years, also the program for violence prevention, and the high scope programming. It will also be instrumental in the process of providing crisis intervention services for families of children in this age group and the third is to provide a therapeutic classroom for children who are high needs that are in need of a flow-through program in order to be re-established within preschool programming within the community. Questions regarding this?”

Chair McGinn said, “Yes. Commissioner Gwin.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “Just a question real quick, Wayne. Talk to me about the time frame. This grant application is due when?”

Mr. Burns said, “The 21st of this month of May is when it is due to the federal government. It actually does not become operational until their federal fiscal year, which begins October 1.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “Okay. And that’s when we’ll receive notice as to whether or not it’s been awarded?”

Mr. Burns said, “We will probably receive notice within 30 to 45 days. They’ll be reviewing applications from all over the country and they indicated that what they will need is time to just review all the narratives, all the budget formulations and all the budget final sheets in regards to that and this is an incredibly detailed budget, in regards to not only its size but also in regards to all the format functions that you have to follow. I hope to never see another SANSA grant for as long as I live, but if we would be able to receive the funding, we could expedite a process to increase the
services for this age group in Sedgwick County.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “Well, that would be wonderful and I wish you good luck on this one.”

Mr. Burns said, “Thank you.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “Thank you. Thank you, Madam Chair.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioners, are there any other questions?”

**MOTION**

Commissioner Gwin moved to Approve the Grant Application and authorize the Chair to sign.

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

Commissioner Gwin said, “I’m sorry. Point of order. Before you call the next item, I have a question. Jeannette Partridge, could you come up to the podium for me? Well, something just made me think about you. You look a little different today. Has there been a recent change or something? Something different gone on over the last maybe past weekend or something we should know about?”

Ms. Jeannette Livingston, Contract Manager, Comprehensive Community Care, said, “I was married Saturday.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “Oh, that’s why you look different. And so now that we don’t know you . . . we used to know you as Jeannette Partridge. What’s your married name?”

Ms. Livingston said, “Now it’s Jeannette Livingston.”
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Commissioner Gwin said, “Okay, all right. Well, congratulations to you, Jeannette. Happy married life. You look happy. Congratulations to you and to your lucky husband. That’s it. I just wanted to embarrass a staff member today.”

Commissioner Norton said, “Was that an off agenda item?”

Chair McGinn said, “I’m not sure that I agree with her point of order. Next item.”

3. ADDITION OF ONE VEHICLE TO THE COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY CARE (COMCARE) FLEET.

Mr. Tim Kaufman, Operations Manager, Comprehensive Community Care, greeted the Commissioners and said, “COMCARE is now integrated into the community to the point where we have eleven staff in eleven different locations. We’ve recently filled a long-vacant third maintenance position. It’s my intention to send those three maintenance folks in three different directions whenever possible. We’ve got 300 staff to support thousands of consumers. The addition of this vehicle to our fleet would allow us to do that and to provide services, plumbing, maintenance, electrical services to all of our sites. We request that one pick-up be added to the COMCARE fleet. Be happy to answer any question.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioner Norton.”

Commissioner Norton said, “Where’s the money come from, Tim.”

Mr. Kaufman said, “State funds.”
Commissioner Norton said, “State funds. That’s all I have.”

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to Approve the addition to the COMCARE fleet.

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
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Commissioner Thomas Winters  Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino   Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn   Aye

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

4. AGREEMENT WITH KANSAS DEPARTMENT ON AGING AND KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND REHABILITATION SERVICES PROVIDING REIMBURSEMENT TO CENTRAL PLAINS AREA AGENCY ON AGING FOR CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES RELATED TO RELOCATION OF MEDICAID NURSING FACILITY RESIDENTS.

Ms. Annette Graham, Director, Department on Aging, greeted the Commissioners and said, “This agreement will allow Sedgwick County Department on Aging, Central Plains Area Agency on Aging to be reimbursed for case management services provided to 46 nursing home facility Medicaid residents, the resident’s family or the resident’s personal representative for the purpose of selecting an alternative nursing facility, community-based facility or other living arrangements which best suits their needs and wishes. This action is a result of a termination of Medicaid funding for residents at Terrace Gardens Nursing Facility as of February 20th, 2001. Funds to support these services will be paid from the State of Kansas Civil Monies Penalties funds. No additional County funds are requested.

