

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING

February 12, 2003

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, February 12, 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 Euson, County Counselor; Ms. Pam Martin, Director of Clinical Services, Health Department; Ms. Marilyn Cook, Director, Comprehensive Community Care (COMCARE); Ms. Leslie Bradley, Human Resources Coordinator, Health Department; Mr. Ray Vail, Director of Finance, Department on Aging; Director of Administrative Services, Health Department; Mr. Dave Rush, Assistant Director, Kansas Coliseum; Mr. Bob Lamkey, Director, Division of Public Safety; Mr. David Spears, Director, Bureau of Public Works; Mr. Jerry Phipps, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department; Ms. Kristi Zukovich, Director, Communications; and, Ms. Lisa Davis, Deputy County Clerk.

GUESTS

Mr. Eric Key, Executive Director, Kansas African American Museum.
Ms. Janet Valente-Pape, Executive Director, Catholic Charities.
Mr. Brandon Brassman, Student, Valley Center High School.

INVOCATION

The Invocation was led by Reverend Reuben Eckels of New Day Christian Church, Wichita.

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

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

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES: Regular Meeting, January 15, 2003

The Clerk reported that all Commissioners were present at the Regular Meeting of January 15, 2003.

Chairman Norton said, "You have the meeting minutes in front of you. Are there any corrections,

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additions? I'd entertain a motion."

MOTION

Commissioner McGinn moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 15, 2003.

Commissioner Winters 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, "Clerk, call the next item."

PROCLAMATIONS

A. PROCLAMATIONS.

1. PROCLAMATION DECLARING FEBRUARY 2003 AS "BLACK HISTORY MONTH."

Chairman Norton said, "I'm going to read into the record a proclamation of Sedgwick County, Kansas.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, February marks the national observance of Black History Month, which originated from 'Negro History Week'. Initiated in 1926 by Dr. Carter G. Woodson, this observance was intended to examine the collective ingenuity, creativity, cultural and political experiences of Americans of African descent; and

WHEREAS, the Association for the Study of Afro-American Life and History would succeed in promoting the conversion of 'Black History Week' into 'Black History Month' in 1976; and

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WHEREAS, we remember significant organizations that came to be in February, such as the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, the first Pan African Congress, and the oath of office for the first African American Senator, Hiram Revels in 1870; and

WHEREAS, we are fortunate to showcase the rich history, culture and heritage of African Americans through the Kansas African American Museum and the restoration of the Ark Valley Lodge; and

WHEREAS, in Sedgwick County we have numerous opportunities to participate in events that celebrate Black History, such as Martin Luther King Jr. celebrations, Juneteenth and the Black Arts Festival.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Tim R. Norton, Chairman of the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim February 2003 as

‘BLACK HISTORY MONTH’

and encourage all employees and citizens to learn more about the history and culture of African Americans, because the history belongs to all of us.”

MOTION

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

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, “And Eric Key is here to accept. Eric, good having you with us today.”

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Mr. Eric Key, Executive Director, Kansas African American Museum, greeted the Commissioners and said, "It's good to be here. Thank you very much for the proclamation recognizing Black History Month and as director of the Kansas African American Museum, I must take an opportunity to first thank this commission for its long-time support of the African American community and particularly the Kansas African American Museum.

I also must take this time to give a little update of upcoming events of the museum and make sure that all of you are there, the listening audience as well as the entire commission. You may just want to peek your head over at the museum on March the 14th. We have our keepers of history program with the national artist Evista Roper. And this year, I don't know where we're going to put them, we have 200 kids from US 259 who are going to be at that program. Another storyteller will be in on the 13th and she happens to be going into the schools to do the same kind of keeper of history program.

Two major events that you would want to mark your calendar is the museum ball. Last year, there was a sellout crowd. This year it's on April 26th. It will be at the Hyatt Hotel. Let me correct that, the Marriott Hotel at 7 p.m. This year's fun theme is 'The Super Fly '70s', so this give you a time . . . Excuse me, then as you were speaking about the hair, and go back. As the ball has always been an educational event and a fundraiser event for the museum, it is an event to reflect and for all of us to come together and have fun, particularly after we've had a long week.

Another event, which is going to be right after the ball, May 2nd we've collaborated with the dance department at Wichita State University and we're bringing the national recording tap dancer Mr. Gregory Hines to town. And that would be held at Century II. Tickets are available. There will be an RSVP, VIP reception, all the good stuff so that you'll have a chance to meet Mr. Hines.

And that takes us right up to March, but let me mention the new exhibition. We have an exhibition up. Now that closes the end of this month. It's the work by Richard Ward. It's a multi-media exhibition. If you haven't had a chance to see that, listening audience, please come by and see that exhibition. And to the commissioners, please come over and see that one. And the new exhibition we're exploring pastels, the work of Joanness Parker out of Dallas, Texas. And I think that takes us right up until the summer and we'll be right back at Juneteenth celebrations. Again, on behalf of the board of directors of the Kansas African American Museum, and the entire Wichita community, thank you for recognizing Black History Month and we will do our best to educate all about the important significance of African Americans in Kansas as well as in this country. Thank you."

Chairman Norton said, "We do have a couple of comments, so don't sit down. Commissioner Sciortino."

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Commissioner Sciortino said, "Thank you. Eric, you know one of the things that I like what you're doing is that you're trying to emphasize what a group of Americans that happen to be Black, what they have done for the community, for the nation and for the world. During the month of February, I try to make it a point to really try to find something else that I didn't know about that group of our citizens, and on the History Channel, it was either last night or the night before last, they were focusing on a Black army unit that helped build the Al-Can Highway and they really got into the daily life and how much trouble they had and how dumb our government was. For example, during the summer there were a kagillion million mosquitoes and they forgot to supply our soldiers with bug spray and how some of them died because of the cold. But they built that highway in record time and the contribution and the suffering that this group of soldiers had to go through, I don't think people . . . I didn't know that that even existed and that was really neat to learn new facts about what's happening to a certain group of Americans and what they're doing to contribute to our way of life, and in this particular case, the protection of our coastline. That was one of the reasons why the highway was built."

