

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING

December 14, 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, December 14, 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. Rich Euson, County Counselor; Mr. David Spears, Director, Bureau of Public Works; Ms. Jo Templin, Director, Division of Human Resources; Ms. Irene Hart, Director, Division of Community Development; Mr. John Schlegel, Director, Metropolitan Area Planning Department; Mr. Robert Parnacott, Assistant County Counselor, County Counselor's Office; Ms. Sheri Boeken, Office Administration, District Attorney's Office; Mr. David Miller, Director, Budget Department; Mr. Pete Giroux, Senior Management Analyst, Budget Department; Mr. Brad Snapp, Director, Housing Department; Ms. Sonja Armbruster, Communications and Grant Writing Coordinator, Health Department; Mr. John Nath, Director, Kansas Coliseum; Mr. Larry Ternes, Department of Corrections; Mr. Edwin E. Simpson, Sheriff Deputy; Ms. Iris Baker, Director, Purchasing Department; Ms. Kristi Zukovich, Director, Communications; and, Ms. Bethany Carpenetti, Deputy County Clerk.

GUESTS

Sandy Pickert, Project Director, Abstinence, Inc.
Angela Millspaugh, Planning/Community Relations Coordinator, City of Haysville
Dr. Ellie Shore, professor of psychology, at Wichita State University
Dr. Bischoff, Dean, Fairmount College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
Jackie Berger, Rayethon Aircraft Company

INVOCATION

A moment of silence was held.

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

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

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CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES: Regular Meeting, November 23, 2005
Special Meeting, November 29, 2005

The Clerk reported that all Commissioners were present at the Regular Meetings of November 23rd and November 29, 2005.

Chairman Unruh said, “Commissioners you have had the opportunity to review the minutes of the meetings of November 23rd and November 29th. Are there any additions or corrections?”

MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 23rd, 2005 and the Special meeting of November 29th, 2005.

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 please.”

PROCLAMATION

- A. PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING ELLIE SHORE, PROFESSOR OF PSYCHOLOGY AT WICHITA STATE UNIVERSITY, AS THE “2005 KANSAS PROFESSOR OF THE YEAR.”**

Chairman Unruh said, “Commissioners I have a proclamation to read for your consideration

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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, skillful, enthusiastic, and innovative teachers improve the lives of countless students by encouraging curiosity and understanding and by contributing to the development of mind and spirit; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Professors of the Year program, sponsored by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching and Council for Advancement and Support of Education, is the only national program for excellent undergraduate teaching; and

WHEREAS, the Kansas Professor of the Year represents thousands of dedicated university and college instructors throughout Kansas who serve their students, their community and their state with dedication and talent; and

WHEREAS, the Sedgwick County Commission has long supported excellence in undergraduate teaching and research through its long standing commitment of support and continued growth of Wichita State University; and

WHEREAS, the quality of life and the scope of opportunity for many future citizens of Sedgwick County and the State of Kansas will be determined by the quality of teaching in the classroom.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Dave Unruh, Chairman of the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners recognize and commend Ellie Shore, professor of psychology, at Wichita State University, upon being named the

“2005 Kansas Professor of the Year”

Commissioners, you have heard the proclamation. What’s the will of the Board?”

MOTION

Commissioner Burtnett moved to adopt the proclamation and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Commissioner Norton seconded the motion.

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

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VOTE

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

Chairman Unruh said, “With us this morning is Dr. Ellie Shore, the recipient of this award and also Dr. Bill Bischoff, who is the dean of the College of Liberal arts at Wichita State University. Welcome, we would like for you to say a word if you would.”

Dr. Ellie Shore, Professor of Psychology, Wichita State University, said, “Well, this is a great honor. I think it represents not only an honor to me but also the relationship between WSU and county government that has been going on for so many years and is a source of pride. Thank you.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Well, thank you and we are proud of your award that you received and we are also thankful that we have folks like you that are outstanding in educating at the undergraduate level. It makes the whole community better as we have educated people to go forward, so thank you very much. And Dr. Bischoff, his is the first, second, third award?”

Dr. Bischoff, Dean, Fairmount College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, WSU, greeted the Commissioners and said, “Actually this is the fourth Kansas Professor of the year for the Fairmount College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, and this is really an exciting event for us to have our fourth. And Ellie is such a great representative to the community from the University and she works with the Kansas Humane Society. She’s been important in developing substance abuse treatment programs that have been adopted by the state. Dhe is just really a great example of the excellent professorships we have at WSU.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Well thank you, we appreciate the work you do. We do have a comment from Commissioner Sciortino.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Who actually is giving the award? Who actually is the one making the presentation who appointed her, gave the award to the Doctor?”

Ms. Shore said, “The Carnegie Foundation, which is an organization in Washington DC, appoints Professors of the Year for each state every year.”

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

Chairman Unruh said, “Thank you all, once again congratulations. We are proud of you and

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the college and the university, so thank you all for being here. Might also recognize Dr. Eric Sexton, who is also here representing the University.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “He’s always here.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Madam clerk, call the next item please.”

DONATION

DIVISION OF PUBLIC SAFETY – DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

B. DONATION BY HITE, FANNING AND HONEYMAN OF VARIOUS GAMES AND SPORTS EQUIPMENT VALUED AT \$400, TO BE USED AT THE JUDGE RIDDEL BOYS RANCH.

Mr. Larry Ternes, Youth Services Administrator, Department of Corrections, greeted the Commissioners and said, “The local law firm of Hite, Fanning and Honeyman has graciously donated \$400 worth of games and sports equipment as a Christmas gift to the Judge Riddell Boys Ranch to enhance the facility’s recreational activities. As most of you know, recreational activities are an integral part of the treatment program and I might add, this is the second year in a row that this firm has provided this type of donation. I recommend that you accept this donation and authorize the Chair to sign a letter of appreciation, and I would be happy to answer any questions that you might have.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Well thank you Larry for being here and alerting us to this. I do not see anybody asking to speak, but I would say that we are very appreciative to Hite, Fanning and Honeyman for their generous contribution, donation and we know that they have done this for several years and we just want them to know how thankful we are and we are very willing to send a letter of appreciation. We do have a comment from Commissioner Sciortino.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Is there a representative here from the law firm?”

Mr. Ternes said, “I do not believe so sir.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “I was just going to say I would like to give them the opportunity to let us know why they embraced the Judge’s ranch and what have you, but anyway, I am sure, just convey our thanks to them.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Did you want to say?”

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Mr. Ternes said, "I can tell you the answer to that, one of our staff that works at the Boys Ranch happens to be married to one of the partners of the firm and so he is very interested in the work that is going on at the Boys Ranch, the whole firm is."

Chairman Unruh said, "Commissioners what the will of the board?"

MOTION

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

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

Mr. Ternes said, "Thank you."

Chairman Unruh said, "Next item please."

RETIREMENTS

C. PRESENTATION OF RETIREMENT CLOCKS.

- 1. GARY L. MALONEY, CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGIST, COMCARE, WILL RETIRE JANUARY 1, 2006 AFTER 30 YEARS OF SERVICE.**

Ms. Jo Templin, Director Human Resources, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Mr. Maloney was not able to attend today but we will make sure he receives his certificate and his retirement clock from you and give him your congratulations."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Next item please."

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2. EDWIN E. SIMPSON, SHERIFF DEPUTY, WILL RETIRE JANUARY 1, 2006 AFTER 23 YEARS OF SERVICE.

Ms. Templin, said, “Today we celebrate with Edwin E. Simpson of the Sheriff’s Office upon his retirement after 23 years of service to this community. He is joined by family and many others from the Sheriff’s Office as his colleagues who have supported him today and over the years. We are happy that they are here today and I will turn it over to Chairman Unruh.”

Chairman Unruh said, “We want to congratulate you on this occasion of your retirement and want to present you with this certificate in recognition of your service to Sedgwick County. I know folks that are involved in public safety often stand in a gap and protect the citizens and often times are not recognized fully for the service that you provide the county. After 23 years, we want to certainly tell you that we have appreciated your loyalty to Sedgwick County government, appreciate this service to the citizens of Sedgwick County, so we want to present you with this and we would also like to present you with this clock so that you can keep time of you activities in retirement. Would not want you to be late to any of those important appointments you have. Let us give you this and tell you that we truly appreciated your service. You have the opportunity to speak if you like.”

Edwin E. Simpson, Sheriff Deputy, Sheriff’s Office, greeted the Commissioners and said, “Just a few words to say, that over the last 23 years this county and the Sheriff’s Department have been very good to me and my family and I would like to take this opportunity to thank the citizens of Sedgwick County for allowing me to serve them. Thank you.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Madam Clerk, would you call the next item please.”

CITIZEN INQUIRY

D. REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGARDING A COMMUNITY-BASED ABSTINENCE EDUCATION GRANT.

Ms. Sandy Pickert, Executive Director, Abstinence, Inc., greeted the Commissioners and said, “I am here to share with you about the new grant that we received about the pure and simple lifestyle project. I am the project director for this. This is a federal grant that we received from the Health and Human Services and it began September 30, 2005. This grant is for \$770,800 for the first year and we know for two more years. We are really honored to receive this because there are 63 grantees out of over 400 organizations that applied for this around the country.

Our project the Principal Lifestyle focuses on the development for youth for ages 12 through 18 and with targeting at-risk middle and high school students, this is for both Sedgwick and McPherson counties. The project promotes abstinence from sexual activity until marriage from a primary

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prevention health perspective. The project will be evaluated on an ongoing basis by the University of Kansas School of Medicine in Wichita, through the department of Preventative Medicine and Public Health.

Implementation of this risk elimination program utilizes a community mobilization model, each city council district in Wichita will have a district coordinator, someone who lives and or works in the district and knows the district well. In Wichita we have six district coordinators and then a seventh special needs coordinator who will focus on meeting the educational challenges regarding sexuality and abstinence of special needs children. Because every city council district is unique, the pure and simple lifestyle project will reflect the racial diversity of citizens of each district.

Parent involvement is a key component of this project. Each district will have a community parent action group comprised of four or more parents and other interested adults who are active in the community and support the abstinence message. The current action groups will be involved in working in their city council districts including: parents, teachers, health care professionals, churches, businesses, members of the media and this will ensure that a consistent message of abstinence until marriage and risk elimination from other harmful behavior such as drug, alcohol and tobacco use is communicated to the youth of our community. We will have teams of ten instructors. They are high school students who are practicing abstinence delivering eight different lessons to other high school and middle school students. This is a peer mentoring kind of program and it will be presented in a variety of venues including: in-school and after school programs, church youth groups, boy scouts, girl scouts, 4H, the Boys and Girls Club, Big Brothers and Big Sisters, etcetera. The teen instructors will also reflect the diversity of the districts that they represent. They will be mentored by college-age people who also practice an abstinent lifestyle. These coaches will be helping the high school students get their lessons ready for presentation.