“This agreement has been reviewed by the Legal Department. Case management services were provided to assist these residents in their relocation efforts. Approval of the agreement will provide reimbursement to Sedgwick County Department on Aging for staff time and resources spent on this project at the rate of $40.00 per case management hour, not to exceed $12,000 total cost. We would request approval of the relocation agreement and authorize the Chairperson to sign.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioners, are there any questions? Yes, Commissioner Norton.”

Commissioner Norton said, “Is this a pretty typical thing? Have we done these kind of relocations before? I mean, is this something, . . . is this a one-time deal or have you had a history of these kinds . . ?”

Ms. Graham said, “It has been done in the past, whenever the Medicaid funding is terminated to a local nursing facility, they request our assistance.”
Commissioner Norton said, “Is the facility going out of business or have they just lost their Medicaid certification?”

Ms. Graham said, “No, they did not go out of business. They just blocked their Medicaid reimbursement ability.”

Commissioner Norton said, “Thanks.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioner Sciortino.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Thank you, Madam Chairman. Annette, I think it might be interesting for people in the audience or watching to explain the County’s match portion. This is one where it’s in-kind or community resources as opposed to hard cash. Could you just kind of explain what that means.”

Ms. Graham said, “When there’s match required, we can just provide technical assistance or in-kind support would be some staff time, things like that, staff supplies.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Okay, and community resources, is that also what that means by ‘in-kind’?”

Ms. Graham said, “Community resources is utilization of other community resources.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Okay, thank you.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioners, are there any other questions? If not, what’s the will of the Board?”

**MOTION**

Commissioner Sciortino moved to Approve the Agreement and authorize the Chair to sign.

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
5. AGREEMENT WITH CITY OF WICHITA, KANSAS FOR SEDGWICK COUNTY TO ADMINISTER A PROGRAM TO SUPPORT ELDERLY AND DISABLED PUBLIC HOUSING RESIDENTS.

Ms. Graham said, “The City of Wichita Housing Authority received a $200,000 grant from HUD (Housing and Urban Development) to establish a program of services to support elderly and disabled public housing residents for a three-year period. The Department on Aging helped write the application and we’ll administer the funds and programs for the Wichita Housing Authority, including a part-time contracted program coordinator.

“A second agenda item will be placed on a subsequent agenda for contracts for the program coordinator and the services. The Wichita Housing Authority is currently contracting with the Sedgwick County Department on Aging by service contract coordinator for Wichita Housing, public housing and other arenas.

“This contract will enable Sedgwick County Department on Aging to administer $180,000 over a three-year period for the Wichita Housing Authority. A 25% match requirement is met by in kind and community resources allowed by HUD. There are no financial obligations for the County and we would request that you approve the contract and authorize the Chairperson to sign.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioner Norton.”

Commissioner Norton said, “Thanks. How many people would this affect? Do you have an estimate of how many elderly people this will affect?”

Ms. Graham said, “We have some estimates for the service provision, 1,500 rides, so we have a transportation component for over the three years up to 15,000 rides. Forty hours a week, over the three year period, for senior companion services and four quality of life exercises a year in each of the facilities for three years and that’s a group activity to help them understand risk factors and to help them understand some activities and things they can do to eliminate or reduce those risk factors and a half-time service coordinator to provide coordination of services over that three year period in all of those facilities.”
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Commissioner Norton said, “It will touch a lot of people then.”

Ms. Graham said, “Yes, a lot of people.”

Commissioner Norton said, “Thank you.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioners, are there any other questions for Annette?”

MOTION

Commissioner Norton 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.”

6. AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT WITH ALZHEIMER’S ASSOCIATION SUNFLOWER CHAPTER EXCLUDING INFORMATION RELATED TO UNIFORM ASSESSMENT INSTRUMENT ASSESSMENTS.

Ms. Graham said, “This amendment to the Alzheimer’s contract deletes the uniform assessment instrument assessments. It has been determined that it is not necessary for the Alzheimer’s Association to provide these assessments to their clients and they will now provide an assessment
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specific for those individuals with Alzheimer or related disorders.

“This changes the contract and deletes $562 and moves that funding over to provide more case management services. So, it increases from their total amount of case management hours to serve more clients. We would request that this be authorized and the Chairperson be authorized to sign.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioners, are there any questions for Annette? If not, what’s the will of the Board?”