Mr. Keys said, "Well, I'm glad you mentioned that. Black History Month is not simply to celebrate the contributions of African Americans in America. It is American history and it has helped us sow the fabric of our culture, of our nation in telling these kinds of stories and making sure that these kinds of things are told to the larger community and particularly not only to the seniors, but to our young so that . . . and excuse me, don't snap your head back, Ben."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "I'm chronologically gifted."

Mr. Keys said, "But to our young people, and all young people so that they will understand American history and how we developed as a nation and have pride in that."

Chairman Sciortino said, "Thank you."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner McGinn."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. This is just a small example of all the things that you're doing and the museum is doing and other organizations in the African American community are doing throughout the year. And you know you're doing a good job on putting some of these programs together and it's always been my hope is to get people of all colors to these events, because the history, the culture, all the things that you guys present that helps us all learn as a community is just remarkable."

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And as Commissioner Sciortino said about some of the television programs that are going on this month, the activities that you have, and just last month was full of activity with Martin Luther King celebrations, and have you caught up on your sleep yet on that?

But many of these programs are just excellent and I encourage our television audience to try to partake in some of these activities. I noticed in the paper the other day about the Underground Railroad. Kansas is just rich in African American history and there's just so much out there that we can take in and learn about our history and it's so important.

Anyway, the other thing I was just going to share for Commissioner Unruh. I think . . . I'm not sure about Commissioner Norton, but I think all the other commissioners have attended the ball in April."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "And had a ball."

Commissioner McGinn said, "And had a ball too. And so it might be something, when the information comes out, that you might want to buy a ticket for. But that is an excellent event and they do something different every year."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "To say nothing about all the food."

Commissioner McGinn said, "The '70s is my era so I'm looking forward to that. I think that's going to be a great time. But anyway, thank you Eric for all you do. Thank you for your museum trustees. I know they work very hard on many of these activities as well."

Mr. Keys said, "Oh, yes and if I could comment on that board. I have a board that really likes to be behind the scenes and they somehow push me out on the forefront. But they are the workforce behind many of the programs. We couldn't do the programs without their volunteering and their support.

I also want to say to the listening audience, yes let's not get caught up on the term 'African American'. Let's bridge that understanding and just simply say it's a museum that's dedicated to that cause but it's for all people and for all people to participate. Even if you don't get an invitation, you're still welcome to come."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Because it's actually part of our history too, it just happens to be a certain segment of our history, but it's part of everybody's history."

Mr. Keys said, "It is a part of the American history."

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Commissioner McGinn said, “Eric, why don’t you give the museum’s telephone number, just in case somebody out there has other questions and would like to know about some of these events.”

Mr. Keys said, “Yes. Call the museum, call Elaine. She will answer the phone and she’ll get you to me. The phone number is 262-7651 and very soon, I must announce, you will be able to contact us through the Internet. We are developing our website as we speak.”

Commissioner McGinn said, “Great. Thanks for being here.”

Chairman Norton said, “Before you get out of here, I have to say that this is a more personal thing for me. The first remembrances of African Americans was when I was a kid and I’d have to say Ida Mae Jones and Will Brown were the people that started injecting into my life the diversity of cultures and they were friends of our family in the small town I grew up in in Arkansas and we learned that history that becomes the tapestry of our lives from a lot of different people and I’d be remiss without bringing up those two people that have had a powerful impact in my life because I cannot go into Thanksgiving and have a piece of pecan pie without remembering Ida Jones who always brought one to our family and even during Thanksgiving when I was in college I had to go by her house and get a piece of her pie.

So that history is wound into all the fabric of our lives and it’s great that we can celebrate that diversity and love of humanity with these kinds of proclamations. Thank you for being here today.”

Mr. Keys said, “Thank you.”

Chairman Norton said, “Clerk, call the next item.”

2. PROCLAMATION DECLARING FEBRUARY 10-16, 2003 AS “CATHOLIC CHARITIES WEEK.”

Chairman Norton said, “I would like to read this proclamation into the record.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the year of 2003 is Catholic Charities’ 60th Anniversary; and

WHEREAS, Catholic Charities’ mission has remained the same- to make a positive difference in the lives of families in need- serving all faiths in need; and

WHEREAS, Catholic Charities has served our community through 14 diverse programs, including

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homeless and domestic violence shelters, pregnancy and adoption services, emergency assistance, immigration services, a foster grandparent program, adult education, a day program for adults with special needs, ministry for prison inmates, enrichment programs for seniors, counseling and interpreter services; and

WHEREAS, Catholic Charities has a vast network of supporters who contribute their time, talents and treasurers to further our mission; and

WHEREAS, 90% of Catholic Charities' budget goes to provide services to those in need; and

WHEREAS, Catholic Charities works diligently to make the most efficient use of its resources, including collaborative efforts with other community agencies, local businesses and organizations, churches and individuals in its ongoing efforts to provide help and create hope for the less fortunate in our community.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Tim R. Norton, Chairman of the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim February 10-16, 2003 as

'CATHOLIC CHARITIES WEEK'

to demonstrate the Gospel values of love and justice through service, education, advocacy and collaboration.

At this point I would entertain a motion."

MOTION

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

Commissioner Unruh seconded the Motion.

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

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

Chairman Norton said, “And Janet Pape is here today to make some comments. Welcome, Janet.”

Ms. Janet Valente-Pape, Executive Director, Catholic Charities, greeted the Commissioners and said, “Thank you. It’s an honor for me, on behalf of Catholic Charities, as their executive director for the past 11 years to accept this proclamation. To thank the commissioners for their support over the years and this gives me an opportunity to make a commitment to all of you that we will do our best to continue to serve this community to the best of our ability, during very trying times I might add, which we’re all aware of.

We value the public/private partnership that we have with governmental entities such as yourselves and we will commit ourselves all the more diligently to continuing to serve this community for many, many years to come, hopefully in partnership with the county commission, along with the multiple others in the community that do support us.

I do want to also put in a plug for a major fundraiser we have coming up for our domestic violence program, pretty important fundraiser for us, which will be February 23rd. I think some of you have participated in our ‘cruise night’ event and it also is at the Marriott beginning at 6 p.m. and we’d love to see you there.

