MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING

October 31, 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, October 31, 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. Dennis Mauk, Assistant Director, Emergency Medical Service; Mr. John Burghart, Crisis Center Project Director, COMCARE; Ms. Jan McKay, Director, Old Cowtown Museum; Mr. Marvin Krout, Director, Metropolitan Area Planning Department; Ms. Deborah Donaldson, Director, Division of Human Services; Ms. Irene Hart, Director, Division of Community Development; Mr. David Spears, Director, Bureau of Public Works; Ms. Iris Baker, Director, Purchasing Department; Ms. Kristi Zukovich, Director, Communications; and, Ms. Lisa Davis, Deputy County Clerk.

GUESTS

Ms. Sharon Powell-Quincy, Assistant Director, Emergency Social Services, Midway chapter of the American Red Cross.
Ms. Shelley Endsley, Wichita, Ks.
Mr. Stan Lawrence, Affordable Residential Communities, Andover, Ks.

INVOCATION

The Invocation was led by Reverend Burr Crickard of United Methodist Church, Maize.

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

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

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES: Regular Meeting, October 3, 2001

The Clerk reported that all Commissioners were present at the Regular Meeting of October 3rd, 2001.

MOTION
Regular Meeting, October 31, 2001

Commissioner Sciortino moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 3rd, 2001.

Commissioner Norton seconded the Motion.

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

**VOTE**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Commissioner</th>
<th>Vote</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Betsy Gwin</td>
<td>Aye</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tim Norton</td>
<td>Aye</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thomas Winters</td>
<td>Aye</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ben Sciortino</td>
<td>Aye</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Carolyn McGinn</td>
<td>Aye</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Chair McGinn said, “Next item.”

**DONATION**

A. DONATION OF 48 TEDDY BEARS BY CHURCH OF CHRIST, TO BE USED BY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE (EMS).

Mr. Dennis Mauk, Assistant Director, EMS, greeted the Commissioners and said, “We’re very grateful to the Church of Christ for wanting to donate these teddy bears. They’re very helpful for children and a source of comfort when they’re suddenly ill or injured. They also sometimes help in the assessment process. I would recommend that you accept the donation and authorize the Chair to sign a letter of appreciation.”

**MOTION**

Commissioner Norton moved to accept the donation and authorize the Chair to sign a letter of appreciation.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

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

**VOTE**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Commissioner</th>
<th>Vote</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Betsy Gwin</td>
<td>Aye</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Chair McGinn said, “Dennis, we’ve had another contribution prior to . . . from another company. Is this a new group that’s donating?”

Mr. Mauk said, “Yes, it is.”

Chair McGinn said, “Okay, well we want to certainly send out a letter of appreciation. So, thank you. Next item.”

AWARD

B. RECOGNITION OF COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY CARE (COMCARE) FOR RECEIVING THE AMERICAN RED CROSS 2001 GOOD NEIGHBOR AWARD.

Ms. Sharon Powell-Quincy, Assistant Director, Emergency Social Services, Midway chapter of the American Red Cross, greeted the Commissioners and said, “I’m here to recognize, for a second time, a special award that was presented to one of your components, COMCARE, at the Kansas Red Cross Annual Awards and Recognition banquet held on October the 4th in Wichita. I’d like to read to you, briefly, the category of award and then I’ll read you the nominator’s words, briefly and share a few comments about some recent activity by COMCARE members on this horrific disaster we’ve experienced.

The award was called the Good Neighbor Award and briefly it’s given to a non-Red Cross person or organization for significant humanitarian contributions which have resulted in more effective services to people, reflected a positive and visible impact in the community for the American Red Cross and were performed in the true light of humanitarian services.

We were very proud to have our local COMCARE receive this award on behalf of all of Kansas Red Cross. The nominator wrote, for this award, Kansas disaster mental health services on disaster relief operations have been supported for some time by an organization in Wichita, COMCARE. Since 1996, they have been a large part of significant disaster mental health provision within two
Regular Meeting, October 31, 2001

level-four disaster relief operations for the Red Cross and smaller responses which have occurred in
our area. In fact, of the five Kansas Disaster Mental Health workers currently on assignment to the
terrorist attack relief operations, three of those are DSHR members, National Red Cross volunteers,
as a direct result of the COMCARE/Red Cross partnership. COMCARE has supported many of
their workers receiving Red Cross disaster mental health training, becoming DSHR members and
allowing leave time for the work of the Red Cross. They serve in leadership positions within the
Disaster State Lead Unit, which is here in Wichita, in the area of disaster mental health and
eamples of their commitment, previously, which you may already know include organizing
disaster mental health coverage for responses such as the DeBruce Grain Elevator explosion, the
Halloween ’98 flood, the May ’99 tornados and, more recently, the Bombardier test airplane crash,
which resulted in three deaths.

Having the support of a large county mental health system in providing and mobilizing quick,
effective mental health services to victims of disasters assures much more efficient services under
the Red Cross umbrella. In addition, the staff that are our DSHR members, Kansas Red Cross
volunteers, are also very integrated with the local mental health community as, again, you may
already know. Thus having access and allowing Red Cross to have access to other public and
private mental health providers who are willing to serve under our umbrella. Counting on their
ability to mobilize and schedule 24-hour mental health coverage has proved invaluable to Red
Cross. They deserve state recognition and could very well serve as a model for many other county
mental health systems in Kansas and outside of our state in integrating normal activity to fit Red
Cross or other non-profit needs during disaster.

I have beside me Jon Burghart, who you may also know from COMCARE. I wanted to recognize,
briely, three of the individuals who have been instrumental in this partnership. Jon, first of all,
without his support it would not probably have happened. Also, Debbie Donaldson in the back of
the room. More intimately, three of your volunteers that either have recently worked for
COMCARE or currently do, were instrumental in going to the terrorist’s attacks and I thought I’d
share, just very briefly, what they did. Vivian Batt, who’s sitting right here, was assigned to the
Pentagon, under the Red Cross umbrella, and worked in a very special unit, which was nicknamed
‘Camp Unity’. I also heard more about that at a training. This provided very important logistical
support and, of course, the critical mental health support to not only the victims and also the rescue
workers working in and around the Pentagon. And it was coordinated by and under the Red Cross,
with many other not-for-profits working in partnership.
Terresia DuBois, who also works for COMCARE, was assigned to the New York City portion of
the attack and worked at some very intimate locations with both rescue workers and clients. She
worked at ‘ground zero’ doing some very critical respite de-briefings and contacts with those
workers in horrific situations. Michelle Risser, who currently does not work for COMCARE, but
did as she became our partner, was assigned to the New Jersey side of the operation and worked in
one of the family support centers and helped accompany families around through the task of trying
Regular Meeting, October 31, 2001

to begin to put some of the pieces back together. This is so important and so critical to the future of what we can be able to provide under the umbrella, should Wichita ever have such a horrific disaster or any of our normal weather-related disasters.

So, I do want to, again, make this final presentation. We presented them with a certificate. It has a few very brief words. It’s the Kansas State Service Council presents the Good Neighbor award 2001 to Comprehensive Community Care of Sedgwick County, Midway Kansas chapter for a partnership that provides a positive and visible community impact through the Red Cross Disaster services. Thank you, Jon.”

Mr. Jon Burghart, Crisis Center Project Director, COMCARE, greeted the Commissioners and said, “Indeed, I’d like to thank you, Sharon for this recognition. We are truly pleased to be able to be a partner with the American Red Cross in that you have confidence in our team that you can call us at those times. It’s been a great opportunity for us. I think most recently, on September 11th, this teamwork partnership was best illustrated when we had a number of airplanes unexpectedly landing here in Wichita. The Red Cross recognized that there were going to be a number of people who were going to need assistance quickly, asked for our support, and we were able to have members from our team at the airport while planes were still landing to help people who truly were stranded and were poorly prepared to handle that situation.

So, we appreciate this opportunity to work with you and I’d like to thank the Commissioners, also, for all the support that you’ve given us over the years for our stat team to go out and do critical incident stress management in the community. So, thank you very much.”

Chair McGinn said, “Stay up here just minute. Sharon, why don’t you come up here too. I think it’s great when we have such a well-recognized and quality organization such as the Red Cross working with our COMCARE team. I was curious about the Red Cross, they have so many volunteers in different areas. Do you know how many we have in our Midway chapter of volunteers, about?”

Ms. Powell-Quincy said, “We have about 100. The State of Kansas has between 300 and 350 and, of those, 100 are in the Wichita metropolitan area.”

Chair McGinn said, “And do they divide up into specific areas, such as the mental health?”

