

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING

March 2, 2005

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, March 2, 2005 in the County Commission Meeting Room in the Courthouse in Wichita, Kansas, by Chairman David M. Unruh, with the following present: Chair Pro Tem Ben Sciortino; Commissioner Tim R. Norton; Commissioner Thomas G. Winters; Commissioner Lucy Burtnett; Mr. William P. Buchanan, County Manager; Mr. Ed Randels, Assistant County Counselor; Mr. John Schlegel, Director, Metropolitan Area Planning Department; Ms. Caroline Hosford, Environmental Training Specialist, Environmental Management; Sergeant Brenda Dietzman, Sheriff's Department; Deputy Chief Rick Brazil, Fire District #1; 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.

INVOCATION

The Invocation was led by Commissioner Norton.

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

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

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES: Regular Meeting, February 16, 2005

The Clerk reported that all Commissioners were present at the Regular Meeting of February 16, 2005.

Chairman Unruh said, "Commissioners, you've had an opportunity to review the Minutes of the regular meeting of February 16th and what is the will of the Board?"

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MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved to receive and file.

Commissioner Burtnett seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Norton	Aye
Commissioner Winters	Aye
Commissioner Burtnett	Aye
Commissioner Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Unruh	Aye

Chairman Unruh said, "Next item."

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

- A. AGREEMENT WITH KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND CITY OF WICHITA EXPANDING THE METROPOLITAN PLANNING AREA BOUNDARY AND PROVIDING APPROPRIATE REPRESENTATION ON THE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION'S POLICY BODY.**

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Mr. John Schlegel, Director, Metropolitan Area Planning Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "The existing agreement amongst the three entities involved in the agreement before, the Kansas Department of Transportation, Sedgwick County and the City of Wichita, was formulated back in 1974 and in essence, created the first Metropolitan Area Planning Organization for this area and it utilized the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission to serve in that capacity.

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What you have before you today is a revision to that agreement. That arises because of some changes in the planning area boundary for the Metropolitan Area Planning Organization. Now you've seen the map that's up before you now before, in previous presentations and, as a result of the 2000 census, the U.S. Department of Transportation would like us to expand the planning area for the MPO to include those portions of Butler County that would include the City of Andover and its surrounding growth area and also to include a portion of Sumner County to the south that includes all of the City of Mulvane and some surrounding areas around Mulvane.

So in order to accomplish this, we also, in expanding the planning boundaries, we also then have to expand the representation on the Metropolitan Planning Organization board to include representatives from those two counties. And since we are at it, expanding the membership of the board, it was decided that it would be good to honor some longstanding requests, both from the federal transportation agencies and from KDOT. Mainly, first of all, that a representative from Wichita Transit be included on the board of the Metropolitan Planning Organization and this is a very common practice in other MPOs elsewhere in the nation. And KDOT has been looking to get a seat on the MPO for many years, so the agreement that's before you today also provides for them to sit ex officio on the MPO board.

Then in addition, because of requests that KDOT has been receiving over the years from the smaller cities within Sedgwick County, that they also be representative on the MPO board, we're including in this agreement two seats for those smaller cities to be elected officials appointed by the Sedgwick County Association of Cities.

So in effect, the agreement before you then would expand the current MPO board from its current 14 members, which are the 14 members of the MAPC, seven appointed by you and seven appointed by the City of Wichita, plus an additional five voting members and one additional ex officio member. So the agreement expands the planning boundaries, it expands the membership of the MPO board. It also then will rename the MPO to reflect the larger jurisdictions that the MPO now covers. It would now be named the Wichita Area Metropolitan Area Planning Organization. The agreement provides for the MAPD to continue as the staff of the MPO and it also provides for the City of Wichita to continue as the fiscal agent for the MPO.

So this comes to you now with the recommendation of a number of MPO review bodies, the TAC Committee, the coordinating committee for transportation planning and also the MPO. And the recommendation is that you approve the metropolitan planning area boundary and membership agreement that's before you and to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement. And with that, I'll be glad to take any questions."

Chairman Unruh said, "Okay, thank you. John, there are questions. Commissioner Sciortino."

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Commissioner Sciortino said, “Thank you, Mr. Chairman. John, just for the maybe education of anyone watching on television or in the room today, you know we have a lot of committees with a lot of letters and acronyms and we have MAPC, MAPD, MAPO, now WAMPO. Would you just, if you could, just as briefly as you could, give us a description of what the MPO, WAMPO does and why the organization is in existence and . . .”

Mr. Schlegel said, “And also we’ll underscore the point that it is a separate organization from the Metropolitan Planning Commission, although the membership has been the same for many years, they have functioned as a separate organization. Any metropolitan area over 50,000 in population, as determined by the most recent census, is required by federal law, and federal regulations, to have a metropolitan planning organization that does transportation planning for the whole metropolitan area in order for all the jurisdictions within that metro area to receive federal transportation dollars.

