MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SITTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF FIRE DISTRICT #1

REGULAR MEETING

June 16, 2004

The Regular Meeting of the Board of the County Commissioners of Sedgwick County, Kansas, was called to order at 10:13 A.M., on Wednesday, June 16, 2004 in the County Commission Meeting Room in the Courthouse in Wichita, Kansas, by Chairman Thomas G. Winters; with the following present: Chair Pro Tem David M. Unruh; Commissioner Tim R. Norton; Commissioner Carolyn McGinn; Commissioner Ben Sciortino; Mr. William P. Buchanan, County Manager; Mr. Rich Euson, County Counselor; Chief Gary Curmode, Fire District #1 and Ms. Lisa Davis, Deputy County Clerk.

ROLL CALL

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

Chairman Winters said, “Next item.”

NEW BUSINESS

A. GRANT APPLICATION TO STATE OF KANSAS FOR HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM FUNDING TO PURCHASE FIVE POWER GENERATORS.

Chief Gary Curmode, Fire District #1, greeted the Commissioners and said, “Basically before you today is an authorization for our district to submit an application for the State Homeland Security grant program. Basically, this will allow, if it’s given by the State of Kansas, it will allow for up to $100,000 to pay for emergency generators for your agency.

Well, in our agency we’ve had problems over the past many years with snows in the winters, tornadoes, floods, winds and so forth. This would allow us to purchase four stationary generators and one portable generator and be funded 100% through the Homeland Security grant program. So, I’m asking for you today is for your approval and I’m ready and available for questions.”

Chairman Winters said, “All right, thank you. Commissioners, questions? Commissioner Norton.”

Commissioner Norton said, “Is that mix, what did we . . . how did we determine the mix of static to portable?”
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Chief Curmode said, “Well, basically we took our . . . as you are well aware of, we’re looking at the MGT study and potential, a lot of options for the stations in the future and so we took our four busiest stations that we would need to have a concrete slab and that we would have, in the event of an emergency, we would have those four stations would be our key points for the focus of emergency response in the county if others were shut down. So we took our four busiest ones with alarm loads and again density of populations.

And then secondly, we looked at the portable generator would move to the fifth station and in the event that we had any more than that, then we’d have a major county disaster and we could get some assistance from the National Guard, which we have in the past many years ago.”

Commissioner Norton said, “What are those four stations?”

Chief Curmode said, “Basically, one would be Station 34 in Haysville, Station 32 up in 135 and 53rd Street. A third station would be Station 36, down on Rock Road and 63rd Street South and the fourth one would be Station 35, out on 247th West, just west of Goddard. And then the portable one would be kept at a location where we can move it to the other station needing it as soon as possible.”

Commissioner Norton said, “No other questions.”

Chairman Winters said, “Okay. Well I know we . . . through the impact grants, we had kind of a similar situation. We got a number of the small communities equipped with generators in their city buildings and various locations, so I guess we took care of our neighbors first and now we’re going to make sure we take care of ourselves, but that’s okay. Commissioners, are there other questions or comments? What’s the will of the Board?”
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MOTION

Commissioner Unruh moved to approve the Grant Application and authorize the Fire Chief to submit via the internet; authorize the Chairman to sign all necessary documents, including a grant award agreement containing substantially the same terms and conditions as this Application; and approve establishment of budget authority at the time the grant award documents are executed.

Commissioner McGinn seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

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

Chairman Winters said, “Thank you very much, Chief. Is there any other business to come before the Board sitting as the Fire District #1? Seeing none, this meeting is adjourned.”

B. OTHER

C. ADJOURNMENT
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There being no other business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

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