

## **MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

### **REGULAR MEETING**

**November 20, 2002**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of the County Commissioners of Sedgwick County, Kansas, was called to order at 9:00 A.M., on Wednesday, November 20, 2002 in the County Commission Meeting Room in the Courthouse in Wichita, Kansas, by Chairman Ben Sciortino with the following present: Commissioner Betsy Gwin; Commissioner Tim R. Norton; Commissioner Thomas G. Winters; Mr. William P. Buchanan, County Manager; Mr. Rich Euson, County Counselor; Ms. Dorsha Kirksey, Director of Housing and Community Services, Department on Aging; Ms. Lucretia Taylor, Director of Diversity and Employment, Human Resources Department; Ms. Margaret Combs, Client Services Assistant, Department on Aging; Ms. Angela Silva, Office Specialist, Department on Aging; Mr. Larry Brookman, Case Manager, Department on Aging; Mr. Robert Boring, Firefighter, Fire District #1; Mr. Jerry Frantz, Interim Director, Health Department; Dr. Doren Frederickson, Health Officer, Health Department; Ms. Pat MacDonald, Director of Community Education, Health Department; Ms. Pamela Martin, Director, Clinical Services, Health Department; Mr. Chris Chronis, Chief Financial Officer, Division of Finance; Mr. Bob Lamkey, Director, Division of Public Safety; Mr. Pete Giroux, Senior Management Analyst, Budget Department; Mr. John Nath, Director, Kansas Coliseum; Mr. Jerry Phipps, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department; Ms. Kathy Sexton, Chief Information Officer, Division of Information and Operations; 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.

### **INVOCATION**

The Invocation was led by Reverend David McCord of West Side Christian Church, Wichita.

### **FLAG SALUTE**

### **ROLL CALL**

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

### **CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES:** Regular Meeting, October 23, 2002

The Clerk reported that all Commissioners were present at the Regular Meeting of October 23, 2002.

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**Chairman Sciortino** said, “Commissioners, I believe you’ve had enough time to review the Minutes of the October 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting. What’s the will of the Board?”

**MOTION**

Commissioner Gwin moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 23, 2002.

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 Carolyn McGinn	Absent
Chairman Ben Sciortino	Aye

**Chairman Sciortino** said, “Next item.”

**PROCLAMATION**

**A. PROCLAMATION DECLARING NOVEMBER 2002 AS “NATIONAL FAMILY CAREGIVERS MONTH.”**

**Chairman Sciortino** said, “Thank you. I’ll read this proclamation into the record. It states:

**PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, during this season of thanksgiving, as we pause to reflect on the many blessings that have been bestowed on us as individuals and as a County, we are especially grateful for the love of our families and friends. One of the most profound ways in which that love is expressed is through the generous support provided by family caregivers to loved ones who are chronically ill, elderly or disabled. Caregivers reflect family and community life at its best. They are among Sedgwick County’s most important natural resources; and

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**WHEREAS**, the need for family caregivers is growing. We are blessed to live in a time when medicine and technology have helped us live longer. As a result, persons with disabilities are living longer and people over 85 are the fastest growing segment of our population. Family caregivers can be found in every city and town in America. It is likely that we all know at least one family caregivers; and

**WHEREAS**, family caregivers deserve our lasting gratitude and respect. This month, as we honor the many contributions that family caregivers make to the quality of life, let us resolve to work through our community, religious, social and business organizations to support and encourage caregivers so they can continue to carry out their vital responsibilities.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that I, Ben Sciortino, Chairman of the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim November 2002 as

**“NATIONAL FAMILY CAREGIVERS MONTH”**

in Sedgwick County and encourage all citizens to honor the family members, friends, and neighbors who shoulder caregiving responsibilities.

**MOTION**

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

Commissioner Norton seconded the Motion.

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

**VOTE**

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

**Chairman Sciortino** said, “And I believe we have someone from the Department on Aging that’s going to accept the award.”

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**Ms. Dorsha Kirksey**, Director of Housing and Community Services, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I'm honored to accept this proclamation this morning on behalf of all the caregivers who are Americans and especially those in Sedgwick County. Tri-county wide, our caregiver programs with the Department on Aging have served over 4,000 caregivers since January of this year. So as you can see, there's definitely a need out there and there are countless caregivers out there in the community who need those services and who appreciate this proclamation.

I have some of those here with me right here, some caregivers that are here also to accept this proclamation and we'd just like to thank you."

**Commissioner Winters** said, "Could those folks tell us who they are and what they do. Come right ahead."

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "If you could just maybe identify yourself and what organization you represent."

**Ms. Margaret Combs**, Client Services Assistant, Department on Aging, said, "I care for my mother."

**Ms. Angela Silva**, Office Specialist, Department on Aging, said, "I also care for my mother."

**Mr. Larry Brookman**, Case Manager, Department on Aging, said, "I take care of my mother for now eight and a half years."

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "If anybody out there would like to go into training and take care of a little County Commissioner with a broken wing, if you want to get some on the job training, that's fine."

**Commissioner Norton** said, "Mary needs a break, doesn't she."

**Commissioner Gwin** said, "She should be here."

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "I don't see that we have any comments but just to thank you very much for all the hard work that you do and you really, caregiver, the word care is how I identify the word 'love'. Love, how do you. I love you. What does that mean? That means I care for you and it takes a lot of hard work to care for someone, or in other words to love someone. And you guys are doing a great job and we appreciate it. Thank you.

Next item please."

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**RETIREMENT**

**B. PRESENTATION OF RETIREMENT CLOCK TO ROBERT BORING, FIREFIGHTER, FIRE DISTRICT #1.**

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "We'll just wait a few seconds. Commissioner Gwin is going to come down and make that presentation and she's not as spry as she used to be. It takes her a few seconds. There she is."

**Ms. Lucretia Taylor**, Director of Diversity, Division of Human Resources, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I'm here to present the retirement certificate to Robert Boring, who will be retiring January 1 of 2003 after 24 years of service with the Fire District.

Robert, after his retirement, is planning to do some things that he enjoys which include traveling, hunting, fishing and farming and also taking a trip to Peru in June. Robert is going to spend some time and visit his children. He has four grandchildren as well and a son who has twin girls on the way, so I think he's going to have enough time, after he retires from the Fire District, to enjoy life and to do those things that every grandfather enjoys doing, which is visiting the grandkids. So without me standing up here, Robert would you please come on up?

**Commissioner Gwin** said, "Here's your retirement certificate and I think all of us have spelled our names right, so that ought to work. I asked the Chairman if I could do this because there's no one I'd rather see retire than a fireman. I'm kidding, I'm kidding. Stop it. Robert, on behalf of the Board of County Commissioners and the folks of Sedgwick County and Fire District #1, we want to thank you for 24 years of service. How you put up with some of these guys for that length of time probably . . . you probably deserve yet another award for that. But we hope you enjoy your retirement and we thank you for your service.

And then, you owe me for a bill . . . That's between you and me. I couldn't let you go without that. You want to say something?"

**Mr. Robert Boring**, Firefighter, Fire District #1, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Sure. Speaking of awards, I could get one for several things but I want to thank all my friends and coworkers for being here and been 24 years of good service. I've enjoyed it but I'm ready to go. It gets tougher every year the older you get and I've had my good times and bad times and my ups and downs and my bad times . . . I want to thank everybody for their support and I may not be here if it wasn't for that. So, we know what we're talking about and everybody that supported me knows who they are.

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And then on the lighter side, in my early years of career, why I've obtained the name Blowfy and that was given to me by a fellow firefighter for my extreme ability for flatulation around the fire station. Then as the years went on, around the kitchen I started my cooking abilities and I knew my way around the kitchen pretty good and somebody came up with the term and I just became known as the kitchen bitch from then on.

So it's been a great 24 years and I thank everybody and I plan on enjoying myself and thank you Commissioners and Betsy."

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "I just have one question, Mr. Boring. You indicated you have planned on going to Peru and I was just wondering what the motivation was to go down there?"

**Mr. Boring** said, "My son is having a wedding down there."

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "Great, I hope you enjoy it. Don't drink the water. Thank you. Next item please."

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **C. HEALTH DEPARTMENT.**

##### **1. PRESENTATION REGARDING THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT TRANSITION.**

#### **POWERPOINT PRESENTATION**

**Mr. Jerry Frantz**, Interim Director, Sedgwick County Health Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "It's very hard to follow that. We're here today to update you on the Health Department since you've taken it over, since Sedgwick County took it over January 1<sup>st</sup> of 2002.