So if we want to enjoy the benefit of those federal dollars in helping us to fund improvements to our transportation system here, we are required to have this organization. And the MPO then carries out all the planning functions that are required by federal regulation to secure those federal dollars.

They also make decisions about how those federal dollars are allocated locally amongst the jurisdictions for transportation projects.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “And could you just . . . they meet weekly, monthly, annually, where and what time, so if anybody wishes to go to one.”

Mr. Schlegel said, “They meet as needed. They don’t have a regular agenda. It’s only as needed, in order to comply with the federal regulations, in order to assure that those transportation dollars continue to flow into this area.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “And the public is given notice of the meeting and where it’s going to be, so they can attend it. It is a public meeting.”

Mr. Schlegel said, “There is a newspaper notice. The meetings of the MPO has been, historically, since the MAPC was named to serve as the MPO, have been at the same time that the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission has met.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “That’s all I have.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Okay, all right, thank you. Commissioner Norton.”

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Commissioner Norton said, “John, on the representatives that will come from the Butler County area and the Sumner County area, who will appoint them and will they have to fall within the boundaries of that portion that is included in the MPO?”

Mr. Schlegel said, “Well, in Butler County’s case, they have opted to allow the City of Andover to name that representative and the agreement encourages Andover to name an elected official, but does not require that.

Now in the case of Sumner County, they have not told us what they will do. And it’s not required that that representative come from the area included within the planning area, the expanded planning areas. They can, if they chose, simply name one of themselves or anyone that they chose to represent Sumner County.”

Commissioner Norton said, “But that’s done by the county commission in Sumner County.”

Mr. Schlegel said, “Correct, that appointing authority is given by the agreement by the Board of County Commissioners for Sumner County.”

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

Chairman Unruh said, “Okay, thank you. John, same question on representation. Sedgwick County Association of Cities will now have two members appointed to this board. Now will those members from that association, are they required to represent cities that are adjacent to the metropolitan area, or could they, if through their process they wanted to chose someone from Cheney or Clearwater or Viola, they could do that, or are there restrictions on that representation?”

Mr. Schlegel said, “The way the agreement is written, there are no restrictions on how they go about choosing their two representatives.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Okay, but I suppose it’s logical to assume they’re going to chose those who are most actively involved in these transportation issues, so that would be folks from cities that are directly adjacent to the City of Wichita, logical assumption I assume.”

Mr. Schlegel said, “And I think that’s, from . . . in talking with the president of SCAC, I think that is their intention. So, the one requirement though that I probably should underline, for the SCAC representatives, is that the agreement calls for them to be elected officials.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Okay, thank you. Commissioner Winters.”

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Commissioner Winters said, “Well thank you. Not really much enlightenment here, but I think in working through part of this process, we can see that the federal government and KDOT would like elected officials to take a more active role in these transportation issues and I can see the benefit of that, although I think we’ve been served very well over the years by our staff, who have really done, I think, an outstanding job, including our county staff and City of Wichita staff and other staff throughout the county, I think have done an outstanding job of making sure our federal transportation monies are spent wisely.

But in part of what I heard, this may not be the last time we change the composition of this group, and I heard that the Kansas Department of Transportation folks, they would like to see more elected official participation on this board. So some day, we may be looking at this makeup again. But I just want to certainly state to the technical staff and the technical committee that I think they’ve done an outstanding job in the past and I think our staffs have served us well. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Thank you. Commissioners, are there any other questions of Mr. Schlegel? If not, what is the will of the Board?”

MOTION

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

Commissioner Burtnett seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Norton	Aye
Commissioner Winters	Aye
Commissioner Burtnett	Aye
Commissioner Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Unruh	Aye

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

NEW BUSINESS

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B. PRESENTATION OF THE 2004 WASTE MINIMIZATION PERFORMANCE MEASURES REPORT.

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Ms. Caroline Hosford, Environmental Training Specialist, Environmental Management, Chair, Waste Minimization Team, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I'm here to share with you the 2004 Waste Minimization performance measures report. Before I actually get into that report, I would like to recognize the members of our Waste Minimization Team who are here today. They're all sitting back here. These are the people who are doing the real work. They're the ones who come up with the ideas and they're the ones who are behind the implementation of them, so I would like to personally say thank you, because I couldn't do any of my work if they weren't doing theirs."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "And who are they? Did you want to introduce them?"

Ms. Hosford said, "Okay, I can do that. Rachelle Bentley, Kathy Sexton, Jason Lowen, Jo Sanders, Angie Duntz, Robin McCloud and Barry Hughes . . . Different name almost came out. Thanks very much.

