

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING

August 16, 2006

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, August 16, 2006 in the County Commission Meeting Room in the Courthouse in Wichita, Kansas, by Chairman Ben Sciortino, with the following present: Chair Pro Tem Lucy Burnett; Commissioner David M. Unruh; Commissioner Tim R. Norton; Commissioner Thomas G. Winters; Mr. Ron Holt, Assistant County Manager; Mr. Rich Euson, County Counselor; Ms. Jo Templin, Director, Division of Human Resources; Mr. Brad Snapp, Director, Housing Department; Mr. Joe L. Norton, Bond Counsel, Gilmore & Bell, P.C.; Mr. Ms. Marilyn Cook, Director, Comprehensive Community Care; Dr. Mansoor Tahir, Senior Epidemiologist, Health Department; Ms. Jacque, Marketing Director, Kansas Coliseum; Mr. David Spears, Director, Bureau of Public Works; Ms. Iris Baker, Director, Purchasing Department; Ms. Kristi Zukovich, Director, Communications; and, Ms. Lisa Davis, Deputy County Clerk.

GUESTS

Major Casey Sanders, Open House Director, McConnell Air Force Base.
Major Curtis White, Open House Air Boss, McConnell Air Force Base.

INVOCATION

The Invocation was led by Pastor Greg Brandvold of Cross of Glory Lutheran Church, Derby.

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

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

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES: Regular Meeting, July 26, 2006

The Clerk reported that all Commissioners were present at the Regular Meeting of July 26, 2006.

Chairman Sciortino said, "Commissioners, I believe you've had a chance to review the Minutes of July 26th. What is your will?"

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MOTION

Commissioner Burtnett moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meetings of July 26^h, 2006.

Commissioner Norton seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

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

Chairman Sciortino said, "Next item."

APPOINTMENT

A. RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING BILL FOX (BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS APPOINTMENT) TO THE COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS ADVISORY BOARD.

Mr. Rich Euson, County Counselor, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Commissioners, we've prepared a resolution for this reappointment. It's a two year term to expire in June of 2008 and I recommend you adopt the resolution."

MOTION

Commissioner Norton moved to adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Burtnett seconded the motion.

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

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VOTE

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

Chairman Sciortino said, “And I don’t believe Mr. Fox is here today, so we’ll have to get him sworn in I guess at a later time. Next item please.”

RETIREMENT

B. PRESENTATION OF RETIREMENT CLOCK TO JOYCE F. ALLEN, ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Ms. Jo Templin, Director, Division of Human Resources, greeted the Commissioners and said, “Today this agenda item celebrates and recognizes one of our long term county employees at the Health Department. I’d like to ask Joyce Allen to come up.”

Chairman Sciortino said, “I’m not as fast as I used to be.”

Ms. Templin said, “Joyce F. Allen, Administrative Officer with the Health Department will retire September 1st, 2006 after 29 years of service.”

Chairman Sciortino said, “Well Joyce, 29 . . . you started when you were nine, right? This is a certificate of recognition to tell you that all of us and all the citizens of Sedgwick County are extremely proud and happy that you saw fit to serve us for 29 years, so please keep that for yourself. And then we have this wonderful clock, to again, in a small way try to show from the citizens our appreciation of your service and this is quite heavy so I’m going to lay it here and ask you if you have a few words and you would like to say something, please do.”

Ms. Joyce F. Allen, Administrative Office, Health Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, “It’s with very mixed feelings that I’m retiring. I’m obviously joyful that I’m going to be having some opportunities to do other things, but I’m very sad also, because I’m leaving a lot of good people and I really enjoyed what I did.”

Chair Pro Tem Burtnett said, “Madam Clerk, would you please call the next item.”

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PRESENTATION

C. PRESENTATION REGARDING THE 2006 MCCONNELL AIR FORCE BASE OPEN HOUSE AIR SHOW, TO BE HELD SEPTEMBER 9 – 10.

Major Casey Sanders, Open House Director, greeted the Commissioners and said, “This is Major Curtis White. Thanks for giving us the opportunity to talk to you today about air power in the Air Capital, the McConnell Air Force Base Open House and Air Show. We’d like to show you a quick video and presentation of what you’ll be seeing September 9th and 10th.”

Played video on McConnell Air Force Base Open House Air Show.

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Major Sanders said, “You saw from the video, two of the premier teams in the world are going to be there, the Air Force Thunderbird, hopefully everyone is familiar with them, and the Army Golden Knights, premier parachute team in the world are going to be there.

But along with them our own KC-135. In a couple of weeks it will be the 50th anniversary of the first flight of the 135, August 31st back in 1956 for its first flight so you have the opportunity to come see this classic airplane, the crews who fly it and the maintainers who keep it airborne are going to be out on the base, so please come out and see it.