This first year, project-wide, we expect to have 444 teen instructors, 46 coaches and then serve at least 1,600 youth at risk. The goal is to empower teens to make good decisions of the serious consequences of poor choices, set goals for the future, learn assertiveness techniques and skills needed for healthy relationships and ultimately to become good role models for others to follow. Long term, we hope to see a substantial decrease in the rate of out-of-wedlock pregnancies and STDs among teens in Sedgwick and McPherson counties and hopefully that will help you guys have an easier job. Thank you for the opportunity to share our good news about this grant and we ask for your support and your interest. Do you have any questions?"

Chairman Unruh said, "Well, thank you for that presentation Sandy. This is really a large grant for this sort of . . ."

Ms. Pickert said, "It is over \$2 million, over three years."

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Chairman Unruh said, "I really was not aware of the fact that it needed that sort of financial backing to have a successful program of this type. Congratulations on getting the grant. We are thankful that someone has taken the responsibility to focus on these issues in our community. I believe that as successful as it is, it will help influence in a positive way the youth of our community and we are happy for your involvement. We do have a comment from Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "I guess just a question to follow up on what the Chairman said. This is a terrific program and I did not even know it was available and did not know anybody was applying for it and I mean I think this is tremendous and if it was a nationwide grant application that we won here locally, I mean, that is something to really be proud of. I did notice that you had talked about, are you just focusing inside the city limits of Wichita? Is there going to be any benefit to the other communities outside of Wichita?"

Ms. Pickert said, "We are starting with the city council districts in Wichita, but we plan to reach out to other areas, in Sedgwick County and probably beyond Sedgwick County borders."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "If you ever get to the point where you actually have a plan developed for going outside of the City limits, let us know, because we have contacts there and maybe we could assist you in being successful, so that all of the youth of our county can get the message that there is a lifestyle other than maybe the one they are presently practicing and one of the best ways to prevent any kind of STD is to abstain and that is the best preventative measure that I can think of. Congratulations to you and I hope the media picks up on this and this is a very worthwhile project."

Ms. Pickert said, "I am waiting for Oprah to call."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Well, more important than Oprah would be if Channel 10 called you."

Ms. Pickert said, "Well actually yes, we have had some coverage like that. Thank you very much."

Chairman Unruh said, "Well thank you for being here, Sandy. What is the will of the board?"

MOTION

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Commissioner Winters moved to receive and file.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Norton	Aye
Commissioner Winters	Aye
Commissioner Burnett	Aye
Commissioner Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Unruh	Aye

Chairman Unruh said, "Next item."

NEW BUSINESS

- E. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$30,500,000 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF TAXABLE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT REVENUE BONDS FOR RAYTHEON AIRCRAFT COMPANY (FORMERLY BEECH AIRCRAFT CORPORATION).**

Ms. Irene Hart, Director, Division of Community Development, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I am pleased to bring this issue for your consideration today from one of our outstanding community employers. What the resolution today does is to authorize the 16th issuance of bonds and other associated approvals that continue our partnership with Raytheon Aircraft that we have had since 1990. It also authorizes other paperwork that continues this relationship in good standing. Of the \$30,500,000 in industrial revenue bonds all but about \$75,000 will be . . . has been spent in Sedgwick County to upgrade and improve the facilities at the plant here in Sedgwick County.

Today we have with us Jackie Berger and Wayne Wallace from Raytheon, we have Joe Norton who is County Bond Council and Winton Hinkle and Lisa Hoffner, who are also bond council. They would be happy to answer any questions that you might have and Jackie Berger does have a presentation for you."

Chairman Unruh said, "Commissioners at this time do you have any specific questions?"

Chairman Unruh said, "If not, we are ready for the presentation. Good morning, Jackie."

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

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Jackie Burgher, Raytheon Aircraft Company said, “We are requesting \$30,500,000 and as you can see \$26,400,000 of that is for tooling which is for new, replacement and upgrades of our aircraft across our whole product line. The remaining \$4,100,000 covers improvements to our facilities to machinery and equipment and lean initiatives is really about improving our processes within our facilities, etcetera, to make them better and smarter. In addition, Raytheon also invests its own research and development funding for new products. One of the things, just as I start, because I have some good news that I can tell you today, is when I first came to see you, I do not know if you remember it, but it was December 2002 when I first came to Wichita, we were a very different company and had many issues. We were losing a lot of money, so today I am delighted to come tell you about lots of good news for the company. As you know, we have been here for 73 years and Raytheon has owned us for 25 of those 73 years.

So firstly, just to explain some of the things we have been doing with our products, our two new products the brand new innovative design products were the Premier One aircraft and the Hawker 4000, both fully composite fuselage aircrafts, many years of development. The Hawker 4000 is going to be certified at the end of this year and so we have made a decision as a company to take our existing product line, which is one of the broadest in the industry and upgrade and develop it as we move forward.

As you know, Beechcraft and Hawker are two of the most prestigious and sought after brands in the industry and we want to make sure that they stay that way for a long time to come. So the good news is that across our product line we have introduced eight new and upgraded aircraft in 2005. That is actually more than we actually introduced in the last 10 years combined, so great news. And if we look at the Beechcraft side, we have actually introduced five aircraft, and the last time we did that just purely in Beechcraft all in the same year was in 1976, so fantastic news.

And I am going to go through some of the upgrades that we have done and the first one is one of the most well known of all brands, the Beechcraft Bonanza and the Beechcraft Barron, our pistons. We have actually upgraded those aircraft with the Garmin G1000 avionics and if you look at the bottom you can see that the cockpit has gone from the old round gauge cockpit to the new glass cockpit that you see in commercial aircraft today so when you think of the Bonanza, the 600,000 pound aircraft with that wonderful cockpit and all the ability and the awareness for the pilot, it is just a fabulous upgrade to our aircraft.

On the KingAir side, they have been around since 1964 and we have 6,000 of those flying today. We have actually upgraded our smallest aircraft in that series the KingAir C90GT. It has new engines. What that means is that we have a 25-knot increase in maximum cruise speed and it also is a 50% reduction in the time needed to reach its certified ceiling of 30,000 feet. This is something

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our customers were looking for. We introduced it this year. It is being certified this month and we are delivering the aircraft this month too and we have that aircraft sold out through 2006, so a great news for the KingAir line.

On the heavy weight Beechcraft KingAir and the reason why I say that this is a two-stage approach for us for all of our aircraft. We actually special mission-ize them for governments around the world, for relief agencies, for air ambulance agencies, etcetera. The aircraft are perfect for that and this is the latest in a proven line of special mission aircraft. We have actually added 1,500 pounds of gross weight to the aircraft. We have added some landing gear, so it really increases the payload.

And next year we will be adding the fuel tanks and it will be then named the KingAir 350ER, which is extended range and what that means is that for surveillance and reconnaissance, the aircraft can actually travel out 100 miles loiter for about eight hours, travel back 100 miles and still have 45 minutes of fuel left. No other aircraft can do that in its class and it is also a very affordable aircraft.

Also relief agencies, when you look at the tsunami or Africa or even in Afghanistan, a lot of them need to fly in to provide relief and support and many of them can not land and refuel. I am sorry, refuel they certainly land, because of contaminated fuel. With this aircraft, they are able to fly in, do what they need to do and fly back out with out having to worry about that.

On the Beechcraft Premier 1, which is one of our new aircraft, we actually really introduced that a couple of years ago, we are already building serial number 150 and have sold over 135 of them that are actually flying today and so this is our first upgrade to that aircraft, bright new interior, very clean design, very European and an upgrade to the cockpit and a five-year warranty. This aircraft has become very popular in the European market place.

On the Hawker side, which originated in the UK, as you know, so I know this one very well, we have three products that we are actually launching this year. We launched the 800XPI and we upgraded it again to the 850XP and then our new Hawker 4000 and the 800XPI, which is the world's best selling midsize jet still today. We upgraded the interior that you can see at the bottom, upgraded the avionics and a five-year warranty, did that in May 2005 and then, just in November, NBAA we announced brand new winglets for our aircraft and we have actually been working on that throughout this year and we will be delivering the new aircraft with winglets in the first quarter of next year, so those are available today.

And then this is our brand new Hawker 4000, this is something we are really proud of at Raytheon Aircraft Company. It is the biggest aircraft in our range, the super midsize jet. It actually is performing, out-performing all the original parameters that we had for the aircraft. It is the quietest in its class. It has just had a test flight report and they are amazed at the quietness of the cabin and the capability of the aircraft and we were delighted to have announced 50 orders with Net Jet, the

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world's leading fractional owner this week, sorry a couple of weeks ago.

And the last aircraft I wanted to talk about was not forgetting that we do build the US Navy's and the US Air Force's primary trainer aircraft, the T6, what we have done is the T6, there are nearly 800 of those going to the US Air Force and the US Navy and we will be building them through 2017. What we have done is we have actually upgraded the aircraft with a brand new cockpit and you can see there the cockpit. It actually mirrors the fighter aircraft of today, so it is very similar to a JSF or a Euro fighter or an F22.

We have also added a head up display and light attack capability, so what that means is the pilots that are flying and training in this aircraft today can move into the fighter jets of the future very, very easily so that transition is very easy. And we took the aircraft on a world tour during January through June this year. We had a website that constantly tracked the aircraft, postcards everyday from our pilots around the world, fantastic customer feedback and we are in the middle of certifying the aircraft. The interesting thing is we had over 60,000 hits on that website during the six months, so lots of interest for that aircraft and we are actually in final discussions on the program with the Singaporeans.

Just to finish off some of that good news, if you look at our deliveries through the years 2003, 2004, 2005 and then what we expect for 2006, this is double digit growth over the last three years. We can run this year on a three billion backlog. Our employment here is 6,800, employment increase this year, 106 net, but if you look at attrition and retirement and everything else, we hired over 500 people this year and the market is going to continue be good through 2006, from all the analysis that is out there and our own analysis too we are ending a great year. It could not be better news for Raytheon Aircraft Company and we thank you for considering our request today."

Chairman Unruh said, "Okay, thank you Jackie, good presentation. I would say we are very proud of the progress that you have made and proud that we have an outstanding product that is built right here in Wichita by Sedgwick County citizens and we are also proud of the part that you play in the economic health and development of Sedgwick County, so it is not hard to be very supportive of this request, it does not put our citizens at risk in any way and you are using it to continue to build an outstanding product and we are proud of the work that you are doing. Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Jackie I remember when you first got here you had just a little tinge of a British accent. You seem to have lost that."

Ms. Burgher said, "Do I sound like an American today?"

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Commissioner Sciortino said, "You do. You are full-blooded."