We've got the same programs in place this year that we have had for the past few years, and you can see them listed here. We are recycling office paper, newspaper, cardboard, those types of items but in addition, we are really trying to say that it's all about recycling. That this is about trying to minimize the amount of waste that we are producing and one of the programs that we have is we are collecting holiday cards for reuse by our RSVP program, at the Department on Aging. Those folks take those holiday cards and make them into some of the most unbelievable things that you can imagine for our community, so that they're not just being wasted and thrown away or used just one time.

And another program that we have is our mail reduction program, where we're trying to reduce the amount of unsolicited mail that's received in our offices and I'll go into a little more detail about that in just a bit.

So how are we doing? If you compare, this chart compares last year with this year and these numbers are in pounds, the pounds that are recycled from county offices, and you can see that all of the paper items, office paper, cardboard, newspaper, as well as magazines have increased over this past year, although aluminum cans and plastic bottles have not.

This has resulted in a 15% increase over this past year, and we think that's pretty good. These programs have been in place for a while now, several years, and as we continue with programs, the

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harder and harder it is to continue to show these increases, so we're very pleased with the 15% increase.

Another area that continues to increase is our zoo manure. Our zoo manure that goes to the wood recycle and compost center. This number is increasing. Last year, we had 590 ton of this and this past year, in 2004, it increased nearly 100 ton. Now I suppose you could speculate what has happened there and why that is the case. It could be due to our new residents, the gorillas, or not, but it might make for some interesting conversation.

Even though that number is growing a lot, there is one area in our program that is decreasing and we're really proud that our mail reduction program, the numbers keep decreasing. Back in 2001, we began measuring the number of pieces of unsolicited mail that were received in our offices and we took a one-week period in November and we just counted how much stuff came in during that one week. And then after the week was over, we asked departments to, and we provided postcards for them, we asked them to send back to the ones that they really didn't want that stuff, and be asked to be taken off their mailing list.

This is what we started with, during one week in 2001. And you can see the results, as we have continued over the course of the years, to send these postcards and asked to be removed from our mailing list. Last year, 847 pieces were reported and I really found that astounding. I keep thinking, at some point, you know we're going to reach an end to really seeing the numbers decreasing, but it hasn't happened yet, so we are going to continue that program for another year.

We have actually decreased 28% just this past year, and more and more departments are getting on board and are regularly sending those postcards, and that's what it takes. You just can't do it once a year. You have to do it all throughout the year, so we really want to thank the departments who are doing that.

Now I'd like to talk a little bit about money. Recently, the district court has undergone some renovations in their courtrooms and they have changed some of their processes. In the past, they had been using disposal batteries in their courtrooms, and these batteries came at a cost of about \$2,600 annually for their courtrooms. They've changed their process and are now using rechargeable batteries, of course they need the chargers, and now they are spending just under \$500. Those batteries, those rechargeable batteries, are predicted at least to last for 1,000 charges, which when you base it on the number of days that they are in service, they should last five to six years.

So, you can see that over the course of time we're going to save quite a bit of money just in the cost of those batteries over a few years.

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And here is another success story, last year you may recall that when I presented this report, we reported the saving from two departments, one very small department and one medium-size, by using remanufactured cartridges rather than purchasing new ones, those two departments had saved about \$2,100. So we decided to investigate a little further and to try to do it for the entire county. So now I can say that in 2003 the annual savings from all county departments who purchased remanufactured cartridges, rather than what they would have paid if they had bought brand-new ones, was about \$65,000, that was the savings.

So we think we're having some success. We're glad to report that our efforts are continuing. We're not stopping. We keep trying to look for new things, but we believe now some of our efforts are beginning to be reflected in some of the dollars that are being saved. So, I'll be glad to answer any questions if I can."

Chairman Unruh said, "Well thank you, Caroline. It was a good report and an encouraging report. You know, we often are discussing issues relative to solid waste and the fact that Sedgwick County government can be an example and a leader in waste reduction and waste minimization. I think it sets a good example for our community, as we talk the talk, well at least our government is trying to walk the walk also.

But I think it's also important to note that we're not just reducing waste, but we're saving money and trying to do what is good government. And you know, hopefully, companies in our community both big and small will follow our example and try to implement some of these same programs. So that's my compliments to you and to your committee for doing a good job. I supposed there's going to be some time where you kind of hit the wall on all this progress, but so far . . ."

Ms. Hosford said, "We keep thinking so, but so far we're been coming up with new things, so we'll keep trying."

Chairman Unruh said, "All right, well we appreciate it. We have another comment here. Commissioner Burtnett."

Commissioner Burtnett said, "I just want to commend you on your efforts. When I came to the county, about seven weeks ago, and I saw all the recycling bins I was very pleased to see that and so I've been trying very hard, in my office, to use the other side of the paper and do whatever I can to minimize. So, I do appreciate your efforts. I think it's a great, great deal."