But for the many, many ways and the many things you do to personally and collectively support us, we thank you.”

Chairman Norton said, “Thank you and don’t run off, we’ve got some comments. Commissioner Winters.”

Commissioner Winters said, “Just real quickly, I wanted to add my thanks to you, Janet and to remind the commissioners. When we first started on this juvenile justice reform issue back in 1998

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and called the first community groups together, Janet was on that first group that we assembled to start working on juvenile justice issues in a new way. And so her work there was very much welcome and today some of our local juvenile justice funds are going to some of the work that they're doing with Helping Parents Raise a Thinking Child and a couple of other programs. So we appreciate your involvement in our juvenile justice efforts.

And by the way, Janet, from that start, just recently there's been a post-audit committee in Topeka do review of Juvenile Justice prevention funds around the state and Sedgwick County got very high marks. Others in the state are still struggling a bit with that but I think that even goes back to that beginning committee we had back in 1998 when we put a community plan together. So thanks for all your work in the community. We really do appreciate it."

Ms. Valente-Pape said, "Thank you, Commissioner."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner McGinn."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Thank you. I just want to thank you, your board of trustees and all the people that volunteer to make this possible, because during these tough times we're going to be strained for our services, as I know you will be too, but maybe together that we can get through the tough times and we certainly appreciate . . . I look at all the different things that you do, and so much of that we're involved in in human services and county government. So, I guess just hang tight with us and we'll hope we can get through the tough times.

And I will share, if you haven't been to 'cruise night' it's a great time and everybody knows I love food, but that's a main part of it, but you just eat . . ."

Chairman Norton said, "A smorgas -gorge."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Exactly, but I guarantee something will be in the silent auction or the live auction that you'll want. I came home one night with a lot of camping equipment."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "You know, our president is talking about faith-based initiatives and without the charities coming in and helping the way Catholic Charities does government couldn't

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begin to serve those that are in need. There's just not enough money involved. You know, the Gerrard House, my wife volunteers over there, and they had the fire and the immediate . . . it was just immediate the outpouring of help and assistance not only in cash but in time. As a matter of fact, they have received so much clothing they're having to warehouse it. They just can't really handle all of the clothing that they've been getting in. I read in the paper today what we're doing at the Lord's Diner, even though you got, I don't know what it was, 25 or 30% more people than you had anticipated coming in for that meal. You somehow figured out a way to accommodate it and get it going and I like the fact that 90% of the funds that you get go right directly to the people and not are top-heavy in administrative and assistants to the assistant, and you really do accomplish what most missions for organizations are, and that's to serve and I just congratulate you for it."

Ms. Valente-Pape said, "Commissioner Unruh."

Commissioner Unruh said, "Well I'd just like to add my congratulations to the other commissioners for the good work that you do and Commissioner Sciortino just made the point that I wanted to underscore that in these difficult economic times 90% of your budget is directly applied to the service that you provide and I think that's commendable and it's a good response to some of the criticism that different organizations receive about being top-heavy in administration. And so I'd congratulate you for that and for the good work that you do."

Ms. Valente-Pape said, "Thank you."

Chairman Norton said, "Well, I guess I have to add my two cent here too. It's interesting that 60 years have passed and Catholic Charities sprung out of pretty tough times during war years and it was from faith-based, trying to help the community get through tough times and we find ourselves right back into that in our environment today and I'm sure Catholic Charities will, even in the tough times economically, will rise to the challenge because they are faith-based and it's done from the heart and not from the head. So we really appreciate you."

Ms. Valente-Pape said, "We believe that we're founded on a very impenetrable sort of rock and that is our faith and our belief that we'll survive, we'll make it through these tough times and we need to have a hopeful spirit about that and I'm glad, Commissioner, that you mentioned board volunteer leadership today is critical to our organizations and we're really blessed with that at Catholic Charities."

And then I think the staff that you attract at non-profit organizations are another key element that enables you to be successful, because the dedication day-to-day is just incredible. So thank you

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very much.”

Chairman Norton said, “Thank you for being here today, Janet.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “What is the date of ‘cruise night’ this year?”

Ms. Valente-Pape said, “It’s Sunday, February 23rd, 6 to 9 p.m. Thank you.”

Chairman Norton said, “Thank you. Clerk, call the next item.”

Commissioner McGinn left at 9:30 a.m.

DONATION

B. DONATION BY DR. SCOTT ROBERTS OF COMPUTER EQUIPMENT, VALUED AT \$1,200, TO BE USED BY THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT MATERNAL AND INFANT CLINIC.

Ms. Pam Martin, Director, Clinical Services, Health Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, “We would like to acknowledge Dr. Scott Roberts of Wesley Medical Center for his donation of a computer and equipment to our Maternal and Infant Clinic.

This computer will allow us to minimize errors and risks and it also helps us to ensure information on our patients that is up-to-date and easily accessible for both our Maternal and Infant clinical staff as well as our residents at the Wesley Medical Center in our obstetric and gynecology clinic.

We are recommending that we accept the donation and ask that the Chairman sign the appreciation letter.”

Chairman Norton said, “Well, I see no questions. I would entertain a motion.”

MOTION

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Commissioner Sciortino moved to accept the donation and authorize the Chairman to sign a letter of appreciation.

Commissioner Unruh 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	Absent
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Thank you, Pam. And please tell Dr. Roberts that we really appreciate. It is always nice when people in the private sector step up and help us in our programs. That's awesome thing."

Commissioner Winters said, "I have a quick comment while Pam is here. Pam kind of reminded me, Commissioner McGinn and I did take a quick tour the other afternoon and Pam and some of the other folks from the Health Department were along and were very helpful. So Pam, I'd say thanks to you and the others. While you're the only one of them here, but it was a very educational couple of hours, so thanks for your help, Pam."

Ms. Martin said, "Thank you for your interest in coming out. Thank you on behalf of Dr. Scott Roberts."

Chairman Norton said, "Clerk, call the next item."

Commissioner McGinn returned at 9:32 a.m.