Ms. Powell-Quincy said, “Yes, they do and mental health is one of those. Others areas are areas such as mass care, where we do sheltering and feeding, as Jon talked about after the planes were stranded. We have some internal support organizations, like you would to run a big response. Mental health is a critical part in specific disasters, such as this one.”
Chair McGinn said, “Well, I know we’re here today to recognize COMCARE’s participation in that but, I guess, I also would like to thank the many volunteers that serve to help the Red Cross as well.”

Ms. Powell-Quincy said, “Thank you so much.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioner Winters.”

Commissioner Winters said, “Thank you. Sharon and Jon, thanks to you both for being here and Sharon, thanks for the Red Cross recognizing COMCARE. We’re extremely proud of that organization and it’s in times like this we recognize that COMCARE deals with a whole set of issues in the community and we tend to think about mental health issues and those that are struggling with mental health issues but I believe everybody in this community is still anxious about the events that are surrounding us all, and as the Commissioners have attempted to develop this Ready to Respond program where we can go into neighborhoods and community groups, civic organizations and talk about the anxieties that people are having and how they can recognize them, COMCARE plays a critical role in helping citizens learn how we’re going to handle these kinds of stressful events. And, as a group of county commissioners, we’re certainly proud of them and we’re very thankful that you’ve recognized the work that they do and we appreciate that recognition very much.”

Ms. Powell-Quincy said, “I can’t even explain in words how important it is to us that we can make a call, one call to a key volunteer who can then mobilize this critical service. Especially in the middle of the night or when planes are stranded, at a moment’s notice, it is very invaluable to our program.”

Commissioner Winters said, “And Jon, thank you very much for the work you do for all the citizens of this county, you and your staff. Thank you.”

Chair McGinn said, “Thank you very much and congratulations. Clerk, call the next item please.”

CITIZEN INQUIRY

C. REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

Chair McGinn said, “Sedgwick County Board of County Commissioners has a policy in which we allow citizens to come before us, at any time during the week but we do have a process in place. And the procedure is that you need to contact the Manager’s Office ten days prior to the meeting that you would like to address the Board of County Commissioners and everyone is given five
Ms. Shelley Endsley, Wichita, greeted the Commissioners and said, “I thank you very much for hearing me today. I’m here on behalf of Maureen Horowitz, Michelle Mattingly and myself. We are residents of Sedgwick County who have become very concerned about the Board’s recent decision to rescind domestic partnership benefits.

I want to first look at this issue from an employer’s perspective. It seems that the county would want to be competitive by offering equal benefits to all its employees. Having equal benefits is one way to retain good employees and also attract those with talented skills that we need. The County Manager’s idea to offer these benefits was very practical and, from an employer’s standpoint, a good idea. It is also an idea that is becoming increasingly popular in the United States. In fact, in the last year alone the number of employers offering these types of benefits has increased 20%. Across the country, more than 4,200 employers offer domestic partner benefits. These include nearly 150 of the Fortune 500 companies. Of these companies there is Phillip Morris, Boeing, Dell Computer, Bell South, First Union and Gillette offering these benefits. Well over 150 colleges and universities provide domestic partner benefits and this includes 34 of the nation’s top 50 universities and 29 of the nation’s top 50 liberal arts colleges. These figures come from the 2001 U.S. News and World Report.

On another level, roughly 130 state and county governments offer domestic partner benefits. These include: Travis County, Texas; Dane County, Wisconsin; DeCalb County, Georgia; Kalamazoo, Michigan; Iowa County, Iowa; Yellow Springs, Ohio and Carborough, North Carolina.

Domestic partner benefits are an important part of a compensation package and, after salary, benefits are the single most important way that an employer rewards its employees. So, when you leave out people, based on their relationships, you’re saying that they’re not entitled to the same pay as their married co-workers. This isn’t a question of choosing which relationships to recognize. It is a question of whether all people are entitled to an equal day’s pay for an equal day’s work. When you deny certain employees their benefits, it means that you’re paying someone less because you don’t like who they’re living with or how they choose to acknowledge their relationship.

Let me briefly discuss the personal impact of not offering these benefits. Scott Sullivan is a Sedgwick County employee. Scott and his partner, Rex Rivers, have courageously stepped forward
Regular Meeting, October 31, 2001

to explain the impact that this Board’s decision has on their lives. Scott’s partner, Rex, works full time but can only afford catastrophic care insurance. As a result of having this inadequate insurance, he cannot regularly schedule medical monitoring of his diabetes. How do we really feel about denying someone preventative health care, especially when we are all aware of the cost and consequences to this society when we ignore preventative health care measures?

Just recently, I was exploring on the Sedgwick County Commission’s web page. Under the County Manager’s heading, I found some values mentioned that are quite interesting, in light of the Board’s recent decision. Some of these values mentioned include equal opportunity, honesty, accountability, open communication and respect. If you would allow, I’d like to quote a few things from the website. Under equal opportunity it says, ‘Providing a work environment which is fair to all current and prospective employees through equal treatment in employee benefits, promotions, training, continuing education and daily responsibilities’. And under respect it says, ‘Consistently demonstrating a deep regard for the diversity, needs, feelings and beliefs of all people and acknowledging ideas and opinions of every employee, citizen and consumer’.

These values are representing what this County Commission stands for and I commend these qualities. Equal opportunity and respect, these are common values we have in the United States but how does it make people feel when they are not included in the equal opportunity and not respected for who they are? How does it make Scott feel, our County employee, when he’s denied an equal opportunity? How does it make citizens of Sedgwick County feel when their voices cannot be heard on this issue or their letters and e-mails are not publicly acknowledged? And last, how does it make a County employee feel when they hear Commissioners speak, on County Day, about respect and diversity but then they separate employees and the benefits they receive?

I know on the day the County decided to rescind the benefits package that many of us left feeling very little respect. We now question how this commission deals with many issues, especially issues involving our youth. I was reading, on the website, about the County’s suicide prevention program and I’m curious to know if the people involved in that program are aware that 1/3 of all teenage suicide attempts are related to issues of sexuality and sexual orientation. I’m concerned with the D.A.R.E. program. Are the educator’s aware of sexual orientation issues that youth are dealing with? I’m curious also how diversity is included in other programs that the County offers.

In closing, I want to first acknowledge our County employees that they do provide an excellent public service and that all employees deserve to have equal benefits as a reward for their commitment to their jobs and the community they serve. And second, we do request that an open hearing on domestic partner benefits be held so that all voices of Sedgwick County may be heard. I
Chair McGinn said, “Commissioners, are there any questions or comments? I don’t see any. Shelley, thank you for being here today and we appreciate your input and information.

Commissioners, at this time, I would like to take an Off Agenda item.”

**MOTION**

Commissioner Winters moved to take an Off Agenda item.

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

**OFF AGENDA ITEM**

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioners, we have a waiver of policy to hire a maintenance supervisor at range 19, step 6 and it’s going to be presented by Jan McKay. Jan, would you please come up to the podium?”

Ms. Jan McKay, Director, Old Cowtown Museum, greeted the Commissioners and said, “I’m before you because we would like to request a waiver of personnel policy for hiring of our maintenance supervisor at Old Cowtown Museum. As you know, the museum has been in a lot of flux for many years and that includes the maintenance department. The museum has been operating without a maintenance department now for almost a year and has actually been down to one full-time staff member for a year and our one worker just left to move to another state. Because there’s been so much flux at the museum, we have a situation where we have to do a lot of maintenance to
catch up. We’re needing somebody who can supervise people, work with our volunteers and address all of these issues with kind of a roll up your sleeves attitude.

The person that we’re looking at has eight years experience supervising seven maintenance people and managing a very large maintenance budget. He also has a can-do attitude and a roll up your sleeves attitude. Our buildings are in a various state of repair, leaking roofs, corroding foundations, peeling chipped paint, waterlogged roofs and wood surfaces, etcetera, etcetera. So, we’re really needing someone who is a true professional in the maintenance area. The person that we have in mind will be an excellent candidate and I request that we be able to hire him at a step 6.”

Chair McGinn said, “And I guess the season is about closed. Is it closed today or did it close last weekend?”

Ms. McKay said, “Today is the last day of our season and then we will close down to begin a lot of repairs and get ready for our Christmas event, an old-fashioned Christmas and we’ll be closed January through March 31st and that is when we do the most repairs. So, we need to get somebody on board who can really handle what’s there.”

Chair McGinn said, “This is a very critical time to get some of these things done, because I know you have a lot of restraints during the season, because of the living history museum status and when you can work and all that. Okay, thank you Jan. Commissioner Norton.”

Commissioner Norton said, “Did we go through the normal interviewing practices to find this individual?”