Chairman Unruh said, "Okay, thank you. Commissioners, what's the will of the Board relative to this report?"

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MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved to receive and file.

Commissioner Burtnett seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Norton	Aye
Commissioner Winters	Aye
Commissioner Burtnett	Aye
Commissioner Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Unruh	Aye

Chairman Unruh said, "Thank you, Caroline. Next item please."

C. SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

1. PROPOSED PARTICIPATION IN THE 2005 BULLETPROOF VEST PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM OFFERED BY THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE PROGRAM (OJP), BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE.

Sergeant Brenda Dietzman, greeted the Commissioners and said, "The Sheriff is out of town today and regrets not being able to be here, so he sent me instead. This is for approval to participate in the 2005 Bulletproof Vest Partnership program offered by the U.S. Department of Justice. Now this is the 7th year that we've participated or will participate in this program.

Last year, we received from this grant \$3,126. This year we plan to purchase 56 vests for our deputies at a cost of around 34,000-plus. This program allows for reimbursement up to 50% of the cost of the vest, which is about \$17,000 and . . . I apologize, I just got this today, each vest costs about \$550 for each deputy. Now, we plan to use donated money for the other vests that we purchase."

Chairman Unruh said, "Okay, thank you, sergeant. Commissioners, is there any questions?"

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Well just one comment if I could, Mr. Chairman."

Chairman Unruh said, "Commissioner Sciortino."

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Commissioner Sciortino said, "Thank you. Sergeant, is there anything that you need from us? Do we have to sign any letters of recommendation, or any way we can assist you in this grant offering request?"

Sergeant Dietzman said, "No, this is just a registration process and it can be done on-line, and we're asking your approval to have Marty Hughes take care of this registration process for us."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Well, if we buy 56, will that mean every, like road deputy, should be able to have one? Is that our . . . what is our goal, as far as vests versus deputies?"

Sergeant Dietzman said, "Every deputy has a vest, supervisors to road patrol deputies, we all have vests available to us. They have a shelf life or a life of about five years and they have an expiration date, yeah. And they just break down, theoretically, after that, they last longer than that, but that's what our standard is, which a very high standard and then we try to rotate the vests through. So every five years, you get a new vest."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Can they be recycled and beefed back up and put back out into use? Or once a vest gets . . . That's okay, that's okay."

Sergeant Dietzman said, "No, that's fine. My understanding is that we do give our older vests to other departments or agencies. Is that right?"

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Okay, thank you. That's all I had."

Chairman Unruh said, "Okay, thank you. Well, that's interesting information. I had no idea that there was a shelf life to a bullet proof vest, but I'm very supportive of this. I hope we can do it. Anything we can do to keep our road patrol and our sheriff's officers safe, we need to do that. So Commissioners, we are ready for a Motion here I think."

MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved to approve jurisdiction registration and authorize the

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Chairman or his designee to complete the registration and any other action required to complete the grant process through the OJP Vest Web Page.

Commissioner Burtnett seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Norton	Aye
Commissioner Winters	Aye
Commissioner Burtnett	Aye
Commissioner Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Unruh	Aye

Chairman Unruh said, "Next item."

2. AGREEMENT WITH DERBY RECREATION COMMISSION TO ADMINISTER A JUVENILE JUSTICE AUTHORITY GRANT FUNDING THE SHERIFF'S CONNECT OAKLAWN RESOURCE/RECREATION EFFORT (SCORE).

Sergeant Dietzman said, "I would like to commend Commissioner Sciortino for making that recommendation there, or the motion, that was very well done."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Those last few words were a little rough, and I had to go slow."

Sergeant Dietzman said, "This is an agreement with the Derby Recreation Commission, providing for the administration of our SCORE grant. Our SCORE grant allows for the Derby Recreation Commission to buy equipment, provide programming in the Oaklawn area. It also allows for admissions to different fun activities where Sheriff's employees and kids from the Oaklawn area actually get to go out and have a good time together.

We provide mentoring at that time and just a good family atmosphere. We encourage deputies and Sheriff's Department employees to bring their families along too so kids can see that we're human and have families and have pets and like to have a good time too. This agreement is a contract

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between the two organizations to allow the Derby Recreation Commission to pay the bills and things of that nature.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Okay, so this is an administrative necessity in order to just process the money and keep the program going.”

Sergeant Dietzman said, “There you go.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Okay, very good. Any questions, commissioners? What’s the will of the Board?”

MOTION

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

Commissioner Burtnett seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Norton	Aye
Commissioner Winters	Aye
Commissioner Burtnett	Aye
Commissioner Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Unruh	Aye

Chairman Unruh said, “Next item please. Thank you, Brenda.”