**MOTION**

Commissioner Gwin moved to Approve the Amendment to Contract and authorize the Chair to sign.

Commissioner Norton seconded the Motion.

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

**VOTE**

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

7. **GRANT APPLICATION TO KANSAS JUVENILE JUSTICE AUTHORITY AND KANSAS ADVISORY GROUP FOR FUNDING OF A SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION.**

Ms. Chris Kautzer, Systems Integration Coordinator, Department of Corrections, greeted the Commissioners and said, “The State of Kansas Juvenile Justice Authority recently announced the availability of a competitive grant program for federal funds. These federal funds will assist local communities with implementing juvenile delinquency prevention programs. In order to qualify to compete with these federal Title V funds, the applicant must be a local unit of government. The
proposed services may be provided by a non-governmental agency, if they are the sub-applicant. Additional requirements include a 50% local cash match and proposed services must work on issues that are identified in the Sedgwick County Community Prevention fund.

“This grant application is asking for funding to both maintain current services and expand services at the substance abuse and delinquency prevention program that is operated by Higher Ground. Sedgwick County presently provides funding for this program with County prevention funds. We are asking to leverage these grant funds for federal funds of the match to replace diminishing start-up grants and to expand the program with federal dollars.

“Specifically, this grant application seeks $163,125 to fund three and a half current clinical staff positions and one new family counselor position to expand those services. The Juvenile Corrections Advisory Board has reviewed and does support this grant application. They have provided a letter indicating that the issues addressed are consistent with our local community funding plan. Mary San Martine is the program director and is here today to help answer any questions that you may have. I ask that you approve this grant application and authorize the Chair to sign.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioner Gwin.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “Thank you, Madam Chair. Chris, this is the program that we originally knew as Tiyospaye? Is that right?”

Ms. Kautzer said, “Yes.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “Because Higher Ground I had to track back.”

Ns, Kautzer said, “Higher Ground is Tiyospaye program.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “Okay, and it still focuses on drug and delinquency issues? That’s still their focus for prevention?”

Ms. Kautzer said, “Yes, that is correct.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “Okay. I think that’s the only clarification I needed. Thank you.”

Chair McGinn said, “I’m not sure it answered my question. We have our private dollars that we use here locally, for prevention programs. This is coming from the JJA.”
Ms. Kautzer said, “Correct, the expansion will come out of federal funds that funnel through JJA.”

Chair McGinn said, “Okay, thank you.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Let me have a question, too, if I can. Explain to me the required 50% match, because I thought we had given Tiyospaye some money on our prevention fund, I believe and now they’re going to take that money and that money was supposed to be spent for specific programs.”

Ms. Kautzer said, “Right.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “But now they’re taking that money and using it to leverage for this program?”

Ms. Kautzer said, “Right. In the federal grant applications, their guidelines for the 50% cash match needs to come from local funds, so the prevention fund would qualify as half of that cash match to expand their program and expand their services to serve more youth.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Okay, but what happens now if they don’t get the grant? We have given them money specifically for certain programs and we had certain outcomes that we expected from those programs. They’ve decided not to implement those programs but to use that money to leverage for an additional grant from the federal government. What happens if they don’t get the grant?”

Ms. Kautzer said, “They will still be working towards those outcomes that are identified with the County prevention funds. This is just the expansion of services by adding a family counselor and if they don’t get this grant, they will not be able to expand services.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Is this going to be setting a precedent for people that are going to be applying for prevention programs, to ask for prevention dollars so that they could ask for a grant for more dollars? I don’t know if that’s a concern of mine or not? I’m a little confused on that.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioner Winters.”

Commissioner Winters said, “Well, I think the thing you said that I don’t think was quite right is you said that they have received prevention dollars and they’ve set those dollars aside and if they don’t get this grant they’re not going to use them.”
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Commissioner Sciortino said, “No, I didn’t say that. I was asking the question, what they would do with the money if they didn’t get the grant and I think it was explained to me, they would go back to what they had originally planned.”

Commissioner Winters said, “The original plan, so they’re just trying to leverage these dollars. If they don’t get leveraged, if it doesn’t work, they’ve still got the plan.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “No, I understand. That was explained to me. I understand. That’s all I have.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioners, are there any other questions?”