Ms. Burgher said, "Good."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "I think it is important to talk about what the company has done in employment, because when you show only 105 employee increase, but you have actually had to hire 500 new employees to make up for attrition and retirement and if the company was stable or stagnant, I do not know what is a better word, stable, attrition well you just use that as savings and keep going and so the company has had to be aggressive as far as employment. Can you share with us any projections of what you think might occur in 2006?"

Ms. Burgher said, "I think certainly at this stage, a lot of the things with regard to our productions levels etcetera, you know we have already planned that for 2006 so we are set up quite well, but I think you know net for 2006 we are still going to look at around 250 to 300 employees through next year."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "So again with attrition and what have you, that could be substantially higher."

Ms. Burgher said, "Right, and at that stage I am not sure what that might be, but we are certainly looking at that."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "And with all those new orders of that new Hawker."

Ms. Burgher said, "The Hawker 4000, yes."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "And your certifications going to be over here pretty quickly, hopefully in the next month or two."

Ms. Burgher said, "In the next week or two."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Okay that is great. Well, I just want to commend you. I know some of the people out there at Raytheon think you have been an anchor employment tenant here in Wichita and you continually shown how much you are willing to give back to the community and public service. A lot of you are executives, are members of boards of the community, and you take an active interest in it and we just want to compliment you and wish you the best of luck. It is easy

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for us to make this request for you because it does not affect the County citizens. We are not giving you the money. We are giving you the right to go out and sell the bonds. They are taxable bonds, so it does not adversely affect any of the citizens and we are just happy to be able to accommodate you.”

Ms. Burgher said, “Well thank you very much. We plan to have an aircraft company here for many years to come. Thank you.”

Chairman Unruh said, “We have a comment here from Commissioner Norton.”

Commissioner Norton said, “Well, as we talked the other day for me, it is all about the jobs. We talk about workforce development, capital improvement is good but at the end of the day for our community the important thing is jobs and it was very encouraging the other day that you started talking about job growth and workforce development. Several years ago, when we had to make this same decision, it was a little bleaker. It was ‘we need to build some stuff but we do not know if it is going to create any jobs or any new wealth and workforce in the community’. And it is good news.

The other day, as we talked about that, there is a rooster outlook, as far as job creation from this. One of the questions I have is on the Hawker, the new Hawker with the NetJet. How much of that is going to be built here in this plant in Wichita and how much is built somewhere else?”

Ms Berger said, “What is built somewhere else is, it is a partnership project so you know like most places the maintenance of the aircraft companies. You know, the engines or the avionics come from elsewhere and we final assemble them here, but the only big thing that is actually built somewhere else is the wings. Everything else is here in Wichita. It is a brand new composite fuselage. It is using our high-tech facility here in Wichita. It is all fully finally assembled here too, so the aircraft is final assembled and the main part of it is built and it is just the wings, the avionics and the engines that will be brought in.”

Commissioner Norton said, “That is really pretty good news, I think.”

Ms. Burgher said, “Absolutely.”

Commissioner Norton said, “That the lion’s share of it is going to be here in Wichita. The other thing is, there is a maintenance contract that goes with that. Is that delivered here locally too?”

Ms. Berger said, “Well our customers, this an aircraft that we will sell worldwide and we have over 100 authorized or company-owned service centers worldwide, clearly for people that come into Wichita. They will be using the facility here at the airport. So yes, there will be opportunity there, but it is a worldwide aircraft, so they would have to cover local support to. And certainly I am sure Jack DeVore will be coming here.”

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Commissioner Norton said, "Talk a little bit more about the future, I know that is very uncertain as you look back at 9-11 and what happened, nobody could anticipate that so the future is always iffy, but it appears the light plane industry in general and Raytheon has a pretty rosy future, not only in Wichita but internationally. Describe that a little bit."

Ms. Burgher said, "As we went through 9-11 and the economy and the down cycle, and there are going to continue to be cycles as we move forward. We are driven by corporate profits, we are driven by the economy, we slightly lag in terms it affects us behind the corporate profits and the economy as they start to dip, but certainly at the moment we see through 2006 that the more people continue to be strong and we continue to look at that and we are watching the analysts and the outcome of their sort of research every day and we have our own research. So the most important thing is to watch corporate profits, watch the economy and let's just see how that will work."

Commissioner Norton said, "And certainly when there was a downturn, continuing to invest and trying to look at the future was very important to you. It was a struggle but it looks like now some of that investment is starting to pay off as everything is really starting to come back."

Ms. Berger said, "Right, we had to make some difficult decisions as you know. I mean, we lost a lot of people during that period, but the most important thing was to ensure that there was going to be a company here for the majority of the employees for the future. And if you think about it, we were losing over a billion dollars and we were consuming \$1.2 billion in cash over a three-year period. Most companies would have gone out of business, but Raytheon Company made the decision that they wanted to return the aircraft business to preeminence in the industry. And that is when they brought Jim Schuster in and he brought his team in to try and ensure that that would happen and they have done everything possible to make sure that we have improved the business, returned it to profitability and make sure that we do have a long term future. Now we still have things that we need to do, so I am not saying that everything is going to be rosy in the future. As you know, when you run a business there are still things that we need to consider but we are turning the corner and we are seeing things much brighter as we move forward."

Commissioner Norton said, "Probably the last topic for me and it goes with jobs, we have worked awfully hard on workforce development, trying to figure out the technical education piece that works for the business community to give you the kind of training, that is such an important piece and kind of talk about that a little bit. I know it is not the production side particularly, but it is what gets you there, is having trained workers. It is going to be important to be able to hire 250, 300

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people in the next couple years, make sure we have good workforce.”

Ms. Burgher said, “Absolutely, and one of the things about our company is that one of the things that we want to provide the best service and support in the industry, as well as the quality aircraft that we provide today, and the only way to do that is to have great people, and we believe we have great people at Raytheon Aircraft Company and we are going to continue and develop and look at our talents.

As you know, we are involved in many programs in the community. We are continually looking at how do we work with the schools and the universities to attract, educate, help educate some of those young people and the future leaders. We actually have a program that is really trying to help young people get interested in science and math, the engineering, the engineers of tomorrow and the leaders of tomorrow too and that is a big priority for the company and will continue to be a priority as we move forward.”

Commissioner Norton said, “And not just folks that have technical education, but right now engineers are at a premium, too.”

Ms. Burgher said, “They absolutely are yes, but we are looking at people across the business and engineers are certainly important to us, but we want to make sure that we help develop the whole workforce. It is a big priority for us.”

Commissioner Norton said, “That is all I have, Mr. Chair.”

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

Commissioner Winters said, “Well thank you Commissioner Norton, very good series of questions and Jackie, excellent response. I am certainly going to be supportive of this request today. My only question would be to our attorney. There are plenty of attorneys who have looked at this, but Mr. Euson, you have reviewed all of this and I assume Mr. Joe Norton has also, as he is in the room and everything appears to be proper and in order.”

Mr. Rich Euson, County Counselor, said, “Yes sir, that is correct.”

Commissioner Winters said, “Thank you. I certainly appreciate, Wayne Wallace, your participation in being here and Winton Hinkle is here also. Thank you all very much.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Okay, I do not see any other Commissioners requesting to speak. I just want to emphasize a couple of things that I think need to be emphasized. Over 6,800 employees,

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Mr. Wallace has told me in excess of a \$350 million payroll in Sedgwick County and many folks are unaware of the fact that you are probably the fourth or fifth largest property taxpayer in Sedgwick County. And as we deal with these industrial revenue bonds, I think those things need to be known by our citizens, what a large force you are in Sedgwick County. And one other comment, I like the phrase air superiority in a business suit. Commissioners, if there is no other comment, what is the will of the board?"

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, "Thank you very much."

Ms. Burgher said, "Thank you very much and happy holidays to you all."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Merry Christmas to you too Jackie. We are going to try working on making you the largest taxpayer in Sedgwick County. None of this number three stuff, we want you number one."

Chairman Unruh said, "Madam clerk, call the next item please."

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

- F. PRESENTATION OF THE UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006; AND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE METROPOLITAN AREA PLANNING DEPARTMENT (MAPD) TO EXECUTE THE WICHITA AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION'S FISCAL YEAR 2006 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM.**

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Mr. John Schlegel, Director, Metropolitan Area Planning Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Each year about this time someone from the Metropolitan Area Planning Organization comes to tell you about the Unified Planning Work Program, also known as the UPWP, which outlines the work that the Staff for the MPO will be doing during the next fiscal year. This document is required by the United States Department of Transportation, in order for us to be able to apply for Federal Transportation Planning funds and what you have before you today is a joint resolution of the Wichita Area Metropolitan Planning Organization. Wichita City Council and the Board of County Commissioners, which will authorize us making this request for these transportation Planning funds. The filing of the applications and the execution of contracts and agreements for a variety of federal and state grants and then to undertake the necessary work in order to assure that federal transportation dollars continue to come in to the region.

Now most of what is contained in the Unified Planning Work Program is a lot of routine things that are required that we do as Metropolitan Planning organization in order to receive federal transportation dollars for highways, bridge projects for mass transit and so on, but there are some planning studies that I wanted to highlight that I think would be of interest to you, that we will be undertaking as part of our work program in this next fiscal year.

One of those studies is a railroad crossing study. There has been a lot of work done in recent years separating street grades from the railroad grades, but there is still a lot more to be done and what we would like to do is a comprehensive study of all the railroad crossings in the county to see what needs to be done, come up with an action program or an action plan for making the necessary grade separations or safety improvements as needed.

A second study, which I know is of great interest to this board, is a south area transportation study. We do have a consultant already selected for that and we are in the process of negotiating a contract with them for that work and you will see a great deal of activity on that study during '06.

And then finally I wanted to highlight for you that we plan to do an update, bicycle/pedestrian plan. It has been a while since we have done work on this. A lot of work is being done on building trails within the metropolitan area, but we need to update the plan for the future.

Just a little reminder here of why this is important. We do leverage over \$2,000,000 in planning funds, a result of submitting this application for these federal transportation planning dollars and like I said before, the work that we do under the UPWP is work that is stipulated under federal regulations to be done in order to receive federal dollars for a variety of different transportation projects, and as a result of doing those things we are anticipating that over the next five years the

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region will receive approximately \$276,000,000 in State and Federal transportation dollars, and again, just emphasize the point of why this is important. Without doing these activities that we have outlined in the UPWP we would not be eligible for these funds. So the recommendation is for you to adopt the joint resolution. Are there any questions?"

Chairman Unruh said, "Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Just one comment on the bicycle path plan. Just recently, the last five or six months, I have really become addicted to cycling. I can not run anymore because of my knee and I have taken up biking. Is the plan now to try to interconnect all of the existing bike paths, because that is one of the complaints I have heard from some of the members of the Oz bicycle club. We have miles and miles of bike paths in Wichita, but if you want to get on it and really kind of tour Wichita, you have to stop and carry it someplace else and go, is that."