D. PUBLIC WORKS.

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1. RESOLUTION DESIGNATING AND CLASSIFYING CERTAIN STREETS TO THE AFTON TOWNSHIP SYSTEM. DISTRICT #3.

Mr. David Spears, P.E., Director/County Engineer, greeted the Commissioners and said, “It is standard procedure that after a road is constructed within a platted residential subdivision in accordance with county standards, that road is then assigned to the township road system. In this particular case, Brookmeadow Drive and Deerwood Circle, located in the Meadowbrook Addition, will become the responsibility of Afton Township. The Afton Township Board was informed that this resolution would be on the county commission agenda by letter, dated January 19th. I recommend that you adopt the resolution.”

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Norton	Aye
Commissioner Winters	Aye
Commissioner Burtnett	Aye
Commissioner Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Unruh	Aye

Chairman Unruh said, “Next item.”

2. AGREEMENT WITH SOUTHERN STAR CENTRAL GAS PIPELINE FOR RELOCATION OF A NATURAL GAS PIPELINE IN CONNECTION WITH

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**SEDGWICK COUNTY PROJECT 634-E1/2 30, 31; 63RD STREET SOUTH
FROM BUCKNER TO ROCK ROAD. CIP# R-237. DISTRICT #5.**

Mr. Spears said, "Item D-2 is an agreement with Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline to relocate two six-inch natural gas pipelines, in connection with the road project on 63rd Street South, between Buckner and Rock Road, designated as R-237 in the Capital Improvement Program. The cost will not exceed \$160,448.90. I recommend that you approve the agreement and authorize the Chairman to sign."

Chairman Unruh said, "All right. Is there any discussion, Commissioners?"

MOTION

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

Commissioner Norton seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Norton	Aye
Commissioner Winters	Aye
Commissioner Burtnett	Aye
Commissioner Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Unruh	Aye

Chairman Unruh said, "Next item."

**3. AGREEMENTS (THREE) WITH WESTAR ENERGY PROVIDING
ELECTRIC LINE MODIFICATION/RELOCATION ON SEDGWICK**

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COUNTY PROJECT 634-E1/2 30, 31; 63RD STREET SOUTH FROM BUCKNER TO ROCK ROAD. CIP# R-237. DISTRICT #5.

- **BUCKNER TO WOODLAWN BOULEVARD: \$180,000**
- **INTERSECTION OF 63RD STREET SOUTH AND ROCK ROAD: \$40,000**
- **WOODLAWN TO ROCK ROAD: \$50,000**

Mr. Spears said, “This item involves three separate agreements with Westar Energy for the relocation of electrical lines in connection with Sedgwick County’s CIP project R-237, the widening of 63rd Street South between Buckner and Rock Road.

The first agreement is for an electrical line relocation between Buckner and Woodlawn at a cost of \$180,000. The second relocation takes place at the intersection of 63rd and Rock Road, at a cost of \$40,000. And the third and final agreement is for the electrical line relocation between Woodlawn and Rock at a cost of \$50,000. The total cost of the agreements comes to \$270,000 and I recommend that you approve the agreements and authorize the Chairman to sign.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Okay, thank you David. Is there any discussion?”

MOTION

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

Commissioner Burtnett seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Norton	Aye
Commissioner Winters	Aye
Commissioner Burtnett	Aye
Commissioner Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Unruh	Aye

Chairman Unruh said, “Next item.”

- 4. AGREEMENT WITH CITY OF DERBY, KANSAS FOR SEDGWICK COUNTY PROJECT 634-E1/2 30, 31; 63RD STREET SOUTH FROM**

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BUCKNER TO ROCK ROAD. CIP# R-237. DISTRICT #5.

Mr. Spears said, “Also in regard to CIP #R-237, the road improvement project on 63rd between Buckner and Rock, Item D-4 is an agreement between Sedgwick County and the City of Derby. Derby will reimburse Sedgwick County for the difference between a rural open ditch section and an urban section with storm sewer and curb and gutter.

This project has already been let and based upon unit prices as bid, Derby’s share will be \$1,162,492.30. I recommend that you approve the agreement and authorize the Chairman to sign.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Commissioners, is there any discussion on this item?”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Yeah, I just have one. David, isn’t this just another example of where we’ve already got some work started, a city has some work that they would like to do, so that we let them kind of tag in with us and provide the economies of scale of our design people and whatever?”

Mr. Spears said, “That’s right, Commissioner Sciortino. We’ve worked with Derby and many of the cities in this very same way. We try to be consistent with all the cities and we have future agreements with other cities. But they like to have the curb and gutter and they’re approaching . . . their city limits are approaching their . . . the golf course is right up next to 63rd, and so it was their request that we go to curb and gutter and so they pay the difference between an open ditch section and an urban section, which basically they pay for the curb and gutter and the storm sewer.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Okay, thank you.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Well, you know there’s often times we hear comments about consolidated, unified governments and questions about why we don’t get along. Where there are instances where governments aren’t getting along, they always get a lot of headlines. Well this is a case where governments are getting along and they are providing efficiencies and economies. It happens every day in lots and lots of little ways.