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to Approve the Grant Application 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.”

8. GRANT APPLICATION TO KANSAS JUVENILE JUSTICE AUTHORITY AND KANSAS ADVISORY GROUP FOR FUNDING TO EXPAND A TEEN
INTERVENTION PROGRAM.

Mr. Kautzer said, “Commissioners, this is a second grant application for the same Title V federal funds as the previous item. This application is being submitted on behalf of Episcopal Social Services to secure additional funding to expand their teen intervention program. This program served first-time youth offenders who are on juvenile diversion and referred by the District Attorney’s Office. They also accept referrals from the Sedgwick County Juvenile Intake and Assessment Center. This program receives funding from County prevention funds and they also want to leverage these funds as the match to secure additional federal funding.

“In this application they are asking for $25,000 to split salary costs for the program coordinator and fund a program assistant to expand service delivery to more juveniles and their parents. This application also has the support of the Juvenile Corrections Advisory Board as addressing issues in the local community funding plan. Karen Wichael, program director at Episcopal Social Services is here today to help answer any questions you may have. I ask that you approve this application and authorize the Chair to sign.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioners, are there any questions?”
Commissioner Sciortino said, “Yeah, I’m walking through some new territory. Is this more or less a duplicate of the one we just saw? Did we give these people $25,000 for prevention funds, locally, to do specific projects for us and they’re wanting to leverage it for more money?”

Ms. Kautzer said, “That is correct. I don’t know the exact grant award that the County gave. Jeannette may be able to help with that, but it’s the same situation as the one before.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Jeannette, was it $25,000 that we had given them?”

Ms. Livingston said, “I believe it was more along the lines of 30 or 35. Just to kind of clarify the issue, this is kind of a win/win situation both for Sedgwick County and for the program itself because both of these programs applied for much more than they received, so this allows them... the County funds and our limited resources decide that we could fund... allows them to use that money that we’re funding for that program to qualify as match to bring down more money to expand the program. So, instead of Sedgwick County funding the entire program, it can draw down federal dollars to expand it to what they originally envisioned when they applied for prevention funding.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “So, in the future, on our local prevention dollars, are we going to say that you can use these monies as leverage to apply for grants, because that’s something brand new, at least to me? I thought it was just for specific programs. Is that how we’re going to expand it?”
Ms. Livingston said, “I don’t think, when we put the prevention RFP out, that that is how we explained it to agencies. These federal grants come down every year about this time and the requirement is to have local dollars to match. The agencies read that and they know that the County funding is local tax dollars and they were able to leverage that to draw down federal dollars, if they receive the grant. It’s a way to expand the program, without the County funding it. The dollars are still there, still going to what we envisioned them for and what that contract is written for and by funding that program through County dollars, they were able to get a federal grant to expand that.”

Mr. William P. Buchanan, County Manager, said, “Madam Chair, may I interrupt here just a second. I think it’s important to understand that, for the prevention funds, the contracts we enter with those agencies, we are going to demand that they provide that service. They’re going to provide the service we contracted for, first and foremost and that’s the only thing that we want them to do. If they, through their connections or clever management or ways in which to think differently, can use the funds that we’re providing for a specific program, then we would encourage that.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “I understand that.”

Mr. Buchanan said, “If they’re going to provide . . . this is not setting aside funds to do a separate program. Those agencies are going to provide the services that we contracted for.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “I understand. My only concern, Mr. Manager, is we’re getting the federal government now involved and I have less confidence in the federal government than I do the local government. We have put out specific outcomes and if they don’t reach those outcomes, we can withdraw the funds. If, now, our funds become part of a big federal pie, do we lose that ability to withdraw our funds?”

Mr. Buchanan said, “No, they’re our funds, it was our contract. They need to perform.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Okay, but if we withdraw our portion, does that mean that they lose the federal grant also.”

Mr. Buchanan said, “That’s not my concern.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Okay, I’m mean, I don’t know that I’m uncomfortable with it. I think it’s a creative idea. I was just a little concerned about getting the federal government involved in what we had envisioned would be a local program. I think it, potentially, is a tremendous idea.”

Mr. Buchanan said, “If the agencies can’t perform, there are consequences and the consequences
are the cancellation of the contract or withholding of funds. If that affects other pieces of their business, that’s not our concern.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Okay. That’s all I have. Thank you.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioners, are there any other questions?”