Another unique opportunity, as many of you might know, Doc, the B-29 is being restored out at the Boeing facility. We’re going to tow it out for the public come see it out on display, so a lot of people are dedicating a lot of time. Right now there are no flying B-29s, so a lot of people are putting a lot of energy and effort to get this airplane flying, so it’s going to be a unique opportunity for the public to see this airplane and the progress they’re making to getting it flyable.”

Major Curtis White, Open House Air Boss; McConnell Air Force Base, greeted the Commissioners and said, “In addition to those acts, we also have the A-10 demo team. Again, the A-10 has been around a while but it’s still doing amazing things in the war against terrorism. We also have, they call it a Heritage Flight, but it’s an historical P-51 will be flying in formation with the A-10, really neat event.

We also have the F-18 Super Hornet demo team. Right now they are the top demo team in the United States, again just an amazing piece of machinery and what these people are able to do in the United States Navy for us.

Another great demo is the C-17. If you’ve never seen a large aircraft do what it can do, it’s going to

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be an amazing thing. They basically land in 1,000 feet, back up and then they'll take back off, do some neat stuff, again, a great technology. It's something we use every single day over in Afghanistan and in Iraq.

A couple of fly-bys will be occurring on our weekend as well. On Sunday, the B-2 Stealth Bomber will be flying by and then on both days something that I know we are all familiar with is the B-1 will flying by. We don't have them any more, but it will bring back some memories of when we did have them.

A couple of civilian acts will be performing as well, the John Clapp Air National Guard air show will be there. He's got a phenomenal show to put on. And Tim Weber is a Giéco sponsored show, again a lot of fun.

Major Sanders said, "A little variety, the Red Eagle PPG sponsored air sports team will be there and they do a lot of phenomenal formation flying and then on the ground we'll have the Air Force Reserve jet car, 0 to 300 miles an hours in 7.5 seconds, really, really neat show."

Chairman Sciortino said, "Yeah, my Chrysler 300 can keep up with that."

Major Sanders said, "And also some vintage aircraft will be available for us to watch, the B-17 Flying Fortress, this one is actually called the Thunderbird and it's one of the best kept B-17 in the world at this time, a phenomenal aircraft. It will fly and actually be available for tours as well. And then we'll have a B-25 Mitchell also will be flying and be available, on stat display for us to look at."

Major White said, "We also have an AC-47. It will be stat display and then a really neat aircraft, the A-26 Invader will be there, it will be flying as well as stat display on the ramp.

And then again it's a total force concept is what we're working on as a military today, so we'll have some Army presence as well. We'll have a couple of track vehicles, the M-1 Abrams and the Howitzer are a couple of examples, but there will be a lot of Army vehicles there as well for us to look at."

Major Sanders said, "In the past shows at McConnell, folks had funneled into the Cessna parking lot primarily and this year it's going to be a little bit different. You can see on the directions, we're funneling everyone through 47th and Oliver. So we're trying to get the word out to everyone, come to 47th and Oliver and we're going to direct everyone to parking from there and busing to the show from there. So if you can help us spread the word out, we'll appreciate it."

Major White said, "And Oliver Street will be closed to south-bound traffic, south of 31st Street, so

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they'll have to come down Rock Road or K-15 or in from the south.”

Major Sanders said, “And also, we do have a website up and running. You can see the address there or if you just go to your favorite search engine, put in McConnell Air Force Base and then you can find a link from there. That’s an easy way also. And we’d like to answer any questions anyone has at this time.”

Chairman Sciortino said, “Commissioners? Commissioner Burtnett.”

Commissioner Burtnett said, “Is the 9th and 10th a Saturday and a Sunday? And what time does this start?”

Major Sanders said, “Ma’am, the gates open at 9.”

Commissioner Burtnett said, “9:00 and is there an admission charge?”

Major Sanders said, “No, ma’am. Parking and admission are free.”

Commissioner Burtnett said, “Okay great. All right, that’s all I had. Thank you.”

Chairman Sciortino said, “Okay, Commissioners any further . . .? Well, just to let you know that we are very proud and very thankful that McConnell Air Force Base is here and if you two men are representative of the other military people, both men and women serving our country, we’re in good shape. Excuse me, Commissioner Norton.”

Commissioner Norton said, “Well this is a wonderful event that showcases our military and McConnell Air Force Base. But something new and that’s Doc this year, I’d encourage people to get out and see it. I’ve got some glimpses of it and the neat thing about it is there are people, volunteer folks working on it that worked on those kinds of planes 50 years ago. And are knowledgeable of it and are bringing their expertise to bear on putting this back into flying condition. And it’s a wonderful project and I would encourage everybody to celebrate that because it really celebrates the history of aviation in the Wichita area and I really believe that’s what the open house is for, to celebrate the military and celebrate our capacities, but the history of aviation also. That’s all I’ve got.”