Ms. McKay said, “Yes, we did. We had this position posted on the County website and we went through extensive interviewing and screening processes and Assistant County Commissioner [sic] Jerry Harrison also assisted us with our interview process.”

Chair McGinn said, “Assistant County Manager. Did you have anything else?”

Commissioner Norton said, “No, I just wanted to be sure that we went through the whole thing. This was the person that bubbled up and it just requires more salary to be able to hire him or her.”

Ms. McKay said, “That’s exactly right.”

Commissioner Norton said, “Okay, thanks.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioner Winters.”
Regular Meeting, October 31, 2001

**Commissioner Winters** said, “And, Chair McGinn, you’re recommending this? I know you’ve been involved in Cowtown. You’re recommending this?”

**Chair McGinn** said, “Absolutely. As Jan said, we’ve gone through some transition this past year and we haven’t had a head maintenance person, so we have a lot of needs.”

**MOTION**

Commissioner Winters moved to approve the policy waiver to hire a maintenance supervisor at range 19, step 6.

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, Jan. Next item.”

**PLANNING DEPARTMENT**

Commissioner Sciortino left at 9:45 a.m.

**D. METROPOLITAN AREA PLANNING DEPARTMENT (MAPD).**

1. **CASE NUMBER ZON2001-00051 – RESOLUTION CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION FROM “RR” RURAL RESIDENTIAL TO “MH” MANUFACTURED HOUSING, GENERALLY LOCATED NORTHWEST OF THE INTERSECTION OF MAPLE AVENUE AND 167TH STREET WEST.**
Mr. Marvin Krout, Director, Metropolitan Area Planning Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, “One zoning item for you this morning. As you know, the Planning Department is not the biggest fan of manufactured home parks but I guess there is a season to all land uses and maybe this is the season for this one. This is north and west of the intersection of Maple and 167th Street. The surrounding land uses today are mostly agricultural and scattered residential but, as you can see, the City of Wichita boundaries are about a quarter of a mile to the south and Goddard boundaries a quarter mile to the west. And this is a rapidly developing area, an area that we expect to see public services and continued expansion and in the vicinity of a likely northwest bypass.

There’s an existing manufactured home park on the site. The total site that is part of the request is 34 acres and over half of that today is developed with a manufactured home park. That park has been there for a long time. In fact, it was there prior to county zoning and so it’s a legal, non-conforming use. It has dirt drives. It’s not built to the normal standards of modern manufactured home parks. The owner of this park would agree to upgrade the existing park, as part of a plan to also expand the park from 18 acres to 34 acres and increase the number of pads from about 100 to 180 total on this site. There would also be open space, storm shelters, paving of the drives, sidewalks added and so it would meet all of the typical requirements of a modern manufactured home park.

The staff had recommended that there be a buffer created. There is a strong tree-row along the west side, but that in addition to that, the staff recommended additional tree planting on the other sides and masonry walls to surround the entire complex. And we recommended approval. We thought that the upgrade of this area would be important, in terms of an aesthetic improvement. This is an income-producing use, as it stands there today and so it is likely to remain in its existing condition. Unless it’s improved, I don’t believe economics would allow the improvement without the expansion, and so we did recommend the approval with the recommendations that are in your staff report.

Took this case to the Goddard Planning Commission. There was no opposition at the Goddard meeting. The Goddard Planning Commission recommended approval, subject to the staff recommendations. Also subject to a traffic study being submitted during the time of platting. The staff recommendation was approval subject to platting. The applicant indicated that they have prepared a traffic plan and they will share that, as we go through the platting process, if this case is approved.
The case next went to the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission. Again, there was no opposition at the hearing and the Planning Commission was unanimous to recommend approval. At that time, the applicant asked if we could, as we go through the platting process, have some flexibility about the masonry wall requirement. They indicated that they had no problem with the idea that there would be masonry walls along the street frontages but they wanted to be able to look further at the north and west side, especially the west side, where you do have a strong tree row and the masonry wall may actually interfere, possibly with the maintenance of the trees in that location. So, we will discuss that issue further and bring it to the Planning Commission when they review the platting area but there definitely would be screening and landscaping of some type around the whole complex.

I’ll go through the slides very quickly for you. This is the proposed site plan. There are manufactured homes that are sited very close to the street today and they would be removed and there would an area that would be landscaped and there would be a masonry wall with an entrance and the street system reoriented. There would be street access to both Maple and 167th. This is an out-parcel. We imagine that it would be developed, someday, for non-residential use and so, this is a kind of transition use between that commercial corner and likely low-density residential single-family lots further to the north and the west.

The area surrounding, you can see the strong tree row on the west side now. There are trees also on the north side, but not quite as strong. This is the existing manufactured home park today, on the dirt roads. This is looking to the east, across 167th to the east. This is another view of the mobile home park from the north corner of the site. This is looking south and west, toward the Goddard area in the background and this is looking to the south and east again. This would be 167th and this is looking along Maple. Back to the aerial photograph and the zoning slides. I’ll try to answer any questions if you have them. The applicant and his agent are here this morning and are prepared to respond to any questions that you have.”

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

Commissioner Norton said, “What is the current zoning of the little notch that’s out of that quarter section or whatever?”

Mr. Krout said, “This little . . . the two out-parcels here? This is all zoned Rural Residential today. This is beyond the area that the County zoned, years ago, for commercial at the corners, so today it’s zoned residential but we would guess that, with or without this park in that area, that we would expect to see commercial zoning.”
Commissioner Norton said, “The edge of Wichita there that’s coming up, what is predominate in that area? What is it zoned and what is in there?”

Mr. Krout said, “Right now, it’s zoned single-family except down about 40 acres down at Kellogg and 167th it was zoned for a fairly substantial commercial office area but none of that has developed yet at this time.”

Commissioner Norton said, “That’s all I have, Madam Chair.”

Chair McGinn said, “Okay, thank you. Marvin, I don’t know if you said this or not, this is the . . . sewage is going to be provided by . . . ?”

Mr. Krout said, “Well, most likely the City of Wichita. I think that that . . . you know there was the County’s Westside sewer district is out here and now the City of Wichita has that district and is taking it over and I think the sewer and water are both about half a mile to three-quarters of a mile to the east. We’re not sure exactly how the water will be supplied either. There’s an agreement that the applicant has that there should be water with pressure to provide fire protection to this park, but we’re not sure exactly how that will be provided. So, that will be worked out in the . . . during the platting process. This is in Goddard’s area of influence so we’ll involve them in the review also.”

Chair McGinn said, “How far is Goddard from this?”

Mr. Krout said, “Well, Goddard’s city limits are about here.”

Chair McGinn said, “Oh, okay, so it’s about what, a half mile?”

Mr. Krout said, “Less than that, a quarter of a mile to this point.”

Chair McGinn said, “So they could provide that as well?”

Mr. Krout said, “That’s possible. We didn’t get any indication from them at the zoning meeting that they had an interest in doing that but I think that the applicant will explore those options.”

Chair McGinn said, “Okay, but it’s not going to be septic tanks, lagoons. It’s going to be some kind of public.”

Mr. Krout said, “It will be public sewer and that’s another advantage of the upgrade. There will be public sewer and public water to this site.”
Chair McGinn said, “Okay. I don’t have any questions right now for you. Is there anyone here today that would like to speak to this item? Would anyone like to speak to this item? Okay, I don’t see any. We’ll leave it to the Bench. Commissioner Winters.”

Commissioner Winters said, “All right, thanks. Well, I’m certainly going to be supportive of this. It’s a . . . I guess, no matter what you think about mobile home parks, I think it’s really a good plan to take some of these mobile home parks that are a little tired, a little run-down and really turn them into something that’s much more neighborly in the neighborhood. I only live a couple of miles from this place, so I’m very familiar with this site.

I guess one is a comment I’d have and I would hope is that the owners reworking this site, that it doesn’t automatically force everybody out of the site. I mean, affordable lots are important for a lot of people and as we do upgrades to this site, I know that there will probably be some folks that are displaced, looking for a cheaper site. So, I’d hope that the owners keep that in mind and try to assist as many of the folks that are there now and just make it a better place for all of them. But I think the plans that I’ve seen look very good.

One of the questions I have, though, is about the traffic study and I’m not sure I understood what that was and I saw that both Goddard had requested a traffic study and Metropolitan Planning Commission had requested this traffic study and I wasn’t sure I understood what they were wanting studied.”

Mr. Krout said, “Well, I guess if you have 180 units you’ll have about 1,500 trips a day that are going to be generated off of Maple and 167th Street and so, it may be that it would be advisable to have either a left-turn or a right-turn decel lane at one of these entrances or possibly a left-turn at Maple/167th intersection. So, we haven’t really reviewed it at this time, so I think that that will be something that we’ll look at during the platting process. That’s when we normally would identify those types of improvements and try to identify what is the appropriate proportionate share of any kind of improvement that this development should be required to bear.”