Mr. Schlegel said, "That is exactly what is needed now. We need to update our current plan and look for ways to better linkup the existing pathways and then to extend them even further."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "That is great, thank you."

Chairman Unruh said, "Thank you. Commissioner Norton."

Commissioner Norton said, "I guess one of my concerns is, does that include county. You know, when you go down south between Derby and Haysville, there is bike paths but none of them link and some of them are out in the county actually or would be built out in the county. Will that like include fringe areas that may link Wichita to the small cities, or small cities to small cities?"

Mr. Schlegel said, "It will be for the area, the planning area for the Metropolitan Planning Organization and that does extend out beyond the boundaries of the City of the City of Wichita, includes the City of Andover in Butler County, and yes it does extend down to Derby and Haysville."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Well, lets just keep going on this because it is one of my hot topics, if there is any, is there going to be any involvement that we need to get on if there is Haysville bike paths here and Wichita bike paths here and here is a half mile that we need to get involved in, let us know. I do not know."

Mr. Schlegel said, "Are you volunteering to be on a steering committee?"

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Sure I would work on that. I will, I would work on that, that is something I am very interested in. Thank you."

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Chairman Unruh said, “Well John, this has already found approval with Metropolitan Area Planning staff, Metropolitan Area Planning Commission, I assume the City Council.”

Mr. Schlegel said, “Yes, the City Council approved it yesterday and the MPO policy board has already approved it.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Well, I think that it will find approval here also more than likely. Commissioners, is there any more discussion or questions?”

Commissioner Norton said, “Just a minor discussion and that is about the south area transportation plan. I know that is something that Ben and I have been very interested in that is starting to talk about some kind of loop that will link along south, be an outer peripheral loop, 235 is pretty much an inner loop on the south side and as we look at growth of Haysville and Derby and the whole system of infrastructure, I think it is important that we get ahead of the curve.

You know one thing that happened on the Northwest Bypass is it started growing so exponentially fast in that area that we got behind the curve a little bit and I think it is going to be important, as our community grows and it pushes the outer boundaries, particularly on the south side where there has not been huge growth over a lot of years and now all of a sudden south Wichita, Haysville, Derby is starting to explode, trying to get ahead of the curve a little bit and get the planning and ideas on the table early is going to be very important and I know Ben is supportive of that, because there is a window of opportunity that is tighter on the southeast portion than it is on the southwest portion and I am going to be very supportive of that. I do not know if Ben wanted to visit. Talk more on that, but I think it is going to be critical over the next year.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “I agree with that and if there is something we can start to work on, because there is not much undeveloped land left southeast. If we ever want to have a bypass, we better get with it or we are not going to have anything to bypass.”

Commissioner Norton said, “That is all, Mr. Chair.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Commissioners, what is the will of the board?”

MOTION

Commissioner Norton moved to adopt the resolution.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the motion.

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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 please."

G. RESOLUTION TO FIND AND DETERMINE THAT THE PROPOSED ANNEXATION BY THE CITY OF HAYSVILLE WILL NOT HINDER OR PREVENT THE PROPER GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE AREA OR THAT OF ANY OTHER INCORPORATED CITIES LOCATED IN SEDGWICK.

Mr. Robert W. Parnacott, Assistant County Counselor, greeted the Commissioners and said, "We have, as noted, an island annexation here. That is when a city would like to annex some property that is not adjacent to their city limits. I'll talk about the map in just a second, but in order to do that the city has to meet certain conditions. One of the conditions is they have to obtain a finding from the Board of County Commissioners that the annexation will not hinder or prevent the proper growth of the area or of any other city. They need the consent of the landowners, which we have been told they do have and then the land to be annexed has to be wholly within Sedgwick County and they have met all those conditions, if you make the finding today that we are going to be recommending.

As you can see by this map, the annexation is a red triangle and at 71st and Hydraulic, it is adjacent to another island annexation that you approved back in 2001. We have a MAPD report in the backup that is recommending that you make the findings that we are going to tell you about in a second. They have indicated the city is already providing water services to this area. It is consistent with the comprehensive plan. Haysville's best position to provide services to this area and there will not be any effect or change to fire service since Haysville is being served by Fire District #1. We have a representative of the City here to answer any questions, but if not, I certainly would make the recommendation that you follow MAPD's report and find that this would not hinder or prevent the proper growth and development of the area or any other city and approve the resolution we have prepared for those findings."

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Chairman Unruh said, "Okay thank you. We do have a question from Commissioner Winters."

Commissioner Winters said, "Thank you. Bob, just one quick question and I think I know the answer here, but this map is a little bit confusing. Is the property or the area immediately to the north of this, is that the Big Ditch, is that the flood control way?"

Mr. Parnacott said, "I think the answer is yes. I have another map in my..."

Commissioner Winters said, "Perhaps Commissioner Norton can answer that."

Mr. Parnacott said, "Yes. Yes it is."

Commissioner Winters said, "So this property is just immediately south, on the south side of the flood control way and the City of Wichita is on the north side of the flood control."

Commissioner Norton said, "It is and the determination would it affect some other city, that is really a natural barrier if you look at the comprehensive plan and land use, the area south of the Big Ditch has always been described for Haysville's growth area and really Wichita will stop at the Big Ditch, so if you have concerns that it would affect another unincorporated city it just really will not, because Wichita is not going to leap the Big Ditch there, nor could they provide services very easily."

Commissioner Winters said, "Thank you. That answers my question. I think if that Big Ditch would have been colored in blue like a river or something I would have been able to see that. Thank you, that is the only question I had."

Chairman Unruh said, "Alright, thank you Commissioner. Any other Commissioners or Mr. Parnacott?"

Commissioner Norton said, "Do we open up a Public Hearing?"

Chairman Unruh said, "We do not have to have a Public Hearing."

Mr. Parnacott said, "No, this is not a Public Hearing."

Chairman Unruh said, "But I would ask if anyone who is here would like to speak to this issue. Representative from the City of Haysville, if you want to speak you may."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Well, sure if she drove all the way up, give her a chance to speak."

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Ms. Angela Millspaugh said, "I would just like to recommend that you do pass a resolution on this, we have provided water services and this is a consent for annexation."

Chairman Unruh said, "Alright thank you. Is there any citizen who would like speak from that area. I do not see anyone, so any more questions of Mr. Parnacott?"

Mr. Parnacott said, "If not I would recommend you approve the resolution and authorize the Chairman to sign."

Chairman Unruh said, "Commissioner Norton."

Commissioner Norton said, "Just some comments, we have started talking a little bit about what we do with the road, I want to be sure that we understand I am not going to recommend right now that we push Haysville to accept that piece of Hydraulic. You know we have had some issues down there as far as drainage that Dave and his group have worked on to try to help Haysville and I think we also will be reconstructing that bridge over the Big Ditch, we did some minor repairs but we were going to do a major thing here in a year and I think we need to make sure we understand that what all that is going to do and that big project before we say we are going to take everything south of there and then we also get the bridge over the Big Ditch and then Haysville is kind of stuck in the middle of all our projects and what they need to do.

The other part of it is the drainage on that whole south side area has been difficult at best over the last five years and as we continue to try to be good partners with the south side of Wichita and the unincorporated areas and the City of Haysville to fix some of those issues, I just do not think it is prudent yet to say the road is yours. Now I did get an e-mail from Carol Nugent who is the City Administrator and she said they are prepared to take it, if we say right now they have to, but I think it is more prudent that we wait and be sure we understand and I do not know what Dave's perspective is, but we maintained that for a lot of years and I think we can continue.

It is not a very big piece of road, so I want to be sure that was talked about and was on public record, so it did not come up later and go, 'gee why didn't you tell us about this or why didn't we

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understand'. The new state law indicates that we have the right, when a City or municipality on both sides of the road to go ahead and dedicate the road and force them to take it over. I do not think now is the time to do that. There will be a time when all that fills in and growth and then we should. Otherwise I am going to be very supportive."

Chairman Unruh said, "Thanks, Commissioner. Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "And the City of Haysville has already said and understands that at any time in the future we come and say now it is appropriate, there is not going to be any 'no we will not take it, no bickering or argument about it'."

Commissioner Norton said, "Angie is indicating 'yes, they have talked about that, they know what the law of the land is and that we have the right to do that'. Is that correct, Angie?"

Ms. Millspaugh said, "Yes."

Commissioner Norton said, "I just do not think it is prudent right now to do that, along with the annexation, but to do it later."

Chairman Unruh said, "Okay Commissioners, I see no other requests to speak. What is 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 Norton	Aye
Commissioner Winters	Aye
Commissioner Burtnett	Aye
Commissioner Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Unruh	Aye

Chairman Unruh said, "Next item please."

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H. PUBLIC WORKS.

1. PRESENTATION DEPICTING ROAD AND BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS COMPLETED DURING 2005. ALL DISTRICTS.

Mr. David Spears, Director Public Works, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I would like to report to you on the projects that were constructed in the year 2005, including roads, bridges and stream maintenance, a little bit of that this year. We completed two miles of skim coating or cold mix, as we call it, and 24 miles of chat seal with our own crews. These roads are selected by our staff in January and you are notified by memorandum accordingly.

In addition to these projects, the 2005 construction program can be summarized as follows: five miles of roads were constructed by contract, four miles of road were treated with an ultra-thin rubberized surface seal, 18 ½ miles of road were treated with a latex modified slurry seal, four and three-quarter total miles of asphalt rejuvenation were done, 19 ½ total miles of nova chip, six bridges were constructed or are under construction by contract, nine bridges were constructed by our crews, 31 miles of shoulders, both sides of the road, were constructed by our crews, all of our projects are in accordance with Sedgwick County's Capital Improvement Program.

In total, improvements were made to 78 miles of the 500 miles of paved roads that Sedgwick County is responsible for. This means that 16% of the County's road system was improved in the year 2005. A memorandum depicting the expenditures on the projects was sent to you last Friday. Due to change orders in the past couple of weeks, those numbers may vary slightly from our final amounts. In general, the expenditures for 2005 were \$5,852,664 in actual road project cost, \$2,266,838 in actual bridge project costs and in total we were under budget on road projects by \$1,255,337 and under budget on bridge projects by \$468,607.

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Now we are ready to view some pictures. Here is all the projects for the year and there you can see the different colors depicting different things and up on the left it shows you what each color represents. First, we will do the road projects by contract. There is just a few numbers again, probably our biggest project sort of our crown jewel is the bottom one the carryovers. The grade separation project, down in Haysville, you can see it is like a \$10,000,000 project. We came in under by \$181,561 and that involved a lot of people: Haysville, Sedgwick County, KDOT, Feds, and of course the railroad, everybody participated in that. And then probably our next biggest project was the 63rd Street South between Buckner and Rock, which is almost finished and it was \$4,000,000 budgeted project and then you can see the other projects on there also and we have

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pictures of those.