And so when it does happen and we have an opportunity to say something about it, well I want to say something, because we need to let folks know that governments in Sedgwick County do get along. Any other comments?”

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

Commissioner Burtnett seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Norton	Aye
Commissioner Winters	Aye
Commissioner Burtnett	Aye
Commissioner Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Unruh	Aye

Chairman Unruh said, "Thank you. Commissioners, at this time, we need to take an off agenda item relative to an agreement."

MOTION

Chairman Unruh moved to consider an off agenda item.

Commissioner Winters seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Norton	Aye
Commissioner Winters	Aye
Commissioner Burtnett	Aye
Commissioner Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Unruh	Aye

OFF AGENDA ITEM

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Mr. William P. Buchanan, County Manager, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I have before you a contract with Park City to provide for them our standard contract agreement for animal control and I recommend you approve it."

Chairman Unruh said, "Is there any discussion or questions, Commissioners?"

MOTION

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

Chairman Unruh seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Norton	Aye
Commissioner Winters	Aye
Commissioner Burtnett	Aye
Commissioner Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Unruh	Aye

Chairman Unruh said, "Next item please."

E. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF BIDS AND CONTRACTS' REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 24, 2005.

Mr. Jerry Phipps, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "You have the Minutes of the February 24th meeting of the Board of Bids and Contracts and there are eight items for your consideration.

**1) SEDANS- FLEET MANAGEMENT
FUNDING: VEHICLE ACQUISITION**

Item one is sedans for Fleet Management. It was moved to accept the low bid, including manuals, from Don Hattan Chevrolet for \$156,760.

**2) POLICE SEDANS- FLEET MANAGEMENT
FUNDING: VEHICLE ACQUISITION**

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Item two, police sedans for Fleet Management. It was moved to accept the low bid including manuals from Rusty Eck Ford for \$169,533.

3) TRACKED EXCAVATOR- FLEET MANAGEMENT
FUNDING: VEHICLE ACQUISITION

Item three, a tracked excavator for Fleet Management. It was moved to accept the low proposal, meeting requirements, from Foley Equipment, option one, for \$239,183. For the record, there was an error on the tab sheets you have before you, on the value on Victor L. Phillips, option one, for the Hyundai 360 and it should read \$224,624, instead of the \$261,274 as listed. This doesn't change the recommendation.

4) BRIDGE IMPROVEMENTS- PUBLIC WORKS
FUNDING: PUBLIC WORKS

Item four, bridge improvements for Public Works. It was moved to accept the low bid from King Construction for \$563,646.37 and that's subject to availability of funds.

5) COMPUTERS- GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SERVICES
FUNDING: GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SERVICES

Item five, computers for the Geographic Information Services. It was recommended to accept the quote from Dell for \$53,574.30. This is off our state contract."

6) TENDER- FIRE DISTRICT
FUNDING: FIRE SPEC. EQUIP.

Item six, a tender truck for the Fire District. It was recommended to accept the expenditure with Pierce Manufacturing for \$220,214.

7) ECG ELECTRODES- EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES
FUNDING: EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Item seven, ECG electrodes for the Emergency Medical Services. It was recommended to accept the low bid from Moore Medical for \$4,012.20 and establish contract pricing for one year, with two one-year options to renew for an estimated annual cost of \$15,000.

8) CAD SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE- EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS
FUNDING: COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT

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Item seven [sic], CAD software for Emergency Communications. It was moved to accept the expenditure with Northrup Grumman Public Safety for \$63,459.38.

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

Chairman Unruh said, "Okay, we do have a question. Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "On item six, what are we doing with the current tender? Did we trade it in, or what do we do with it?"

Mr. Phipps said, "No, this is a . . . yes, this is a new piece of equipment. This is off the contract pricing that we had had previously from the two years before, which is the cost of them purchasing new vehicles off that contract."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "But it says, 'This is a planned replacement of current equipment'. So what are we doing with the old equipment?"

Mr. Phipps said, "A gentleman from the Fire District is here to address that."

Deputy Chief Rick Brazil, Fire District #1, greeted the Commissioners and said, "This is the last one in our fleet replacement of our tenders. We will take the old tender and we will dispose of it. In the past, we have contacted other departments within Sedgwick County, the zoo for example, some other volunteer fire departments, to see if they have a need for that truck and dispose of it that way.

I don't believe there are any needs within Sedgwick County right now and I understand we have a new way of getting rid of surplus property, possibly on E-bay and that would be our recommendation, to eliminate that from our fleet."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Okay. There's not a . . . I don't know if these dealers that deal in tenders are not like car dealers. There isn't a mechanism where you can trade in an old tender?"