Commissioner Winters said, “All right. Well, I know that . . . and as we do that study and I guess I have visited with David Spears, our engineer, and Marvin I had e-mail conversation with you about the corner, the northwest corner and it’s . . . I don’t know if I’d call it a bad corner but it’s not necessarily a good corner either. There’s just enough obstruction with the residence that’s right on the corner that it’s a corner that people just need to be very careful with or you have a tendency to be out on 167th Street before you actually know it or planned on it. So, I’d hope, if some traffic study is done, I would hope we could think about how to improve that corner, although I know there’s no simple answer to that. It might just be time that that corner is utilized as some
commercial use and that a better intersection can be devised there. But that is one of the concerns I had but it’s certainly not a big enough concern to say that this isn’t going to be a good project. So, I’m going to be supportive. If anybody else has any questions, I’d be glad to help them try to answer them too. Thank you.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioner Sciortino.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Thank you. Marvin, I heard you say that they would be upgrading the sewer system. Presently, what is their sewer system?”

Mr. Krout said, “I assume it’s a lagoon on the site.”

Mr. Stan Lawrence, Affordable Residential Communities, Andover, Ks., greeted the Commissioners and said, “We’re based out of Denver. I do live here in the Wichita area. To specifically answer your question, we bought the community. First, let me tell you what ARC . . . we buy distressed properties and we try to go in . . . it’s a financial investment. We go in and put a lot of money into the communities and try to upgrade them. So, that’s kind of our little nitch in the market and this is a prime candidate, to say the least.

We try to go in and upgrade, initially, the safety items, some of the issues that need to be fixed immediately. One of them was the sewer system out there. We found several . . . and we’re worked closely with Jim Weber at the county on our sewer. When we got out there we found we had maybe Sedgwick County’s largest lateral system. The sewer lines that were in place out there, many of them were perforated on the bottom. So, the previous owners had slipped that in. I’m probably assuming because of the sandy soil they could dissipate some of the waste matter in the ground. Anyway, we did go in and fix as many of those conditions as we found. There is a lift station out there presently that was being shut off during heavy rains. We think that was caused by ground water soaking through the sandy soil, going into the pipes and then filling up. So, that was to prevent the homes east of us there, site-built homes, from flooding their basements.

So, I think we’ve got that part corrected but we have a lot of other issues there that we want to go back and address and the sewer is one of them, upgrading electricals is another, of course dealing with the dirt streets. It’s easier for me to say this, living in this community, in this Wichita area that this is one of our what we call non-branded communities. We don’t even put our name on it yet until we can get it fixed up where we’re proud to have something out there with our name on it. So,
this is probably one of my best ones this year. I travel several other states but this one excites me because it is my own community and gives us a chance to kind of get something off the board that’s not really we’re all proud to have. A lot of safety issues out there, electrical, etcetera so we’re working on some of them now but the overall plan is to, like Marvin says, to get rid of a lot of the code violations on setbacks etcetera, put in a nice community building, do some other things.”

Chair McGinn said, “Thank you. Commissioners, are there any other questions for Marvin?”

MOTION

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

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 Absent
Chair Carolyn McGinn Aye

Chair McGinn said, “Next item.”

2. MAPD MONTHLY REPORT.

Mr. Krout said, “Commissioners, let me tell you briefly about some activity in both September and
Regular Meeting, October 31, 2001

October, since we are at the end of October and this got delayed. The month of October, in terms of development activity for us, was down but October has picked up and is at the normal pace again. Cases that the Planning Commission reviewed in the past couple of months include this case that you saw today. There was a dog kennel expansion up in the 61st and Hillside area that was approved by the Planning Commission. There was a veterinarian clinic in the southeast part of the County that was approved but that case has been appealed and so, it will be on your agenda in the next month.

We also had an appeal by a property owner of the rejection by County Code Enforcement of a platting exemption that went to the Planning Commission for a hearing who has the jurisdiction in that case to interpret the sub-division regulations and they upheld the County Code Enforcement’s decision on that and that case is now, apparently, going to district court. And speaking of district court, I was also pleased to be deposed by the appellants on the transfer station at 55th and Hoover. That case was also in district court.

The wireless plan was reviewed by the Planning Commission. They have established a public hearing for both the wireless plan and the comprehensive plan for the evening of November 15th. At this point, the Planning Commission is not recommending any changes to either the plan or the ordinance on the wireless plan. They feel that it is working fairly well but we’ll hear official public comment in a couple of weeks.

The Subdivision Committee reviewed the proposed changes that the Planning Commission asked for, that was recommended by this advisory committee on the comprehensive plan. I have since had meetings with local homebuilder associations and I think that as a result of that we’ll probably make some revisions and bring those back to the Subdivision Committee for further review.

The south Wichita/Haysville and the Oaklawn plan continue to be worked on. We think that we’re seeing the light at the end of those tunnels and the consultant is now working on modifications and expects to have public meetings in the next month.

We had an item that was included in our budget this year for improving the data base on towers and we’ve met recently with the tax Appraiser’s Office and found out that they’re doing a very extensive data base themselves and probably this is money that we don’t need to spend this year.

We are drafting a request for proposals to look at the south area transportation plan, the idea of looking at the southeast and southwest quadrants of the County in terms of possible new freeway additions for the future. We’ve organized a workshop, a three-day workshop for next week of city and county staff and members of the private sector to develop what the federal government calls the regional architecture for Intelligent Transportation Systems so we’re all on the same wave-length, literally and are coordinated with all of our technology hardware and software and we’re
communicating with each other. We do intend to continue to work on a proposal from K.D.O.T. to share in the cost of future technology improvements in this area that are transportation related and hope to get the city staff to agree to a new memorandum of understanding and then we’ll try to bring that to both the City Council and the County Commission. We are working, have been working once again on the floodway crossings issue and providing additional data to the city manager’s office because the district advisory boards in Wichita, five and six, are both actively involved in reviewing that issue and trying to come to some sort of decision. We also participated in discussions about Rock Road, between 21st and 29th Street, with neighborhoods along that route and tried to identify the appropriate scope of improvements for that project which is in the city’s CIP in just the next couple of years.

We’ve also been working with county G.I.S. Department on putting the zoning maps, which are now computerized and staff has access to them, putting it on the Internet. It’s a very exciting project and I would say we’re just a few weeks away. We’re now, the planning staff is reviewing the preliminary work that they’ve done to make sure that it’s user-friendly and that people who don’t understand that much about zoning can get access and find their way around the software. We have a couple of suggestions, but I think those are minor and we should, before the end of the year, have public access to the zoning maps for Sedgwick County on county G.I.S.

We had a number of workshops that we invited various staff and planning commission to, one on sand extraction activities that was sponsored by a local operator, one on the costs of development of video and also one on parking standards and how to be more flexible with parking standards. My staff went up to K.S.U. to a graduate planning class to talk to them about the practice versus the theory of planning. We hope not too many people dropped out as a result of that session. And we also, just last week, Dale Miller and I participated with Stan Longhoffer of Wichita State in a full-day workshop on zoning and subdivision, part of the realtors’ continuing education program that they’ll get credits for and I think that that program was well received. I’ll try to answer any other questions you have.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioner Norton.”

Commissioner Norton said, “I’m just interested in more discussion on the southwest/ southeast expressways or loop. When will that dialogue start and how is the county connected with that? Who are our representatives? I know Ben and I will be very interested in that dialogue, when it starts.”

Mr. Krout said, “Right, and Dave Spears on technical side has been involved and we’ve briefed the county manager last month, I think, about the strategy. We do have funding commitments from both the Kansas Turnpike Authority and from K.D.O.T. There will have to be some local
Regular Meeting, October 31, 2001

participation. Before we come back and tell you what that participation, we think, needs to be we want to send out the requests for proposals and make sure we’re in the ballpark, in terms of the cost. So, we’ll try to get some responses back with a good cost estimate for the study and I expect that we’ll send that out next month and we’ll probably be back early in the year with a proposal.”

Mr. Norton said, “Are you having meetings ongoing on the issue?”

Mr. Krout said, “No. We haven’t had any meetings of the committee that we put together that included some elected representatives. We haven’t had a meeting in several months on that.”

Commissioner Norton said, “Okay, thanks. That’s all I have.”

Chair McGinn said, “Thank you, Marvin. Good report. You’ve been busy.”

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to Receive and file.

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 Absent
Chair Carolyn McGinn Aye

Chair McGinn said, “Thank you, Marvin. Commissioners, I’d like to take an Off Agenda item.”