NEW BUSINESS

C. DIVISION OF HUMAN SERVICES.

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1. CONTRACT WITH UNITED METHODIST YOUTHVILLE TO PROVIDE INDIVIDUAL COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES FOR YOUTH.

Ms. Marilyn Cook, Director, Comprehensive Community Care (COMCARE), greeted the Commissioners and said, "This is a renewal of a contract with United Methodist Youthville to provide attendant care services to kids with serious emotional disturbances who are in the foster care system. Attendant care services are face-to-face services that are done with a goal in mind, attached to a goal in mind and all of these services, a need for these services are outlined on each child's plan of care.

Youthville is assigned a specific number of attendant care hours for each of the children. After that initial planning session they perform the attendant care service and then they document what was done during that service, submitted along with an invoice to COMCARE and we submit that and pay Youthville after we receive the payment. This system has worked really well for us. We have 105 children right now in the foster care program with COMCARE and they've helped us tremendously in providing that service. We're requesting that you accept the contract and I'm happy to answer any questions you might have on it."

Chairman Norton said, "I see none right now. A question I do have is how is . . . and it's not related to COMCARE particularly but how is Youthville doing? Are they back kind of on their feet and . . .?"

Ms. Cook said, "They seem to be. They really seem to be. They experienced some budget cut, as all of us did, but they also modified some of the services that they offered and are seeming to get very much back on their feet. We've had a really nice working relationship with them."

Chairman Norton said, "Is this 105 young people that we're serving more or less than what we've had in the past? Is that starting to build up? Sometimes, in tough economic times we see more kids going into foster care than less."

Ms. Cook said, "Actually, the number of children going into foster care the last year is down, which is wonderful news for everybody. We are experiencing an increase in the number of children we're serving because we're at the point now that Youthville is bringing more children back to the community that were placed elsewhere in the state. So our numbers are growing but the foster care numbers are going down and I hope it stays that way."

Chairman Norton said, "Great. At this point I'd entertain a motion."

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MOTION

Commissioner Unruh moved to approve the 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 David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Next item."

2. AGREEMENT WITH KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND REHABILITATION SERVICES FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE MEDICAID MENTAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATIVE CLAIMING PROGRAM.

Ms. Cook said, "Mental Health Administrative Claiming program is a new program that we're participating in that is administered by SRS and Maximus. Those are the folks that track the Healthwave kids for us. The program allows us, for the first time, to receive some reimbursement for administrative and outreach activities that we've been doing all along that are associated with Medicaid programming.

Examples of these activities include things like referring individuals or family to services, helping them fill out an application. The services that we do that we are not reimbursed for on a direct service kind of situation. It also then pays for some of the administrative services that we are involved with in terms of planning and meetings with many in the community and outreach, including some public speaking about Medicaid programs.

The process is kind of a complex one. It involves a random time study of names of individuals from our center, along with the other centers in the state, are randomly selected by Maximus and then once a month they send us the names of those individuals and we do a random moments study. I did one, for instance, last week at 11:45 in the morning and whatever your random moment is,

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you put down what it was you were doing and if it's something that falls in those administrative or outreach categories there will be some reimbursement.

A formula has been developed to decide what the reimbursement is going to be. We're not sure exactly how much money that's going to amount to but the participating community mental health centers will get 70% of whatever money they generate from that. And while it's not clear how much we will generate, we do know something is better than nothing. So we ask that you accept this agreement."

Chairman Norton said, "Well, I see no questions from the bench."

Commissioner Winters said, "Would you explain that to us?"

Chairman Norton said, "The whole thing?"

Ms. Cook said, "Do you have questions?"

Commissioner Winters said, "I'm not sure I understand it."

Ms. Cook said, "It's a very similar process that the schools went through several years ago in trying to capture some of the services they provide. So it's a way that the federal government has of acknowledging that community mental health centers in this case do spend a lot of time doing outreach with folks who need medical cards and who are eligible but maybe not receiving it. So for all the things we do that's not direct, billable activity they understand that's part of the expense of providing that service. So it's their way of having us share in that."

Commissioner Winters said, "And above and beyond the direct program that is reimbursable and I guess that's . . . I didn't realize that there was that opportunity. It seems like if you're going to provide a direct service you can understand getting Medicaid reimbursement. I guess this is a part of a payment for just being involved in the whole system?"

Ms. Cook said, "Right. And understanding that that system requires a lot of administrative and outreach and non-billable time to maintain it and it's an acknowledgement of that."

Commissioner Winters said, "All right."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "I'm a little bit confused like Tom. But is this a way of authenticating that the money was spent properly. It says it's a method of federal reimbursement."

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Ms. Cook said, "It's not so much to authenticate the services that we're providing. It's a way of acknowledging and reimbursing us for time that's spent that's directly related to providing those services yet it's not direct client/ patient contact."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Okay. So it's acknowledging that it costs money and time to administer it and get properly funded for that effort."

Ms. Cook said, "Right."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Okay, all right. I got it. Okay, thanks. Sorry I have to be slow."

Ms. Cook said, "Almost too good to be true. It is hard to absorb as a concept."

Chairman Norton said, "It's really all the things that happen between programs isn't it."

Ms. Cook said, "Right."

Chairman Norton said, "If you really had to get down to it, it's all the things that happened in the cracks between programs and what you do to get to the programs. Any other discussion? I would entertain a motion."

MOTION

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

Commissioner Unruh seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye

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Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Next item."

3. CONTRACT AMENDMENT WITH CITY OF WICHITA, KANSAS FOR COMCARE TO PROVIDE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES FOR THE CITY'S SPECIAL LIQUOR TAX PROGRAM.

Ms. Cook said, "This is a contract amendment that actually dates back to last July to increase the amount of funds given to COMCARE. There were some delays in the renewal on that contract and after some negotiations with the city, the city agreed to pay COMCARE an additional \$9,585. The numbers on the front of your agenda item are incorrect on that we noticed, but it's increasing the contract by \$9,585, there's some transposed figures there, to the total contract of \$98,585.