First thing I'd like to do is introduce some of our folks. Here's our Health Officer, Doren Fredrickson who is also associated with the Kansas University Medical School, Bill Farney, Administrative Services, Aiko Allen, Organizational Development, Ted Jobst, Integrated Family Health, Pat McDonald, Health Education, Cindy Burbach, Health Surveillance/ Disease Prevention, Epi, Gloria Vermie runs our MMRS group, which is bio-terrorism, big thing here now days, Pam Martin, in charge of our clinical services, Chris Duncan, our Operations Facility Manager and Sarah Hirshfeld, our Administrative Assistant who put together our Powerpoint presentation for us here.

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So, here's our vision statement, 'Healthy People in Healthy Communities' and we think this is important because it reflects our Health Department concern that we recognized individual health, population health and community well-being, that they are interrelated and of course the Epi group tracks all three of those things.

The way we were, you took over, Sedgwick County took over this Health Department January 1<sup>st</sup> of 2002 and up to that time it was primarily under the City. I think we've got a little music here. This song always puts Doren to sleep. But those are some of our satellite health stations. There goes the music, I think I cut it off too soon. There it is. At any rate you would have seen, if I hadn't pushed the button too quickly, you would have seen all of our seven health stations. The City had the Health Department since 1949 and when we say they had it, it was a situation where the City Council, the City Manager actually had the responsibility for running the Health Department, overseeing its operations and the Sedgwick County Board of County Commissioners in Sedgwick County actually approved budget expenditures and there was also a Board of Health at that time.

Now back as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the year 2002, we were characterized by having when we went in there as of January 1<sup>st</sup> a lot of very old and inefficient systems, phone system, office furniture, you can see that one particular one over there was a book case that was purchased in October of 2002 . . . I'm sorry, October of 1955. The computers were all from the 1990s, the software was very, very old.

When we took over the Health Department in January 1<sup>st</sup> of 2002, there was a combination director and health officer was one individual, we had a decentralized system, which was very, very inefficient. I think it's safe to say that the health department over the last few years had probably suffered from something by way of benign neglect and it was evident in just about every area of the department. And I think it was also very evident to those of us when we got over there, Andy from the Manager's Office and folks from Human Resources, that there was a real lack of internal and external linkages, meaning that there was very poor communication in the community and within the department.

There's the organizational chart I spoke of, how the health department was administered prior to January 1<sup>st</sup> of 2002, when Sedgwick County took it over. City Council, City Manager, the Health Department reported to them. Sedgwick County Board of Health signed off on many of the things that they did and the Board of County Commissioners in Sedgwick County supplied a pretty good share of the local funding.

Bridge to community is a very important thing in public health and to a health department. There

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was no evidence of any strategic plan for community development when Sedgwick County took over the health department on January 1<sup>st</sup> of 2002. Relationships were very weak and fragile with businesses, with over government agencies, with other health agencies and with the special populations in the community.

Most of the programs in the health department at that time were also grant driven, meaning wherever they could find the money, that's the program they did. It wasn't focused on what the particular needs were. It was focused on where grant funds could be found.

Where we are now, as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of 2002 when Sedgwick County took over the Health Department up until this point, you see some folks here that you might know. We say County control and inspiration, I think those of us that have worked at Sedgwick County for some time know that the way we do business is probably a bit different than other government agencies, probably a lot different than a lot of private entities do business as well. In the situation relating to the Sedgwick County Health Department, our DIO, Division of Information and Operations, County Counselor's Office, Human Resources Department, our Financial Department, COMCARE, the County Manager and his staff all work together with us to put in place county policies, county procedures, the county way of doing business and that county control and that inspiration that we received from the Board of County Commissioners from the County Manager. I believe they've been the driving force towards what success we've realized to this point. Continuous quality improvement is something that the county has been pledged to for at least the years I've been here. Dynamic leadership, dynamic relationships, dynamic systems is something that I've experienced and enjoyed with Sedgwick County since I've been here and we've been, I think, successful at putting that in place as well in the health department.

And the first major thing that the health department was involved in was this community stakeholder meeting, which we'll talk a little bit about later on, in June where we got out. It was sort of a coming out party where we told the community, we got together with the community and said that we're a different health department than we used to be. It's now the Sedgwick County Health Department and we're working with you folks. Tell us what our role is. Tell us what our role is in the community, what it is in public health.

Of course, one of the first things that we had to do when we got in there was take a look at our physical plant and our infrastructure and to see what was necessary to do in order to get us up to county standards and certainly the first thing was to get us into the county computer system, utilizing Outlook and E-line and our SAP system. I clicked too fast there again.

The next thing we had to do was to repair our human infrastructure. First big step we had to do in order to do that was to centralize our administrative operations with staff enhancements, operations

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manager position was created, departmental controller position was created, human resources coordinator position was created and KIPHS, which is the system we utilize in the health department, KIPHS administrator will be put in place in a very short period of time. This was necessary in order to be able to do our business, which is public health. We had to get all of those administrative tasks out of the hands of our public health professional types and get it where it belonged.

Savings and efficiency, since January 1<sup>st</sup> of 2002 we've visited with you about this before, we've returned 12 cars at a \$96,000 saving, we've reduced rents about \$18,000 annually by closing a couple of offices, opening another one. We're also talking, we've spoke with you before, we're going to speak with you a lot more, as well as the Advisory Board of Health and folks around the community about possible consolidation of facilities. Some of our existing facilities, putting them together in perhaps one location in the south towns.

Strategic planning was actually put in place in late 2001 by Sedgwick County and it's continued on from there. The Sedgwick County strategic planning model is something that all departments in Sedgwick County utilize. As a result, we've been involved in several day-long leadership team sessions, task work groups, the environmental assessment, which is something that Sedgwick County does in several of its departments, was performed in the department as an outgrowth of that.

We've addressed the issue of management improvement and utilized the twelve question survey, which is something we used in the Appraiser's Office very successfully as a measurement tool. County processes and problem solving procedures were put in place with the help of our Human Resources department.

Collaboration is a very, very important thing for a public health agency, certainly any government agency and it's something that perhaps the health department could have done a better job on in the past. Among the organizations or groups where collaboration is in evidence is our MMRS group, bio-terrorism which takes up just about every segment of the community, SCAMU, our vision group, with the help of Debbie Donaldson from COMCARE. SCAMU is the group that works for the folks, the medically underserved folks in the community, Kansas Health Foundation, United Way of the Plains, SRS, COMCARE, Kansas Minority Health Advocacy Network, the Early Childhood Coordinating Council, several other agencies we've been working very closely with.

At this point, I will turn it over to Dr. Fredrickson.”

**Dr. Doren Fredrickson**, Health Officer, Sedgwick County Health Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, “And I'll briefly cover some of the specific health services and some of their costs in a brief review. Underlying many of our health services that are going to be presented

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here is this definition of health. It comes out of the United Nations World Health Organization and you'll see how this plays out. I think it meshes well with the County's vision statement also and it's that 'Health is more than the absence of disease, it's more than the treatment of disease, it's actually a state of complete physical, mental and social well-being'.

We have several programs at the health department. We actually have 20 direct service delivery programs. These include home nurse visitation, pre-natal care, a dental clinic, our WIC clinic, immunizations and cancer screening and then actually 14 others that can go on.

Our most interesting one was probably the Integrated Family Health Services and this has an emphasis on prevention, using home visiting nurses for high-risk families, usually mothers and babies. It costs about \$300 to \$1,750 per year, per family, 75% of that is grant-funded. Studies on this about the model that we're using here have shown that for participants the effects are 75% reduced verified reports of child abuse and neglect, significant decrease in maternal arrests and incarceration, fewer behavioral problems, less substance abuse. All the cost savings are actually recouped by age 4 of the babies and mothers and when fathers are involved, the fathers move off of Welfare into schools and jobs. So this is a great example of health and social issues combined in one.

Another one is the Epi Unit, which is for epidemiology, which comes from studying epidemics, although the epidemics of our current century are quite different from what they were 100 and 200 years ago. And this unit is on duty 24/7. It controls the MMRS and bio-terrorism units, ready to respond to threats of that nature. It deals with communicable disease outbreaks, West Nile Virus most recently and we're gearing up for West Nile this next summer and we have important plans in place for that, does patient counseling with patients with communicable diseases and of course it saves lives through these activities.

We have our most visible unit, our Health Promotion and Health Education Unit and this does communication, all of our PR, our media release and it's really active in the intra-departmental communication to make sure that we're being efficient. It had over 31,000 personal contacts this year, goes to fairs. In this case here, you can see we teach children to wash hands, we do a variety of things like that, produce a lot of pamphlets and health ed. It has a lot of potential for disease prevention.

Our prenatal care, we're very proud of this, we deliver prenatal care for mothers delivering 300 babies per year. For every baby that receives prenatal care and prevents low birth weight, we're actually saving \$300,000 to \$1,000,000 in direct hospital costs for very low birth weight babies. The hospitals are never reimbursed to this extent, so we're significantly reducing hospital losses and

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cost shifting, which they would do to other insurers and to the citizens to recoup their losses. So this is a very important thing, saves baby's lives and saves mother's lives. We're very proud of this clinic.

