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, April 14, 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; Ms. Kim Parker, Assistant District Attorney; Mr. Don Brace, County Clerk; Sergeant Brenda Dietzman, Sheriff’s Office; Ms. Jeannette Livingston, Contract Administrator, Comprehensive Community Care (COMCARE); Mr. Bill Farney, Acting Director, Health Department; Mr. John Nath, Director, Kansas Coliseum; Mr. Joe Brunk, Director, Household Hazardous Waste Facility and Noxious Weeds Department; Mr. Kolin Anglin, Supervisor, Bureau of Public Works; Mr. Richard Vogt, Chief Information Officer, DIO; Mr. David Spears, Director, Bureau of Public Works; Ms. Iris Baker, Director, Purchasing Department; Ms. Kristi Zukovich, Director, Communications; and, Ms. Lisa Davis, Deputy County Clerk.

GUESTS

Senior Master Sergeant Charles Smith, Air Force Reserve, McConnell Air Force Base.
Ms. Malica Landrum, Community Solutions, Inc.
Mr. Charles Woford II, St. Paul’s AME Church, Wichita.
Ms. Delores Porter, Co-chairperson, St. Paul’s AME Church AIDS Ministry.
Mr. Tom Lindsay, Member, Sedgwick County Board of Zoning Appeals.
Dr. Ed Flentje, Director, Hugo Wall School of Urban and Public Affairs, Wichita State University.

INVOCATION

The Invocation was led by Mr. Pete Morris of Metro East Baptist Church, Wichita.

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

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

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES: Regular Meeting, March 31, 2004

The Clerk reported that all Commissioners were present at the Regular Meeting of March 31, 2004.
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Chairman Winters said, “Commissioners, you’ve had an opportunity to review the Minutes. What’s the will of the Board?”

**MOTION**

Commissioner McGinn moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 31st, 2004.

Commissioner Norton 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 Aye  
Chairman Thomas Winters Aye

Chairman Winters said, “Commissioners, just a point of clarification about the meeting this morning. I think we have a relatively short meeting, but we need to have an Executive committee at 10:30 this morning. I think we’ll be pretty well through, but for any of you who are here for something toward the end of the meeting, again I think it’s short but at 10:30 this morning we will go into an Executive Session. So, Madam Clerk would you call the next item.”

**PROCLAMATIONS**

A. **PROCLAMATIONS.**

1. **PROCLAMATION DECLARING APRIL 18 – 24, 2004 AS “CRIME VICTIMS’ RIGHTS WEEK.”**

Chairman Winters said, “Commissioners, I have a proclamation for your consideration.
WHEREAS, through public and private efforts, Sedgwick County, Kansas has made great strides in both reducing crime rates and improving our response to crime victims; and

WHEREAS, more than 24 million Americans suffer the impact of crime each year; and

WHEREAS, these individuals deserve to be treated with dignity and respect by our criminal justice system and society at large; and

WHEREAS, Sedgwick County recognizes that its response to crime victims plays an important role in their efforts to rebuild their lives; and

WHEREAS, gracious volunteers have helped victims and survivors of crimes by improving the rights and resources available to crime victims in building a better, more just community;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Tom Winters, Chairman of the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim the week of April 18-24, 2004 as ‘Crime Victims Rights Week’

and recognize Charles Smith, a tireless volunteer from McConnell Air Force Base, for the purpose of working with youth of our community to prevent future involvement in the criminal justice system.


Commissioners, what’s the will of the Board regarding this proclamation?”

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

Chairman Winters said, “And I see we have Kim Parker from the District Attorney’s Office. Kim.”

Ms. Kim Parker, Assistant District Attorney, greeted the Commissioners and said, “It is my great pleasure and honor to be here with Charles Smith. He is a police officer and in the Air Force Reserves at McConnell Air Force Base. And he has done great work in our community. I can tell this commission that in the years that I have been involved in prosecution and watched victims come through our system, there is not much more devastating than to observe individuals who stand before a judge who are not only defendants but also victims to their addiction to a drug substance. And that is where Mr. Smith has spent over 250 hours of his time, although he is married to an active military, Air Force personnel, in addition to raising two teenagers.

He has been involved in the Drug Education for Youth, as a director there, and organized and pulled off a program that is a two phase based program for nine to twelve-year-olds consisting of a summer leadership camp where he teaches conflict resolution, anti-gang, anti-drug, relationship and self-esteem skills. Phase two of that same program consists of monthly meetings where he was involved in reinforcing lessons that they had learned during phase one.

He successfully trained and led 36 nine to twelve-year-old campers, 16 junior mentors and 6 adult mentor team leaders during that first phase of the camp. His dedication continues by leading these same individuals, during monthly meetings and other activities.

In addition to the above volunteer work that he has done, he is also involved with the McConnell Top Three during the last five years. The Top Three is an organization of the highest enlisted ranks that supports the McConnell community and veterans in such fund-raisers for the VA Hospital, Operation Warm Heart and Adopt-a-Highway program sponsoring food baskets for the less fortunate families during Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays in the community.

Last but not least, Charles has worked with Camp Awareness program in 2001. This is a group that is sponsored by the Wichita Police Department and local Boy Scouts. He was a team leader for that
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week, mentoring and guiding children from less fortunate backgrounds.

I think our community is well benefited by the activities and the volunteering that he has done for us. Thank you.”

Chairman Winters said, “Charles, welcome and thank you. Would you like to make a comment or two?”

Senior Master Sergeant Charles Smith, Military Police, McConnell Air Force Base, greeted the Commissioners and said, “Commissioners, it is truly an honor to be recognized with this award. I believe volunteerism is a key to the hopes and dreams of others. I believe volunteerism is a responsibility of each and every person. Whether you volunteer once a year or several times a year, whether you give money, clothing food or your personal time, you can make a difference for another human being.

Many thanks go to my family members for their love and support in my endeavors, to my supervisor and commander, Captain Martha Couter, for allowing me to have so much fun in doing what I do and to Ms. Lisa Bowser who accompanied me today for having faith in my abilities as my role as Agent Zed with our local Defy program and for submitting my nomination for this award. Thank you.”

Chairman Winters said, “Thank you, Charles. Well we want you to know that the Sedgwick County Board of County Commissioners places a great deal of emphasis on prevention of problems with our juveniles and our young people particularly. We realize that it’s very important and we try to play a huge role. But we know that we’re only playing part of the picture, but that individuals such as yourself, who are volunteering to work with young people throughout the community is what is going to make a long-term difference. So we’re very pleased to recognize you. Kim Parker with the District Attorney’s Office, we’re pleased that you brought Charles to us to recognize this morning and we wish you the best with Crime Victims’ Week, but we again appreciate very much the work that you do in this community.

So many times we think about people who do not volunteer, but the men and women of McConnell Air Force Base add a great deal to this community and we appreciate all your involvement, both as a civilian and as an Air Force person, so thank you very much. We appreciate your being here. All right, next item.”

2. PROCLAMATION DECLARING APRIL 12 – 18, 2004 AS “WICHITA BLACK CHURCH WEEK OF PRAYER FOR THE HEALING OF AIDS.”
Chairman Winters said, “All right, Commissioners we have a second proclamation for your consideration.

**PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, in 2002, African Americans accounted for over half of the new HIV diagnoses reported in the United States.