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to take an Off Agenda item.

Commissioner Norton seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.
Regular Meeting, October 31, 2001

VOTE

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

OFF AGENDA ITEM

Mr. William Buchanan, County Manager, greeted the Commissioners and said, “This item is the Homeland Security report. Last week, I indicated that we would be reporting to you on a weekly basis for a while what’s happening. If you recall, twenty days ago, it was only twenty days ago that Chair McGinn had the press conference that began to talk about what it is that Sedgwick County was going to be doing. And so, here we are on the last day of this month, twenty days later, to report on some of the activities. Last week, I told you what had occurred. This report is pretty much what’s happened in this week and some meetings that will occur in the next several days.

One of the underlying fundamentals, one of the core values of this whole process, is the understanding that preparation is prevention. So, the more preparation that we can do, the more we can have citizens be prepared, the better off the prevention will be. So, let me just talk about the two areas that I’ve talked about before are what’s happened on the government side and what’s happened on the Ready to Respond or the community side. We’ve taken a look at a local emergency operations plan. We reviewed that from top to bottom. How does it work? Who’s notified? When does notification occur? Who’s in charge? Who’s not in charge? That review has been completed and been tweaked and you’ve seen a little bit of that at last meeting when we updated our evacuation policy.

Weapons of Mass Destruction Readiness Assessment, if you recall, in 1999-2000 there were a couple of tabletop issues. One of those issues involved Wichita State University and we used that as a site for a chemical attack. We had doctors there. We had EMS there. We had lots of folks. At that time, there was a whole assessment of what needed to be done and what needed to be followed through. That review has occurred and in the past week Randy Duncan and his team, Bob Lamkey and others, have reviewed, gone back to visit the Sheriff, the police department, EMS, fire department and said, ‘here’s what we learned a couple of years ago’. Here’s what you said you were going to do. Is everything up and running as we expected and it is. So, that training continues, as we work in individual departments and across municipal boundary lines.

Suspicious mail guidelines and substance handling, all those issues with Anthrax and coming
through the mail, if you recall, we’ve sent notices around to our employees and have procedures in place to deal with that, if that should occur here and we’re pretty pleased that that’s complete and we continue to talk to people in their offices about how to deal with those issues when it occurs.

We’ve had an exercise in this courthouse and we will have another exercise in a couple of weeks at one of the other county facilities that lots of employees are in. May not be this building, but we’re going to have another exercise so that people are prepared and we will continue to learn about how to deal with evacuation of buildings and where to go and how to respond. That will continue.

The fifth thing that occurred, last week was a regional law enforcement seminar. This came out of, again, one of our goals and one of our values. In this organization it’s partnerships. The partnership was the F.B.I., the Sheriff’s Department, Emergency Management and, it doesn’t say here, but it was the Wichita Police Department were one of the partners and the Crime Commission helped fund that. The Crime Commission helped put this together. 120 law enforcement officers, behind closed doors, were able to share some issues about protection of assets, protection of their families, what to do personally, how to deal with the issues about terrorism and those activities. We know it’s the first one in the state. We know that this was an event planned in a hurry. Randy Duncan just did a superb job of putting it together and we are encouraging other regions from around the state to use this model as a way to do that. Not only that program, but the Ready to Respond program, has caught the attention of the governor and others and Johnson County continues to call and ask what it is that you’re doing and can we have the materials and I’ll talk a little bit more about that.

November 1st through the 4th, tomorrow and the next several days, there is a regional Haz Mat symposium. This is on our list, although this is the tenth year Sedgwick County has helped sponsor that for hazardous material folks to come and get trained. They come from all over the country. Mostly, it’s a regional deal but there’s people that want to learn about it and come to Sedgwick County for that activity. The Metropolitan Medical Response Systems, the drugs will be ordered today so that we can have those in our hands by mid-November.

On the Ready to Respond issue, at Haysville last week some of you attended and I’m sure that some could comment. There was training on October 25th. 100 attendees were there. It was the second one of our Ready to Respond activities and it was exciting and it was a lot better than what we had expected and we keep improving on that program.
The second item, under Ready to Respond, is on the 26\textsuperscript{th} of October we trained 17 trainers, so we’re ready to do as many . . . start sending us the groups to have these Ready to Respond training sessions, because now we have a diversified training staff. Another train the trainer will be held some time before Thanksgiving and that’s about as close as we can get to the date. It’s still a work in progress and the people in EMS and Emergency Management Services are working on that. The dates that we have for Ready to Respond in the next week are November 1\textsuperscript{st} at Pleasant Valley, November 6\textsuperscript{th} at Benjamin Hills and November 8\textsuperscript{th} at Winters Lake Side and there are seven more scheduled after that. Again, one of the ways in which you can help us is to talk to groups and make sure that they understand that we’re available to come to them and be ready to put this program together.

Tomorrow, Channel 3, COMCARE will be there. It’s a whole couple of hours of a call-in about stress and stress-management and they’re going to use that throughout the day or throughout the evening and at other parts for kind of an interaction deal. We will be there, talking about anxiety, COMCARE will be there and participate in that.

School districts, disaster seminar on November 6\textsuperscript{th} and 7\textsuperscript{th}, this is a whole program, again sponsored by Emergency Management to teach school district folks about issues, about disasters in schools, whether to keep children in or put them outside, how to develop their own plans. We’re not going to do that for them. We’re going to show them the elements of the plans and what they can expect from government and we have lots of folks signed up for that.

And the last issue is I.C.M.A. and NACo. We’ve been in touch with both those organizations. They both have our . . . on I.C.M.A. side, we’re on their web page as a model of how to do community outreach for our Ready to Respond. They have all our written materials and they plan on sharing that with other communities around the country. NACo we’ve been in touch with and are planning to do the same thing. Johnson County, again, has called us and Randy is in the process of talking to those folks about how to put these programs together and we expect to be teaching them how to do that soon. So, that’s what’s happened this week.”

\textbf{Commissioner Sciortino returned at 9:59 a.m.}

\textbf{Chair McGinn} said, “Well, thank you Bill for that thorough report. On train the trainer, are we training just our staff or other people that want to be involved?”
Mr. Buchanan said, “We’re training people who want to be involved. We will be doing some of our own firefighters soon. The last session had to do with police officers and some of those were from Derby and some of the other smaller communities and some firefighters. We want emergency . . . what we’re looking for is emergency personnel to do the training. They have the first-hand knowledge, the first-hand experience. They have the tales to tell and they’re the best ones, we think, to be able to do the training.”

Chair McGinn said, “So, people involved in E.M.S., Fire, whether it’s volunteer or small city, Wichita, they can all call and be involved in that.”

Mr. Buchanan said, “Yes. We’d be happy to train them. The more folks that we have, the easier it is on everyone and the point is to get the message out.”

Chair McGinn said, “Absolutely and spreading it out all though the county. On the Channel 3 stress call-in, is that going to be little pieces aired on channel 3 or on their substitute channel? Do you know?”

Mr. Buchanan said, “On channel 3.”

Chair McGinn said, “It will be on channel 3. Okay. Bill, the other question I had was I think about how this has affected us at the federal level, at the state level and at the local level, our economy. People aren’t spending as much money. That’s going to affect us, as far as sales tax, the lay-offs that are occurring in our community, because people aren’t flying. The other piece is the cost of security. I mean, you’re seeing it all throughout the airports, the cost of prevention with our people that have to handle the mail and that type of thing. And I was just curious, have you and staff been working on, first off, how will that affect us at the county level, our funds that come from state and federal or local affects, the money that we get through sales tax and how, perhaps, as these revenues shrink, how are we going to deal with that?”

Mr. Buchanan said, “Today, Chris Chronis and I will have a continuing conversation about a financial plan update that he and his staff are working on. Chris Chronis is the Chief Financial Officer of Sedgwick County and he and the Budget folks have been reviewing our revenue for 2002. So, I expect next week or soon after that, to be talking to you with facts and figures about some alternative ways that the 2002 budget might look. It will look different than what you adopted in August.”
And so, we are in the process of doing that. For homeland security issues, on the one hand we have, as I indicated to you a week or so ago, on the one hand we anticipate a shrinking of revenues, on the other hand here’s a program that’s going to cost more than anybody ever anticipated. So, we need to come back to you with a budget and some details about how to do that. You heard, a week and a half ago, the school district said please send to us brochures. Well, multi-colored brochures, multi-pages are not cheap to print. They want somewhere in the neighborhood of sixty or seventy thousand. That’s the school district U.S.D. 259 only. So, we need to think those things through. There’s other advertising opportunities that we’re looking at, ways in which we can instruct folks, reach out and we are in the process of putting a budget together. I’ve got a preliminary copy this morning before the meeting and I’ll be back to you. I’m not prepared to talk to you about specific numbers but we need to address that issue.”