We have a dental care for children clinic and we have 33 very important volunteer dentists and oral surgeons from Sedgwick County that serve here. We serve hundreds of children each year. For every child in which a tooth abscess is prevented, we've saved \$4,500 to \$6,500, which is the direct operative cost for tooth abscess repair."

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "Where would all these savings come from? What organization would be having to spend the money on this child, had we not implemented that?"

**Dr. Fredrickson** said, "That's a good question. It's often, and in the case of the child, it would be Medicaid or the family themselves.

Some health investments, and this is a good example, do not have a direct dollar cost. This is our cancer screening, Free to Know program, which serves mainly low-income women and provides free diagnostic mammograms to eligible clients. It saves lives without necessarily saving dollars. Many of our programs do have dollar savings. This one does not. Luckily, this one is grant funded.

This is another sleepy song. This is our USDA, that Department of Agriculture, Special Supplemental Food program for Women, Infants and Children and hence W-I-C or WIC. It supports mothers, prenatal and postnatal, supports babies and small children and supports breastfeeding. It serves over 10,000 women and infants each year, produces large amounts of Medicaid savings because of reduced disease in the infants from breastfeeding and better nutrition and also better delivery outcomes during prenatal care for the mothers. Significantly reduces, national studies, premature birth and infant mortality.

Our best known program of course is the County's immunization program. We serve many people, 27,000 in fact last year we gave a lot of shots and we saved lives and dollars from the diseases and those of us who are old enough to remember those diseases: polio, diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis and the devastating effect those diseases used to have, they are very grateful that we have this program.

Well, Commissioner Sciortino asked a very important question regarding financing and savings and the costs I can address with this slide here and the cost to taxpayers. These are actually \$6.80 per year per resident, which is about 1.9 cents per day, per resident. Our budget is actually 30% local taxes and 70% grants and fees.

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Mr. Frantz will now take us into the future. Where are we going, Mr. Frantz?"

**Mr. Frantz** said, "Thanks, Dr. Fredrickson. So, where are we going from here, 2003 to the future? This is our plan for success and it's all about efficiency and finding our place in the community. We first of all have been working on solidifying our organizational structure and we've had great success in that to this point, minimizing costs, we had great success in that to this point, maximizing revenue sources is something that we've been working on. We've had some success in that, particularly with immunizations and working with local businesses. It certainly is a major part of our plan for success, to establish Sedgwick County's role in the health community, find out what it is that we're supposed to be doing and not try to do something that someone else is already doing just as well or better. And very importantly, and I've been visiting with all of you about this and all of you have shown a tremendous desire to be involved with this, establish our leadership position on key community health issues. And certainly down the road we want to acquire additional funding through grants, etcetera where it is applicable and where it makes sense and ultimately we're going to expand services in areas where needs exist and we won't expand in the areas where the need doesn't exist.

We'll be coming to you shortly after the first of the year with phase three and four of our reorganization and it all involves position reclassifications. It will all be self-funded with monies that we already have, positions in disease surveillance and integrated family health, WIC, health education, administrative services, nursing positions, clinical services.

This is what the current org chart looks like with the Board of County Commissioners, which is also the Board of Health and reporting to them the County Manager, the Health Department reporting to the County Manager and the Health Officer, which is an integral part of the Health Department both from a practical standpoint and also from a legal standpoint and we're very, very fortunate to have Dr. Fredrickson. He's made a major difference.

Another big Sedgwick County thing, getting Sedgwick County involved in the Health Department, investments in the work force. This is something that Sedgwick County is very well known for in government around the country and certainly in this community, even in the business side of it. Employee development programs are something that we've put in place with the help of Human Resources and with the County Manager's Office. Recruitment, we have found that to be a major issue because of the fact that so many of our clients are non-English speaking and so we're putting

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emphasis on recruiting folks that are bi-lingual and certainly improved personnel policies and procedures which are already in place for the most part. We're bringing in a new HR person to our department within the next couple of weeks.

Our future strategies, collaborate with the Board of County Commissioners, the Advisory Board of Health and other health partners to improve access to health services and insurance, major, major issue not in Sedgwick County or in the State of Kansas but around the country, access to health services and insurance, reduced insurance and health care costs and it's an epidemic and it's getting worse. The cost of health care, the cost of health insurance, it's important that we take a leadership role, see what we can do to get the community together on that issue. And continue programs for women and children where we've been very successful and we'd like to initiate programs for men and for seniors.

We'll also do some expanding and consolidating in the future, increasing hours from 8 to 7. Currently, we're open from 8 to 5 and I think we close the doors earlier than 5. Through our marketing and other efforts we're going to be finding more clients, doing a better job of letting people know who we are and what we do. We're going to be providing more services, again as needed. We have already identified areas where we can see more rent savings, saving more money with the properties that we lease for our health stations and a major, major, major part of what we do is getting out the word, marketing and that's something that we're going to put a great deal of effort into and we're very fortunate to have Pat McDonald and her people who are very, very good at this.

We talked to you about this before, the academic public health model, this is something that actually started before I got there, Bill Buchanan and his folks were working with the K.U. Med School. This is something that is very unique in this country where a health department, a local health department works together with a university and so I'm not afraid to use the word unique. It certainly leverages resources between the two, adds a tremendous amount of value for, in our case, the people of Sedgwick County and it balances research and practice. In other words, we're going to get to utilize their resources to help us and they're going to get to use what we do and the work that they do with us for research purposes. It's also a good way of getting money, which is nice also.

Public health policy development, and this is something that I think was lacking, I know was lacking before and it's all about leadership and again, we're fortunate that we have a Board of County Commissioners and a County Manager and a Manager's staff that are dedicated to leadership in the community in this area. We've spoken with all of you about this and our leadership role will no doubt expand into areas of rising health care costs and we've been visiting with Commissioner Norton and others on this subject already, the problems of the uninsured and the ever growing number of underinsured people in this community and around the country. Business

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partnerships very important at Sedgwick County and the Sedgwick County Health Department, get more involved with the business community to address these issues and work together with them and special populations, there's all sorts of folks out there in the community that we need to put more time and effort into considering their needs.

This is what it's all about, from our perspective, and I think I echo not only the thoughts of the people in our department, but also in Sedgwick County as well. Sedgwick County Health Department is about leadership. It's about investments in human capital and it's about investments in the community. Got a little Queen there. We're going to close with Queen. Questions?"

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "Jerry, I don't see . . . Yes, I do see a question. Commissioner Norton."

**Commissioner Norton** said, "Not really a question, just a comment. It's interesting that we just came out of the KAC meetings and one of the topics that we probably could have gone on for most of the day had to do with rising health care costs and particularly costs to counties to provide employee benefits and the health care and dental realm and, you're right, it's pervasive throughout the country. I think it may turn out to be the number one public policy issue in the nation for the next two or three years and hopefully we'll have the wherewithal and the guts to attack it here locally and let the Health Department be a big part of that, as we continue to see people not have insurance, to be under-insured or not insured, they're going to go somewhere and it's going to be to the health clinics, it's going to be into the capacity that you have to serve them on a free or limited pay basis and we need to be prepared to deal with that as a county and it looks like we've taken some bold steps already, but I would urge the commission to not be timid on this issue, because it is going to be a huge problem in the next two to five years, if it's not already there today. So, thanks."

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "Thank you. I don't see that we have any other comments. I'll just say, Jerry, that this Board has really seen your presence at the Health Department. We think that you're doing a very good job in reorganizing it and making it truly a Sedgwick County Health Department and you're to be commended on that. Commissioner Gwin."

**Commissioner Gwin** said, "Just real quickly, besides what you've shown us today, I would hope that those of you that have been with the Health Department for a while found the transition from where you were to where you are now to be an easy transition, I hope, to be a positive transition, to be one that works for you or that you see that there are better ways to do business. Your commitment to the organization, your commitment to the Health Department means untold amounts of things to this community and for you to stay there and to go through transitions I know are not easy but I hope that you do see positive changes and appreciate your commitment to the people of this county through your employment in that very important role. So, thank you all."

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**Chairman Sciortino** said, “Okay. Commissioners, what’s the will of the Board on this item?”

**MOTION**

Commissioner Norton moved to receive and file.

Commissioner Gwin seconded the Motion.