**WHEREAS**, in 2000, HIV/AIDS was among the top three causes of death for African-American men ages 25-54 and African American women ages 35-44; and

**WHEREAS**, sixty-two percent of children born to HIV-infected mothers were African-American; and

**WHEREAS**, the role of religious institutions is crucial in educating communities about HIV/AIDS and is vital to heal hearts and minds of silence, denial and the stigma that interferes with prevention, treatment and testing in Black communities; and

**WHEREAS**, the Black Church Week of Prayer for the Healing of AIDS is modeled after the groundbreaking Harlem Week of Prayer for the Healing of AIDS, established in 1989 by Pernessa C. Seele, and is supported by over 65 AIDS service organizations and health departments across the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, the Black Church Week of Prayer for the Healing of AIDS is a week of education and AIDS awareness that spotlights the role that churches are playing in addressing the AIDS crisis; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Tom Winters, Chairman of the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim the week of April 12-18, 2004 as

‘BLACK CHURCH WEEK OF PRAYER FOR THE HEALING OF AIDS’

and encourage all citizens to participate in the education and awareness of AIDS.


Commissioners, what’s the will of the Board?”

**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.

**VOTE**

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Chairman Winters said, “And we have Timpy Hersey with us from St. Paul’s AME Church, Malica Landrum and Pastor Charles Wolford II. Yes, would one of you like to make a comment please?”

Ms. Malica Landrum, Community Solutions Incorporated, Wichita Day Reporting Center, “I’m a testing site for the community and also this week we just wanted to bring awareness to our community to let them know that the help and the funding is there, if they just come out and get it.”

Chairman Winters said, “All right. Charles, would you like to make a comment?”

Pastor Charles Wolford II, St. Paul’s AME Church, greeted the Commissioners and said, “Thank you. Again, we want to acknowledge the fact that, in this community, we have a large number of individuals who have taken the opportunity to come out and get tested during this week. We have several events that will be taking place. There is a service tomorrow, a vigil that we will be having at 9th Street Church of God. Secondly, on Friday we will have an event that individuals can come out and get tested at the Attwater Center between 1 and 6:00. And then on Saturday we will be having a concert for individuals to come out and celebrate the Black Church Week of Prayer. And again, thank you Commissioners for your support and the proclamation. God bless you.”

Ms. Delores Porter, Co-chairperson, St. Paul African Methodist Episcopal Church AIDS Ministry, greeted the Commissioners and said, “We also have . . . will be doing a double thing. I am also a member of the Wichita Alumni Chapter of Delpa Sigma Theda Sorority and we are also have a
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committee that is working with AIDS at this time.

I would just like to thank everyone for being so kind as to give us this time to get a proclamation and we have, as our Reverend Charles Wolford has said, have many events going on this week and we hope that everyone will feel free. They’re open to the public and free of charge and will come out and be with us.”

Chairman Winters said, “All right. We have a couple of comments here. Commissioner McGinn.”

Commissioner McGinn said, “Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I just want to say thank you for coming out today. What you’re doing is so very important, as you know, and we have to get this message out about prevention. We have to get the message out to be tested to prevent the future problems in coming years down the road. And so, just the work that you’re doing is very important and I know there are others in this community that feel as strongly as you do, but the important thing is that you’re trying to deliver that message, so thank you.”

Chairman Winters said, “Wait, we have one more. Commissioner Sciortino.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “So is there going to be any food? That was a real question. If anyone is interested in finding out a little bit more about what these specific events are, is there a phone number that they can call that that information could be given to them, and if there is, could you let us know what the number might be?”

Ms. Porter said, “St. Paul AME Church, 17th and Piatt, 265-5881 and they will give you the information that you need.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Great. Okay, thank you.”

Chairman Winters said, “Well thank you all very much for being here today. Madam Clerk, call the next item.”

APPOINTMENTS

B. RESOLUTIONS (TWO) APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE SEDGWICK
COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS.

1. TOM LINDSAY (COMMISSIONER NORTON’S APPOINTMENT)

2. JANA L. MULLEN (CHAIRMAN WINTERS’ APPOINTMENT)

Mr. Rich Euson, County Counselor, greeted the Commissioners and said, “We have prepared resolutions appointing two members to the Board of Zoning Appeals. These are three-years terms that would expire in April of 2007 and I would recommend that you adopt both of these resolutions.”

Chairman Winters said, “All right, thank you. Commissioners, what’s the will of the Board on both of these resolutions, B-1 and B-2?”

MOTION

Commissioner Norton moved to adopt the Resolutions.

Commissioner Sciortino 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 Aye
Chairman Thomas Winters Aye
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Chairman Winters said, “And I believe Tom Lindsay is here today, but Jana Mullen is not able to be here, so we will swear in Tom Mullen [sic] and County Clerk Don Brace will do that honor.”

Mr. Don Brace, County Clerk, said, “Raise your right hand.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the State of Kansas and faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Sedgwick County Board of Zoning Appeals, so help me God.”

Mr. Tom Lindsay, Member, Sedgwick County Board of Zoning Appeals, greeted the Commissioners and said, “I will.”

Mr. Brace said, “Congratulations.”

Chairman Winters said, “Commissioner Norton has a comment. Tom, would you like to make a comment?”

Mr. Lindsay said, “Well I just feel honored that you folks would appoint me to serve on the board and I have plenty of time now, don’t have many jobs to do any more, so just feel it’s a real honor that you would appoint me and I’ll do the very best I can.”

Chairman Winters said, “All right. Commissioner Norton.”

Commissioner Norton said, “Well I got to tell you, I’m very proud to appoint Tom. He preceded me as Mayor of Haysville, so has got some great experiences, served on the City Council in Haysville for a number of years, was Mayor of Haysville, was a project manager with Boeing for years and years, did a lot of traveling up to the northwest and is still an active participant in our community on the south side and I think he’ll bring a strong role of understanding public service and making tough decisions under tough conditions to the Board of Zoning Appeals. So, I’m really proud he’s my appointment and I know he’ll serve well and he does have plenty of time on his hands, so we’ll use him to our advantage. Thanks, Tom.”

Chairman Winters said, “All right, thanks Tom, we appreciate your willingness to serve.”

Mr. Lindsay said, “Thank you very much.”

Chairman Winters said, “You bet. Next item.”
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AWARDS

C. PRESENTATION OF MINI MPA CERTIFICATES TO SEDGWICK COUNTY 2003-2004 GRADUATES.

- TROY BRUUN, FINANCE
- BYRON CHRISSLER, FIRE
- MARY DUDLEY, REGIONAL FORENSIC SCIENCE CENTER
- CECILE GOUGH, CORRECTIONS
- SHAWN HENNING, ACCOUNTING
- DORSHA KIRKSEY, HUMAN RESOURCES
- CYNTIAH PARSONS, ACCOUNTING
- ROGER TAYLOR, INFORMATION AND OPERATIONS
- RAY VAIL, AGING
- KATHY WEGNER, COMCARE

Dr. Ed Flentje, Director, Hugo Wall School of Urban and Public Affairs, Wichita State University, greeted the Commissioners and said, “I’m here this morning to recognize members of your organization, managers who have completed the mini MPA program offered through the school this past year. They are part of a group of 26 individuals, essentially public managers in this region, three counties, five cities and three non-profit organizations are represented among that group. And this program you have heard about before but is essentially executive development in public administration, exposes folks to broader issues of economics and finance, politics and public policy, public management issues. And they have, essentially, been over about 16 weeks been showing up at 7:45 for a three hour session on Fridays and a couple of them have mentioned that they don’t know what to do now at 7:45, other than show up at work early.”

Commissioner Norton said, “It’s good to know that.”

Dr. Flentje said, “I’d be happy to answer any questions, but our purpose is to recognize these people and present a plaque and let me just get started here. First, Troy Bruun, Deputy Chief Financial Officer. Byron Chrisler, Byron’s busy but his Chief is available to accept this. Mary Dudley, your Chief Medical Examiner and Coroner. Cecile Gough, Operations Administrator for the Department of Corrections. Shawn Henning, who is Director of Accounting. Dorsha Kirksey, Diversity and Employee Relations Manager in Human Resources. Cynthia Parsons, Senior Revenue Specialist in your Division of Finance. Roger Taylor, who is Manager of Business Solutions Group. Ray Vail, who is Director of Finance and Support Services for the Area Agency on Aging. And Kathy Wegner, who is Operations Manager at COMCARE.
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I might say, the last segment of the mini MPA, the last session is what we call a capstone. These folks are asked to analyze a community issue. They analyzed the AirTran issue from a number of perspectives and came up with solutions and you may want to quiz them all as to the proper course of action in that respect. So, thank you. I want to thank Jo Templin, your Human Resources Manager, and Bill Buchanan for their support and for your organization’s support of this program. I’d be happy to respond to any questions you have.”