Our addiction treatment program staff actually do three things for this money. They meet and monitor the outcomes and the services provided by the 13 publicly funded addiction treatment facilities, plus they're working on three special projects and monitor those contracts as well. They monitor detoxification services at Parallax and they work on special projects. For instance, this past year they wrote the RFP, help select the recipients of the special funding for case management for individuals who have completed a treatment program and then who are followed by case managers for a couple of years to make sure that they are following through on the treatment recommendation.

They also provide technical assistance to all sixteen of those contracted programs and when it comes time to looking at performance measures to insure that the goals are measurable goals and to insure that they're using evidence-based practices as we know them. And then in addition to that, they chair the coalition meetings, which meet quarterly now but when there are funding times and decisions to be made they meet monthly. So we are requesting that you approve this amendment."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "I think it needs to be known, Commissioners, when we entered into this agreement with the City of Wichita prior to agreeing to become the administrator of their funds, we were actually a provider of some of those services and when we decided to accept the responsibility to administer it, we just eliminated our being a provider so there could be no conflict

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of interests.

But one thing on here, and I don't know if it's for you or Bill, I noticed it just said City of Wichita pays COMCARE for that, but then it indicated that the source of the funds were county funds. Was that just a typo or an error there, Bill? Because it actually comes from the City's liquor tax, does it not?"

Mr. William Buchanan, County Manager, said, "Right."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Okay. Thank you. I don't have any other questions."

Chairman Norton said, "I see no other questions. At this point I would entertain a motion."

MOTION

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

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, "Thank you, Marilyn. Clerk, call the next item."

4. AFFIDAVIT OF TIM R. NORTON SPECIFYING SIGNATURE AUTHORITY ON REPORTS, PLANS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED TO KANSAS DEPARTMENT ON AGING.

Mr. Raymond Vail, Director of Finance, Department on Aging, greeted the Commissioners and

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said, "I'm presenting today the notarized affidavit required by the Kansas Department on Aging and it identifies who in the Central Plains Area Agency on Aging governing body has the authority to sign documents on behalf of the organization. The affidavit has been reviewed by Legal and has been approved to form and I ask that you approve the signature authority and authorize the Chair to sign and I'll answer any questions."

Chairman Norton said, "I understand this is an affidavit that just verifies that I am who I say I am and my signature is my signature. Is that correct?"

Mr. Vail said, "Yes, it does."

Chairman Norton said, "Well, just on the record, there's only been one time that I didn't think I was who I am and that was when I was six and I was playing Superman and I really thought I was that guy. So I just want to be sure I disclaim that one time."

MOTION

Chairman Norton moved to approve the Affidavit and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Commissioner Winters 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, "Clerk, call the next item."

D. GRANT AWARD FROM KANSAS HEALTH FOUNDATION, TO BE USED FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION.

Mr. Leslie Bradley, Human Resources Coordinator, Health Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I believe you all were expecting Bill Farney, and he's sending his regards

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from the top of a ski slope in Colorado. So instead you get me.

And I'm here today to request an approval to receive grant funding from the Kansas Health Foundation for continuing education purposes for Health Department staff. Since 1995, the Health Department has been annually receiving this funding of about \$10,000 a year to help offset the costs to attend public health related conferences. The provisions of the grant specify approved conferences by the Kansas Health Foundation, so we get a list every year that says what the monies can be used for and it also can be used to help offset some organizational fees to join associations related to public health.

And last year, I wanted to report that we spent approximately \$9,700 of this grant in order to send staff to some of these educational opportunities. So I'm here to recommend that you accept the grant award and authorize the Chairman to sign the related funding level statement."

Chairman Norton said, "Well, I see no lights flashing here."

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to accept the grant award and authorize the Chairman to sign a related funding level statement.

Commissioner Unruh 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, "Thank you, Leslie, appreciate it. Clerk, call the next item."

E. KANSAS COLISEUM.

- 1. AGREEMENT WITH CITY OF PARK CITY PROVIDING NAMING RIGHTS FOR PARK CITY RACEWAY.**

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Mr. Dave Rush, Assistant Director, Kansas Coliseum, greeted the Commissioners and said, “This is for the naming rights on the proposed racetrack that we’re getting ready to put in and it’s going to basically serve the youth, providing a place for the young folks to do their go-carts and the mini-sprints and we’ve been very successful with our other events that we’re doing with the go-carts and this is just an enhancement of that to let them run during the summer and so forth. And Park City has stepped up to underwrite the majority of the costs of building this track. Recommend that this agreement be approved.”

Chairman Norton said, “I see no lights flashing. I think it was a real nice article in the paper about the raceway a couple of days ago, I don’t know exactly when that was, that kind of explains what it’s going to be and how it’s going to operate, who it’s going to serve. So I think it’s important that we move forward on this. Any other discussion? Commissioner McGinn.”

Commissioner McGinn said, “I just found out about this when I read it in the paper. Anyway, I received a call and I haven’t had a chance to return it because I was out of town, but is there going to be any noise issues with this?”

Mr. Rush said, “No. Obviously, any time you’ve got vehicles running you’ve got a limited amount of noise. These, for the most part, are five horsepower Briggs and Stratton motors that are on your lawnmowers at home, small motorcycles, they run in the 600s in those and some of that. For the most part, if you’re over on Hydraulic and they’re racing, you’d have to be listening to hear it. The noise just isn’t there. We run them inside of the arena building. In there, yes, it’s a little noisy in a 200 foot building inside but to be on the outside, the interstate will create more noise than you will ever think about coming off of this track.”

Commissioner McGinn said, “So in comparison to the . . . I think it’s called Jeeps facility that’s up there on 101st and Broadway, we’re talking about a whole different engine, motor, sound, everything.”

Mr. Rush said, “They’re running open pipes. They’re running off-road. They’re running open pipes. Everything run on this track will be muffled. Every vehicle will run mufflers, unlike 81 Speedway. Now they’re running big block cars over there and they’re running un-muffled. But every vehicle running on this track will be muffled.”

Commissioner McGinn said, “Well, and I think it is a concern because you do have Jeeps up there on 101st, you have 81 Speedway on 77th Street and now we’re going to add something on the Coliseum. But I mean, I commend John Nath or whoever’s idea it was to find something else to bring to the Coliseum. It’s certainly a revenue generated and provides other entertainment for our community.”