Deputy Chief Brazil said, "There is some trade-in value for those, but again it's like the car business. They don't really give you what those trucks are worth. We thought we would get more for our money by putting it on E-Bay and selling it outright ourselves."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Were you able to ascertain what they would give you, so that

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you'll know that if you take it on E-Bay it's better than what the . . .?"

Deputy Chief Brazil said, "Yes sir, we did. We kind of got them to give us a price on what we would get for a trade-in and it was a very low price."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "But it gives you a baseline to know that, 'Yeah, we did much better on our own'. Okay, that's good. Okay, thank you, that's all I had."

Chairman Unruh said, "Okay, thank you. Are there other comments or questions? If not, what's the will of the Board?"

MOTION

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

Commissioner Norton seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Norton	Aye
Commissioner Winters	Aye
Commissioner Burtnett	Aye
Commissioner Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Unruh	Aye

Chairman Unruh said, "Thank you, Jerry. Next item."

CONSENT AGENDA

F. CONSENT AGENDA.

- 1. Modification of Right-of-Way for Sedgwick County Project 634-E1/2 30, 31; 63rd Street South from Buckner to Rock Road. CIP# R-237. District #5.**
- 2. Section 8 Housing Assistance Payment Contracts.**

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<u>Contract Number</u>	<u>Rent Subsidy</u>	<u>District Number</u>	<u>Landlord</u>
V05002	\$294.00	4	Valley Lodge Apartments
V05003	\$259.00	2	Haysville Housing
V05005	\$303.00	2	Vicki Bloom

- 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>
V2020	\$625.00	\$625.00
V9901	\$426.00	\$435.00
V04012	\$316.00	\$311.00
V2030	\$205.00	\$157.00
V04013	\$244.00	\$240.00
V03007	\$437.00	\$437.00
V01032	\$145.00	\$121.00
V01058	\$171.00	\$172.00
V01042	\$334.00	\$329.00
V04009	\$204.00	\$191.00
V04014	\$500.00	\$500.00
V05002	\$294.00	\$254.00
V03078	\$376.00	\$317.00
V020030	\$33.00	\$241.00
V04079	\$825.00	\$661.00
V04090	\$417.00	\$389.00
V020017	\$678.00	\$662.00
V20138	\$238.00	\$185.00
V2038	\$187.00	\$203.00
V2045	\$193.00	\$207.00
V04089	\$281.00	\$334.00
V03100	\$665.00	\$615.00

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V03043	\$500.00	\$404.00
V010126	\$238.00	\$243.00
V010147	\$225.00	\$183.00
V99036	\$216.00	\$223.00
V01060	\$615.00	\$287.00
V04068	\$134.00	\$273.00
V20021	\$380.00	\$380.00
V1096	\$359.00	\$495.00
V04021	\$425.00	\$394.00
V01085	\$443.00	\$312.00

4. Plats.

Approved by Public Works. The County Treasurer has certified that taxes for the year 2002 and prior years have been paid for the following plats:

Jester Creek Estates
Lake Vista Second Addition
Yoder Airport 3rd Addition
59th Street Substation Addition

- 5. Case Number ZON2003-00035 – extension of time to complete platting requirement for a zone change from “RR” Rural Residential to “LI” Limited Industrial for approximately 149 acres located north of 37th Street North and west of Greenwich Road. District #1.**
- 6. Report on Sheriff’s 2004 State Asset Forfeiture Cost Center.**
- 7. Amendment to Agreement with Jim Ramsey Company, Ltd. for space at 940 North Waco, Wichita used by COMCARE for its Adult Addiction Treatment Center.**
- 8. Technical adjustment to Grant Application to Juvenile Justice Authority for funding of the Sheriff’s SCORE Program.**
- 9. Amendments (two) to the 2005 Capital Improvement Program (CIP).**

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- a. Reallocate funds with CIP# R-237, and increase Right-of-Way and utility location.
 - b. Increase Project B-411, bridge on 4th Street North
- 10. Order dated February 23, 2005 to correct tax roll for change of assessment.**
- 11. Payroll Check Register of February 25, 2005.**
- 12. General Bills Check Register(s) for the week of February 23 – March 1, 2005.**

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

MOTION

Commissioner Norton moved to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Norton	Aye
Commissioner Winters	Aye
Commissioner Burtnett	Aye
Commissioner Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Unruh	Aye

Chairman Unruh said, “Thank you. Well Commissioners, I think we do not have an executive session or a fire district meeting, so this is an opportune time to talk about your activities and schedules and information you’d like to share at this time. I don’t see any lights.”