Chairman Winters said, “We do have a couple of comments. Commissioner Norton.”

Commissioner Norton said, “Well it’s really not a question, it’s really a general comment. I’m a firm believer that as organizations grow and you build the capacity of organizations that knowledge capital is so important and these individuals have given of their time and efforts to increase the knowledge capital that we have in our organization.

You know, for us to progress and become the great government that we aspire to be over the next 10 or 20 years, it is increasingly important that everyone raises the bar not only for the organization, but for themselves individually. And these folks have indicated that they plan to do that to continue their education. I think we all find, as we start to transition out of high school or college or whatever educational setting we’re in, that that’s just the beginning of the learning that we have and as fast as our world is changing, as fast as government is changing and the kinds of issues that we deal with, it is really comforting to know that we have staff in our ranks that put in the time to increase their knowledge of how to do our business, because it sure makes it a lot easier on us to be able to make the public policy decisions we have to make and be insured that there’s a template out there that can get it done, so I really appreciate their hard work. Thank you very much.”

Chairman Winters said, “Well I would . . . Just two quick points, would want to say thank you for those folks from Sedgwick County who participated in the program. It does mean a lot to the Board of County Commissioners to know that we do have folks who want to continue to bring their skills to a higher level, which helps us bring our skills to a higher level, which helps the community have a better organization. So we appreciate your hard work and effort, because you’ll help us be better at what we try to do.

And then we would again thank the university. We’re very fortunate to live in a community that has a regent’s institution that has a very strong urban and public affairs department and Ed, we
appreciate that very much. I don’t think you could look at a department in Sedgwick County and not see the influence of WSU on personnel in those departments. It is everywhere in this organization. So we appreciate the programs you put together. We appreciated certainly the assistance with the Health Assembly that we had a few weeks ago. We’re still hearing positive comments about that entire event and we’re still certainly pleased with that assembly process, don’t know how that could have been much better. We just hope now we’re able to respond in a positive way, which is always the hard part, but thank you very much Ed for being here today and thank you for all of you with Sedgwick County who participated in this program. We do appreciate your hard work. All right Commissioners, if there are no other questions or comments, we’ll proceed to the next item.”

**DEFERRED ITEM**

**D. ENDORSEMENT OF DERBY CITIZEN’S RECREATION ASSOCIATION’S APPLICATION TO KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR A COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM TAX CREDIT.**

Chairman Winters said, “All right Commissioners, this is a deferred item. Sergeant Dietzman explained most of it to us last week. I’ve had a couple of my questions answered. I don’t know that the sergeant needs to go through the entire process again. Commissioner Sciortino, did you have a comment?”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Well, yes and I hope that all of you have had a chance to have your questions answered and it’s very wise, if any of us don’t have sufficient information, we shouldn’t be just voting on something just to be voting on it. I think it’s important to get the information, but this project has been in the works for about three or four years. We’re at the final lap of making this a reality, where we can have this facility which will provide educational programs, recreational programs, community events, the community policing are going to be able to house there. We hope that other social organizations can house there. And by supporting this application, we hope that it will bring the private sector now into the picture and encourage additional donations from the private sector, because they can see some advantage to making a donation and it’s my hopes that you all will join me in approving this endorsement and if there’s other questions or other comments, I’ll wait. If not, I’m very ready to make a Motion.”

Chairman Winters said, “All right, I don’t see any. Sergeant Dietzman, do you have any other additions to what you shared with us last week?”

Sergeant Brenda Dietzman, Sheriff’s Office, greeted the Commissioners and said, “This is sort of on a unrelated but yet related note. I just wanted to inform the Board that the construction for the new offices, the phase one part of the program started two days ago. So hopefully within the next
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month or two, whenever construction is finished, we will actually open our new offices down there, the joint offices between the Derby Recreation Commission and the Sedgwick County Sheriff’s Office. So that’s pretty good news for us.”

Chairman Winters said, “Okay, thank you.”

MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved to Approve the Endorsement and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Commissioner Norton 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 Aye
Chairman Thomas Winters Aye

Chairman Winters said, “Thank you very much, sergeant.”

Sergeant Dietzman said, “I’d like to thank you for doing that and after talking with several members of the Oaklawn community, they would also like to thank each and every one of you for doing this. Thank you.”

Chairman Winters said, “Thank you. Next item.”

NEW BUSINESS
DIVISION OF HUMAN SERVICES - COMCARE

E. PRESENTATION OF FOURTH QUARTER PERFORMANCE REPORT FOR 2003 SEDGWICK COUNTY COMMUNITY CRIME PREVENTION GRANT RECIPIENTS.

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Ms. Jeannette Livingston, Contract Administrator, COMCARE, greeted the Commissioners and said, “I thought I’d take this opportunity to share with you the performance for 2003 for the Sedgwick County Community Crime Prevention Grant recipients. I’m going to just go over each program briefly and then just give you some of their performance information for 2003.

Big Brothers/ Big Sisters program matches screened adults with at-risk youth in a mentor relationship. They are considered a blueprint model program, meaning that they have significant research behind that program demonstrating that they can make an impact on juvenile delinquency prevention. For 2003, they served 225 at-risk youth and they met all of their goals for 2003. Some of the outcomes that they expect from their youth include reducing arrests or not becoming arrested, improved academic performance, and avoiding substance abuse.

Boys and Girls’ Club Targeted Outreach program is an academic program serving kids that have been suspended or expelled from school. They particularly focus on the youth expelled for a full year under the no-tolerance policies. They served 72 youth in 2003 and they met all of their outcomes also. They work to return students to school after having been suspended or expelled and they followed them up for two semesters, measuring whether they have reduced the suspensions and expulsions for the students, as well as improving their grades and academic performance. They’ve done a good job of getting kids returned to school, even after being expelled for a full year and they serve both middle school and high school students.

Catholic Charities Family Advocacy program works with families in their homeless and domestic violence shelters. They have an evidence-based parent’s training curriculum that they use in their shelter and then follow up in the home with these families. They served 45 families in 2003, a little
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less than their goal. They did meet all of their outcome targets for the program, except for in the third quarter they had some difficulty with some staff turnover and that sort of thing, did not have a couple that were measured. They have implemented a corrective action plan in the third quarter of 2003 and the problem has not resurfaced. The outcomes that they expect for their clients to receive include improved parenting skills, as well as the families to have stable employment and stable income, which is important if they’ve been experiencing the sort of chaotic environment that would land a family in the homeless shelter.

Communities in Schools is a collaborative program that works to connect students with the services they need at school. The county grant funds services at the Oaklawn, Cooper Elementary and the Derby 6th Grade Center. In 2003, they served 156 kids and that’s the 2002/2003 school year, just to clarify since they’re a school-based program. They achieved all their outcome except for one they missed by one percent and that was matching students to tutors and mentors, so 89% of their kids were matched instead of 90. Some of the outcomes they expect to achieve with the youth that they serve include linking kids to resources they need, medical services, health insurance, counseling, as well as improving their academic performance and behavior in the classroom.

Episcopal Social Services Teen Intervention program is a program that serves youth that have committed minor misdemeanors. They have a six-week program that includes some restorative justice components and a mentorship between an adult. They served 303 youth in 2003 and they met all their outcomes. The youth that go through this program they expect to reduce re-offenses and they follow up at six months and at one year to make sure they have not re-offended and they also follow up with schools to make sure that they have not had any unexcused absences and they work with the kids to develop skills that will avoid future problems with law enforcement.