This is 63rd, between Buckner and Rock Road. This was a before picture and you can see I will say after, but actually this is during. You can see the curve is up a little bit. They will have the final lift to put on this spring of asphalt. You can see the signals going in, this is a before, so we try and hit the same location and get the after picture. And by the way, while I am thinking, I want to thank Mara right now. This year she did everything. She took the pictures and put together the PowerPoint, so I wanted to thank her.

And you can see it was budgeted \$4,000,000 and the cost to date about 3.4, so we are under budget by almost \$600,000. This is 279th West between K-96 and Harvey County line, up north of Mt. Hope, some repairs on the road and the bridge approaches came in under \$100,000 on that project. A company out of Minnesota got that, was low bidder on that job. This was an interesting job, one we do not have too often. This was the sinkholes over on 135th Street West, the road that leads down to Clearwater, between 79th and 95th Street South. I think that is a good picture that Mara took there. You can see the waviness of the road. These are obviously before and it was getting to the point where . . .”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “You mean, the road was not designed that way?”

Mr. Spears said, “There were sink holes in this area and I do not want to get into that too much, but we are seeing a line of sink holes on an angle that goes across various roads in the county and on up through the state, but that is for another time to discuss. At some point, what people are recommending, we have talked to State people who say we may have to actually relocate the entire road to go around them at some point because we do not think it is going to stop. Now, you can see from the side, this is during construction, how we have it straightened out, filled in, and we had \$275,000 budgeted and came in at \$251,000.

Total budget for all the road projects is \$4,475. There is the actual cost, under budget. This is our carryover project. This is grade separation in Haysville. I have several pictures here. I will go through them fairly fast. All these are finals, clean, sweet looking finished product, the road and the railway.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “That is that gateway to paradise that they are referring to in Haysville.”

Mr. Spears said, “That is correct, sir. Light years of difference in the before and after on that and there is the numbers again. That is the final slide. Something new we tried this year ultra-thin rubberized surface seal did four miles. You see the location northeast that is a before picture, there is after. This was done with our own crews, larger size rock. We did get some complaints from

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people that ride bicycles. They did not like this, so that is something we have to take into consideration. This rock was over. I think it was 5/8th inch in size.

Another project, Cutler recycling did four and 3/4 miles of this. There are several examples. There is a before on Ridge road between 55th and 71st, there is the after. There is Rock Road between the Wichita city limits and McConnell Air Force Base, there is a before, also before, there is an after, that is also an after. 47th street south between Cedardale and Arkansas river down by Oaklawn, that is the after. 77th street north between I-135 and Hydraulic, that is the after. Oliver between K-254 and 53rd street north, that is the after product. 31st Street South between Oliver and McConnell Air Force Base. That road is still ours and you can see it was budgeted for \$500,000. We are about \$14,000 under.

Nova chip product, this is a new product we have been using the last . . . this will be the third year I believe for our maintenance and this product will last longer than the five year normal time that we had been using in the past. It is a little bit more expensive, but if it lasts the ten years, which is what it is supposed to do. In the long run, it will save us money. 19 1/2 miles you can see the miles we did there, all of our projects we tried to do something every five years, all of our roads. You see this 383rd between US-54 and Cheney, that is the after, Old Highway 54 between 263rd Street West and Kingman, 231st between MacArthur and 55th Street South. This is after, Hoover between MacArthur and 55th Street South, this is about a half-inch thick. It also helps us on our shoulders.

See, when we were using the BM-1s, about one-inch thick and as those pile up, becomes a problem with the shoulder drop off and more expensive on the rock, but think it is going to help us there a little bit too. This is 343rd between 21st and 29th North, after. 391st Street West, between 21st and 29th Streets North. 279th between K-96 and the Harvey County line, it is a before, after and this is APAC did the project this year. Ritchie had done it the year before and we think more people will also start bidding this and competing in it and we are hoping that our price will go down although the price level has been going up so a lot of unknowns there. This is a summary, total budgeted, actual cost, under budget.

Latex modified slurry seal, we have done this for years. I think it is an excellent product almost 25 miles, 295th street west between 21st and 61st street north after; 295th between old US 54 and MacArthur; MacArthur between K-42 and Hoover, after; 53rd between Hydraulic and Oliver, after product that is Wichita Heights; Maple between 135th and 167th; and Beechner construction did that

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and we were quite a bit under this year. Rock shoulders, these are done by our crews, 31 miles we did this year and I am just going to show you one typical project it shows we have a rock shoulder machine and that is our cost, we figured about \$1,655.00 dollars per mile, 31 miles.

Chat seal and our folks also did this 24 miles that is 29th Street North between Colwich Road and Andale road, there is the after; Colwich Road between Colwich and K-96 and our cost on that was about \$19,000 per mile, did 24 miles and there is your total cost. Cold mix not a large program this year, whopping two miles by Valley Center, this is on 69th street north between Meridian and West Street that also had the chat seal on it so you can see the black of the cold mix, the entire product is finished there, you have to chat seal the cold mix pretty quick because it is more porous than a hot mix and you do not want the water to get down through it, but there is the cost per mile about \$35,071.00 this year and that is allowed had budgeted for that.

Bridge projects by contract, see the locations we had six and we had the carry over we were just talking in the office, we often forget about the carryover, the Broadway job, but that was a tremendously large project that Haysville sort of dwarfed it but that in itself was a \$5.4 million project that KDOT supplied 80 percent of the money and we came in under, and any other time that would have been looked at a lot closer. This is a bridge on Hydraulic what we did was replace some pin and hangers and also patch some spots in the deck and as Commissioner Norton was saying a little bit ago I think in about five years we have this as a KDOT project to replace the entire bridge and widen it, Utility Contractors did that project.

This is a before picture, B409, 53rd street north between Colwich Road and 183rd street west, this is our shoofly project, on this one you can see Colwich in the background, the church, we put a shoofly around the bridge so that to keep trash, that road is highly used and it is a little more expensive but in certain cases to help out a little city we do that and that project is still under construction this is 45th street north before picture of course, between 167th and 183rd there is the after, King construction did that, under budget. Central between Colwich Road and 183rd street west, King Construction did that, that one came in over a little bit. Central again, between Colwich Road and 183rd, we had two bridges in that mile there is the after, King Construction did that, \$145,000 budgeted and came in under about \$50,000, that is erosion control mat, the green that you see there.

This is a bridge that we added later in the year and we had designed it previously and now that there is some development going on down by Oaklawn this is on 55th Street South near K-15 and it is, as you can see, under construction. The deck has been poured, a lot of materials going on, from the cold weather they have covered a lot of things up, the concrete, so that will be done next year,

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\$645,00 job cost to date has been less, under construction of course, \$551,000 currently, under \$94,000, Dondlinger is doing this project. The summary budgeted \$2.7, actual cost \$2.2.

This is the big bridge down on Broadway over the BNSF railroad. That is a before. Notice how narrow that used to be. It was . . . four cars come across there at the same time was a little tricky. Now you can see the width, beautiful job, see the train track goes under the bridge and Dondlinger did that, \$5.4 million, KDOT job. The numbers on the right reflect the county's share of that, which we had in it \$1.2 million. Bridges by county personnel and we have nine bridges, I am not going to show all of them, there is a list. You can see a range in cost, well one of them down there has to be a culvert, \$3,400, most of the around the \$20,000 range, and we put in either timber structures or pre-cast boxes which we are doing more of because they are a little faster and we do not have to have the road closed down as long. See some before, there is the location on the top, that is the after; before, after; before, after; culverts in this one before, after; before, after; we do the hydrology and size them out and determine what size opening they need to have.

Stream maintenance added just a little bit on this, this year, have to give these guys some credit. They are kind of the unsung heroes, where that dirt had come down and silt and was under the entire bridge. That is just what was taken out there. This is a project over . . . we worked with McConnell Air Force Base, this is coming south out of the McConnell down near 47th and actually near Woodlawn and we worked with McConnell Air Force Base on this to help their drainage and clean out some of this and we got easements from the folks down through there, who are also wanting us to do the work.

Conveyance of water is a big thing and next Wednesday I will be back to present the final report from the Floodplain Management Taskforce and you will be hearing a little bit about that at that time. Also, we do not have pictures of it, but we are spending some time down on the Cowskin, south of Haysville, working also. This is our budget for the department. Once again that is the map, about finished up here, that is the map of everything that is it."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Where is mother's milk presentation?"

Mr. Spears said, "I left that out this year, I thought I had used that a little too often. Mara and I had an argument about it, I won and left it out."

Chairman Unruh said, "Well good presentation David. I mean, it's really a comprehensive look at a lot of work that happened in Sedgwick County to improve our roads and bridges and I want to compliment you on the work that you all do, great job and the presentation, the PowerPoint, we appreciate being able to see this all at one sitting and see everything that you have been involved in

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so good a job.”

Mr. Spears said, “Well, this year she took the pictures too, and was her first time in traffic outside of the vehicle.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Commissioner Norton.”

Commissioner Norton said, “I think it is wonderful to have this kind of a presentation, you know, so many times people want us to articulate what we do with their tax dollars and sometimes it is hard to do that as you look at a comprehensive county with all the infrastructure you have to try to maintain and some of those visuals really tell the story pretty dramatically, as to where the money is going and that there is quite a bit of savings that we try to budget properly and we look at every project and pinch the pennies and the money comes in under a lot of times but if you look at comprehensively some of the projects we’ve done, they were pretty dramatic.

Obviously I’m very proud of the overpass in Haysville with the railroad and particularly proud that all of that started with Wichita being very attached and the County project has done well over two or three years ahead of Wichita, getting theirs done and the pain is over with. It has really made a difference on the south side in Haysville and I just think it is time to applaud that we do take some of these projects very serious, they are big projects, we get them done quickly and with the least disruption as we can and I know for me that big project, you call it the crown jewel of this year has made a dramatic difference in the south side.

You know Haysville, the economic development is happening exponential speed right now and that project was part of the catalyst. It is one of those unsung kind of things that we put our money into that people, you know, as it was going on was painful for them but now it is reaping big benefits, as most of these projects do for people that have to travel the roadways or cross bridges or are affected by drainage projects. All these do work and great presentation and at the end of the day, great work on their infrastructure, presentation is nice because it articulates to us and the community where the money is going, but really at the end of the day the people are enjoying the fruits of the labors.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Alright, thank you Commissioner. Dave I had one question. You mentioned that a Minnesota contractor won one of our contracts. That is, I mean we are using local people almost exclusively. How did a Minnesota guy get in here?”

Mr. Spears said, “It was a special project, the approaches to the bridges, which is concrete had settled and so we did a process that jacked those up and they are a company that specializes in that. They are also approved by KDOT and our specs, they do work in Kansas in other places. They did

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a great job and was the low bidder and it was an unusual situation that we had to jack those concrete approach slabs up and they specialize in that.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Alright, well low bid and good job are the key words so that is good. Well, very good presentation and next year we will see more colored lines in District One, right. Commissioners what is the will of the board?”

MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved to receive and file.

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

Chairman Unruh said, “Next item please.”

2. AGREEMENT WITH KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A FRONTAGE ROAD ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF US-54 BETWEEN 119TH AND 135TH STREETS WEST. DISTRICT #3.

Mr. Spears, said, “The next two items relate to construction of a frontage road on the South side of Kellogg between 119th Street West and 135th Street West. As you know, Sedgwick County, the City of Wichita and KDOT have been involved in a partnership to manage and improve the US-54 corridor through Sedgwick County. The City of Wichita has a consultant under contract to design the next portion of the West Kellogg improvement. However, the actual construction will not occur for years. While working with KDOT, on corridor management issues, we identified an opportunity to construct this portion of the frontage road with significant federal funding through KDOT.

The total cost of the project is estimated to be \$3,000,000. KDOT will provide two-thirds of the funding to construct this one-mile segment of frontage road. The city and the county will split the remaining third of the construction cost. You will hear three items today relating to this project. In

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item H-2, I will present a contract between KDOT and the county that will define the roles of KDOT and the county. In item H-3 I will present a contract with the City of Wichita that defines how the City and County will share responsibility and funding for the project. Later in the agenda, the Division of Finance will present a CIP amendment that will identify the sources of funding for the County's share of the project cost. Your approval of items H-2 and H-3 should be contingent upon your approval of the CIP amendment in item L-2.

In item H-2 we are requesting your approval of an agreement with KDOT to designate Sedgwick County as the project manager and provide two-thirds of the project funding up to \$2,010,000 to construct the project. We request that you approve the agreement and authorize the Chairman to sign, subject to approval of item L-2."

Chairman Unruh said, "Alright, thank you David. Mr. County Counselor, do we have to have special language in our motion that coincides with David's request, like item H-2. Do we have to make approval of the agreement contingent upon the approval of L-2 or just say approve the agreement."

Mr. Euson said, "I would say approve the agreement, subject to approval of item L-2."

Chairman Unruh said, "Okay."

Commissioner Norton said, "Any reason why we can not take L-2 right now, just put it all together?"

Chairman Unruh said, "We probably have to do each one of these, one at a time, so it will not make any difference of the sequence I suppose, is that correct? Commissioner Winters."

Commissioner Winters said, "David, again the whole thrust and the availability to do this project was the determination that there was federal money through KDOT available for certain access improvements on certain roadways and so if we had not been able to obtain this funding, we probably would not be considering this. Is that correct?"

Mr. Spears said, "That is absolutely correct. It is from corridor management funds. There is a small pot of money KDOT has. We applied for them, just on a whim. We were hopeful. We could get it. We did not expect to. We did and we are very happy and that is why we are doing all these details now to amend the CIP and add the project."

Commissioner Winters said, "And so that is why again it seems like it could be a little out of

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order, but if we had to determine that these funds were available this would not have been a project.”

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to approve the agreement and authorize the Chairman to sign, subject to the approval of L-2.

Commissioner Norton seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Norton	Aye
Commissioner Winters	Aye
Commissioner Burnett	Aye
Commissioner Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Unruh	Aye

Chairman Unruh said, “Next item please.”

3. AGREEMENT WITH CITY OF WICHITA FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A FRONTAGE ROAD ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF US-54 BETWEEN 119TH AND 135TH STREETS WEST. DISTRICT #3.

Mr. Spears said, “In item H.3, we are requesting your approval of an agreement with the City of Wichita to split the local match for the project and designate Sedgwick County as the project manager. Sedgwick County will provide \$445,000 and the City of Wichita will provide \$445,000 to match the KDOT contribution of \$2,010,000. We request that you approve the agreement and authorize the Chairman to sign, subject to approval of item L-2. Want to mention that Wichita has approved the agreement.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Commissioners we have had this discussion. What is the will of the board?”

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to approve the agreement and authorize the Chairman to

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sign subject to the approval of L-2.

Commissioner Norton seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Norton	Aye
Commissioner Winters	Aye
Commissioner Burnett	Aye
Commissioner Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Unruh	Aye

Mr. Spears said, "Thank you."

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

I. AGREEMENT WITH KANSAS PUBLIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES, INC. TO PROVIDE LIVE COVERAGE OF COUNTY COMMISSION MEETINGS.

Ms. Kristi Zukovich, Director, Communications, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Every Wednesday morning Sedgwick County has the opportunity to demonstrate how we are thoughtful, open and transparent in providing a wide range of Sedgwick County Services as we broadcast our meetings live on KPTS Channel 8 as we are right now. Because of this, citizens can easily tune in and engage in the work of our county government without actually having to come down to our County Courthouse.

And as we have seen this morning, there have been many items that are of interest to at least someone across the community, but our media partners may only pick up just one or two items and so it is important that we have the opportunity to let citizens know about all of the items that we talk about here at Sedgwick County.

In addition, even though we know most of our young people are tuning in at 9:00 a.m. thinking they are going to see Sesame Street, we actually have a unique opportunity in that I think we are providing the earliest local government class by letting them tune in and watch our County

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Commission Meetings, so think of that as we are teaching the young people through our meetings.

We have had a great long- term relationship with KPTS and this really provides us the opportunity to reach the most people in our community, because it is broadcast over antenna for folks who do not have cable. They can still tune in and find out what is going on. I bring to you today a renewal contract for broadcast of our weekly meetings. This is the same contract for 2006 and recommend your approval and continued support of our partnership with KPTS and I will be happy to answer any questions.

We also have as you know each week both Rick and Gabe are in the back and helping to make sure that our meetings occur and also today we have Phil Richardson, who is our corporate manager from KPTS, that is here as well and I will answer any questions you might have.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Okay thank you Kristi. And welcome Phil and we do see this as really an outstanding opportunity to let our citizens know how we do County government, at least at this level and I agree with you. Probably is a little educational thrust in our community. Commissioner Winters.”

Commissioner Winters said, “Thank you. I certainly will be supportive I have appreciated the work and the partnership we have had with KPTS Channel 8 over the years, I think it has been a good working relationship, I think all of us are pleased about the new arrangements here, in our meeting room of cameras, the way we operate is much better. I am going to ask a question that does not have probably anything to do with KPTS but we also have rebroadcast that are shown later in the week and the quality of some of those rebroadcast is not near what the quality of the product that comes out on a Wednesday morning, is there some way we can work to improve that quality or what do we need to do to make that a better presentation, it just does look very good and some days it is better than others.”

Ms. Zukovich said, “We have a partnership with the City of Wichita. They rebroadcast our meetings on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 on their Channel 7 and then again on Saturday and Sunday mornings at 10:00 a.m., and traditionally what had been done in the past is they would basically tape the meeting on a VCR tape and replay it and as most of us know, when you tape you get a different generation and it is not quite as clear and as crisp as it could be. What we have done is, because we have kind of built up a little bit of video expertise on our staff, is we have actually come up with two different solutions for the City of Wichita and that one. When we put ours together so we have the broadcast, put on our Internet, we at the same time are creating a DVD for the City of Wichita to play directly from, so it is a high-quality that they can use and so we deliver

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that to them.

We have also set up an arrangement and I know that they have been working, so from our side it is all workable. But from the City side, how they can access it, but to set up a website that they can actually go and pull that file directly from our file, again a high-quality, top generation file that they can use as well. So we are doing some things from our end to try to help facilitate for the City so perhaps it can improve that quality and make things a little bit easier for them.”

Commissioner Winters said, “Alright, well I have not watched one of the rebroadcasts recently but have we started that process? Should it be better than it was?”

Ms. Zukovich said, “It should be better. The DVD creating that file and taking that to them has been occurring for at least the last month and I know in the last week I got an e-mail that said everything seems to be working. They are still doing the testing of pulling it from the website from their side, but we think these are going to give at least a couple of solutions and a couple backups, but our folks are always prepared to make that file and make that copy, so it is in their hands.”

Commissioner Winters said, “Thank you very much.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Thank you, Commissioner. One comment I want to make is I am very grateful for KPTS in being flexible in the length of our meetings and being able to extend their coverage time, as sometimes our meeting go a little longer than the original two hours. It is a good partnership and it does a good service to our community and I am going to be very supportive. Commissioners, I see no other requests to speak. What is the will of the board?”

MOTION

Commissioner Burtnett moved to approve the agreement and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Commissioner Winters seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Norton	Aye
Commissioner Winters	Aye

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Commissioner Burtnett	Aye
Commissioner Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Unruh	Aye

Chairman Unruh said, "Call the next item please."

J. GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE FEDERAL S.T.O.P. GRANT.

Ms. Sheri Boeken, Office Administration, District Attorney's office, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Requesting approval for the grant application, Federal Stop Violence Against Women grant for the year 2006, funding one full-time case coordinator, a half-time investigator, and a half-time forensic investigator and I am available for questions."

Chairman Unruh said, "Okay, thank you. Is this a grant that we have had previously?"

Ms. Boeken said, "Yes, this grant, we have had this grant for approximately the past six years."

Chairman Unruh said, "Okay, so these positions that are funded by the grant are continuing as long as we have the grant, one full-time, and two part-time."

Ms. Boeken said, "That is correct."

Chairman Unruh said, "Okay. Commissioners, are there any other questions?"

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 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

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Commissioner Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Unruh	Aye

Chairman Unruh said, "Next item please."

K. RESOLUTION ADOPTING REVISIONS TO THE SEDGWICK COUNTY PREMIER LEGAL PLAN DOCUMENTS.

Ms. Jo Templin, said, "In 2001, the County Commissioners adopted flexible spending accounts in the County's premier benefit plan. These include for us health care reimbursement and dependant care reimbursement. Until now, IRS Section 125 prohibited the carryover of unused contributions from one year to the next. Unused balances of employee contributions were forfeited on December 31st. This resolution modifies the benefit plan to allow the recent IRS notice 2005-42 permitting a grace period at the end of the year for unused flexible spending account balances.

The modification means that if a participant has a remaining health or dependant care balance as of December 31st, they will have until March 15th to incur expenses toward that remaining balance. As well participants have until May 15th to submit claims incurred by the end of the March 15th grace period. The claims administrator that we use, Allen, Gibbs and Houlik, will implement this change at no additional cost.

The new IRS two and a half month extension will be a benefit to employees who participate in health care or dependant care reimbursement accounts and as well, the County encourages employees to participate in flexible spending accounts for our employer savings of FICA. If you have any questions, I would be happy to answer them. The recommended action is to adopt this resolution, with the noted revisions to the Sedgwick County Premier legal plan document."

