The Regular Meeting of the Board of the County Commissioners of Sedgwick County, Kansas, was called to order at 10:00 A.M., on Wednesday, July 30, 2003 in the County Commission Meeting Room in the Courthouse in Wichita, Kansas, by Chairman Tim Norton; with the following present: Chair Pro Tem Thomas G. Winters; Commissioner David M. Unruh; Commissioner Carolyn McGinn; Commissioner Ben Sciortino; Mr. William P. Buchanan, County Manager; Mr. Rich Eason, County Counselor; Mr. Greg Thompson, Fire Marshall, Fire District #1; Ms. Jo Templin, Director, Division of Human Services and Ms. Bethany Carpenetti, Deputy County Clerk.

ROLL CALL

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

Chairman Norton said, “Next item.”

APPOINTMENTS

A. RESOLUTIONS (SIX) REAPPOINTING MEMBERS (AT LARGE APPOINTMENTS) TO THE SEDGWICK COUNTY FIRE CODE BOARD OF APPEALS.

1. RANDALL R. COONROD
2. STEVE SHEPHERD
3. DAVID E. SPROUL
4. CURTIS J. WARREN
5. GARY WETZEL
6. GREGORY F. WILHITE
Mr. Richard Euson, County Counselor, greeted the Commissioners and said, “We have prepared resolutions appointing the following members to the Fire Code Board of Appeals and these can all be taken to approve all in one motion. And the appointments are: Randall Coonrod, Steve Shepherd, David Sproul, Curtis Warren, Gary Wetzel and Gregory Wilhite. The resolutions are in proper form and I recommend you adopt them.”

Chairman Norton said, “What is the will of the Board? I’m sorry, Commissioner McGinn.”

Commissioner McGinn said, “Maybe I received an e-mail on this a while back, I don’t recall, but I’m assuming we’re the ones that decide who these people are, but who actually picks these people, is my first question?

The second question is, evidently if it’s a board of appeals for a code, I guess that means if somebody has a complaint about code or they want to change code, or what? I need to know what it is exactly that these individuals do.”

Mr. Euson said, “I’m not sure who makes the recommendations on these. I’m going to guess that that comes from the fire department itself. But as to what it does, it takes . . . The board will take appeals from determinations as to the applicability of the fire code, if there’s some dispute as to terminology within the fire code, it will make those decisions and it will also make recommendations as to materials that are used in the code and whether alternate materials are appropriate.”

Commissioner McGinn said, “Okay. Does somebody else want to make a comment? I see some of our people are here from the Fire District.”

Mr. Greg Thompson, Fire Marshal, Fire District #1, greeted the Commissioners and said, “This appeals board is also basically the same appeals board as the building code appeals board, it is my understand. So it is to have those two boards compatible, so when we have, as far as applicability of different materials and things like that in the fire code, if they’re not approved, we have a process where people can bring these materials to us, we can take it to these appeals board and we can take a look at those and they’ll make a determination. They really don’t interpret the fire code, but they do as far as suitability of alternate materials.”

Commissioner McGinn said, “Okay. Well, and then also I guess I’m looking at the addresses of where all these people live, and I don’t . . . Derby is not Fire District #1, is it Ben?”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “No, they have their own.”
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Commissioner McGinn said, “Okay, so out of the six people, five of the people don’t even live in Fire District #1. I don’t know if that matters, but I think you’d want some input from people that actually live in the district.”

Mr. Thompson said, “Basically, we’re using some of the area builders that build within the county, and so those are builders that do build within Sedgwick County.”

Commissioner McGinn said, “Okay, that’s helpful.”

Chairman Norton said, “Commissioner Winters.”

Commissioner Winters said, “Well, that was the only thing I was going to say, is these do look like construction people with an architect in there. So that was all I was going to say.”

Commissioner McGinn said, “That’s helpful. Thank you.”

Chairman Norton said, “What is the will of the Board?”

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to adopt the Resolutions.

Commissioner McGinn seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh    Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters    Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn    Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino    Aye
Chairman Tim Norton    Aye

Chairman Norton said, “Before we move on, I noticed we didn’t have any Minutes to approve. Is that . . .?”

Commissioner McGinn said, “I think we approved them last time, as I recall.”
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Chairman Norton said, “Okay. I didn’t see it on there. I wanted be sure we didn’t leave something off today. Next item.”

NEW BUSINESS

B. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT OF PERSONNEL POLICY 4.603, SEPARATION – REDUCTION IN FORCE.

Ms. Jo Templin, Director, Division of Human Resources, greeted the Commissioners and said, “This item is requesting your approval of the resolution amending personnel policy and procedure 4.603. This policy covers employees in the Fire District except those who are in Local 2612 International Firefighters, whose controlling authority is the written memorandum agreement. We ask you again to adopt this resolution, be open to any questions you may have.”

Chairman Norton said, “This attaches to the agenda item that we did earlier for the general population of Sedgwick County employees?”

Ms. Templin said, “That’s correct.”

Chairman Norton said, “Okay. What is the will of the Board?”

MOTION

Commissioner Unruh moved to adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino Aye
Chairman Tim Norton Aye

Chairman Norton said, “Anything else to come before the Fire District today? Okay, at this point I will adjourn the Fire District Board.”
C. OTHER

D. ADJOURNMENT
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There being no other business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 10:06 a.m.

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