The Family Consultation Services Expect Respect is a teen domestic violence prevention program. It worked in 9th grade classes as far as giving the signs of domestic violence, what to do if it happens to you or if it happens to a friend. They had a really mixed performance in 2003, and some staff turnover and due to this, they did not receive a grant for 2004, so their grant ended December 31st. The outcomes that they were expecting included increasing youth’s knowledge of abuse, it can happen to you sort of thing, as well as what to do if it did happen to you or how to help a friend seek help.

KANSEL’s Education Training and Employment program, they work with kids that have dropped out of school. They help them to get their GED and initiate employment. In 2003, they started a new evidence-based job start program. It has been a difficult start-up time and I don’t know if that’s similar with most evidence-based programs that there’s a real learning curve to getting that
one right. What they found was kids, once they started Job Start, which was supposed to be like a
dual track, employment and GED, they found kids lost a lot of interest in getting their GED because
sometimes that takes a while if they’ve come in with a huge deficit as far as academic skills and
were more satisfied with the employment that they received.

They’ve changed the criteria. Now you have to be, you know, almost to your GED before you can
begin this program and they’re starting to see better results in 2004. They had submitted a
corrective action plan in the third quarter of 2003, they’ve changed some of their format and they
hired different, new staff. It’s more of a directed study sort of format and it does look, from the first
quarter of 2004, that that has improved, so they had somewhat mixed performance in 2003. Some
of the outcomes that they expect youth that go through the program to achieve include not being
arrested. Most of the kids that they serve are generally on probation for having committed an
offense and they measure whether they re-offend. They also expect to improve their academic
skills and to get a GED.

The Mental Health Association Reducing Anger in Preschool program is a conflict resolution skills
program for preschoolers. They use an evidence-based curriculum and they work both directly with
preschool students, as well as with preschool teachers to incorporate that curriculum into the
ongoing process of that preschool. In 2003, they served 166 youth. They met all of their goals.
Their goals include improved behavior in school, so they track kids that have had problem behavior
and if after they’ve received that curriculum whether that behavior improved, as well as just giving
them just very basic conflict resolution skills of how to deal with conflict and how not to result in
violence, that sort of thing.

The Higher Ground Learning the Ropes program is a substance abuse prevention and intervention
program. They utilize an experiential component, ropes course, sweat lodge with some of the teens.
They have an art program that’s also a part of that. They incorporated, in 2003, an evidence-based
parent training program, so the kids will be going through their program and the parents can come
to a program in the evenings also. In 2003, they served 202 youth. They met all their outcomes.
The outcomes that they measure include abstinence from illegal substances, reducing arrests and
they also measure improved parenting skills among the parents that attended the parent training.

Rainbows United Early Intervention program, they’re utilizing a blueprint model, evidence-based
parent training curriculum, ‘The Incredible Years’. The County grant paid basically for staff to go
and become trainers in this. The grant was originally written to serve a small number of parents and
then like the teachers at the preschool. Once the staff were trained they thought, ‘Well, we want the
whole agency to benefit from this’, so they took it upon themselves to go ahead and train all of their
staff and that’s why you see the goal was only to serve 27 and they served 311. That was basically at their own expense, the majority of that, because what we paid for was just the training for the trainers. They met all their outcomes for 2003. The program began in August. Outcomes that they have seen were improved classroom behavior and improved parenting skills among the parents that attended the classes.

Wichita’s ACTS on Truancy is a truancy intervention and prevention program. They work with students at four targeted middle schools to get them the services they need to discontinue their truant behavior. They met all their outcomes for 2002/2003 school year, with the exception of one, which was a survey on attitudinal changes. It was a new outcome and they’ve tinkered with that survey and the administration process for 2004 and we expect to see different results from that this year. The outcomes that they expect from their kids include reducing suspensions, reducing arrests and of course reducing truant behavior.

The Wichita Family Services Institute On Trac program works with kids that are exhibiting problem behavior. Some of them have been arrested. Some of them maybe not, experiencing more suspensions and expulsions at school. They get referrals from the District Attorney’s Office, as well as parents and schools for kids that have started to have problems. They served 97 youth in 2003. They met all their outcomes from 2003. The information that they track on these youth that attend the program include tracking whether their grades have improved, reductions in absenteeism and re-offenses.

The Wichita YMCA Black Achiever’s program received a grant in 2003 for their summer internship program. It matches minority youth with jobs in their career interest. The program served 46 youth in 2003, less than their goal. The program is a good program, however it’s hard to match the job placement with crime prevention and due to budget cutbacks and wanting to make sure we focus on crime preventive programs, it was not re-funded for 2004. Some of the outcomes that the program expected from youth attending included demonstrating responsibility on the job, meeting attire for their employment, attending every day, calling in sick if you were sick, those sorts of skills, as well as whether they went on to enroll in college. Those were the outcomes that they expected.

That was it. Those are our 2003 grant recipients. Basically, they’re pretty much on track. There were a couple that had some issues. They’ve implemented corrective action plans. I have at least one or two of the 2004 first quarter reports and it looks like that has improved. Our new grant round for fiscal year 2005, July to June 2005, is going on right now. We will select those next month and bring those back to you for approval. This gives you an idea of where the ones for 2003
Chairman Winters said, “All right, thank you Jeannette. It was a very good report. I don’t see any questions right now. Well, there they are. Commissioner Norton.”

Commissioner Norton said, “Well, first of all I’d like to give kudos to Rainbows United. I mean, I think they’re overachievers and I really like that. To start out serving 27 and go to well over 200 based on spending some of their own money and seeing the validity of the program I think is awesome, so kudos to them for stepping up and serving that many people when it sometimes is pretty easy to just get to the goal and kind of tread water and say that’s good enough and obviously they saw that it wasn’t.

I’d like to also comment on the Boys and Girls Club, keeping kids in school and helping them finish out their year when they’ve been kicked out of school. I belong to the East Side Rotary Club and we have an attachment to the Boys and Girls Club and we’ve had several of those students come and visit our club and it’s amazing that they’ve gotten up and talked about that particular program. For some reason they’ve done something really stupid and they actually admit it to a hundred business men and said that this program has helped them academically, it’s helped them with the problems they had and I’ve heard three of those testimonies probably in the last couple of months, so I think they are doing good work and the proof is in the pudding, the kids recognize it. It’s one think for adults to have goals and outcomes and everything and that looks good on a piece of paper. It’s a whole different thing when you hear the kid actually say this has made a difference in my life, I’m trying to get through school and get back into the mainstream and my grades are up and I’ve got a job and I’m doing pretty good, so I’m really happy with that.

I am concerned with a couple of the programs. The KANSEL program kind of worries me a little bit that that’s not quite meeting outcomes, it doesn’t quite fit maybe where we’re going to go for the next year. I would hope that maybe they’ll raise the bar and make sure that they can participate, but that concerns us a little bit.

Job Start seems like it’s so close to what maybe the mall academies are doing now. You know, they’re helping kids with not only just the GED but to actually get through a high school. They can get a real diploma. They help them with job placement and it seems to me that maybe there’s some good partnerships there that maybe need to be put together. I don’t know if those two programs could be combined in some way or work in a partnership, but it seems like it would make sense. The mall academies, I think they’re getting ready to go to Towne West Mall now and they’ve been
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at Towne East and have done great work and that’s all about getting kids that have dropped out back into a degree program and help them work and have a job at the same time.