MOTION

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

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, “Thank you. Next item.”

G. AMENDMENT TO THE 2001 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP) FOR ADDITION OF ROAD PROJECT #R-192, EAST-WEST ROAD, CLEARWATER TO VIOLA

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Mr. Pete Giroux, Senior Management Analyst, Budget Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, “I’m here to request your approval of an amendment to the 2001 Capital Improvement Program. The project in question is CIP project R-192. It’s a road from Clearwater to Viola and it was originally submitted by Public Works to Kansas Department of Transportation as part of its five-year program. It improves the roadbed and, more appropriately, it adds a bituminous surface to that improved roadbed between Clearwater and Viola. It’s about eight miles in length.
“The County share, which represents about 20% of the project, is $722,000. Proposed fund source is from within CIP Project R-233, where they had a high level of competition and got a bid well under the planned amount. This represents a part of our improved oversight process, where we work closely with both Facility Project Services and Public Works to keep a close eye on all our CIP projects. And it’s available both in the monthly financial report and on the website at this point. CIP committee recommends approval. Are there any questions?”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioners, are there any questions for Pete? Commissioner Gwin.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “I have one for David Spears. David, this road project is one that we’ve wanted to be in partners with the State with and we just got . . . the State just caught up with us, I guess, on the importance of this. I know it’s not in my district, but can you explain the importance of this roadway to that part of the County?”

Mr. David C. Spears, P.E., Director, Public Works Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, “Be glad to, Commissioner Gwin. When we started the Capital Improvement Program, back in 1982, one of the key things we wanted to do was provide a paved road from every city to either an arterial or to another small city, so that people could commute. Now, in this particular case, between Clearwater and Viola, this is the only paved road that there is down there for the people to take. As you may or may not know, the Ninnescah River cuts through there and there are many roads that go up to the river but do not cross it. So, it’s the only way that they have to get across there.

“And I would like to point out that I went back in the file this week and pulled out the Capital Improvement Program that was adopted in 1995/1999 and this project was approved back in 1995.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “So, it’s been one that we’ve been hoping for State support for a number of years.”

Mr. Spears said, “Yes, ma’am. The State is just like us. They have to put all the projects in the whole state into their five year program and so we have to program it several years in advance. As you can tell, this is about six years.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “All right, okay. Thank you. Thank you, Madam Chair.”

Madam Chair said, “Are there any other questions for Pete? If not, what’s the will of the Board?”

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Commissioner Winters 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 Tim Norton   Aye
- Commissioner Thomas Winters  Aye
- Commissioner Ben Sciortino   Aye
- Chair Carolyn McGinn   Aye

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

**F. KANSAS COLISEUM MONTHLY REPORT.**

**POWERPOINT PRESENTATION**

Mr. John Nath, Director, Kansas Coliseum, greeted the Commissioners and said, “Monthly report for April of 2001. During the month of April, we had over 65,000 people attend our events, 12 events, 27 individual performances. Net revenues for the month were in excess of $284,000. Now keep in mind, our revenues are not only from our events. We also have the ticket system and it really depends on how many events that the other buildings we serve have on sale. We also have sponsorships that come due, in our sponsorship program.

“Highlights for the month, Sunflower Cluster Dog Show, there was over 27,000 people that attended this event. This is one of the biggest dog shows in the country. That’s not really the biggest dog, but we also have the Puppy Olympics and they had a great time going through their agility trials. And it’s really a good time and it’s a good event for us.

“We also had the annual Cattleman’s Ball. Now, their attendance increased 500 over what they did last year. So, they had 1,600 people in attendance. Now, this is Pavilion I and we set it up just like a dining hall. They had a little gambling for charity and they really had a good time over there this year for that one.

“Another annual event, the F & E Food Show. Now, F & E used a race car/Nascar type theme on their food show this year. This is Pavilion II. Now, this is a facility that is normally used as a barn
to house livestock. We hose it down, set up our food show. We’ve done sporting events in there. We’ve done concerts in there. Last week, we did the Park City Bluegrass Festival in there, so that’s a pretty versatile facility and they really had a good time setting the building up and it really, really looked nice.