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Mr. Rush said, "It's a need. 81 Speedway is behind it entirely. It will give an opportunity for the young youth to have another event to do and to hone their skills and their racing to move up when they get to that 16, 17, 18 years old and decide that they want to go into the bigger cars. And so, it actually will enhance his operation."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Well, and I want to thank the City of Park City for the partnership that they've had with us at the Coliseum. They've sure stepped up in a lot of ways and their partnership has helped make us successful."

Mr. Rush said, "Well, they've seen the success of the Spring Madness, which is getting ready to come up in March, the Turkey Classic, on those events you don't find a motel room in Park City. They're all . . . and we're drawing on those events, we're drawing from 7, 8, 9 states to race at those events. So they've seen the success of this."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Okay, thank you."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner Winters."

Commissioner Winters said, "Yes, just two quick things Dave. On one it says, under our analysis in the back here, it says 'Kansas Coliseum will create a temporary racing facility'. I guess the word temporary in there means we're going to see how it works. We think it's going to work or I'm not sure why it just says temporary."

Mr. Rush said, "Well, the original was that we were going to do it with strictly everything portable. We are going to put in the safety retaining walls and the fencing and so forth first-class. The bleachers will be the same bleachers we have, they'll be portable. They'll just move in and sit on concrete pads. We know that it's going to be successful. There's always that chance, you know, but if it wasn't a day in there with a dozer and flat land again. There's no big concrete structures or anything. The main thing is the safety barrier wall between the spectators and the cars and that will be of a quality similar that you see at any big racetrack in the country."

Commissioner Winters said, "All right. And then there will be, evidently, rules and regulations about the vehicles and participants. I mean, because there is a big difference, even if it's a small horsepower engine, one with a muffler and one without a muffler, it can be a big difference. So there will be a whole set of regulations concerning what types of vehicles and the muffler question?"

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Mr. Rush said, "Right. This program is going to be run by our partner in our other racing and Larry McDaniels is a partner in this and he's going to operate it and they'll be all running under his rules and regulations and it will be a well run operation."

Commissioner McGinn said, "I'm not sure I heard the answer. I mean, the muffler thing and all that, it will all be spelled out."

Mr. Rush said, "Oh, yes."

Commissioner Winters said, "That's all I have, Mr. Chairman."

Mr. Rush said, "That will be in the rules and regulations of the race day."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "I mean, will there be somebody there when somebody brings their vehicle to check to make sure?"

Mr. Rush said, "There's tech committee there, there's every bit of it."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "That's fine."

Chairman Norton said, "Okay. Any other comments? I would entertain a motion."

MOTION

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

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

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Commissioner Ben Sciortino Aye
Chairman Tim Norton Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Clerk, call the next item."

2. **KANSAS COLISEUM MONTHLY REPORT.**

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Mr. Rush said, "In January we had a total attendance of 96,563 people for 19 events, 39 individual performances and net revenues for the month of \$339,080. The U.S. Weapons, we had 7,015 in attendance. The RV Dealers Show we had 8,330 in attendance. Very successful show, the dealers were amazed at the number of vehicles they sold this year, considering the economic times. It was a very successful show.

The Harlem Globetrotters, we had 3,914 there for that. The Monster Trucks, a very successful show, does well. We had 16,976 in attendance. An event that some of you attended, the Wrangler Pro Rodeo, attendance was 9,250 in attendance and we also . . . the dance afterwards was very successful on the Saturday night.

This is the trade area that we also had for the rodeo. It's been very successful. This year it's up considerably over last year. Different vendors show their wares and sell everything from hats to belts to you name it, knick knacks and things.

Coliseum hosted the hockey and the basketball this month, which we had 11,931 in attendance for 4 Thunder games and 20,133 for 4 basketball games. This year, one unique thing to the Coliseum is we've been hosting the basketball and hockey on the same day. A lot of challenges, a lot of challenges. We've got a video that we're going to show you that was made by Channel 12 that was done at their half time show on a televised away game and it will show you some of the efforts brought forth with our staff who have taken the challenge and mastered it. The first time we did it we were a little over 3 hours. It's too long. It don't work but we made it and we have honed it down and refined it and we're doing it again this weekend, this Saturday. It will come off in a hour and 50 to 55 minutes just like clockwork and we're going to show you a bit of it."

Video of Kansas Coliseum staff converting stadium floor from wood to ice.

Mr. Buchanan said, "Mr. Chairman, what I was going to suggest is there is a handful of people at the Coliseum, Dave included, who at the end of the W.S.U. game really doesn't care who wins, as long as it doesn't go into overtime."

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Mr. Rush said, “We do sweat that.”

Chairman Norton said, “Thank you very much, Dave. I don’t see any other comments. What is the will of the Board?”

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to receive and file.

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, “Clerk, call the next item.”

- F. ADJUSTMENT TO THE DIVISION OF PUBLIC SAFETY STAFFING TABLE TO TRANSFER FUNDING FOR ONE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER POSITION, RANGE 21, FROM THE APPRAISER’S OFFICE TO THE DIVISION OF PUBLIC SAFETY.**

Mr. Bob Lamkey, Director, Division of Public Safety, greeted the Commissioners and said, “Last

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year, Emergency Management had a requirement review completed by Human Resources that validated a need and utility of one additional, permanent Emergency Manager. Additional federal/state programs, coupled with a growing homeland security and community outreach mission were key factors.

After visiting and discussing the issue with the manager, we determined the needs of the Public Safety Division could best be served by placing the position subordinate to the director. That would satisfy some emergency management needs, but provide added capacity to the entire division. The position, as envisioned, would serve as an emergency manager in the event of an emergency. The position would be responsible for the continued delivery of very successful Ready to Respond programs and similar programs. It would develop and maintain and coordinate Sedgwick County's human resource and logistical support of MMRS pharmaceutical distribution, including the county's internal distribution plan.