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

**VOTE**

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

**Chairman Sciortino** said, “Thank you very much, Jerry.”

**Mr. Frantz** said, “I want to close with one word, prevention.”

**Commissioner Gwin** said, “Thank you, Gerald. I’ll go get my flu shot now.”

**Chairman Sciortino** said, “Next item please.”

**2. AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT WITH KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT PROVIDING CONTINUED DISTRIBUTION OF SMOKE DETECTORS THROUGH THE KANSAS FIRE INJURY PREVENTION PROGRAM.**

**Ms. Pat MacDonald**, Director of Community Education, Health Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, “Probably one of the longer term people there, and I can assure you Ms. Gwin, that yes we’re thrill to be with the County and I assure my people from the City that we work

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elbow to elbow with the same building that there is life on the other side, in fact it's better and I encourage them to come over to the County.

I'm here to ask to extend the contract for the smoke detectors, the deadline date. We'll get no more money for this but the KDHE said we still have a few more smoke detectors left and we're still making the follow up phone calls and so they said as long as you have the money to pay the person, we can go till March 30<sup>th</sup> now, so we're asking for that extension of the contract."

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "Okay."

**MOTION**

Commissioner Norton moved to approve the Amendment to Contract and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

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

**VOTE**

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

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "Thank you very much, Pat. Next item."

**3. AGREEMENT WITH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 259 (USD 259)  
FOR HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE HEPATITIS B  
IMMUNIZATIONS FOR USD 259 STAFF.**

**Ms. Pamela Martin**, Director, Clinical Services, Health Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "This agenda item is an agreement with the Unified School District for the Sedgwick County Health Department to provide Hepatitis B immunizations.

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The Sedgwick County Health Department immunization staff will provide Hepatitis B immunizations for the staff of USD 259 as directed by the District. This agreement represents the fourth year that the Sedgwick County Health Department has contracted with USD 259 for this service. The shots will be provided to the USD 259 staff at any of the Sedgwick County Health Department locations. Financial considerations, the Sedgwick County Health Department will provide 50 shots at a price of \$40 per shot for a total of 2,000.

In regards to legal considerations, the agreement has been reviewed by the County Counselor's Office. As far as our recommended action, we are asking the Board for the approval of this agreement with the Unified School District USD 259 and authorize the Chair to sign."

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "Thank you. I don't see that there's any comments on this."

**MOTION**

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

Commissioner Norton seconded the Motion.

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

**VOTE**

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

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "Thank you very much. Next item."

**D. CREATION OF AN ENTERPRISE RESOURCE PLANNING (ERP) DEPARTMENT.**

**1. ADDITIONS TO THE ERP STAFFING TABLE.**

- **ONE ERP BUSINESS MANAGER POSITION, RANGE 31**
- **FOUR ERP BUSINESS ANALYST POSITIONS, RANGE 29**
- **ONE ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST POSITION, RANGE 19**

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**2. DELETIONS FROM STAFFING TABLES.**

- **ONE FINANCIAL PROJECT ASSISTANT POSITION, RANGE 18, FROM THE DIVISION OF FINANCE STAFFING TABLE**
- **ONE VAN/BUS DRIVER POSITION, RANGE 15; ONE ASSISTANT CASE MANAGER POSITION, RANGE 13; AND ONE OFFICE SPECIALIST POSITION, RANGE 15; FROM THE DIVISION OF HUMAN SERVICES STAFFING TABLE**
- **ONE SENIOR ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN POSITION, RANGE 19, FROM THE PUBLIC WORKS STAFFING TABLE**
- **ONE PROGRAMMER POSITION, RANGE 23, FROM THE DIVISION OF INFORMATION AND OPERATIONS (DIO) STAFFING TABLE**
- **ONE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY HEALTH POSITION; AND TWO EQUIPMENT OPERATOR POSITIONS, RANGE 17; FROM THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT STAFFING TABLE**
- **TWO REAL PROPERTY APPRAISER II POSITIONS, RANGE 19, FROM THE APPRAISER'S STAFFING TABLE**

**3. FUNDING TRANSFERS FROM THE DIVISIONS OF FINANCE, HUMAN SERVICES AND DIO, AND PUBLIC WORKS, HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND APPRAISER TO FUND A 2003 ERP DEPARTMENT BUDGET OF \$501,412.**

**Mr. Chris Chronis**, Chief Financial Officer, Division of Finance, greeted the Commissioners and said, "About two years ago, the County began a project to acquire Enterprise Resource Planning software. This is a fairly sophisticated software that provides an integrated financial and human resources business application for the County. After a fairly elaborate process, we selected the software that is designed by a company called SAP and proceeded to install first the financial applications. Those applications went live in the County last January 1<sup>st</sup>, as you know. Phase two of the applications for HR and payroll is scheduled to go live and will go live about a month from now, towards the end of December.

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For the tenth month or so that we have been using the financial system, the software has been maintained. Our users, some 350 users throughout the county have been trained by staffers who have been diverted from their regular assignments. These are the same people who implemented the software for us. We have found, through experience, that that solution simply isn't going to work, so the item that's before you today is an action to authorize the creation of an ERP department. This is a department that is dedicated to the task of providing ongoing education and training for users of the software, will provide problem resolution to those users as they encounter either operational or system difficulties in the trying to use the software and they will apply what are called patches that are sent down by SAP periodically, typically once a month or so we get a modification of the software and there's a very elaborate process that has to be gone through to install that patch on our existing applications without disrupting business operations.

And so the action before you authorizes the establishment of an ERP department. The department would be staffed by six positions and you have those positions before you. We think it's important that this effort not be a cost addition to the County and it is not. The budget for the operation, if you approve it, will be funded by the transfer of funds and positions from elsewhere in the County. And you have before you the list of those positions. We have identified positions that are less important to the County operation in the CFO's Office, in Aging, COMCARE, Engineering, DIO, the Health Department and the Appraiser's Office and all of those division and department heads have recognized the importance of this to the County and have agreed to have those positions eliminated and the funding of those positions transferred to fund this new department.

Now, we are ten months down the road with the financial application and this was a very significant investment for the County. The total ERP project is some 6.1 million dollars. That was the original budget that was set about two years ago, two and a half years ago and we will complete the project, based on current projections, slightly under that budget.

We have seen some fairly significant enhancements to our operations in the ten months that we have been using the financial systems. You may recall that we have started awarding little prizes to departments that provide particular improvements that we think have applicability throughout the organization. EMS for example received what we call an Einstein Award for their improvements in the inventory management system. Using SAP, using the ERP system, they have been able to find ways to reduce the amount of time and the amount of cost therefore that are involved in maintaining their inventory system that's used to stock all of their ambulances and it frees up staff time to be on the streets, to provide services, direct services to the citizenry.

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In terms of financial management, there have been significant enhancements from this software, where in the legacy system, prior to January 1<sup>st</sup>, we were able to account for our business activities across at most 80 funds and departments. We now are able to account for costs in more than 500 fund centers, much more precise identification of the cost of providing service to our citizens and therefore better decision making about those services.

We are able to provide much better internal controls over the use of County finances, so that errors or the potential for fraud that might have occurred in the old system simply cannot occur now because the system precludes it, it prevents those things from happening.

We also have much more accurate and much more timely information, financial information that's available to managers throughout the organization for their needs. In the legacy system that was used prior to January the 1<sup>st</sup>, people could see how much they had spent against their budget once a month for the prior month ten days after the end of the month. So the data was ten days old before people ever saw it. In effect, it was obsolete before it was available for use. The system that we're using now is real time. People push a button to pull a report down, today this minute and they're seeing expenditures as of the last minute. They are seeing their current state of affairs and so they can make very precise decisions about the use of funds and we think that is a significant enhancement to our operations.

Those are just some of the improvements that we have realized to date. There will be many more as time passes. As I said, the Human Resources and payroll system is scheduled to go on-line about a month from today and we expect significant improvements in our payroll operations and in our administration of employee benefits as a result of that and we'll be talking more about those in the coming months. But if there are no questions, I would recommend your approval of the action that's before you."

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "Thank you, Chris. I don't see that there's any questions. So what's the will of the Board on this item?"

**Commissioner Norton** said, "Do we need to take these separately, additions or deletions, or can we take them all at once?"

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "Mr. Euson?"

**Mr. Richard Euson**, County Counselor, said, "You can take them all at once."

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "Okay. Wait a minute. Okay, so we actually took items D-1, 2 and 3 all as one item. Okay, let me just ask one question before we make the Motion. If I understood you

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right, this is just revenue neutral to us. We've deleted funds . . .”

**Mr. Chronis** said, “There is no net cost impact to the County.”

**Chairman Sciortino** said, “I understand. Go ahead.”

**MOTION**

Commissioner Norton moved approve creation of the ERP Department, and related staffing table adjustments and funding transfers.