G. OTHER

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Commissioner Sciortino said, “Well, you will. As you know, I agreed to take over the position on the board of Cowtown from Carolyn McGinn and I’ve got some big shoes to fill. If she’s watching, I’m not making any reference to her shoe size, but had our first board meeting this week and I was told that it only required a board meeting of once a month and I thought, ‘Well, that’s okay, I can put that into my schedule’. And then I found out I’m also on three committees that meet once a month at different times than the board meeting and then reading what I’m supposed to do and the meetings I’m supposed to attend, it’s going to be a little time consuming, but I’m excited and I’m looking forward to it.

We actually are having a delegation from . . . I forgot the name of the town, it’s out west, they have a front street . . . Dodge City, that’s right. They’re coming here to visit us to take a look at what we’ve been doing with our museum and I think it’s good to have people talk and discuss and ‘Oh hey what we’re doing is this’ and share things. And there’s some exciting things that we’ve got planned for next year.

There’s a lot of new board members, so we’re going to have a lot of fresh thinking and I’ll keep you posted and especially when . . . I saw your name pop up on one of the committees. At least there’s a Tim Norton on one of the committee, so I guess we’re sitting on one of those. But anyway, I’m looking forward to it. I think it will be a lot of fun.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Well very good and I assume that you will give our good friends from Dodge City a very warm and hospitable Sedgwick County welcome.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Beyond any shadow of doubt.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Okay. Commissioner Norton.”

Commissioner Norton said, “I have two things. The first thing is I stopped by the city council meeting at the City of Wichita yesterday and they voted on the aviation center. It looks like they’re going to move forward on a conceptual design, so that I would say pretty soon we’re going to have some pretty good idea of what that will look like, what the cost will be and how we’ll move forward in developing and designing and building a world-class aviation training center here at Jabara Airport in Wichita. And we’ve been good partners with the city. They’ll take the lead on this, mainly because it sits on city property, at Jabara, but this is certainly something we’ve all worked in partnership on, through KTTI and our partnerships with the community colleges and WATC to try to figure out how we promote the best aviation tech training we can for the workforce needs we have in our community.

And the second thing is that several of us will be traveling to Washington for the NACo, National Association of Counties legislative session and meeting and I think there’s some good guest

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speakers and some great seminars. I know Saturday I'm spending almost all day in seminars on leadership and change management and budgeting in tough times and I think those are great ways for us to grow our intellectual capital and be able to talk with some folks that are struggling with the same issues and problems we are around the country and maybe bring back some of the best ideas of how we apply those to our own county to solve some of the dilemmas that we have.

I mean, sometimes we get so tied up in what we're doing. At Target, I used to call that the 'red and whites'. All you see is the Target red and white and you forget that there's a whole other world out there of people doing stuff, so this will give us a chance to understand what other people are working on, how governments work, county government works in other jurisdictions and maybe what we can apply here."

Chairman Unruh said, "Okay, thank you. Well, our participation in the National Association of Counties I think does bring value to Sedgwick County. Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Well, if no one else has something, I got a chance to meet some of the . . . I think all of you . . . I don't know who all did, but we got to meet some of the Onex people. They came in and visited and found them very excited about being here in Wichita and they're looking forward to expanding their presence and I think they will be probably every bit as good a corporate citizen as Boeing will continue to be and Jeff Turner is staying with the company. We all know about him and his involvement, his love for this area and so I was kind of excited that they thought enough about us to come over and say hi. That was kind of nice."

Chairman Unruh said, "Well, it was a good opportunity to greet the leaders of that organization, privately, and this is a good opportunity to say publicly that we welcome them to our community and we're looking forward to a great relationship going forward and as you said, we expect that Onex, like Boeing, will continue to be a great community partner.

Well, no more lights, I'd just say . . . remind every one as they open their mailboxes here in the next couple of days, they get their new property evaluation notices. Our county appraiser just sent out 207,000 notices and we want the folks to know that we don't think there's going to be too much sticker shock, but it's our responsibility to keep these appraisals in line with market value, so if you have questions about that, we have a call center that we have established that we think is a great benefit to the citizens of Sedgwick County and that number is 660-9110. It's staffed with folks who will get the answers to your questions, whether it's about valuation notices or any other questions. So, we would encourage you all to avail yourselves of that new service from Sedgwick County.

Lastly, I'd say it's great weather, visit the Sedgwick County Zoo"

Commissioner Sciortino said, "After you visit Cowtown."

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Chairman Unruh said, "Okay, now we've got a contest going, but anyway, we have some great things in Sedgwick County, so have a good weekend. Is there anything else? Mr. Manager? Mr. Randels? All right, we are adjourned."

H. ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

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

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BEN SCIORTINO, Chair Pro Tem
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TIM R. NORTON, Commissioner
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LUCY BURTNETT, Commissioner
Fourth District

ATTEST:

Don Brace, County Clerk

APPROVED:

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