The position, as principal liaison for integrating division participation in community events and educational programs, fairs, school events, Haz-Mat symposiums, storm fairs and the like. And in the PR capacity, the position would develop and seek sponsors and promulgate written information and fliers, reports for public consumption. You've all seen the Ready to Respond pamphlets and the inserts in the Fiest directory. There are also some new federal programs that are coming aboard, particularly the federal Citizens' Emergency Response Team or CERT program that we want to establish in Sedgwick County. So, in short, the position will fill a diversity of needs within Sedgwick County.

I recognize that much has changed since last year regarding the county's financial reality. However, through the process, the value of the position has remained very strong. What is proposed is that we do not add to the county overall staffing number. Rather we transfer an available position from the Appraiser's Office to Public Safety. So I would ask you to favorably consider this and approve the position transfer."

Chairman Norton said, "Is there any discussion or questions from the bench? If not, I would entertain a motion."

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to approve the adjustment to the Division of Public Safety Staffing Table.

Commissioner McGinn seconded the Motion.

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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

Mr. Lamkey said, “Thank you, Commissioners and I’d like to take one more moment. Kristi did this at the beginning of our broadcast but I would like to remind folks that we have a very robust Ready to Respond program that, if they’re interested in getting it delivered to their community or neighborhood groups, 383-7546 or our website at www.sedgwickcounty.org will connect you with that process.

And there’s been a lot of discussion about tape and plastic in the media. We have delivered instruction on that particular program in our Shelter in Place program for over a year. If folks are interested in knowing more about that, they can call us or they can go to Blockbuster. Every Blockbuster has a video that talks about Shelter in Place that’s free for check-out or they can check with their neighborhood school because we’ve delivered that video to every school in Sedgwick County. So the programs are there. We encourage people to contact us, because we want to deliver them.”

Chairman Norton said, “Commissioner Sciortino had a comment.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “I just wanted to . . . on television, finally the federal government was making up the requirements of what you should have in your home and what have you and that’s exactly what I thought. Well, heck, Carolyn . . . we started this two years ago and almost identical what they were recommending that the citizens have to protect themselves, we’ve been educating the public for almost two years now. So I felt kind of proud about that.”

Mr. Lamkey said, “I am too. It was nice to see the article that the Department of Homeland Security has duplicated Sedgwick County’s instructions in this instance.”

Chairman Norton said, “Well, I had a chance recently to have two or three conversations with media and they’ve said, ‘Well, what are you doing now that there’s an orange alert?’ And I said, ‘You know when it was dark blue we were talking to our community about this’. So we didn’t just do something when it got to orange level. We’ve been doing something for two years under

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Commissioner McGinn's guidance, so it's not anything new for us to be talking about those issues. And yes, the environment has changed nationally, but what we're doing locally hasn't changed a whole lot. Commissioner McGinn."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Well, and about one month after September 11th, Commissioner Winters and I did go to Washington D.C. and distributed our Ready to Respond information. So who knows? Maybe they did find that useful and packaged it a different way. But I was excited to hear about the gray tape, because that was something, you know, living on a farm I knew I wouldn't have to go out and buy. We have it all over the place.

Commissioner Norton, before we move on to the next item, I'd like to introduce a young gentleman in the back of the room. Don't mean to put you on the spot, but we're going to. Brandon Brassman, from Valley Center High School, is here as part of a government project, finishing some credits for his diploma and, if you'd like to share just a little bit about why you're here. But, like I said, we don't want to embarrass you but do you mind coming up to the podium and share with us what it is you're doing for requirements for your credits."

Mr. Brandon Brassman, Student, Valley Center High School, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Actually, what I'm doing for my government project is something in regards to the Valley Center Learning Center. I actually attended Wichita Heights for four years and because of a move from Houston, Texas to here I was unable to complete all of my credits. When you move from a large area of 4,000,000 people to somewhere like Wichita it's kind of a cultural shock and it kind of threw me off for my first year, but with the help of Valley Center Learning Center I'm able to, along with many other adults and people that didn't graduate on time, continue my education and get an actual high school diploma instead of having to resort to a GED, like far too many people do.

So, what they've asked me to do is to come here, witness the meeting of the Sedgwick County Commission, just take notes and write up a little report about it for the school. That's why I'm here."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Well, thank you for being here and I guess I've just learned something about other ways that you can get degrees when you do get caught in a situation where you do have to move from one community to another."

Mr. Brassman said, "Well, it is better than getting a GED by far."

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Commissioner McGinn said, "Well, thank you for being here and taking the extra effort and good luck and we hope you enjoy our community."

Chairman Norton said, "What are you going to say about us? That's what I want to know."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "We want to edit your comments."

Chairman Norton said, "Thank you for being here today. Clerk, call the next item."

G. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF BIDS AND CONTRACTS' REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 6, 2003.

Mr. Jerry Phipps, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "You have the minutes of the February 6th meeting of the Board of Bids and Contracts and there are four items for your consideration.

**1) CHANGE ORDER FOR JURY ROOM- FACILITY PROJECTS
FUNDING: CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

Item one is a change order for the Jury Room for Facility Projects. It was moved to acknowledged the change order of Rainbow Construction for \$4,045.

**2) CHANGE ORDER FOR FLEET MAINTENANCE FACILITY- FACILITY PROJECTS
FUNDING: CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

Item two is a change order for Fleet Maintenance Facility through Facility Projects and it was also acknowledge the change order with Conco Construction for \$63,888.

**3) CAD ANNUAL SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE- EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS
FUNDING: EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS**

Item three, CAD annual software maintenance for Emergency Communications. It was moved to accept the sole source with Northrop Grumman for \$33,750.

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**4) 800 MHZ MOTOROLA RADIOS- SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
FUNDING: SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**

Item four are 800 megahertz radios for the Sheriff's Department. It was moved to accept the quote with Motorola Incorporated for \$51,843.20. It's a state contract.

I'll be happy to take questions. I recommend approval of the minutes of the February 6th meeting of the Board of Bids and Contracts."

Chairman Norton said, "I see no questions. I do have one on number one. Describe a little bit what we're doing there because we've had some issues with the remodel and the courthouse and we want to be sure that we're trying to do the right thing. So talk about that just a little bit."