Chairman Unruh said, "Okay, thank you Jo. It seems like an improvement on that plan and I am happy to be supportive of it. Hopefully we will get to a time where once you put it, you can use it whenever the time. Some of us, like myself, make errors in judgment and at the end of the year we are scrambling to use all of it."

Ms. Templin said, "Timing is everything."

Chairman Unruh said, "Yes, so at any rate this is a great improvement and I am glad that you are

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on top of it and making that happen for us. Commissioner Winters.”

Commissioner Winters said, “Jo, maybe I just missed it. When does this take effect? Does this take effect for the year 2005?”

Ms. Templin said, “Yes sir, plan year 2005, so folks who participate now in 2005 can incur expenses up to March 15th of 2006.”

Commissioner Winters said, “Alright thank you. That is all I had.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Alright thank you. Commissioners, any other comment or question? What is the will of the board?”

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to adopt the resolution.

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 please.”

L. BUDGET DEPARTMENT.

1. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO

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TRANSFER FUNDS FROM THE HIGHWAY FUND TO THE SPECIAL HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT AND/OR THE SPECIAL ROAD, BRIDGE AND EQUIPMENT FUND.

Mr. David Miller, Director, Budget Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, “At the end of our fiscal year, State budget laws provide the opportunity for us to transfer monies from operating funds to reserve funds for one particular operating fund, the highway fund. State budget laws require you to take that action by formal resolution prior to the end of the year or December 31st. Before you right now is that resolution, providing the authority to the CFO to make that transfer, should sufficient funds exist in the highway fund at the end of the year. I would be glad to answer any questions. If there are none, I would recommend your approval.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Alright we do have a question. Commissioner Winters.”

Commissioner Winters said, “David this is the same exact action that we take at the end of every year. Is that correct?”

Mr. Miller said, “Yes, sir.”

Commissioner Winters said, “Thank you. That is the only question I had.”

Chairman Unruh said, “And does this money represent some of the savings that we just saw in the projects that Mr. Spears just went through?”

Mr. Miller said, “Most likely not, because most of these funds are out of the highway’s operating funds, where what you were seeing before was out of their CIP funds.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Okay, very good, thank you for that distinction. Any other questions, Commissioners? What is the will of the board?”

MOTION

Commissioner Burtnett moved to adopt the resolution.

Commissioner Norton seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Norton

Aye

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

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

2. AMENDMENT TO THE 2005 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP) TO INCLUDE CIP# R-311, FRONTAGE ROAD ALONG KELLOGG BETWEEN 119TH AND 135TH STREETS WEST.

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Mr. Pete Giroux, Senior Management Analyst, Finance Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Mr. Spears has already discussed in detail the KDOT approval of our corridor management funds, so we can skip most of the detail. Here is the location. It is just west of the Ford dealership on Kellogg and that is an undeveloped mile. Cost of the construction phase is \$2.9 million and as he indicated approximately two-thirds will be paid by KDOT up to that number and will split the remainder with the City of Wichita.

We need additional budget authority for some of the preparatory phases but we will receive credit for any right of way purchases or donations so that should reduce the amount. Here is where all the savings were helpful. We utilized savings from a variety of different projects, as well as an unused project that we did not execute, to cover our expenses and both staff and CIP committee have reviewed the project and recommend your approval."

Chairman Unruh said, "Thank you, Pete. Commissioners, are there questions about this project and the way it is financed? What is the will of the board?"

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MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to approve the CIP agreement.

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, Pete. Next item please."

M. APPLICATION TO HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT FOR SECTION 8 HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHERS.

Mr. Brad Snapp, Director, Housing Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "We have the opportunity to apply for 76 housing choice vouchers to replace some existing project-based vouchers on multi-family property in El Dorado. The property is in foreclosure and HUD contacted us as a housing authority in that jurisdiction to apply for vouchers that will replace the assistance on that property.

Our responsibility, if we are awarded, would be to serve the current tenants of that building with housing choice vouchers that are tenant-based and anything that is left over can go to families that are on our waiting list. It is a great opportunity for us, because this is really a property conversion, like this is the only way a housing authority can gain additional vouchers, because there just are not any to be had right now. So if you have any questions I will try to answer those, but otherwise I will recommend you approve the application."

Chairman Unruh said, "Thank you Brad. It's a pretty straight forward way for us to increase our impact and get this sort of help to do it. We do have a question from Commissioner Winters."

Commissioner Winters said, "Thank you. Brad, why does HUD not contact Butler County and their Board of County Commissioners to do this?"

Mr. Snapp said, "They may have, but our jurisdiction is Harvey, Butler and Sedgwick County and

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so we are the Housing Authority that they have asked.”

Commissioner Winters said, “So then, are there any restrictions, formal or informal or otherwise, about where we will use these vouchers, whether it be Butler County or Sedgwick County?”

Mr. Snapp said, “Our initial responsibility are to the tenants to the property that is in foreclosure and if they are ineligible or do not want to live there, anything that is leftover can go to the families on our waiting list. There is always the possibility the foreclosure will not go through, that property will be redeemed.”

Commissioner Winters said, “So do we have a waiting list then, a normal waiting list that serves Butler County residents?”

Mr. Snapp said, “Yes, we do.”

Commissioner Winters said, “So we are still providing that service, no matter what county you live in.”

Mr. Snapp said, “Yes.”

Commissioner Winters said, “Okay, I understand now, thank you.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Thank you. Any other questions Commissioners? What is the will of the board?”

MOTION

Commissioner Burtnett moved to approve the application 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

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Commissioner Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Unruh	Aye

Chairman Unruh said, "Next item please."

N. AGREEMENT WITH KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT TO PROVIDE PHYSICAL ACTIVITY AND NUTRITION EDUCATION.

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Mr. Sonja Armbruster, Communications and Grant Writing Coordinator, Health Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I am bringing before you this morning an agreement with KDHE for \$11,500 for us to increase awareness of physical activity and nutrition and continue the programs that we have been doing so far. As an example of the kinds of awareness activities that we have engaged in, I will show you these slides. These slides are now showing at movie theaters at the Old Towne Warren and the Palace East and West to reach out to various county areas and they basically are part of the slides that run before the movies and they encourage physical activity and nutrition, encouraging people to eat their fruits and vegetables.

We know from the research that only about 20% of our county residents eat the recommended fruits and vegetables and get their recommended physical activities. And of course even though it does not pertain to this grant, we took this opportunity also to encourage people to wash their hands, so that is the kind of education activities that we are involved in, as far as public awareness.

As far as programmatically, we continue our worksite wellness initiatives, providing worksite wellness within the county and through a variety of outreach that we hope to do in the future with this new funding. I hope that you will take the recommended action and we are open to answer any questions."

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Chairman Unruh said, “Okay thank you Sonya. It is interesting that all of us need to be reminded continually to do the things that are good for us and I guess it does not make any difference what age you are, you need to be told to eat your fruits an vegetables, get that exercise, wash your hands and do those things that prevent chronic disease. So it is a good program and if we do not do this sort of publicity or reminding or education whatever it is, probably will not get done so we need to do it.”

Ms. Armbruster said, “Thank you.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Commissioners, any other comment or question? What is the will of the board?”

MOTION

Commissioner Burtnett 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, “Thank you, Sonya. Next item please.”

O. KANSAS COLISEUM.

1. AGREEMENT WITH BUSINESS SYSTEMS, INC. FOR ADVERTISING RIGHTS AT KANSAS COLISEUM.

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Mr. John Nath, Director Kansas Coliseum, greeted the Commissioners and said, “This is our standard agreement for advertising rights. In this case it is a barter agreement. BSI receives exposure at the Coliseum for their business. We in turn receive the use of a copier, a big copier and a color laser printer that allows us to print poster size event posters which we distribute throughout the Coliseum and at businesses around town. We recommend approval. This will be the sixth year that we have had a relationship with BSI.”

Chairman Unruh said, “And we are getting in your opinion full value?”

Mr. Nath said, “This is a dollar for dollar trade, yes sir.”

Chairman Unruh said “Okay, Commissioners, any questions? What is the will of the board?”

MOTION

Commissioner Norton 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.”

2. KANSAS COLISEUM MONTHLY REPORT.

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Mr. Nath said, “Report today on the activities of the Coliseum for the month of November. We had a very good month. We had almost 65,000 people through the doors, 18 events, 26 individual

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performances, month revenues were in excess of \$182,000. Now that is just event-related revenues that were referred to there.

Highlights, Wichita Farm and Ranch show, it is gone the seams of the buildings. We are looking forward to our renovation in 2007 because we really do not have any more space indoors for these guys. They are doing very, very well. We had nearly 18,000 people over the three-day show. The Turkey Classic go-cart races. If you recall, we started this as an in-house production, about seven years ago, it has been growing. These kids just have a great, great time. We had probably nine or ten states represented over the Thanksgiving weekend, and they just have a ball racing these little go-carts inside the arena building. Another perennial favorite that we do ten times a year is the Mid-America Flea Market. We had over 2,500 people in attendance for this month's edition. And of course we had Manheim Steam Roller in concert, great show and just about 6,500 folks in attendance.

As you remember from our report last month, Manheim was in here two days in advance. They set up their show and did two days of technical rehearsals. We were the opening date on their tour, the show will be profiled and be reviewed this coming Sunday, December 19th, in the New York Times magazine. We had a reporter here from the New York Times, so we are going to get some really good exposure from that one. And there was just, with the Christmas Village, it is a great holiday show. We had a great time with it. US Weapons Gun & Knife Show returned with over 3,000 people in attendance.

We had seven Thunder Hockey games, nearly 22,000 people total over the seven games. Thunder doing great this year. They have a great record. Their attendance is up 14% over the same point where it was last year and more importantly our food and beverage sales are up 22% and that is not because you figure maybe it would follow with the attendance, and it is not because of any price increase, because we have not changed prices. It is really because they have moved the start of the games up 30 minutes. Last year, they started at 7:35. This year they start at 7:05, so more folks are coming out to the Coliseum and having dinner before the games and it is really paying off for us. We appreciate that, from our partners the Thunder.

Coming up, Thunder plays Boulder City January 6th. Antique Tractor Pull will be back on January 7th. US Weapons returns January 7th and 8th. RV show is a perennial favorite with ours. The US Hot Rod Thunder Nationals, another in with the Monster Trucks, the kids absolutely love that. The in-house promoted PRCA rodeo, January 21st through the 22nd and we are doing a Mission of Mercy Dental Clinic, which is a free clinic to those folks who can not afford dental care the 27th and 28th.

That will be set up in our pavilion and then we are going to finish out with two Thunder Hockey games the 28th and the 29th. Commissioners, I will be available to answer any questions, should you have them.”

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Chairman Unruh said, "Okay, we do have some questions, John. First, Commissioner Winters."

Commissioner Winters said, "Thank you. John, on the Wichita Farm show and that activity, the big farm show is the 3-I show that moves around western Kansas, usually in Garden City, out there. Do you have any ideas? Will this perhaps grow to as large as that or are there efforts out there to grow this show here?"