The final thing is that I’ve been doing some reading on ACTS on Truancy and it looks like some of their mission is changing a little bit and they’re redefining themselves and I just want to be sure that that fits in. I think they’ve done great work over the years, but as they redefine themselves, I want to be sure I understand that. I know that they’re, at some point, are in the same schools that CIS are in. And at some point we need to make sure that that’s the best use of our money is having two of our own programs in the same location, doing relatively similar things, not all similar, but as ACTS changes away just from truancy and on to some other things, does that start co-locating CIS and ACTS, so I want to be sure as we move forward that I understand that and that you get us some information on that. So some of them really good, some of them struggling a little bit and I guess our challenge will be, as commissioners, we want to make sure we spend our dollar the best we possibly can on prevention and we know we struggle with coming up with more dollars just to put on the table, so whatever dollars we do spend has to be spent in the most judicious manner that gives us the best results. Great report, thanks Jeannette. That’s all I have, Mr. Chair.”

Chairman Winters said, “Thank you, commissioner. Commissioner Unruh.”

Commissioner Unruh said, “Thank you. I would echo many of the comments of Commissioner Norton. It seems as though we’ve tried to apply our best understanding of how to deal with these sort of issues and in total, it appears that we’ve been very successful in meeting our goals, and so I guess we assume that we have a much better crime rate, because we’re doing what we set out to do and I think that’s great.

I have one question though and it’s similar to what commissioner ended on and that is these programs seem overlapping goals and maybe overlapping target populations. Can you make a comment on whether . . . are some individuals being serviced by several of these agencies? I mean, is there overlapping of our effort, even though they seem to be treating similar problems, are we meeting different populations with each group?”

Ms. Livingston said, “It varies between programs but absolutely there are kids that receive substance abuse treatment from Higher Ground that were referred by Wichita ACTS. So what you consider overlap they might consider coordination or collaboration. And all these issues that you both have brought up are going to be factors that the committee that’s reviewing current proposals considers as they make their recommendations to you. We also work with Dr. Craig-Moreland from WSU who is more the big picture person and she has been looking more and more at where are the troubled spots in the community and do the services that we fund match those and we’ll
make adjustments as the research guides us in that way.”

Commissioner Unruh said, “Okay, well thank you and that’s a response I anticipated and I’m not thinking that just coordinating and consolidating all these is necessarily going to provide the results we want. I think they probably need some individual approach and it’s impossible probably to avoid all overlap, but the main thing is we’re getting results, so appreciate the report. Thank you.”

Chairman Winters said, “Thank you, commissioner. Commissioner McGinn.”

Commissioner McGinn said, “Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Well I think we’ve come a long ways and I remember I came on board and Commissioner Sciortino about a year after they started this process and Commissioner Winters was very instrumental. And I look at all the things that has improved over time and looking at each one of these and the mission of the commission at that time was, you know we’re tired of building jails, let’s look at prevention. And so I applaud them having that visioning and again, I look at what I’ve seen over time, the improvements that these organizations have made in getting very specific about what they do. It’s not just throw money at an organization because we think we can help a kid. It’s we’ve got a plan now, we’ve got outcomes and we’re working towards those.

Just to try to answer Commissioner Norton’s questions about ACTS, I do sit on that board and one of the things, they just finished a retreat and I thought that was very good that they decided that that was a worthwhile effort. It’s not fun to go through retreats. It’s a lot of time sitting and thinking and brainstorming and then trying to narrow things down. And one of the things that came out of this was this kind of a . . . this vision of looking towards the future and healthy communities. They saw what Sedgwick County was doing and was trying to find out exactly what their mission is but also tie that in with, as we had a prevention expert come in and talked about evidence-based programs and so they’re trying to gear themselves to be an evidence-based program here in our community and so that’s what they’re focusing on. So I don’t think they’re changing their mission. I think they’re trying to really hone in on exactly what it is they’re doing and how they can help the community in a positive way, through prevention and through other ways as well.

And then the only other thing, and we can certainly spend more time on this, I’ve heard this comment about how we’re duplicating services, but it kind of reminds me of when people say COMCARE is out there competing with another entity, and I find out ‘No, COMCARE is taking the kids nobody wants’ and that happens with ACTS. ACTS takes some of the kids that nobody else wants, and so I’ll certainly be happy to sit down and go through that and understand that better, but I agree with Jeannette. I think what we’re seeing with these organizations is more of a path of coordination in trying to see what each other entity is doing and try to be a positive force in our community. So Jeannette, thank you for the report. It looks like, again as I say, I think about four
years ago what we saw in this report and where we are today and I think we’ve come a long ways. Thank you.”

**Chairman Winters** said, “All right, thank you. Commissioners, just as an FYI, the Kansas Association of County Commissioners will meet in Salina on May 5th and 6th. I believe it is and Jeannette and I have been asked to participate with a group on prevention and how we partner with community agencies on prevention. And we certainly don’t know everything there is to know about that issue, but we are going to share what we’re doing here in Sedgwick County with other commissioners at that meeting in Salina in just a couple of weeks.

All right, Commissioners, are there any other questions of Jeannette? If not, what’s the will of the Board?”

**MOTION**

Commissioner Norton moved to Receive and file.

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 Aye
- Chairman Thomas Winters Aye

**Chairman Winters** said, “Thank you, Jeannette. Next item.”

**HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

**F. HEALTH DEPARTMENT.**

1. **GRANT APPLICATION TO KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT TO FUND VARIOUS HEALTH DEPARTMENT PROGRAMS.**
Mr. Bill Farney, Acting Director, Health Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, “We have two items for your consideration this morning. The first, we are requesting approval of a group of applications to KDHE, Kansas Department of Health and Environment. This group represents a little bit less than half of the grant applications that we will submit to the various agencies over the course of a year and a little bit less than a third of the total grant funding that we typically receive. The funding requested represents about a 14% increase compared to the current level funding that we have today, and that current level, state fiscal year 2004 funding represents a 2.6% decrease from the year before. So this is a pretty optimistic application. We anticipate it will be flat funding or maybe even a little bit of a decrease.

Several of these grants include match requirements, none of which pose any problems for us at this time. Be happy to answer any questions you have about this group of applications to KDHE.”

Chairman Winters said, “All right. It looks straightforward. These are all projects that are ongoing and we’ve been involved with over the years and this is not a new kind of grant from what we normally do.”

Mr. Farney said, “No, these are captive grants. We’ve had most of these for fifteen, twenty, thirty years.”

Chairman Winters said, “Okay, very good. Commissioners, is there a Motion to take the recommended action?”

MOTION
Commissioner Norton moved to Approve the Grant Application and 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 Unruh 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  Aye
- Chairman Thomas Winters  Aye

Chairman Winters said, “Next item.”

2. **DELETION OF ONE SEDAN AND ONE RV FROM, AND ADDITION OF ONE MINIVAN TO, THE VEHICLE INVENTORY USED BY THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT.**

Mr. Farney said, “This second item is to request the approval of the reduction of the RV and the sedan and to add a mini-van to replace them. We originally acquired the RV in the early 1990s with funding from the Kansas Health Foundation. The original plan was to provide services to homeless shelters to the smaller cities in Sedgwick County, trying to provide services basically out into the community. We parked the RV at various times at Towne East and Towne West, where there is a lot of traffic.

About 15 months ago, we began to transition to exclusively market these services to the smaller cities in Sedgwick County, to neighborhood associations, businesses and schools. Over time, we were increasingly asked by these partners to park the RV out front, but to provide the services inside their facility where their people felt more comfortable. Because of the success of this change, we eventually stopped using the RV entirely and began transporting our staff and our supplies with the sedan, sometimes two sedans if it was a larger event and the results have been very encouraging. In 2003, we served over 7,300 clients with the mobile services, as compared to 2,100 in 2002.

And we developed many valuable relationships with these partners. We would contact the partners initially and then they would, in essence, do the marketing for us, visiting with their constituents to let them know the date, the time and nature of the services that we would be providing to them and they did it much more effectively than we ever could have.