Chair McGinn said, “Okay. Well, I’m glad to hear you’re already on top of that. And the concern of course I have, we deal a great deal in social services and we need to know how we’re going to still do our best to care for the citizens out there that need those services with the challenges that we’re going to have as far as money crunches, dollars.

The other thing, I guess, I had the opportunity to visit with the governor a couple of days ago about this Ready to Respond program and he was sharing what he was doing at the state level and he’s been in contact with the federal level. I had an opportunity to share what we were doing at the local level and one of the things that we visited about was when there is an emergency, it’s our firefighters, our E.M.S. people that respond first and as he sets up his committee at the state level and we talk about some of these federal/ state dollars that are coming through to fund some of these ready to respond type programs, the fact that we are the first responders that we hope that we are at the table helping them let them know how we respond so that those dollars can be spent most efficiently.

Okay, we’ve got other questions. Commissioner Gwin.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “Thank you. Bill, a week or so ago when we all got together, the City of Wichita City Council, and school board and the County Commission for updates on the school bond program I thought the presenter said when it came to the drugs related to the Metro Medical Response System, I understood them to say they were already ordered. Didn’t you say they were not yet ordered? Am I hearing that wrong?”
Regular Meeting, October 31, 2001

Mr. Buchanan said, “We expect those drugs . . . we would hope that those drugs would be here the middle of the month. There’s a process that you need to go through. You need to show the money and you need to send a form in. That form and that money needs to be shown today is the last day to do it. We’ve had a little bureaucratic mix-up that’s all straightened out now and so, I’ve been assured by Dr. Magruder that that purchase order will leave city hall today.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “Okay, all right. Well, we don’t want to miss it. As you said, this is a deadline date, is it not?”

Mr. Buchanan said, “Yes.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “It will go today.”

Mr. Buchanan said, “I’ve been assured that someone from the health department will make sure that it leaves city hall today.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “Okay, that would be great. Thank you. Thank you, Madam Chair.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioner Sciortino.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Thank you. Bill, just briefly on train the trainer, that’s not being trained to make these presentations that we’re making in the community or is that what they’re being trained to do, is to make the same presentations that we’re making?”

Mr. Buchanan said, “Yes.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Okay, will our personnel still be there if there’s maybe other questions, because you never know for sure, when you get . . . like when we were in Haysville, we had over 100 people attending and you can’t always anticipate all the questions that may be there. I’m a little confused, if we’re trying to train . . . because we’re the experts in it. I thought the presentation that we made was very good and then we’d be turning that responsibility over to local officials to make the same presentation we’ve been making or what?”

Mr. Buchanan said, “We’re expecting to use firefighters and police officers, volunteer firefighters,
Regular Meeting, October 31, 2001

full-time firefighters, EMS workers, police officers to go into communities and do this training. They’re experts, too. If we’re not doing two or three a night, we will have someone from Emergency Management there. We don’t always have to lead them. Someone else can lead them. We hope to have, at each event, a firefighter there to talk about fire issues. We hope to have someone from the health department and we hope to have someone from Emergency Management. But that’s not going to get in the way, if we have five or six scheduled for one night. We think it’s more important to train folks who can go through the script, who can go through the issues who have front-line experience of dealing with emergencies.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Well, one of the things . . . because I was really impressed over . . . and as you make presentation, the second one, the third you get more and more comfortable with making the presentation. You get more efficient and a couple of things I thought the Haysville people really liked was all the hands-on stuff, like we had two tables that actually laid out the emergency kit that they recommended that you have and you have the ability to look at how to turn off a gas meter and actually learn what knob to turn and what wrench to pull. Would we have that kind of backup material available to them also?”

Mr. Buchanan said, “Yes.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “That’s great. That’s all I had. Thanks.”

Chair McGinn said, “Okay.”

Mr. Buchanan said, “If I could just add one more thing, Commissioner Sciortino. It’s our intent, it doesn’t matter who the body or who the face is, the program material will be the same and the expertise will be the same.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Okay, that’s great.”

Chair McGinn said, “Well, again, I want to say thank you for this report. Often times, programs are announced in our community and you don’t get the quick follow-up as to what we actually are doing and it sounds like, from the day we announced this program, you and staff have been working diligently on this to make sure the plans that we put in place and the timelines are moving right along. So, thank you very much for this report.”

MOTION
Regular Meeting, October 31, 2001

Commissioner Gwin 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. Next item.”

NEW BUSINESS

E.  RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CONDEMNATION OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY GENERALLY LOCATED ON ROCK ROAD BETWEEN 87TH STREET SOUTH AND K-15.

Mr. Rich Euson, County Counselor, greeted the Commissioners and said, “The resolution before you would authorize condemnation for a project to widen Rock Road, between 87th Street South and K-15. The Department of Public Works has acquired all necessary easements, with the exception of one, which is at the southeast corner of 95th Street South and Rock Road. It’s a quarter section of land which involves the acquisition of a ten-foot strip. So, that amounts to about a half an acre. We have not been able to reach agreement with the land owner, who does live outside of Sedgwick County and we would ask that you approve the resolution. I’d be happy to answer any questions.”

Chair McGinn said, “I’m not sure if we have a question yet or not. I think they’re talking about other business. Are there any other questions on this item?”

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to adopt the Resolution.
Regular Meeting, October 31, 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, “Thank you, Rich. Next item.”

Commissioner Sciortino left at 10:15 a.m.

**F. AGREEMENT WITH BUTLER COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR EMS TO PROVIDE FIELD INTERNSHIPS TO STUDENTS.**

Mr. Mauk said, “This agreement provides an opportunity for students who are studying pre-hospital care to come into the field with our personnel and actually see and apply what it is that they’ve been learning. So, it provides a great opportunity for these students. It also provides us some opportunity in recruitment, in terms of paid and volunteer personnel as well. So, we would recommend that you approve this agreement and authorize the Chair to sign.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “This is one of those ongoing partnerships, isn’t it Dennis?”

Mr. Mauk said, “Yes, it is.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “Thank you.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioners, if there aren’t any questions, what’s the will of the Board on this?”

**MOTION**

Commissioner Winters moved to approve the Agreement and authorize the Chair to sign.
Regular Meeting, October 31, 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  Absent
- Chair Carolyn McGinn  Aye

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

G. DIVISION OF HUMAN SERVICES.

1. AGREEMENT WITH CODY SPARKS TO PROVIDE PSYCHOLOGICAL SCREENING AND INTAKE SERVICES AT THE TRI-CITY DAY SCHOOL.

Ms. Deborah Donaldson, Director, Division of Human Services, greeted the Commissioners and said, “This is a cooperative program between Derby, Haysville and Mulvane school districts, COMCARE of Sedgwick County and Sumner County Mental Health. The groups have got together to provide this day-school for students who have special needs. This particular agreement is with Cody Sparks, who will provide some psychological screening and services for us at that facility. He will be paid $18.72 per hour. Those are state funds to provide that service. I’d be glad to answer any questions and would recommend you approval.”

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

**MOTION**

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

Commissioner Gwin seconded the Motion.
Regular Meeting, October 31, 2001

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     Absent
Chair Carolyn McGinn           Aye

Chair McGinn said, “Next item.”

2. AGREEMENT WITH PINKERTON’S, INC. TO PROVIDE SECURITY SERVICES FOR COMCARE.

Ms. Donaldson said, “Commissioners, this particular item is for our ongoing security services. This is a contract with Pinkerton’s. We have had a contract with them before. The contract is not to exceed $170,000. We pay $13.14 per hour for those services. If it’s on an as-needed basis, not scheduled, we would pay $14.51. This particular contract provides for a number of our facilities and is a combination of state and county funds. I’ll be glad to answer any questions.”

Commissioner Norton said, “Is this who we currently use, too? Is this just a re-up of an agreement that we already have?”

Ms. Donaldson said, “They currently have the contract. There was another company who had that contract for a short time that did not work out. They immediately responded to our need in that and so they are currently providing that service.”

Chair McGinn said, “Any other questions for Debbie?”

MOTION

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

Commissioner Gwin seconded the Motion.
Regular Meeting, October 31, 2001

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 Absent
Chair Carolyn McGinn Aye

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

Commissioner Sciortino returned 10:19 a.m.

H. PROPOSED AMENDED SANITARY CODE, TO BE SUBMITTED TO SECRETARY OF KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT (KDHE).