Chairman 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 Carolyn McGinn	Absent
Chairman Ben Sciortino	Aye

**Chairman Sciortino** said, “Thank you very much, Chris. Next item.”

**E. RESOLUTION DEFINING THE TERM “CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS” IN CONNECTION WITH THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS COLLECTED FROM THE TAX IMPOSED PURSUANT TO K.S.A. 12-5302.**

**Mr. Bob Lamkey**, Director, Division of Public Safety, greeted the Commissioners and said, “Chairman, it’s good to see you back in action.”

**Chairman Sciortino** said, “It’s not as good from this side of the Bench, but I’m here.”

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**Mr. Lamkey** said, “We’re glad of that. As a matter of background, K.S.A. 12-5302 authorizes the expenditure of the 911 telephone tax for charges for, and I quote ‘capital improvements and equipment or other physical enhancements to the emergency telephone system’. However, applicable statutes do not define capital improvements in this context. In order to provide a framework for the appropriate expenditure of collected funds for capital improvements to the emergency telephone system, we propose you adopt a resolution that uses your home rule authority to define capital improvements for this purpose as ‘charges and costs for architectural services, engineering, construction, whether by lease or purchase, in connection with the lease, purchase, building, remodeling or refurbishing of the following items in connection with emergency telephone system: real property including land and improvements, personal property including furniture, fixtures and equipment, and bond payments in connection with these expenditures’.

I recommend that you adopt and sign the resolution and if you have any questions I will be happy to answer them.”

**Chairman Sciortino** said, “We do have some questions or comments. Commissioner Winters.”

**Commissioner Winters** said, “Thank you. I just have one quick question for Rich Euson. Rich, your office participated in drawing up this item and you’re supportive of us taking this action today?”

**Mr. Euson** said, “Yes, we’re supportive of it, Commissioners, subjects to the comments that we have made in closed session and otherwise.”

**Commissioner Winters** said, “Okay, thank you.”

**Chairman Sciortino** said, “Any other questions or comments? What’s the will of the Board please on this item?”

### **MOTION**

Commissioner Gwin moved to adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Norton seconded the Motion.

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

### **VOTE**

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

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "Thank you very much, Bob. Next item."

**F. AMENDMENT TO THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP) TO INCLUDE A PLANNING STUDY FOR ADULT DETENTION.**

**POWERPOINT PRESENTATION**

**Mr. Pete Giroux**, Senior Management Analyst, Budget Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "This morning we've got an amendment to the CIP and I will be brief, so essentially a two-slide briefing. This is a study to evaluate expansion of the Adult Detention Facility. It will look at the 1996 plan, which plan to add two three-pod towers, will look at the appropriate housing types that ought to be in any facility expansion. Based on our past and projected requirements and look at the expansion options in the contiguous properties because there's been some changes since the 1996 plan.

It will cost \$71,500 and our fund source is from our operating reserves. Are there any questions?"

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "I believe there are. Commissioner Winters."

**Commissioner Winters** said, "I don't have a question of Pete. If somebody has a question of him, they can ask it. I just have some comments."

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "Okay. I don't see that we have a question. Pete, I don't know if I should ask you this question or Gary, because I know he's here. I for one would love, when we're doing this study, to try to figure out the mix of the increases that we're having in our population, you know male to female, that's a different set of circumstances, non-felonious to felonious crimes is another set of circumstances to determine where our problem exists and if the large increase of population is coming from minor offenses, then I would hope that they would at least entertain at least a separate facility to house those types of inmates, freeing up our existing facilities to house the maximum security people because I think it would be easier if we all of the sudden needed to find a place for . . . if we had a separate facility for minor offenses and we were overloaded, it

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would probably be easier to transport that person to a maximum security place but if you're overloaded in maximum, you can't put them in a minimum security."

**Commissioner Winters** said, "Could I make my comments and then maybe if the Sheriff wants to say something."

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "Okay, sure. I'm sorry. Commissioner Winters."

**Commissioner Winters** said, "Well, I just wanted to say that I am going to be supportive of this item today to do this study and I've appreciated Sheriff Steed and his staff very much because we've all been asking questions. Sheriff Steed has been very forthcoming, very open with information that he has been able to provide us. This sheriff, Sheriff Steed has been a real team player with the Commissioners and with the Manager and the manager's staff and we appreciate that very much. As we look at this item today, from just what we can see, I mean it's been presented by the Finance Department and it's going to be handed off to engineers and architects and I really do want, and I assured the Sheriff, that I want answers to these questions that Pete had up on the board. Do we look at the pods here or there or what and I think we need those answers and I'm going to be supportive of this item. But I'd like to ask the Manager to come back to us in two weeks with a report telling us if we should and how we could do some parallel study to answer some of those questions that you asked, Mr. Chairman and those would be are there some alternatives to detention in this fully secure detention facility that we've got. And again, I want to assure Sheriff Steed that we need to know the options on how the physical plan would look, if we decided to do something there.

But along with what you've suggested, there's three areas that I'd like more information about. One is are there any innovative counties around the country doing something that we haven't thought of. Secondly, if there is a way that we can use drug courts to some larger extent and mental health courts to some larger extent.

In the past, I've mentioned these items and I've got the response, 'Well, you do the drugs, you do the time' and these items are way too expensive for us to do. Well, we've been doing things the same way and we've been getting the same answer and the results. So, I'm ready to ask that question again and as to the expense, well the road we're on is going to be pretty darn expensive in doing physical expansion and staffing expansion.

So, again, I want to assure Sheriff Steed and his staff that I'm confident that they're doing all they can do with the resources they've got to keep people out of that detention facility. But I'd like to know if we could run a parallel study or if these questions can be incorporated into the study that we're going to do and do it with more than just architects and engineers. Now, I love architects and

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engineers and I'm sure they can design a world class facility but are we going to have people looking at some of these other issues like some kind of innovative ways to keep people in different facilities and drug courts and mental health courts.

So, I'm going to, after we have some discussion, I'm going to ask your support to ask the Manager to come back in two weeks with another report asking us if we should put more resources into this particular study."

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "Well, in hearing what you're saying, are we getting the cart before the horse, asking for architects to design a specific facility, until we determine what our needs are?"

**Mr. William Buchanan**, County Manager, greeted the Commissioners and said, "If it would please the Commission, I think it is appropriate for us to begin now taking a look at the current site. County Commissioners, in the late '80s, began developing that site, purchased the appropriate amount of property that they thought would hold several expansions. In the meantime, that site . . . We have room to expand north. We have room to expand, because of the abandonment of the railroad, there would be a way to go to the west or other alternatives and I think, at this point, that it is not the cart before the horse, it is either the horse or the cart, but we need them both and I would recommend that we proceed with this process, taking a look. And the work is very specific to that site. There are other questions that need to be answered and Sheriff Steed I'm sure can address some of those. We've already begun talking about those kinds of things that you've addressed. So, I would suggest that we proceed with this agenda item."

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "All right. Gary, why don't you come up because I think what you're hearing from this Board is we want to be as supportive as we possibly can to establish something that will be a long-term solution, not just a short-term solution. What are some of your thoughts?"

**Sheriff Gary Steed**, said, "Well, I appreciate the comments from Commissioner Winters. We certainly have tried to be a team player and tried to help look at some of these issues as a County. You know, it's not just a problem for the Sheriff but it's a problem for you and our community as well. And we want to be part of the solution to that. But it is a very complex problem. The inmate population and the cost of the facilities and the different types of housing and stuff and it's a bunch of balls that we have to juggle and we have to balance them and we have to evaluate them and we have to determine what we're going to do, in terms of resolving this issue and I would propose that maybe we're not just looking at a single addition but perhaps a phase of additions. There's a lot of aspects out there that we could look at. Perhaps we would embark on a process of building a few beds every year to meet the needs. So I think that there's a lot to look at.

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My deputies are experts of managing the jail and they're very good at predicting inmate populations, based on our history but we need help with that. We need engineers and we need architects that can tell us what options cost and what's available. We certainly have programs available now that we are working through. The inmate population goes up about 10 inmates per month, and that's despite the fact that we have a number of programs in place. We have house arrest, we have electronic monitoring, we have parole, we have probation, we work very closely with the judges. Those inmate populations are going up, along with our in custody populations also. So we are making use of those.

Mr. Lamkey was involved in some of the studies where we evaluated programs and looked at new programs and I think has provided some information to you but we have reviewed a number of programs to look for new programs and I think we're doing pretty much what is going on across the country and there are some things that could be looked at, in terms of drug courts and things like that.

But you're exactly right, Commissioner. We need to stop and look at all the balls and all the issues, we need to balance them a little bit. We need to look at the cost of those and the benefits of those. The options of a second facilities are certainly a part of the mix but where that facility would go would be another question that all of these people are going to be involved in. I'm sure the County Manager and yourselves are going to want to be involved in that also. So, where it would go is an issue."