So now we are ready to retire the RV and sedan and purchase a mini-van instead. The cost to operate the RV has escalated over time. It’s now about 12 years old and we expect, with the swap
of two for one, estimated annual savings of about $8,000. And I would answer any questions that you may have.”

Chairman Winters said, “All right, thank you Bill. Well I’m going to be supportive in this adjustment in the fleet. I think the mobile van, RV has probably served its purpose well and if your delivery methods have changed and it no longer fits the need, I certainly wouldn’t want to keep it.

What I would like you to think about though, and maybe you’ve already done this, is to perhaps be a little creative in how we dispose of it. It might be wise to back even to the Health Foundation who gave that original funding and maybe there’s a health department someplace else in the state or one of the original prospects, as you said, was to serve the homeless community. Maybe there’s some agency here that would somehow want to incorporate it into their operation. But I think if we just put it out there on the market as a surplus RV made for a health department, you’re probably not going to get many bids that I think would be too awfully significant, so maybe there’s a way, even though it is 12 years old, to give it a whole other life with some other health department someplace around the state or any place.

And there is . . . Well, Marv Duncan is here, he could probably assist too but I think it might not hurt just to touch base with the Health Foundation, since they were the original contributors to the purchase. Commissioner Norton.”

Commissioner Norton said, “Certainly I think that’s a good idea. One of the other options is, as we move forward we know that many communities have mobile dental vans that have really gained popularity. As we went to Jacksonville, that’s something where they went to the schools and did all kinds of dental . . . you know, had volunteer dentists that came and provided prevention methods and everything for kids and maybe that’s something we need to think of outside the box to use this RV for.

Now, maybe it’s old enough that it needs to be retired and if we do something with a mobile dental clinic that we need something a little newer, but that may be something that we might want to think of. As we found out during the Health Assembly, dental care and getting to kids early has a dramatic effect on people’s health later in their lives, so maybe that’s something we want to think about too.”

Chairman Winters said, “Well, I just think it’s such a unique vehicle I just hate to send it to some auction where, if there wasn’t a specific buyer there you’d probably get zero for it or very, very
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little and if some other community could use it, I think we’d want to pass it on at a pretty reasonable price. Commissioners, what’s the will of the Board on item F-2?”

MOTION

Commissioner Norton moved to Approve the adjustments to the vehicle inventory.

Commissioner Unruh 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 Aye
Chairman Thomas Winters Aye

Chairman Winters said, “Thank you, Bill. Next item.”

G. KANSAS COLISEUM MONTHLY REPORT.

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Mr. John Nath, Director, Kansas Coliseum, greeted the Commissioners and said, “March is again a good month for us, like it is every year, over 56,000 people through the doors, 18 events, 38 performances net revenues were over $270,000 for the month.
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Start off the month with some of the highlights, Chisholm Trail Antique Gun Show with nearly 6,600 people in the building. Our annual Park City Wrestling Classic with 5,264 over the two days. Now this is the little kids wrestling, this is not the high school, this is just the little guys and they have a great time over there.

The annual Mid-West Quarter Horse Show with 6,600 folks. Yanni in concert, now this was a great blend of classic and world music. We had 4,000 people in attendance for that, it was a great show. Arenacross once again, with over 5,000 over the two days. And Yappy Days brought its second appearance back to the arena. That is turning into an annual event, a celebration of dogs.

Spring Madness go-cart races again, 434 this year. F & E did their annual food show, over 2,000 people in attendance. Now this is for institutional food service, schools, cafeterias and they do a different theme every year. This year it was Monopoly, they had a great time with that.

In the sports zone, we had over 20,000 people attend five regular season hockey games and two playoff games. It was nice to have the playoffs back again after a three-year absence.

Coming up, Cattlemen’s Ball on the 17th, Shrine Circus this weekend, starts Friday, the 16th through the 18th. Extreme Weather Fair on the 24th. The Stealth who are so far this year undefeated, they’re 2 and 0, they play Green Bay on the 24th. We have World Wrestling Entertainment returning to the Coliseum on the 25th. Park City Bluegrass Festival the 29th to May 1st. Josh Groban in concert on May 6th. We have about 600 tickets left for that show, that’s almost sold out and Alabama the next day, on May 7th on their final farewell tour. If there are any questions, I’d be happy to answer them at this time, especially since it looks like we’re becoming the arena capital of the world.”

Chairman Winters said, “All right, John, a good report and it looks like a busy month of April and May. Two big concerts, back to back, your guys will be challenged and busy that couple of days.”

Mr. Nath said, “Yeah, unfortunately the stages aren’t the same size, so we’re going to have to rip down the one and then rebuild it for the next day, but that’s fine. We do that all the time.”

Chairman Winters said, “All right, very good.”

Commissioner Norton said, “Is that Alabama concert a Friday night?”

Mr. Nath said, “Yes.”

Commissioner Norton said, “That’s the River Festival parade night I believe, so that’s going to be . . .”
Chairman Winters said, “There will be lots of events happening in this town.”

Commissioner Norton said, “A lot going on in the town that night.”

Mr. Nath said, “Show is selling very well too.”

Commissioner Norton said, “I imagine it would.”

Chairman Winters said, “All right, well it will be a good weekend in town. Commissioners, any other questions or comments? What’s the will of the Board?”

**MOTION**

Chairman Winters moved to Receive and file.

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 Aye
Chairman Thomas Winters Aye

Chairman Winters said, “Thank you, John. Next item.”

**H. PUBLIC WORKS.**

1. **RESOLUTION ADOPTING A FEE SCHEDULE FOR THE SEDGWICK COUNTY HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY.**

Mr. Joe Brunk, Director, Household Hazardous Waste Facility, and Noxious Weeds Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, “One of the services that we offer through our Household Hazardous Waste program is hazardous materials disposal for qualifying small businesses. The
resolution today is to set the fees that we charge to our non-residential customers for their waste products. I’m requesting that you approve the resolution and authorize the Chairman to sign.”

Commissioner McGinn said, “I have a question.”

Chairman Winters said, “All right, Commissioner McGinn.”

Commissioner McGinn said, “These guys were talking Joe, so would you kind of explain this a little bit more here about this just small generator.”

Mr. Brunk said, “Right, the EPA sets up several different levels that you have to follow different rules, as far as hazardous materials generation. This program is for small businesses that generate less than 55 pounds of hazardous materials per month and we are permitted, with the Department of Health and Environment, to accept that waste from those generators. It’s a heck of a deal for the small business if you compare it to the waste disposal that they would have on a one to one agreement between them and the waste contractor. We are saving them probably . . . I don’t know, they will pay three to five times more on a one to one versus using our program, so it’s really a great deal for them.”

Commissioner McGinn said, “Are we taking from outside the County?”

Mr. Brunk said, “No.”

Commissioner McGinn said, “Okay, thank you.”

Chairman Winters said, “All right, and from your experience, Joe, this list of costs here you have seem to be reasonable and the small generators believe that those are fair and equitable prices?”

Mr. Brunk said, “Yeah, correct. And these are the costs off of our current contract with our disposal company.”

Chairman Winters said, “Okay, very good. Commissioner Unruh.”

Commissioner Unruh said, “Thank you. I also had a question about what’s the definition of a non-residential small generator, I think, is the description you gave and so that . . . 55 pounds, not 55 gallons, so we’re talking about six, seven gallons a month.”

Mr. Brunk said, “Correct.”
Commissioner Unruh said, “So an automotive repair shop that has a parts washer or something?”

Mr. Brunk said, “Would not qualify. That parts washer puts them over that 55 pounds per month. They would move up to the Kansas generator classification.”

Commissioner Unruh said, “Well, I tried. Thank you.”

Chairman Winters said, “All right, Joe. You’ve got the manager from our site here. Introduce our manager again to us, make sure we all know who he is.”

Mr. Brunk said, “Okay. Kolin Anglin, he’s the Operations Supervisor at the Household Hazardous Waste Facility.”