Mr. Phipps said, "A few of these items were, of course they were already done after the fact. After they pulled the carpet, they found that there was asbestos tile. That wasn't apparently considered in the original \$341,000 for that project and these are all items that are over and above that had to be done that were either missed by the architect or missed by the director of the project, whoever. It was kind of unforeseen until the time we got there."

Chairman Norton said, "Okay. I don't see any other questions or discussion. At this point I would entertain a motion."

MOTION

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

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

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

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Chairman Tim Norton

Aye

Chairman Norton said, “At this time I will recess the . . .”

Commissioner Winters said, “We’ve got a consent agenda.”

Chairman Norton said, “Do we need to do that first? I’m sorry. Clerk, call the next item.”

CONSENT AGENDA

H. CONSENT AGENDA.

1. Line Item Adjusted Budget Summary for Community Truancy Immunization Project, to be submitted to Kansas Juvenile Justice Authority.

2. Section 8 Housing Assistance Payment Contracts.

<u>Contract Number</u>	<u>Rent Subsidy</u>	<u>District Number</u>	<u>Landlord</u>
V020082	\$222.00		James Roupp
V020085	\$202.00	5	Blaine Johnson
V020087	\$607.00	2	Gerald Olsthoorn
V020088	\$585.00	5	Johnnie Roberts
V020090	\$442.00		Walnut River Residences
V020091	\$290.00	2	William Favreau
V03001	\$400.00	2	Helms Rentals
V03002	\$163.00	2	Village Green Apts.

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

<u>Contract Number</u>	<u>Old Amount</u>	<u>New Amount</u>
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V2020	\$625.00	\$625.00
V9901	\$450.00	\$447.00
V2017	\$270.00	\$567.00
V020017	\$322.00	\$643.00
V2027	\$180.00	\$181.00
V01061	\$259.00	\$238.00
V2037	\$305.00	\$196.00
V020010	\$197.00	\$242.00
V020005	\$296.00	\$303.00
V020018	\$319.00	\$344.00
V2029	\$220.00	\$221.00
V2032	\$510.00	\$473.00
V01032	\$230.00	\$103.00
V01058	\$177.00	\$166.00
V2028	\$90.00	\$96.00
V01042	\$325.00	\$333.00
V99010	\$635.00	\$635.00
V8009	\$210.00	\$299.00
V20113	\$365.00	\$412.00
V020086	\$600.00	\$368.00
V020067	\$378.00	\$388.00
V020070	\$274.00	\$550.00
V020061	\$510.00	\$391.00
V010113	\$274.00	\$299.00
V020013	\$341.00	\$352.00

4. Order dated February 5, 2003 to correct tax roll for change of assessment.

5. General Bills Check Register of February 5, 2003.

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

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

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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, “At this point, I will recess the Board of County Commissioners meeting.”

The Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners recessed into the Fire District #1 meeting at 10:11 a.m. and returned at 10:22 a.m.

Chairman Norton said, “Now, are there any other items to come before us as the Board of County Commissioners? Commissioner Sciortino.”

I. OTHER

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Well, just to let the public know that the entire Board of County Commissioners went up to Topeka so we could be in attendance yesterday for county days up there and it gave us an opportunity to interact with all of our legislators and we hosted a lunch and once again, they reiterated how pleased they were that Sedgwick County was maybe the little exception to the rule that we were willing to work with them and to share with them the solution to the problems that they have and I thought it was very productive and I think they appreciated our presence. That’s all I had.”

Chairman Norton said, “Commissioner Unruh.”

Commissioner Unruh said, “Well, I’d like to just say that I was at a new commissioner workshop last Thursday and Friday. It was hosted by the Kansas Association of Counties and hopefully that will give some encouragement to the constituents of Sedgwick County that I’m trying to get trained up to speed.

I’d like to say that Chairman Norton was there and led one group and did an excellent job and represented us very well, as did Commissioner Winters led a closing panel discussion and

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represented us very well indeed.”

Chairman Norton said, “Well, just a comment there. I saw some of your papers and I helped grade some of them, Dave and you did pretty good.”

Commissioner Unruh said, “Oh, thank you.”

Chairman Norton said, “Is there anything else to come before the Board of County Commissioners.”

Commissioner Winters said, “Just a couple of just FYI kinds of items. The Sedgwick County Conservation District is having their annual meeting this evening at 6:30 out at Extension 4-H hall if anybody is interested in that. And later this afternoon, this evening, Maize High School is holding an open house at Maize and so I think anybody that’s interested in the Maize High School district might want to attend those two events.”

Commissioner McGinn said, “Although I think at the dinner you need to call and let them know you’re coming.”

Commissioner Winters said, “Yes. If you’re going to do the conservation district, you need to contact someone with the conservation district to make a reservation.”

Chairman Norton said, “Okay. And I understand we have an Executive Session. So I’d entertain a motion.”

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved that the Board of County Commissioners recess into Executive Session for 10 minutes to consider consultation with legal counsel on matters privileged in the attorney/ client relationship relating to pending claims and litigation and legal advice and that the Board of County Commissioners return from Executive Session no sooner than 10:37 a.m.

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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

The Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners recessed into Executive Session at 10:27 a.m. and returned at 10:40 a.m.

Chairman Norton said, "I'll call the meeting back to order. According to state statute there was no binding action taken in our executive session. Is there anything else to come before us?"

Mr. Richard Euson, County Counselor, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Yes, Mr. Chairman, Commissioners, while in Executive Session we discussed a worker's compensation claim by an employee by the name of Mark Berndsen and we discussed the recommended settlement in that case in the amount of \$22,500 and I would recommend that you approve that settlement, which would relieve the county from future medical payments and review and modification of the award."

MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved to approve the worker's compensation settlement in the amount of \$22,500 in the case of Mark Berndsen.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

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

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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, "Is there anything else to come before us? Mr. Manager? Then we're adjourned."

J. ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 10:42 a.m.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS**

TIM NORTON, Chairman

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THOMAS G. WINTERS, Chair Pro Tem
Third District

DAVID M. UNRUH, Commissioner
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CAROLYN McGINN, Commissioner
Fourth District

BEN SCIORTINO, Commissioner
Fifth District

ATTEST:

Don Brace, County Clerk

APPROVED:

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