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "Well Gary, let me ask you one question and then I know there's a couple of other questions. Some of us are having the sense that some of the . . . or the most dramatic increase in inmates come from the non-felonious type of crimes. Is there any truth to that?"

**Sheriff Steed** said, "Well, my facility is a mix of all types of inmates. We're the only facility, the only jail in town and we book for all of the small cities in Sedgwick County. We book for the City of Wichita. We book for all of the cases that go to the District Court for Sedgwick County. We book for the FBI, the Drug Enforcement Agency, the U.S. Marshals, so we have a mix. We have misdemeanors in our . . . and I can't tell you the numbers off the top of my head, but we have misdemeanors in the facility, we have felons in the facility, we have inmates in our facility that are waiting to go to the penitentiary.

As an example, we supply about 30% of the inmates that go to the Department of Corrections come from Sedgwick County and those are the 30% of the supply of newly convicted inmates. We have about 30% of the supply of parole violators that go to the Department of Corrections. So we have some relatively large numbers of people convicted and ready for going to the penitentiary in our

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facility. We have Community Corrections inmates in our facility that are waiting to go to Community Corrections. We have a work release facility and the work release facilities most of the DUIs and the misdemeanor offenders that are over in our work release facility. We don't have felons on our work release program. But we have all types of inmates and the inmate populations are like a giant amoeba and we try to get our arms around it and we try to manage it and sometimes it pops out over here and it's Department of Corrections inmates that are backed up because they have a shortage of beds on the state level. And sometimes it backs up over here and we have to go get the arm of the amoeba because it's Community Corrections inmates and sometimes its city inmates. So, it's a mix and it varies. About all you can ever do is take a snapshot of that inmate population and see what it is at that time.

I have a couple of deputies that spend all their time managing the population and trying to get those inmates out that are reasonable to get out. They work with the judges and they work with Community Corrections and they do that constantly and I'm pretty satisfied that the inmates that are in our facility, with the exception of a few perhaps that are in there for short periods of time, I'm pretty satisfied that if you and I sit down and went through the logs of the inmates that are in there that you and I would agree with the judges who let these inmates out that those inmates that are in there probably belong in there for some reason or another."

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "Okay. Commissioner Gwin."

**Commissioner Gwin** said, "Thank you. Just to bring up something. The Chairman and I, earlier this year, got a . . . had a luncheon with some folks and got a proposal for an alternative solution. I've passed that on to assistant county manager Kathy Sexton. A little sketchy, certainly limited in its detail and it was not a site here, it was a site somewhere else and the site hadn't been identified either, but I think since Tom and I have been through the expansion of the jail once and I won't be here to expand this one, but I certainly agree with Commissioner Winters. If this is the time to think about the needs for the Sheriff and for his folks, it's also the time to look at what else might there be, what else is possible, what do we need to do more of. If we have programs in place, can they be expanded? Give me the whole gamut of opportunities here to make the right decision and I think, too, as we've talked before about the prevention programs, as we were expanding that adult jail, it was the prevention funding that came shortly after that because I think each of us felt so frustrated, as I know the Sheriff and his folks do, of continuing to build beds knowing that they'll fill way before you expect them to and it is a chronic problem that I don't know this community can

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solve it by ourselves. I'm sure other communities face it too, but this really is the time, I think, to look at everything we do, certainly look at that site, consider the inmates and all those other things, but I'm going to support the study, but my best advice to you is open your eyes and get outside the box and look to see what else might be also an answer. Adding to the Adult Detention Facility may be the answer. There may be other answers that could go with it too. Thank you, Mr. Chairman."

**Sheriff Steed** said, "Commissioner, one of the short-term fixes that we've done, as you well know because you've approved the funding a couple of weeks ago, is we expanded our work release facility by double-bunking 43 beds I think it was."

**Commissioner Gwin** said, "Thank you for that."

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "Commissioner Norton."

**Commissioner Norton** said, "Well, I don't want to belabor this, but I will be supportive of Tom's recommendation. I think we have to look A to Z to find what all the good solutions are and if we don't discover anything, then at least we'll know that we've taken that extra effort to support the Sheriff and what we need to do."

The Sheriff had given Tom and I a pretty good stack, that picture you're talking about, of all the felons and misdemeanors and I think I passed it around. I read every page of it and you know what, it was damning to try to figure out if any of those people didn't need to be incarcerated because you may see them being picked up on a license plate violation and then you see the rap sheet of the seven other things that they're there for and I don't know how you figure it all out. I'm certainly not smart enough. I think we do need to benchmark and look at other communities, other ways of doing things, try to think outside the box.

But the truth is, there is a problem in society today and you know what, it is our charge to deal with that and if jail is part of it, so be it. It's expensive and until society decides to change their ways and to solve this, law enforcement is not going to do it, public policy people aren't going to do it, society is going to do it. We just deal with the end result, not all the problems that bring us to this point and you know, we're going to have to keep making public policy decisions until the public decides that we don't need to make these decisions any more. So, I'm going to be supportive of Tom and, if we have to build another jail, so be it. Thanks, Mr. Chair."

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "Okay. Well, I also will support this because it's kind of dovetailing pretty closely with where I would like to go. This is the time to find all the alternatives, all the solutions. I think this idea, and I don't know if Tom was talking about even hiring a consultant to go in and evaluate where we may be ten years from now, five years from now, but we need to think out of the box. We need to think long-term and now is the time to kind of walk slow and get as

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much information as we possibly can with the one goal in mind of assisting the Sheriff in managing a problem that isn't going to go away just by us wishing or hoping that it would. This idea about perhaps a separate facility for lesser offenders or something, I don't know if it has any merit or not.

I know there are people that need to be in jail but that maybe aren't a true menace to society that if they were out they were going to kill us or rape or pillage or murder, but they need to be in jail to pay for their consequences of whatever they did. And I think this is the time to do that and I'm going to support your efforts and would look to you now, if you're ready to make a Motion."

**Commissioner Winters** said, "I am and what I think I would like to do is make a Motion on this item that we have for us today, because I'd like Sheriff Gary Steed and his staff and the community to know that we're supporting this and then I'd like to make a second Motion asking the Manager to do some things for us."

**MOTION**

Commissioner Winters moved to approve the CIP amendment.

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 Carolyn McGinn	Absent
Chairman Ben Sciortino	Aye

**MOTION**

Commissioner Winters moved to request that the County Manager give us a report in two weeks that would recommend whether we should or should not spend extra resources to explore any other innovative ideas that are happening around the country, secondly drug

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court and the third, mental health courts or is there a way they can be incorporated into this study that we've taken action on today.

Commissioner Norton seconded the Motion.

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "Is that clear enough instructions to you?"

**Commissioner Winters** said, "Do we have a meeting in two weeks?"

**Mr. Buchanan** said, "Yes we do."

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "Okay. And you may want to come back individually and visit with us and let's work this through, because now is the time to just walk slow, but with a purposeful direction as to where we want to get to and the end result is we want to support this man in how to maintain this problem, opportunity but this situation exists and we can't just blink it away. So, we have a Motion and we have a second, so Clerk, call . . . what Item are we calling it on? Secondary Motion on Item F I guess."

**VOTE**

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

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "Okay, Gary, thank you very much. Next item please."

**G. KANSAS COLISEUM MONTHLY REPORT.**

**POWERPOINT PRESENTATION**

**Mr. John Nath**, Director, Kansas Coliseum, greeted the Commissioners and said, "For the month of October, we had a total attendance of 40,587 people, 15 events, 24 individual performances. Net revenues were in excess of \$234,000. Now out of that \$234,000, \$99,000 of that was from Select-a-Seat and I'll get into that a little bit later in my report but that's interesting to talk about.

Things that we had this month, we started out with Chonda Pierce, who was a Christian comedian. Had almost 2,500 people in attendance at her concerts. Went into a gospel concert with Kirk

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Franklin. Had nearly 1,700 folks in attendance for that and, as a recognition to our agricultural heritage, we had the Poppin' Johnnies, which is a very popular show that we do every year. Had 11,500 people over the four-day event. World Wrestling entertainment returned, nearly 3,300 folks for that for a house show and then we had five Thunder Hockey games with a total attendance of 12,474.

Coming up, we've got . . . This weekend is kind of interesting, we have hockey Friday, basketball Saturday and we have a Korn concert, which is a rock and roll group, on Sunday. But coming up Manheim Steamroller November 30, sold out, completely sold out. Martina McBride December 1<sup>st</sup>, there's about 600 tickets left for that show and then we have Aerosmith coming up on December 6<sup>th</sup>. We have about 700 tickets left for that show. So we've been pretty fortunate this year, which really shows in the revenues. It looks like we're going to have a pretty good year, we're pretty confident with that.