Chairman Winters said, “Kolin, come on up to the podium. You know, we’re still very proud of that facility. We think it’s one of the models around the country maybe, for sure the Midwest. Just give us about two-sentence update on how things are going. Business picking up and things going all right?”

Mr. Kolin Anglin, Operations Supervisor, Household Hazardous Waste Facility, greeted the Commissioners and said, “Everything is going very well right now. March was a big surprise. We usually average probably 500 cars a month. Last month we were up to 850, so we’re on track again for another 25 to 30% increase over last year’s numbers, so we’re on track for a very good year again, as we’re looking forward to seeing how the rest of this spring and summer goes when everyone really starts to get cleaning up again.”

Chairman Winters said, “Okay. We’ve got some questions generated. Commissioner McGinn.”

Commissioner McGinn said, “Thank you. I just want to say you guys are doing an excellent job. I’ve had an opportunity to go through there a few times and I mean, it’s just really slick. Drive up, unload, everybody is out there ready to take care, here, sign here and you’re on your way. So it’s very smooth and very clean and very professionally run, so I just wanted to tell you guys I think you’re doing a great job.”

Mr. Anglin said, “Thank you, Commissioner.”
Chairman Winters said, “Commissioner Norton.”

Commissioner Norton said, “One of the things I’ve continued to talk about and I know Kolin and I have had some e-mails back and forth is some of the neighborhoods are starting to have their cleanup days. A lot of that is sponsored by the City of Wichita, but they’re concerned about hazardous waste and do they need to try to haul it down there individually, guide people there and I think it’s important that we try to work on some kind of outreach where we can have somebody that shows up there that knows how to handle it and take care of those neighborhood associations where they’ve got three or four hundred people engaged.

It would first of all eliminate all those folks driving thru the drive through and having to have traffic congestion in that neighborhood, when all of it can be brought to one area, haul it back and know what you’re going to dispose of. And I don’t know what that system looks like, how we’re working on that but I would challenge us to continue to think about having some outreaches, particularly for these neighborhood associations as they try to clean up their neighborhoods and deal with this stuff. And I think if people know it’s going to be that easy to get the paint out of their garage and other toxic kinds of things that need to be disposed of, I think maybe they won’t throw them into dumpsters different places and get them into the Household Hazardous Waste.

And that outreach might give you a chance to hand them a card and say, ‘You know, we’ve got this facility open 360 days a year, you don’t have to wait until the neighborhood cleanup to bring it to us’. And I think that would be a little bit of advertising and outreach, solves that immediate problem, but also kind of reminds people about hazardous waste and how to deal with it all the other days of the year. Thanks, Mr. Chair.”

Chairman Winters said, “Thank you. Mr. Manager.”

Mr. William P. Buchanan, County Manager, greeted the Commissioners and said, “We were planning to have Kolin come back around Earth Day to do a whole presentation about household hazardous waste and just update you. A great idea on his part and we’re going to make sure that happens.”

Chairman Winters said, “Well, when we saw him in the audience, I wanted to get up and plug the facility, because we are proud of that facility.”

Mr. Anglin said, “Sir and I don’t mind. After being recognized nationally at the nation program, always enjoy talking about the program because it’s always good to get the word out again.”
Chairman Winters said, “You bet. Thank you, Kolin. All right, back to Joe’s original presentation. Commissioners, what’s the will of the Board?”

**MOTION**

Commissioner Norton 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 Tim Norton           Aye
- Commissioner Carolyn McGinn       Aye
- Commissioner Ben Sciortino        Aye
- Chairman Thomas Winters           Aye

Chairman Winters said, “Next item.”

2. AGREEMENT WITH UNIVERSAL LUBRICANTS, INC. PROVIDING USED FLUID RECOVERY SERVICE.

Mr. Brunk said, “Last year we entered into an agreement with Universal Lubricants to purchase the waste oil that we collect at the Household Hazardous Waste Facility. This item is just to ask you for an extension of the contract for one more year. Collected over 18,000 gallons there last year and they’re paying us 20 cents a gallon, so we think it’s a good deal.”

Chairman Winters said, “All right, Commissioners, what’s the will of the Board?”

**MOTION**

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

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 Tim Norton   Aye
- Commissioner Carolyn McGinn   Aye
- Commissioner Ben Sciortino   Aye
- Chairman Thomas Winters   Aye

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

**3. AGREEMENT WITH KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (KDOT) FOR NOXIOUS WEEDS DEPARTMENT TO TREAT KDOT RIGHT-OF-WAYS IN SEDGWICK COUNTY.**

Mr. Brunk said, “This is our annual agreement with the Kansas Department of Transportation that allows us to spot treat the noxious weeds that grow on their right-of-way areas here in Sedgwick County. We have a good working relationship with KDOT and I’m asking you to approve the agreement and authorize the Chairman to sign.”

**MOTION**

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

Commissioner Unruh seconded the Motion.

**Chairman Winters** said, “I have a Motion and a second. Any discussion? Commissioner McGinn.”

Commissioner McGinn said, “Joe, KDOT funds that program entirely?”

Mr. Brunk said, “Correct.”

Commissioner McGinn said, “Thank you.”

**Chairman Winters** said, “All right, any other questions? We have a Motion. Any other
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questions? Seeing none, call the vote.”

VOTE

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

Chairman Winters said, “Joe, thank you and Kolin both for being here this morning. Next item.”


Ms. Iris Baker, Director, Purchasing Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, “The meeting of April 8th resulted in nine items for consideration today.

1) FOUR-POST FILE SHELVING- FACILITY PROJECT SERVICES FUNDING: CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

The first item is four-post file shelving for Facility Project Services. Recommend the low proposal from Records Retrieval, option one, for a total of $32,855.67.

2) UNIFIED MESSAGE EXCHANGE USER LICENSES- DIVISION OF INFORMATION AND OPERATIONS FUNDING: NETWORKING & TELECOMM

The second item, unified message exchange user licenses for the Division of Information and Operations. Recommend the low bid from SBC, including trade-ins, for a total of $56,675.

3) LONG DISTANCE SERVICE- DIVISION OF INFORMATION & OPERATIONS FUNDING: DIVISION OF INFORMATION & OPERATIONS

Item three, long distance telephone service for Division of Information and Operations. Recommend the low complete proposal for switched long-distance services from SBC.

4) DIVERSE INTERNET CONNECTION- DIVISION OF INFORMATION &
OPERATIONS
FUNDING: DIVISION OF INFORMATION & OPERATIONS

Item four, diverse Internet Connection for Division of Information and Operations. Recommend the quote from Cox Business Services for a total five-year cost of $108,000.

5) TANDEM VIBRATORY COMPACTORS- FLEET MANAGEMENT
FUNDING: VEHICLE ACQUISITION

Item five, tandem vibratory compactors for Fleet Management. Recommend the bid from Sellers Equipment, including trade-in and manuals, for a total of $51,511.40.

6) AIRCRAFT IHAS INSTALLATION & AUTOPILOT UPGRADE- FLEET MANAGEMENT
FUNDING: FLEET AIRPLANE

Item six, the aircraft Integrated Hazard Avoidance System (IHAS) and autopilot upgrade for Fleet Management. Recommend the low proposal from ServiCenter for $107,011 plus a rate of $600 per hour for leasing of an aircraft.

7) ULV FOGGER & CHEMICALS- HEALTH DEPARTMENT
FUNDING: VECTOR CONTROL

Item seven, ULV fogger and chemicals for the Health Department. Recommend the low complete bid from Univar for $19,282.60.

8) OFFSET MOWERS- FLEET MANAGEMENT
FUNDING: VEHICLE ACQUISITION

Item eight, offset mowers for Fleet Management. Recommend the low bid, meeting specifications, from Conrady Western, including trade-ins and manuals, for a total of $35,884.