Ms. Irene Hart, Director, Division of Community Development, greeted the Commissioners and said, “Before you today for your consideration is the sanitary code, which has been administered by the Wichita/ Sedgwick County Department of Community Health since its adoption in the 1980s. The code includes regulations which cover such items as nuisance, private sewage, disposal systems, licensing of septic system installers, rabies control and other similar types of conditions.

We’re bring the code to you, it has not been updated since it was adopted in the 1980s. We’re recommending that the code stay essentially the same. We are recommending four changes, which reflect the change in administration of the health department, effective January 1 and updates the code and it reflects some changes that have been made in similar codes over the past several years.

There are four changes in the code. Again, it does maintain the current standards that are in effect in the code. But the changes would be, first, the current code defines the health officer as the Director of the Wichita/ Sedgwick County Department of Community Health or his authorized representatives. Since that particular position will not exist after January 1st, we’re proposing that the code be amended to define the health officer as the local health officer appointed pursuant to charter resolution number 54, effective January 1, 2002 or his or her authorized representative. So, it changes the designation of the health officer to reflect the new administrative configuration.
Regular Meeting, October 31, 2001

Secondly, we’re also recommending that the county engineer’s responsibility for nuisance abatement be removed with the code, to be consistent with recent changes to the solid waste code. Third, the sanitary code is revised to bring it into conformance with recent changes in the county code regarding salvage materials and inoperable vehicles. And fourth, the code is being changed to transfer the responsibility of enforcing the sewage regulations in the code from the health department to the County Code Enforcement Department.

Now, you’re probably wondering why we’re bringing these changes to you at the end of October, instead to closer to January 1st. State law requires that any proposed changes to a county’s sanitary code first be submitted to K.D.H.E., Kansas Department of Health and Environment, for review and approval. Once we get their approval, then the county must set a date for a public hearing, we must publish a notice three times in the official county newspaper, we must hold a public hearing, and then, in order for any of the changes to be in effect, the county must then adopt a resolution and publish it once before it goes into effect.

So, that gives us a lead-time, with all those requirements, of approximately two months. So, we’re right on target. I’d be happy to answer any questions that you might have. Bob Parnacott from the County Counselor’s Office is here to answer technical questions. I recommend that you do approve the proposed changes and authorize the Chair to submit the proposed amended sanitary code to K.D.H.E. for review and approval.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioners, are there any questions for Irene on this item?”

Commissioner Norton said, “I have just one. All the suggestions and dialogue that we’ve had has been incorporated in this particular sanitary code, is that correct?”

Ms. Hart said, “I don’t know what all . . .”

Commissioner Norton said, “As we talked about officers and any problems were taken care of. The dialogue we had previous?”

Ms. Hart said, “Yes.”

Commissioner Norton said, “Okay, that’s all I had.”

Chair McGinn said, “All right, if there aren’t any further questions, what’s the will of the Board?”

MOTION
Regular Meeting, October 31, 2001

Commissioner Gwin moved to approve the amended Sanitary Code and authorize submission to KDHE.

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. Thank you, Irene.”

I. PUBLIC WORKS.

1. LINE DONATION AGREEMENT WITH CENTRAL KANSAS RAILWAY, L.L.C. FOR DONATION OF LAND BETWEEN 119TH STREET WEST AND 135TH STREET WEST. DISTRICT #3.

Mr. David Spears, Director/County Engineer, greeted the Commissioners and said, “As you know, the Central Kansas Railway is abandoning their line between Wichita and Garden Plain. Before you today is an agreement with Central Kansas Railway for the donation of land from CKR to
Regular Meeting, October 31, 2001

Sedgwick County, between 119th and 135th Streets West. Sedgwick County will maintain the land until it is annexed by the City of Wichita. The land can be used as ‘rails to trails’ or possibly for utilities. Wichita approved a similar agreement for their portion last week. As a side note, this project will eliminate the Cowskin railroad bridge and alleviate flooding problems for a portion of properties along the Cowskin Creek. I recommend you approve the agreement and authorize the Chair to sign.”

Chair McGinn said, “Okay, I don’t know if you said this or not, this piece will be part of Wichita someday soon in the future.”

Mr. Spears said, “They’re on the edge of this now. This was a request by them that we do this and they will, I think, annex it I wouldn’t put a date on it but it will be in the near future.”

Chair McGinn said, “Okay. Commissioner Gwin.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “The other question that occurs to me is that isn’t this the rail line that just runs south of Kellogg, right?”

Mr. Spears said, “Yes, ma’am.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “And wasn’t it the existence of this rail line that made the Kellogg-235 Interchange such a mess?”

Mr. Spears said, “Yes. That’s another very beneficial side effect of this, by eliminating the railroad, the ramps to the someday proposed interchange that will be built will not have to be as high, because you have to reach a certain height to go over a railroad track. Without the railroad track there, we can lower all that and it will bring the construction cost down substantially.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “So, we have a couple of things maybe to look forward to with this transition. Several. The bridge is out of the way, which has been kind of an obstruction to flow of water. You may have a pathway or an open trail way for folks to use if they want to and, if and when the state gets around to reconfiguring Kellogg and 235, and by the way, I’d rather have that sooner than later, it will be easier to maneuver that and maybe not nearly as dangerous a place as we have now.”

Mr. Spears said, “That’s right. It’s very beneficial. The consultant, Black and Veatch, has determined that that bridge was a blockage on the Cowskin and that water did come up against the bridge, after it reached a certain height, and then started what’s called the backwater effect. You
Regular Meeting, October 31, 2001

could actually see water going backwards.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “Well, I’m certainly supportive, because it seems to be a step that will improve several different aspects of the quality of our life.”

Mr. Spears said, “And what’s really odd about this whole thing is that, I believe it was exactly three years ago today when we had the flood.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “I believe you’re right. Thank you. Thank you, Madam Chair.”

Chair McGinn said, “Well, and I just want to dovetail on what Commissioner Gwin said. I didn’t know that the strange configuration there at 235 and Kellogg had to do with the railroad and I know it is a very dangerous intersection. And I guess what I’d like to ask, would you just, after this is taken care of, would you write a letter to the state and let them know that that is being abandoned and removed and so that they can move forward on fixing that road perhaps, that interchange?”

Mr. Spears said, “Yes, ma’am. I can certainly do that.”

Chair McGinn said, “Thank you. Commissioner Winters.”

Commissioner Winters said, “Well, I was just going to say that I certainly agree with Commissioner Gwin on all of these issues and am going to be supportive of this. It’s a good project for a number of reasons, so I’m going to be very supportive.”

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
Regular Meeting, October 31, 2001

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

Chair McGinn said, “Next item.”

2. RESOLUTION DESIGNATING AND CLASSIFYING “HYDRAULIC COURT” AND “WINESAP” TO THE RIVERSIDE TOWNSHIP SYSTEM. DISTRICT #2.

Mr. Spears said, “It is standard procedure that after a road is constructed within a platted residential subdivision, in accordance with county standards, that road is then assigned to the township road system. In this particular case Hydraulic Court and Winesap, located in Suncrest Addition, will become the responsibility of Riverside Township. The Riverside Township Board was informed that this resolution would be on the County Commission agenda, by letter, dated September 5, 2001. I recommend that you adopt the resolution.”

MOTION

Commissioner Norton moved to adopt the Resolution.

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, “Next item.”

3. RESOLUTION DESIGNATING AND CLASSIFYING “31ST STREET COURT SOUTH” TO THE ILLINOIS TOWNSHIP SYSTEM. DISTRICT #3.
Mr. Spears said, “Item I-3 is similar to the previous item in that after a road is constructed within a platted residential subdivision, in accordance with County standards, that road is then assigned to the township road system. In this particular case, 31st Street Court South, located in Overview Hills Addition, will become the responsibility of Illinois Township. The Illinois Township Board was informed that this resolution would be on the County Commission agenda, by letter, dated September 4. I recommend that you adopt the resolution.”

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

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to adopt the Resolution.

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

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


Ms. Iris Baker, Director, Purchasing Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, “The following items presented today for consideration are the result of the meeting that the Board of Bids and Contracts held on October 25th, 2001.

1)  CISCO EQUIPMENT- ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES FUNDING- SOLID WASTE

The first item today, Cisco equipment for Environmental Resources. Recommend the quote from
Regular Meeting, October 31, 2001

Southwestern Bell SBC of $13,693.45.

2) PAGING SYSTEM UPGRADE- EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS  
   FUNDING- EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS

Item two, paging system upgrade for Emergency Communications. Recommend the low negotiated proposal from Ka-Comm Incorporated of $55,858.50.

3) MOTOROLA RADIOS- EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES  
   FUNDING- EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Item three, Motorola radios for Emergency Medical Services. Recommend the quote from Motorola of $12,880.