Last month, Commissioner Norton asked me about some questions about revenues and that's coming out really well. We'll try to improve on that next time. But when you look at our revenues and the different areas that we get it, obviously concessions is the big revenue producer and rent being the second largest revenue producer. But when you look at Select-a-Seat, which is 21% of our total revenues, this is so far this year. That's significant but it's also pretty unique, because 99.9% of the arenas, stadiums, coliseums in the world do not own and operate their own ticket system. They contract that out. We, by virtue of owning the ticket system and getting other clients on the system, that helps us to keep the tax burden off the taxpayer's back. We pay our own way. That's a significant part of our revenues.

Advertising is another one that was not in existence several years ago. It is now 5% of what we're doing and then we have some camper park revenues and some other miscellaneous things. But with the big three there are of course concessions, rental fees we get on the facility and Select-a-Seat and you'll see the Select-a-Seat number grow as we go on. The Internet has really taken off. We're getting several new clients on the system, such as selling the tickets for Texas Tech University on the Internet for the George Strait show and we're going to go up and talk to Salina in the next couple of weeks, both with the bi-centennial center and the new theater that's opening up up there. And if there's any questions, I'd be happy to answer them at this time."

**Commissioner Norton** said, "I just have one comment. I think . . . that's what I wanted to see. Thank you, John. I think it's important that that 21% could eventually be 50%, if you're entrepreneurial enough because we have the capacity to grow that, just like you're doing and you know what, we could become a regional Select-a-Seat center very easily with the right attitude and the right entrepreneurial spirit and I think that's very encouraging, as you look to the future at ways

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to offset costs and to create revenue sources. That may be the way to do it and I think you've already struck on that but I think the public needs to know that we're not sitting on our hands at the Coliseum. That we're trying to find those other things that you can do to build capacity out there. So I'm real proud of what you've done and that really shows it in a dynamic way. Thanks."

**Mr. Nath** said, "It's an educational process for the public. They're learning to get their tickets in advance, instead of walking up the night of the show, as evidenced by the three shows that we have coming up. Manheim is already gone. There's very few left for Martina and there's very few left for Aerosmith. People are going and getting them in advance and they're going to the outlets and they're going to the phones and they're going to the Internet to get them."

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "They're paying a convenience fee to do that also."

**Mr. Nath** said, "That is correct. That is at their option. That's right."

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "Well, it just goes to prove that if you can make something more convenient for someone, they're going to be willing to pay a little bit more money for it. Okay, what's the will of the Board on this item?"

**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 Carolyn McGinn	Absent

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Chairman Ben Sciortino

Aye

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "Thank you very much, John. Good report. Next item please."

**H. PUBLIC WORKS.**

- 1. INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH CITY OF MULVANE, KANSAS AND ROCKFORD TOWNSHIP FOR CONSTRUCTION OF 111<sup>TH</sup> STREET SOUTH (MULVANE) BETWEEN ROCK ROAD AND WEBB ROAD. CIP# R-293. DISTRICT #5.**

**Mr. David Spears**, Director/County Engineer, Public Works, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Item H-1 is an interlocal agreement between Sedgwick County and the City of Mulvane regarding the construction of 111<sup>th</sup> Street South between Rock Road and Webb Road, designated as R-293 in the Capital Improvement Program. The City of Mulvane will pay \$660,000 to the county for 50% of the design and construction to upgrade the road from two-lane rural to two-lane urban standards, with turning lanes at the Rock Road and Webb Road intersections. An amendment to the CIP was authorized by the Board of County Commissioners meeting on August 2. I recommend that you approve the agreement and authorize the Chairman to sign, if he's able to do so."

**Commissioner Gwin** said, "I'll have to sign on his behalf."

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "Betsy has got a new name. It's Betsy Gwinfor. Whenever it comes up my name, she signs Betsy Gwin for, so her new name is Betsy Gwinfor. Okay, Commissioners, what's the will of the Board on this item please?"

**Commissioner Norton** said, "I'll make the Motion. I do support this. This was something that . . . one of the batons I actually kind of passed to Chairman Sciortino when he took over that part of . . . we did the redistricting and I'm very supportive of that. I think it's going to be very positive for the south side and for Mulvane and that is a very heavily traveled road, with the sports complex down there. And as Mulvane continues to grow, between Rock and Webb, this is going to be an important thoroughfare and I think will probably stimulate some growth, residential growth along that area, that corridor. So, I'll make the Motion."

**MOTION**

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

Chairman Sciortino seconded the Motion.

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "And I agree with you. I think that baton was given to you from Bill

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Hancock and then you had it and you handed it to me. But one of the things that they're looking into the future, that road is actually going to be built, county-grade, curb and guttered, which will actually enhance further development of new homes and what have you, which will make a new tax base for both of us, so I'm very happy to Second this Motion. Did you have any other comments on that? Clerk, call the roll."

**VOTE**

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

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "Thank you. Next item."

- 2. CONTRACT WITH MKEC ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS, INC. TO PROVIDE DESIGN ENGINEERING SERVICES IN CONJUNCTION WITH SEDGWICK COUNTY PROJECT 646-32; 111<sup>TH</sup> STREET SOUTH (MULVANE) BETWEEN ROCK ROAD AND WEBB ROAD. CIP# R-293. DISTRICT #5.**

**Mr. Spears** said, "Relating to the same project, this is a contract with MKEC Engineering Consultants to provide engineering services for the Sedgwick County road project on 111<sup>th</sup> Street South between Rock Road and Webb Road, designated as R-293 in the Capital Improvement Program. The total cost of this engineering service shall not exceed \$120,000. I recommend that you approve the contract and authorize the Chairman to sign."

**MOTION**

Commissioner Norton moved to approve the Contract and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Commissioner Gwin seconded the Motion.

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

**VOTE**

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

**Chairman Sciortino** said, “Thank you, David. Next item.”

- 3. RESOLUTION DESIGNATING BRIDGE WEIGHT REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS; PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS; AND RESCINDING ALL PREVIOUS DESIGNATIONS OF BRIDGE WEIGHT POSTING REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL COUNTY BRIDGES WITH SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS. ALL DISTRICTS.**

**Mr. Spears** said, “This resolution updates the bridge weight posting requirements for all County maintained bridges. The basic changes are a direct result of the construction of new bridges in 2002. We have a total of 653 bridges of which 133 are posted, 4 are closed and 516 are open. Open load limit bridges are defined as those bridges that can handle any Kansas legal load. As far as posted bridges are concerned, in 1985 we had 318 and as of this date we have 133, which is a significant reduction over a time period of 17 years.

As a matter of information, this year we constructed 10 new bridges by contract, 1 federal aid project and another 6 with our bridge crew. This resolution designates bridge weight posting requirements for all of our bridges in accordance with procedures outlined by the Kansas Department of Transportation. Therefore, we will remain eligible for federal funds. I recommend that you adopt the resolution.”

**MOTION**

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Commissioner Norton moved to adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

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

**VOTE**

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

**Chairman Sciortino** said, “Thank you. Next item.”

**4. MODIFICATION OF PLANS AND CONSTRUCTION, REQUEST NUMBER ONE AND FINAL, ON SEDGWICK COUNTY PROJECT – 2002 MISCELLANEOUS HOTMIX OVERLAYS. CIP# R-181. ALL DISTRICTS.**

**Mr. Spears** said, “Item H-4 is a modification of plans and construction for the 2002 miscellaneous hotmix overlays. This project has been constructed and is ready to be ‘finaled out’. There will be a net decrease of \$2,592.23 due to variations in plan quantities from actual field measurements. I recommend that you approve the modification and authorize the Chairman to sign. And for your information, it was one project this year and it was one at 83<sup>rd</sup> and Hillside, which we did do something special there. I don’t want to talk too long, but we put a wire mesh in the asphalt, which is the first time in Kansas that has been done. It’s something that’s been done back east and it’s sort of an experimental deal we’re doing down there.”

**Chairman Sciortino** said, “That will be, hopefully, able to do what? What was the purpose for the . . .?”

**Mr. Spears** said, “Well, on that curve, it hadn’t been too long, a few years, just a few years since we had redone that intersection and what happens is the cars taking the curve at such a speed tends to push the pavement out, cars and trucks I might add and it was our hope that the wire mesh will

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stabilize that and help.”

**Chairman Sciortino** said, “Sounds great. Okay, Commissioners, what’s the will of the Board on this item?”

**MOTION**

Commissioner Norton moved to approve the Modification of Plans and Construction and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Commissioner Gwin seconded the Motion.

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

**VOTE**

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

**Chairman Sciortino** said, “Thank you. Next item.”

**I. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF BIDS AND CONTRACTS’ REGULAR MEETING OF NOVEMBER 14, 2002.**

**Mr. Jerry Phipps**, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, “You have the Minutes of the November 14<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Board of Bids and Contracts and there are four items for your consideration.