9) AMBULANCES- FLEET MANAGEMENT
FUNDING: VEHICLE ACQUISITION

And item nine, ambulances for Fleet Management. Recommend the quote from Midwest Vehicle Professionals, including trade-ins, for a total of $323,816.

The recommended action is to approve the recommendations of the Board of Bids and Contracts, make a finding that surplus properties in items 2, 5, 8 and 9 are no longer required and authorize
disposition of the same. Be happy to answer any questions.”

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

Commissioner McGinn said, “Thank you. Iris, just help me understand the diverse, on item four, diverse Internet connection. I’m just trying to understand. It sounds like it’s like a backup system in a way or the other question is, if they already have a fiber optic line that’s out there, why would we not just use that and not even use the other provider.”

Ms. Baker said, “Richard Vogt, with the Division of Information and Operations, can share his plan.”

Mr. Richard Vogt, Chief Technology Officer, DIO, greeted the Commissioners and said, “The diverse Internet project is to provide redundancy for our Internet, but it’s also a move to increase band width. We noticed that we were pegging the line, late last year, and that traffic was slowing down on the Internet. We wanted to expand the band width on that Internet connection.

At the same time, we also wanted to provide some redundancy and we knew that if our current provider, Sprint, if their switch to the Internet went out that we’d be, no matter how much band width we had, we’d be totally disconnected. So we decided to go with a second carrier, in this case somebody that had a separate switch to the Internet, so that in case the data center has an emergency or a disaster or Sprint has a disaster, we’d still have a connection to the Internet. So that’s the diverse nature of it. We have two providers and we have redundancy, in case one goes out, we can still stay on the Internet. So we both increased ban width and provider redundancy with this purchase.”

Commissioner McGinn said, “Okay, so you couldn’t just go with Cox. You have to have the other provider?”

Mr. Vogt said, “We could go with one provider, but we wanted to have two providers for redundancy purposes.”
Commissioner McGinn said, “Okay, I think I understand. Thank you.”

Chairman Winters said, “And the only other question I had is that it appears on our long-distance service, we have experienced a considerable savings, on item three. Is that correct, Iris?”

Ms. Baker said, “That’s correct.”

Chairman Winters said, “I guess because of competition, the price came down. All right, any
other questions? Commissioner Norton.”

**Commissioner Norton** said, “Well I just want to be sure that we talk a little bit about ambulances and why there’s one business that we’ve gone to. That was such a . . . I think we even almost sued over the last time we bid for ambulances. So I want to be sure people know why we picked one vehicle company, as opposed to having it out to bids and everything.”

**Ms. Baker** said, “When we went through the last RFP process, we established contracted pricing for a period of three years and this purchase falls within that. In that RFP process, we identified all of our needs for three or four years and there was a lot at stake at that time and that’s why we had all the discussion and issues at the initial process when we were trying to award. But this is established contract pricing that that’s why we have one source today.”

**Commissioner Norton** said, “Okay, and it will be good for another two years after this, or another one year?”

**Ms. Baker** said, “I think one more year, but this is our last established replacement buy and we’re going to try some alternatives with vehicles next year. Marvin can address that if you’d like, but instead of replacing full ambulances, we’re going to attempt partial replacements.”

**Commissioner Norton** said, “Take the box off, put on a new chassis, is that correct?”

**Ms. Baker** said, “Correct.”

**Commissioner Norton** said, “Okay, I know we’ve had that conversation here just recently in a workshop, but I wanted to be sure that the public knew why we didn’t sent this out to full bids again. That we’ve gone through that process, these meet the specifications and they fall within the contract we’ve already negotiated. Correct?”

**Ms. Baker** said, “Correct.”

**Commissioner Norton** said, “Thanks. That’s all I had.”

**Chairman Winters** said, “And it’s my understanding that with this purchase of these ambulances, now the entire fleet is Midwest Vehicle ambulances. Okay, thank you. Are there any questions about the bid board?”

**MOTION**
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Commissioner Sciortino moved to Approve the recommendations of the Board of Bids and Contracts, make a finding that the surplus property in items 2, 5, 8 and 9 is no longer required, and authorize disposition of same.

Commissioner Norton 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 Aye
Chairman Thomas Winters Aye

Chairman Winters said, “Thank you, Iris and thank the rest of you who were here for this item. Next item.”

CONSENT AGENDA

J. CONSENT AGENDA.

1. Order dated April 7, 2004 to correct tax roll for change of assessment.


3. General Bills Check Register(s) for the week of April 7 – 13, 2004.

Mr. Buchanan said, “Commissioners, you have the consent agenda before you and I would recommend you approve it.”

MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved to Approve the consent agenda as presented.

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

**Chairman Winters** said, “Commissioners, there is no Fire District, but we do need to have an Executive Session. This is the time we discuss other business. If there is other, we could take just a moment or two, but I hope we don’t take too awfully long. Commissioner Norton.”

**K. OTHER**

**Commissioner Norton** said, “I’ll go fast. I just wanted to let people know that the Sedgwick County team will be trying to uphold their two year victories at KANSEL on trivia night and Commissioner Winters and his wife and Susan, my wife and I and Bill and Lynn Buchanan, Irene Hart and Chris Chronis will be trying to uphold our win streak against all those that would participate and try to knock us off the throne of trivial night for KANSEL.

And then finally, I would like to compliment Kathy Sexton for the presentation she did at the Sedgwick County Association of Cities on Saturday about addressing. I think it was a really good presentation. I think it held the interest of the mayors and the participants and it really showed that Sedgwick County is trying to work with all of those other entities in our County to do the work of government. So I’d like to applaud her for that.

It was a great turnout on a Saturday right before Easter. I think there were 14 mayors and 14 cities represented, around 40 people at the meeting and that organization continues to build capacity to do the good work of government and to partner with Sedgwick County. And we had quite a few staff members there too that were happy to see. That’s all I’ve got.”

**Chairman Winters** said, “Thank you. Commissioner Sciortino.”

**Commissioner Sciortino** said, “Well, I mean, to keep this thing balanced, I’m trying to think of something nice to say about Bill Buchanan and, um . . . I’ll defer that until the next meeting,
because it would take longer than one or two minutes. He’s had so many things that he’s done for this county over the years, it would take much longer, but I mean equal time being equal time. Okay, that’s all I had.”

Chairman Winters said, “All right, anybody else have anything? Commissioner McGinn.”

Commissioner McGinn said, “Thank you, well I just wanted to add on to the addressing issue that Kathy addressed and they cited several examples and I just want to share with those in our viewing audience that if you do have a particular situation where you’re not communicating with, you know, maybe it’s one of the governmental entities as far as that address, but it’s very important with Emergency Services but to please call Sedgwick County because we are working very diligently with the other cities in trying to take care of this and I too was at the meeting Saturday and was at the meeting Saturday and was very impressed that we have so many ambitious elected officials here in Sedgwick County that want to come out and learn from one another and try to make a positive impact in Sedgwick County. Thank you.”

Chairman Winters said, “Thank you.”

MOTION

Commissioner Unruh moved that the Board of County Commissioners recess into Executive Session for 15 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 10:43 a.m.

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   Aye
Chairman Thomas Winters   Aye

Chairman Winters said, “We are adjourned into Executive Session.”
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The Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners recessed into Executive Session at 10:27 a.m. and returned at 11:04 a.m.

Chairman Winters did not return from Executive Session.

Chair Pro Tem Unruh said, “In the absence of our Chairman, I will call the meeting of the Board of County Commissioners back to order and we’ve just come back from Executive Session, and according to state statutes, no binding action was taken by the Commission during the Executive Session. Is there anything else, Commissioners? Mr. Manager? Mr. Euson? We are adjourned.”

L. ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS

THOMAS G. WINTERS, Chairman
Regular Meeting, April 14, 2004

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