4) CISCO EQUIPMENT- DIVISION OF INFORMATION AND OPERATIONS  
   FUNDING- DEPARTMENTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY

Item four, Cisco equipment for the Division of Information and Operations. Recommend the quote from Southwestern Bell SBC of $10,634.80.

5) NORTON ANTIVIRUS UPGRADE- DIVISION OF INFORMATION AND OPERATIONS  
   FUNDING- DIVISION OF INFORMATION AND OPERATIONS

Item five, Norton anti-virus upgrades for the Division of Information and Operations. Recommend the quote from Insight Direct of $18,901.25.

6) HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY- FACILITY PROJECT SERVICES  
   FUNDING- CAPITAL PROJECTS

And item six, Household Hazardous Waste facility for Facility Project Services. Recommend the low alternate bid from Bauer and Sons of $888,514.

Be happy to answer any questions and, if there are none, I recommend approval of these items as presented today.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioners, are there any questions for Iris?”
Regular Meeting, October 31, 2001

MOTION

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

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, “Next item. Thank you, Iris.”

CONSENT AGENDA

K. CONSENT AGENDA.

1. Two (2) Easements for Right of Way for Sedgwick County Project No. 805-I, J, K, L; 119th Street West between 21st Street North and 53rd Street North. CIP# R-264. Districts #3 and #4.

2. Section 8 Housing Assistance Payment Contracts.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Contract Number</th>
<th>Rent Subsidy</th>
<th>District Number</th>
<th>Landlord</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>V010152</td>
<td>$306.00</td>
<td></td>
<td>Elizabeth Schwindt</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>V010154</td>
<td>$377.00</td>
<td></td>
<td>Maple Ridge Apartments</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Regular Meeting, October 31, 2001

V010155 $330.00 5 Helms Rental Properties
V010156 $230.00 Brookside Cottages
V010157 $273.00 Leonard Smith

3. Order dated October 24, 2001 to correct tax roll for change of assessment.


5. Budget Adjustment Requests.

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

Chair McGinn said, “It is now time for our community issues.”

L. OTHER

Commissioner Norton said, “It is Halloween, and I wanted to wish everyone a happy Halloween. We’re going to be handing out treats at the Norton household at 200 Timberlane Drive in Haysville so please stop by if you’d like. I saw in the paper today there are many events happening around the community that have to do with Halloween. And, you know, people are worried about letting
their kids go out in the community and trick or treat at will and there are some wonderful events happening, some in Derby, some in Goddard, Mulvane, Haysville, Wichita. Trick or Treat Street is in both malls if you’re looking for alternatives. Down in Derby there’s Halloween Hulabaloo, where you can get treats and there’s costume judging. That’s at the Derby Recreation Center. So, you can stop by there. Several churches in Derby and Goddard and Mulvane are having alternative Halloween parties and I would urge you, if you’re worried about security of your children, to find those alternate things. It’s in the Eagle today and there are things to do for Halloween.

Now that I’ve wished everybody a happy Halloween, I did go to the chili cook-off in Derby this last week at Commissioner Sciortino’s invitation and it was kind of a good news, bad news thing. I enjoyed myself. The weather was great but I ate a lot of chili and I’ve got to tell you, a lot of little pieces of chili all added up and it’s kind of like drinking your way through the French Quarter. I hurt later in the day. But thank you, Ben. I did have a good time and it’s a wonderful event, raising money for, I think, fireworks was it not for the Fourth of July in Derby.

I attended the Ready to Respond meeting in Haysville and I’m very complimentary of Randy Duncan and Jack Kegley and Dee Konkle and everyone else that was there. It was a wonderful event. I was surprised. It was a great turn-out but once that went to the hands-on things and everybody stood up, I thought everybody would leave. That’s typical. And you know, I’d say 80% of the crowd came back, sat in their seats and went through the panel discussion and asked questions. So, I think we’ve hit on the right mode of giving information out and it does stimulate people to worry and to ask the right questions.

Finally, I went to the KDHE public hearing on the transfer station. It was widely attended by quite a few people at the 55th and Hoover area and they gave a lot of information once again to KDHE but I did want to let you know that I attended that, represented the county and made sure I understood the constituent’s issues even more than when they presented here at the county. That’s all I have. Thanks.”

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

Commissioner Gwin said, “A couple of items. Last night I attended the American Cancer Society’s annual volunteer appreciation dinner and as a survivor, and there were several of us from the county who were there and several survivors in the room, it was our opportunity to thank those folks, throughout the south-central part of Kansas who go out and raise a great deal of money to provide patient services, to provide education and information to folks, and then also to funds some research and development projects so that hopefully we’ll find a cure. It was a very nice event. Folks from this part of the state who work very hard every day to raise money for the American Cancer Society, that was wonderful.

Saturday, it looks like, I will be the county’s representative to introduce Congressman Jerry Moran
Regular Meeting, October 31, 2001

when he attends the regional Haz Mat symposium early Saturday morning. So, on your behalf I’ll be there to greet him. Tom, I understand you’re going to be there also.”

Commissioner Winters said, “Yes, I’m planning on being there too.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “Okay, I’m through for right now, I think.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioner Sciortino.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Thank you, Madam Chair. Well, just to kind of echo a couple of things that Commissioner Norton said. I did go to Haysville and attend that Ready to Respond and it was really impressive as to, you know, as you make more than one presentation, how you can smooth it out and they had a film clip on how you can protect yourself just in your home if there’s a chemical or biological thing. And I thought that tape was very informative. I was mildly surprised at the number of people that came. I agree with you, Tim, that they stayed for the whole event. There was a panel of experts to ask questions. There was a lot of questions. I didn’t see a lot of panic in the people’s mode for being there but they were just genuinely interested on how they could be empowered just to help themselves. It was pointed out that, in any emergency, the first responder are always the citizens and then the professionals are able to get there.

The chili cook-off, they should have a booth for Maalox and Digel. And the only thing worst than sampling it is having to get there at 7:00 in the morning and make it and then you have to sample it too and then you want to sample the other people’s samples. So, by about noon, I was looking for a Johnnie-on-the-Spot. It was a great event. It was very well received and they do use that money to help fund their Fourth of July celebration. So, enjoyed myself.”

Commissioner Norton said, “If I could dovetail on that just a minute, that film was called ‘Shelter in Place’ and it’s been distributed to all the schools in the county and if you want to see that or have your children see that, it is available through the school systems and I think it’s a wonderful way to get to the adults through kids. It’s a great film.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Well, you know, I like the idea of home fire extinguishers and I have three or four of them and I’ve never used them but then they’ve come up with an acronym called PASS which means pull the pin, aim, squeeze and spray as a way of how to use a fire extinguisher. And I guess one of those lasts for about five seconds and the guy said, at the end of five seconds if you haven’t put out the fire, get the heck out of your house.”

Chair McGinn said, “Well, I was just glad you weren’t dovetailing on the Johnnie-on-the-Spot. I guess I’d just like to share about an event that’s going to be Saturday at 11:00 at the Broadview. It
is the Kansas African American Museum’s Doris Curr-Larkin Luncheon. They have this every year. This will be my third year to attend. Eric Keye, the Executive Director of the Museum, has had a wonderful speaker every year. Also at this luncheon, they give out awards to various people or groups or whatever who have helped do something either for civil rights or something for our community. So, I just wanted to share that that is a very good luncheon. This year’s guest speaker is Carol Mosley-Braun and, again, it’s at 11:00 at the Broadview. Eric Keye has informed me that there are still tickets available for this event so I would encourage folks to call the museum at 262-7651. Again, that’s 262-7651 and I think you’ll enjoy that luncheon very much.

Okay, we plan to use the ‘Shelter in Place’ video at future breaks during the BoCC. So, when we have our ‘county on camera’ after our regular meeting, we still have some air time, when we’re in executive session, and so we’ll be airing that at that time. Very good, great.

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

**MOTION**

Commissioner Sciortino moved that the Board of County Commissioners recess into Executive Session for 30 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 11:10 a.m.

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
Regular Meeting, October 31, 2001

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

The Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners recessed into Executive Session at 10:40 a.m. and returned at 11:28 a.m.

Chair McGinn said, "We’re back from Executive Session. Let the record show there were no binding action taken while in Executive Session. Is there any other business to be brought before this Board? Mr. Euson? Mr. Buchanan? This meeting is adjourned.”

M. ADJOURNMENT
There being no other business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 11:29 a.m.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS

_____________________________
CAROLYN McGINN, Chair
Fourth District

_____________________________
BEN SCIORTINO, Chairman Pro Tem
Fifth District

_____________________________
BETSY GWIN, Commissioner
First District

_____________________________
TIM R. NORTON, Commissioner
Second District