Mr. Nath said, "They have been growing every year, a little by little and we think with the renovations and the covered area we are going to have between pavilions we are going to give them quite a bit to have maybe some outdoor displays that are covered, so they will be able to grow into that. They are doing very well. They are very pleased with it."

Commissioner Winters said, "Okay, well that is very interesting."

Chairman Unruh said, "Thank you. Commissioner Sciortino

Commissioner Sciortino said, "John, the Thunder, you know they are doing great. They won last night again. Are they now at where they make money if it is 3,000? That is about the average attendance a night. Are they happy? I mean, they are healthy. That is going to be our anchor tenant in the new arena. Are they looking like, I guess I am saying, they are healthy and . . ."

Mr. Nath said, "All the indicators are up over where they were last year and if you remember, last year was up over the previous year, so they are headed in the right direction. They are fielding a very, very competitive team. They are doing very well. Attendance is growing. We are doing probably better than 3,000 a game now."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "And if we heard right, just the very fact that we are going to have a new arena in the heart of downtown. Historically, that usually gives a boost in attendance to all events."

Mr. Nath said, "I think we can expect probably 24 months of a honeymoon period, as it is referred to, where everybody wants to see the new building, everybody wants to experience the new building. We are going to have a sense that they enjoy that, so they will come back."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Tell us a little bit more about this Mission of Mercy. Is this our local dentists doing this, or is it national?"

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Mr. Nath said, "It is the Kansas Dental Foundation. It is something they provide once a year. I believe they have done it in Garden City, Salina, and they treat roughly 1,200 a day that can not afford regular dental care."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "If someone is out there, I mean what are the requirements? How do they go about getting themselves set up so they can have a cavity fixed or whatever other work? How do they get in the loop?"

Mr. Nath said, "What will happen is their experience is people show up the night before and get in line, because obviously dental care is something very important and a lot of people can not afford it. They will go ahead and treat the first 1,200 people that get in line. Once they get inside the building they will be assessed and they will be sent to the areas, whether it is a filling or whether it is an extraction or whether it is some other dental procedure that will have to be done and once they get into the building they will have that set, sending the folks to the different areas where they are preset to do this kind of . . ."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "But as far as the group is concerned, they are not going to be actively marketing the fact. They are just going to expect word of mouth or whatever to get the people there."

Mr. Nath said, "I am sure the word is going to get out, because we had people show up last weekend to get their teeth fixed, they had their dates a little bit confused and they are going to know it is going to be there."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "If someone is listening that is interested in it, is there a telephone number or a clearinghouse or someplace where they could . . .?"

Mr. Nath said, "I do not have a telephone number with me right here, but if anybody wants any information, they are more than welcome to call the Kansas Coliseum at 755-1243. We would be happy to direct them to the right . . ."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "And just one other question. Is there anybody that shows up is going to get dental work?"

Mr. Nath said, "As I understand it, anybody."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "They do not ask to show us your W-2 or anything. If you have made the effort to come, they feel that you probably need the work and they are going to take care of it for you."

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Mr. Nath said, "That is exactly the way I understand it, yes."

Chairman Unruh said, "Okay, thank you. Commissioner Burtnett."

Commissioner Burtnett said, "John I hate to put you on the spot but I went to the Manheim Steam Roller concert, which was a great concert by the way, but my question is, what is the standard operating procedure for traffic control after a big event like this? I realize that it is larger than most of the events that are going on, but it seemed like it did take an awful long time to get out of that parking lot and I did not notice any traffic control. What is normal?"

Commissioner Sciortino said, "You all be careful now, hear."

Mr. Nath said, "Manheim, we attracted an audience that usually does not come out that often to the Coliseum, so they are unused to leaving in traffic. They do not have their routes already preplanned as somebody, say a Thunder season ticket holder would. They know exactly where they are going to park and they know exactly the shortest way to get out. Beginning of an event, it is a little bit different, because everybody arrives at a different time. The end of the event, everybody leaves at the same time, so somebody is going to end up waiting. We supply officers, Sheriff officers at the street to stop-and-go traffic to make sure we get everybody out in as orderly a matter as we can. It takes about 25 to 30 minutes to clear the parking lots. That is not really, given the amount of folks there, and the amount of cars we had that is not too bad."

Commissioner Burtnett said, "And I agree, I just wanted to kind of mention that too, as we talk about ingress and egress out of the downtown area, when you are talking about timeframe. If you have a well-attended event, it is going to take a little time, no matter what."

Mr. Nath said, "We are planning on doing some, some pre-planning, maybe even some pre-sales of parking. We will have probably parking directions. Today's parking plan, if there is any construction we will let folks know about that. We will let them know where the easy access points are and we will probably have that posted on the web for everybody."

Commissioner Burtnett said, "Thank you, that is all I had."

Chairman Unruh said, "Thank you. Well John, it looks like you have been very busy out there with all your activities."

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Mr. Nath said, “‘Tis the season.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Appreciate your efforts and the way you are keeping that building busy and also just want to say that we appreciate that our partners out there work with us in scheduling their events, as the Thunder, so that we can maximize the financial health of our effort out there.”

Mr. Nath said, “Very pleased with that, yes.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Very good, well then I just want to say on this Mission of Mercy, Dr. John Tilton, I think has been very active in helping promote that. It is a great thing to do for the citizens, if we can help them with their oral health and I am glad that we can participate in that. Commissioners, any other comment or question.”

MOTION

Commissioner Burtnett moved to receive and file.

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, John. Next item please.”

P. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF BIDS AND CONTRACTS’ REGULAR MEETING OF DECEMBER 8, 2005.

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

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**1) 50-TON TRAILER WITH HYDRUALIC BOOSTER – FLEET MANAGEMENT
FUNDING: VEHICLE ACQUISITION**

First item is a 50-ton trailer with hydraulic booster for fleet management, recommendation is to accept the low bid meeting specifications and including trade-in from Berry Tractor for a total of \$90,130.

**2) FIRE DAMPER PROJECT – FACILTIES MAINTENANCE
FUNDING: FACILITIES MAINTENANCE**

Item two, fire damper project for Facilities Maintenance. Recommendation is to accept the low proposal from Siemens Fire Safety in the amount of \$30,754.

**3) POWERED RESCUE TOOLS – FIRE DISTRICT
FUDNING: FIRE DISTRICT MAINTENANCE**

Item three, powered rescue tools for the Fire District. Recommendation is to accept the bid from First Due Emergency Response Solutions, LLC for an initial purchase of \$41,372 and establish and execute contract pricing for one year, with two one-year options to renew.

**4) SECURITY SERVICES - COMARE
FUNDING: COMCARE**

Item four, security services for COMCARE and the recommendation is to accept the low proposal from Diamond Security for an hourly rate of \$10.77, for an estimated annual cost of \$183,693.12 and execute a one year contract with two one-year options to renew.

I would be happy to answer any questions and I recommend approval of these items.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Alright, thank you Iris. Commissioners are there questions about items on the bid board?”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Just one.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Commissioner Sciortino.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Just on item three, I am a little confused. I know like if you are the Ford dealership, you are given an area that is your area. No one else can bid on this item because of

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these territories. Is there only one manufacturer of these pieces of equipment? I mean, do we have to have . . .? I forget the name.”

Ms. Baker said, “Holmatro.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Can it just be Holmatro that is it? Because then we will never get a competitive bid because he has an exclusive area that he serves and no other Holmatro dealer, why do we even bother sending out the bids to them? They can not bid in this area?”

Ms. Baker said, “You are correct, for territorial rights, then they do become a single source, we went through a process three years ago, where we did a proposal for this type of equipment and we received several responses. The Fire District, city and county tested this equipment and had demonstrations, reference checks and at that point in time, when we made that selection, it created a standard. So all of the equipment has become standard and it is compatible to widen the specs to go back out, then you end up with the risk of incompatible equipment and then that creates a problem for the Fire District.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “I understand that we have made a decision that we want to buy Holmatro equipment, that is it.”

Ms. Baker said, “Correct.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Is that circumventing the bidding process, because there is only one Holmatro dealer that can service us? Why do we even send out bids?”

Ms. Baker said, “At the time that we had submitted with Holmatro equipment, as well there were a couple of responses, responders that could provide Holmatro equipment, since then that has changed and Holmatro has said there are territorial rights, so for the time being this is the only vendor that can supply that product.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Just a question to Mr. Euson. Are we circumventing our bidding policy by designating there is only one manufacturer we want to buy from and then, de facto, there is no bid?”

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Mr. Euson said, “No, Commissioner, I do not think so. If this went out to request for proposal and we determined that this was a standard that we needed, we do that quite often with office partitions and chairs and that kind of thing, I am comfortable with it.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “That is fine. Thank you, that is all I had.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Alright thank you. Any other questions, Commissioners? What is the will of the board?”

MOTION

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

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

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

Chairman Unruh said, “Thank you, Iris.”

Ms. Baker said, “Thank you.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Next item please.”

CONSENT AGENDA

Q. CONSENT AGENDA.

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- 1. Floodway Reserve Easement for Sedgwick County Project 807-BB, Maize Road between 95th and 103rd Streets South. District #2.**
- 2. Donation by Dennis Domen of a used stationary bicycle valued at \$35, to be used at the Judge Riddel Boys Ranch.**
- 3. Agreement Renewals.**
 - **Fiserv Health of Kansas: administrative services for Sedgwick County COBRA/Retirement Health Program**
 - **Preferred Plus of Kansas: health maintenance organization group medical insurance program**
 - **Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas: administrative services for a self-insured medical program**
 - **Advance Insurance Company of Kansas: life, accidental death and dismemberment, and dependent life insurance**
- 4. Performance Evaluation for William Buchanan.**
- 5. Amended Notice of Public Hearing February 8, 2006 regarding annexation of land to Valley Center, Kansas.**
- 6. Denial of Application for License to Retail Cereal Malt Beverages.**

<u>Applicant Name</u>	<u>Business Name</u>
Benjamin Vaquera	Vaquera's Tortilleria
- 7. Plats.**

Approved by Public Works. The County Treasurer has certified that taxes for the year 2004 and prior years have been paid for the following plats:

Humbolt Addition
Harkness Addition
- 8. Orders dated November 30 and December 7, 2005 to correct tax roll for change of assessment.**

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9. General Bills Check Register(s) for the week of December 7 – 13, 2005.

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

MOTION

Commissioner Norton moved to adopt the resolution.

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

Chairman Unruh said, “Commissioners, we have come to the end of our agenda for our regular meeting and we need to have a Fire District Meeting.”

J. ADJOURNMENT

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There being no other business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 11:17a.m.

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Fourth District

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ATTEST:

Don Brace, County Clerk

APPROVED:

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