“Large event was the Heartland Impact Tour. Now, this was a Christian themed event. The idea was to appeal to youth of all areas. They had feats of strength. They had the Polynesian dancers one night and then one night they had skate boarding and things that would apply to youth. The fourth night, which was Sunday, they had a little combination of all three of the previous nights. And we had almost 20,000 attend that event, over the four days.

“At the same time, over in the arena building, we had the Heartland National Championship Barrel Racing. Now, this is a regional event from this national association. There were 450 entries from all over the Mid West that spend three days here and they’ve booked again for next year. $20,000 in prize money, as I understand, went to the participants.

“We also saw the start of the indoor AFII football season. The Stealth is playing quite well. They’re currently four and two. They’re contending for the lead in their division. Attendance has been respectable and they’re very happy with it right now.

“In the sports zone, we had almost 6,500 people attend two football games and the Wings actually made it to the play-offs this year. We had 1,900 people attend their play-off game. That’s the conclusion of my report for April. If there’s any other questions, I’d be happy to answer them.”

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

Commissioner Winters said, “I just have one. Was the F & E Food Show, is that open to the public or is that an invitation only?”

Mr. Nath said, “It’s like an invitation only and it’s for food service professionals. They have different vendors that show what they’re offering that season. It normally falls on Secretary’s Day so that’s where I take my secretary. It’s an inside joke. Yeah, it’s an invitation only show.”

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

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioners, are there any other questions for John? If not, what’s the will of the Board?”

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MOTION

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

Chair McGinn said, “Thank you, John.”

I. PURCHASING DEPARTMENT.


Mr. Chris Chronis, Chief Financial Officer, Division of Finance, greeted the Commissioners and said, “We would ask that you take no action on this item, which was deferred from last week, as the same purchase is included on the Bid Board Minutes, which are your next agenda item.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “So, Mr. Euson, how do we go about doing that?”

Mr. Euson said, “I think it’s sufficient just to let the record show that this is included in the next item and just proceed to the next item.”

Chair McGinn said, “Next item.”

Mr. Chronis said, “Commissioners, you have before you the Minutes of the meeting of May the 10th of this year. It contains five items for your consideration.

1) COIN OPERATED COPIER- DIVISION OF INFORMATION & OPERATIONS FUNDING: DIVISION OF INFORMATION AND OPERATIONS

“Item number one is a coin operated copier for the Division of Information and Operations. Recommend that you accept the proposal of Wilbur Walker, the second option proposed by that firm, for the amount of $4,107.

2) SURVEY EQUIPMENT- PUBLIC WORKS FUNDING: PUBLIC WORKS

“Item number two is survey equipment for Public Works. Recommend that you accept the low bid meeting specifications of Sokkia Factory Direct for $33,995.

3) MAINTENANCE FOR DOCU CENTRE- DIV OF INFORMATION & OPERATIONS FUNDING: PRINTSHOP

“Item number three, maintenance for Docu Centre, which is printing equipment in the Division of Information and Operations. Recommend that you accept the sole source bid of Xerox Corporation for $37,810.80.

4) ENGINE OVERHAUL/ REPLACEMENT ON TWIN COMMANDER AIRCRAFT- SHERIFF’S DEPT. FUNDING: FLEET MANAGEMENT & SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT

“Item number four is engine overhaul and replacement on the Twin Commander aircraft of the Sheriff’s Department. Recommend that you accept the low proposal of the Service Center for $561,338.
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5) SCANNERS & PRINTERS- DIVISION OF INFORMATION & OPERATIONS

FUNDING: DEPARTMENT CAPITAL OUTLAY

“And finally, the item that was deferred from last week, scanners and printers for the Division of Information and Operations. Recommend you accept the proposal from Automated Business Systems to contract for scanners and peripheral equipment meeting specification, for an estimated value not to exceed $103,052.

“I’ll be happy to answer questions that you may have about these items. We have representatives from the Division of Information and Operations in the room as well who can answer questions about the items for their department and I believe we have representatives from the Sheriff’s Office and Fleet Management who can answer questions about that item. If there are no questions, I would recommend you approve these purchases as recommended by the Board of Bids and Contracts.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioners, are there any questions for Mr. Chronis? If not, what’s the will of the Board?”

MOTION

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

Commissioner Gwin seconded the Motion.

Chair McGinn said, “Is there any other discussion? Commissioner Norton.”

Commissioner Norton said, “Explain a little bit about the Sheriff’s Department plane, where the money’s coming from there. That is a pretty large amount.”