**1) CHANGE ORDER- HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY- FACILITY PROJECTS  
FUNDING: CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

Item one is a change order for Household Hazardous Waste and it was moved to acknowledge the change order with Bauer and Sons Construction for \$10,109.71.

**2) JAIL EXPANSION- FACILITY PROJECTS**

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**FUNDING: CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

Item two, jail expansion for Facility Projects. It was moved to accept the proposal from Schaefer, Johnson, Cox & Frey for \$71,500.

**3) DECONTAMINATION & PERSONAL PROTECTION EQUIPMENT- HEALTH DEPARTMENT  
FUNDING: MMRS GRANT**

Item three, decontamination and personal protection equipment for the Health Department. It was moved to accept the low bid from Decontamination Shelters and Accessories for \$62,905 and the respirators and accessories from Zink Safety for a total of \$20,618 for a grand total of \$83,523 even.

**4) OUTSOURCED PRINTING- DIVISION OF INFORMATION & OPERATIONS/  
VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS  
FUNDING: VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS**

Item four is outsource printing for the Division of Information and Operations and various departments and it was moved to accept the complete low proposal and execute a one-year contract with Quantum Press for an estimated total cost of \$70,239.75.”

**Chairman Sciortino** said, “Where is that on . . . I don’t see that on . . . Page 84? Is this Quantum Press a local company?”

**Mr. Phipps** said, “No sir, it’s not. It’s based out of Hutchinson.”

**Chairman Sciortino** said, “This contract, were the local printers given adequate time to submit bids and what have you on this? Because I have just a little problem, especially in tough economic times, going out of the community unless we just have determined that there’s . . . of all of these that were here, which one of these were local people?”

**Mr. Phipps** said, “I would have to check that for you, Commissioner. I might make a note that of the three low complete responses, Quantum Press was \$70,239, Docuplex would be \$96,427 and Quik Print would be \$100,998. So by using this company, although they’re out of the town, we’re looking at \$25,000 plus savings for the period of time.”

**Chairman Sciortino** said, “Did Quantum Press used to be a Quik Print? Weren’t they . . . weren’t

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we doing business with them when they were Quik Print or something? Would you explain that to us, Kathy. The reason I'm asking, I've had a couple of local printers call me very upset, not feeling that they were treated fairly, and I need to assure the public and them that they are being treated fairly. So, explain this to us."

**Ms. Kathy Sexton**, CIO, DIO, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Absolutely, Commissioner. Yes, we understand that some calls were made a few months ago and then we did put some out for requests for proposal and did send that to 36 different vendors, including all the local printers, some of whom chose to bid and others did not. On the list, and as Jerry said, this one is the low responsible bid meeting all specifications, but on the list if you're looking across the top there, Quantum Press is in Hutchinson and before forming Quantum Press the people involved used to be with Quik Print here in Wichita and we did business with them. They split up, the business owners split up and one of them moved to Hutchinson but continued to do our work at pretty good prices.

Then once we decided to put this out for open solicitation just to see does anybody else want the business or can do better prices for us, what we found is we still get the best price from them. The other folks across the top here, who did make proposals, Quik Print is local here in Wichita, Print Master, Docuplex and Corporate Express do have offices here in Wichita. Keep in mind though, Corporate Express would have had to send some of the work down to Tulsa and Print Master did not meet the specifications. They couldn't guarantee their prices and that was a pretty important part of the proposal.

Of the three then that were meeting all specifications that we put out there, we picked the low cost."

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "What three were there? There was Quantum Print met all the . . ."

**Ms. Sexton** said, "Quantum, Docuplex and Quik Print."

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "And Quik Print, per 1,000 or Quik Print per 100 or what does that . . .?"

**Ms. Sexton** said, "Well, they presented some different prices, depending on the quantity, but we estimated out that they would have cost us about \$30,000 more for one years worth of work."

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "Okay. And are you comfortable that the RFP was not designed, slanted in any way that might have given preference to Quantum Press and what their capabilities are?"

**Ms. Sexton** said, "That's a good question and yes, sir. I'm absolutely confident in that."

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "Okay. That's the only questions I . . ."

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**Mr. Buchanan** said, “Kathy, how long did companies have to bid on this?”

**Ms. Sexton** said, “That might be the one question I don’t have the answer to.”

**Chairman Sciortino** said, “You ask the tough ones, right Bill?”

**Ms. Sexton** said, “I’ll have to check how long they had.”

**Mr. Buchanan** said, “But normally we give several weeks.”

**Ms. Sexton** said, “Several weeks, oh absolutely. This was complex. There’s a lot of information here.”

**Mr. Buchanan** said, “And in light of Commissioner Sciortino’s question, we’ve had conversations with individuals who have not bid, who either chose not to because of business reasons and that’s what they told us and that was in two different instances. I think one was from Derby and one was from I think the City of Wichita.”

**Chairman Sciortino** said, “Okay. Well, I just want to make sure that we’re doing it properly and that we don’t even give off the assumption that we’re not treating local vendors with every respect we can. I agree with you, if we can save \$25,000- \$30,000 that’s different but I want to make sure that the local vendors are given every opportunity and we should aggressively solicit their submission. Now if they decide not to bid or they submit a partial bid, etcetera, that’s their problem. But I just want to make sure that the people are being given a fair shot.

Okay, I don’t have any other questions. Commissioner Norton.”

**Commissioner Norton** said, “I just have a couple of comments. First of all, I think the bids are probably good. I think we offered it to locals, but it’s a significant amount of money that’s being saved and, secondly, if we’re going to say that we’re going to be in the regional area economic partnership, we have to live up to that sometimes and a company that’s within the confines of those counties that have all bonded together to make sure that we’re all economically sound has bid and they were the logical cheaper bidder, then we should support that on a lot of different levels and that would be important here today because we are a part of that partnership and want the five, six,

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seven county area to have economic stability, and if they bid better and saved us money, we owe that to the taxpayers, but we owe it to businesses that try to follow the rules and be fair within those seven county areas to support them also. Thanks.”

**Chairman Sciortino** said, “Any other comments? What’s the will of the Board on this item then please?”

**MOTION**

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

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 Carolyn McGinn	Absent
Chairman Ben Sciortino	Aye

**Chairman Sciortino** said, “Next item.”

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**J. CONSENT AGENDA.**

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

- a. One Temporary Construction Easement for Sedgwick County Project 799-O; 167<sup>th</sup> Street West between Central and 13<sup>th</sup> Streets. CIP# R-264. District #3.
- b. Temporary Construction Easement for Sedgwick County Idlewild Street Drainage Project on Idlewild from Clifton to the Arkansas River. CIP# D-3. District #5.

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- c. One Temporary Construction Easement and One Permanent Floodway Reserve Easement for Sedgwick County Greenhaven Drainage Project. CIP# D-2. District #5.
  - d. Floodway Reserve Easement, located in the Northwest Quarter of Section 27, Township 29 South, Range 3 West. District #3.
2. **Notice of Termination Letter for leased property housing a Health Department facility at 2624 East 21<sup>st</sup> Street North.**
  3. **Waiver of policy to hire a Public Safety Developer/Integrator Project Leader at Range 29, Step 7.**
  4. **Agreement with CSC Credit Services, Inc. to provide credit history information for employment screening of potential Sheriff's deputies.**
  5. **Budget Adjustment Requests (two).**
  6. **Order dated November 13, 2002 to correct tax roll for change of assessment.**
  7. **Payroll Check Registers of November 8 and November 15, 2002.**
  8. **General Bills Check Register(s) for the week of November 13 – 19, 2002.**

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

**Chairman Sciortino** said, "Prior to that, did you want to . . . ? Commissioner Gwin."

**Commissioner Gwin** said, "On J-3, can you tell me the job description, what that person will be doing, what a Public Safety Developer/ Integrator Project Leader is?"

**Mr. Buchanan** said, "This is a highly technical position from the Department of Division of Information and Operations. It will be doing all the things necessary to integrate public safety with MMRS and some of the other issues, with the Juvenile Detention Facility, we received a grant. It's not MMRS, it's Juvenile Detention, and we've gone through a whole series of applications and I'm satisfied that this is the best person for the job."

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

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**Chairman Sciortino** said, “Is that it. What is the will of the Board on this item please?”

**MOTION**

Commissioner Gwin moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

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 Carolyn McGinn	Absent
Chairman Ben Sciortino	Aye

**Chairman Sciortino** said, “Thank you. Is there any other business to come before this Board at this time? Seeing none, this meeting is now adjourned.”

**K. OTHER**

**L. ADJOURNMENT**

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There being no other business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 10:43 a.m.

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**CAROLYN MC GINN**, Commissioner  
Fourth District

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**Don Brace**, County Clerk

APPROVED:

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