Mr. Chronis said, “We have a fleet replacement reserve which we fund from users budgets each year, based on anticipated replacement costs. In the case of this major equipment replacement, a component part of the airplane, the amount that has been set aside in that replacement reserve is, if memory serves, approximately $400,000, a little bit more than $400,000. That will come out of the reserve. The balance of funding required for this replacement is being provided out of the Sheriff’s budget, the current operating budget.”

Commissioner Norton said, “Okay, thanks. That’s all I have, Madam Chair.”
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Commissioner Sciortino said, “Well, I have one, too.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioner Sciortino.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “By that same token, what’s the difference. . . so $130,000 is coming out of the Sheriff’s budget that wasn’t budgeted for this maintenance.”

Mr. Chronis said, “That’s correct. The actual cost of the replacement exceeds the amount that had been estimated in the replacement reserve.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “I understand that part. What will the Sheriff not be able to do if he had $140,000 in his budget to do something else with. Now he’s going to put it in the airplane. What will he not be able to do that he was hoping to do this year?”

Mr. Chronis said, “The funding that is being provided by the Sheriff, which amounts to $150,000, is being taken out of the detention facility’s operating budget, which totals, approximately, $11,000,000. So, while it’s a large number, it’s a very small percentage of that total operating budget and, in any given year, the Sheriff will have salary savings, contractual service costs, appropriations for the housing of prisoners in other jurisdictions, all of those accounts will likely have unspent money at the end of the year which can be diverted to this purchase. So, my expectation is that there is no operating impact on the Sheriff’s budget.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Okay. Now, at the end of the year, if there is unused budget in any department, does not that money come back into our general fund?”

Mr. Chronis said, “It comes back into the fund, the County’s general operations, depending on which fund it came from.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “So, could I argue that the general fund is paying for this increase and not the Sheriff?”

Mr. Chronis said, “Yes. That’s correct. Yes, the Sheriff’s budget is in the general fund.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Okay, all right. Thank you.”

Chair McGinn said, “Are there any other questions for Mr. Chronis? If not, what’s the will of the Board? We have a Motion and a second. I’m sorry. Clerk, call the vote.”

VOTE
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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, Chris.”

CONSENT AGENDA

J. CONSENT AGENDA.

1. Right-of-Way Agreements.

Eight Easements for Right-of-Way for Sedgwick County Project No. 833-AA, BB, CC on Rock Road from Derby to Mulvane. CIP #R-243. Districts #2 and #5.

2. Section 8 Housing Assistance Payment Contracts.

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3. The following Section 8 Housing Contract is being amended to reflect a revised monthly amount due to a change in the income level of the participating client.

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4. Order dated May 9, 2001 to correct tax roll for change of assessment.

5. General Bills Check Register of May 11, 2001.


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

Commissioner Gwin moved to Approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Commissioner 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, “Commissioners, is there any other business to come before this Board?”

K. OTHER

MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved that the Board of County Commissioners recessed into Executive Session for 45 minutes to consider consultation with Legal Counsel on matters privileged in the attorney client relationship, legal advice and also personnel matters of non-elected personnel and that the Board of County Commissioners return from Executive Session no sooner than 11:00 a.m.

Commissioner Gwin seconded the Motion.

Chair McGinn said, “Any discussion? Commissioner Norton.”

Commissioner Norton said, “Let’s take the vote and then I’ve just got a comment after.”
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Chair McGinn said, “All right. Clerk, call the vote please.”

VOTE

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

Commissioner Norton said, “I’m sorry. You went by ‘other’ really fast. I just wanted to make a comment that we’ve had some appraisal problems down on the south side, with some of the ground water problems and everything and I’d like to let citizens know and the Commission know that Gerald Frantz and his group went down with six people last night. Toured some people that have had ground water problems and are working very diligently to solve some really bad assessment problems and I’d like to put that on the record as an ‘other’ today, because they’ve done a really nice job for the citizens down there and hopefully we’ll resolve some of the bad appraisal problems we’ve got down there.”

Chair McGinn said, “Okay, thank you. We’re in Executive Session.”

The Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners recessed into Executive Session at 10:17 a.m. and returned at 11:17 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? We’re adjourned.”

L. ADJOURNMENT
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There being no other business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 11:18 a.m.

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