Chairman Sciortino said, “Well I just want to say one other thing about your KC-135, I mean, I

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was 16 years old when it first started flying and as I understand it, still projecting out its lifetime, the pilots and crew that are going to keep flying it aren't even born yet. And I don't know how long it takes to say 'Yeah, this was a pretty good platform that we built here at Boeing' and it just reinforces again we are the Air Capitol of the world, aviation is our economic spine of this entire state and we're going to continue preserving that and making it hopefully even grow from there, but we are very, very grateful and proud that McConnell Air Force Base is with us and that you men are the ones that are serving us so thank you and congratulations to you."

Major White and Major Sanders said, "Thank you, sir. Appreciate your time."

Chairman Sciortino said, "Thank you. Next item please."

PUBLIC HEARING

D. PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING PROPOSED ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$250,000,000 AGGREGATE PRINCIPLE AMOUNT OF SINGLE FAMILY MORTGAGE REVENUE BONDS IN ONE OR MORE SERIES OF SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS AND SHAWNEE COUNTY, KANSAS.

Mr. Brad Snapp, Director, Housing Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "As you know, we issue the single family mortgage revenue bond program. Sedgwick County and Shawnee County co-issue this program and it's a federal requirement that we have a public hearing periodically. We usually have a hearing about every \$200,000,000 worth of bonds that we issue. But it's getting more and more frequent that we're having those hearings because we're using so much money.

I want to just say first that this program is no risk to the county. We don't issue this out of our general funds. The money comes from an allocation, this year-end allocation from the State of Kansas, the Kansas Department of Commerce and Sedgwick and Shawnee County are the only legislative authority authorized entity to issue single family mortgage revenue bonds. And before we open the public hearing, I'd like to just give you a brief update on the program. We have 37 participating lenders, 114 branch banks, 312 participating cities across the state. We've been able to issue below-market interest rates with a 4% cash grant for down payment assistance.

Since January, we've issued almost \$125,000,000. We have \$31,000 left out of that whole issue

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and we've been issuing about \$7,000,000 a week. We continue to invite lenders, especially rural lenders, and information about the program, the total program is posted on the Sedgwick County Housing website. So with that, I invite you to open the public hearing, see if there's any comments."

Chairman Sciortino said, "Okay. At this time, I will open up the public hearing and see if there's anyone here in the audience that would like to speak to this item. Seeing none, I'll close the public hearing and limit comments to the bench. Commissioner Winters."

Commissioner Winters said, "Thank you. Brad, for everyone's edification here, we've got two items here, item D and then item E. Can you tell me what the difference is in these two items and what we're talking about here? Don't want to get ahead of ourselves, but what's the next item?"

Mr. Snapp said, "The next item is the 2006 B program issue. We've just completed the 2006 A series, so the 2006 B, with this resolution, will go forward, will go to market next week to market the bonds and begin to continue to program."

Commissioner Winters said, "So are these two items tied together, or are they completely different?"

Mr. Snapp said, "Oh they're similar. I mean, the first one, this public hearing is a federal requirement that we do periodically. The second is just authorization to put more of that allocation that we have on hand into play."

Commissioner Winters said, "Thank you."

Chairman Sciortino said, "And I think the public should know, when we're talking about \$250,000,000, that isn't Sedgwick County taxpayers', property owners' money. We're just . . . that's being bonded and the private sector purchases those bonds and that's how that works. Correct?"

Mr. Snapp said, "It's year-end allocation that we receive from the State of Kansas."

Chairman Sciortino said, "Yeah, okay I think that's important for people to understand that. Commissioners, if there are no other questions or comments, what is your will on item D? What a minute. Is that all we have to do is just . . .?"

Mr. Euson said, "I think you've taken the recommended action. You can go on to the next item."
Chairman Sciortino said, "Okay, so the action was just to open and close the hearing. Okay, next

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item please.”

NEW BUSINESS

- E. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF A LOCAL RESIDENTIAL HOUSING FINANCE PLAN; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$175,000,000 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF SINGLE FAMILY MORTGAGE REVENUE BONDS (MORTGAGE BACKED SECURITIES PROGRAM), 2006 SERIES B, OF SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS AND SHAWNEE COUNTY, KANSAS.**

Mr. Snapp said, “Again, that’s just a continuation of the program, up to \$175,000,000. Again, we expect . . . well, I really don’t know. I have the distinguished colleague here, Chuck Bouly from George K. Baum who may have an idea of what the interest rate will be after we go to market, I’m not sure but you know, it’s been below market rate so it will be at least that. Fixed 30-year fixed rate mortgages, FHA, rural housing, conventional loans, that’s basically how we’re continuing to do business.”

Chairman Sciortino said, “Okay.”

Commissioner Winters said, “Could I add one sentence. But they are first-time homeowners?”

Mr. Snapp said, “They’re all first-time home buyers. We do have target areas in some counties across the state that the IRS distinguishes. People can be . . . you know, buy a second home, not a second home, they have to live in the home, but they can have owned a home before and in those counties, in those areas.”

Chairman Sciortino said, “Commissioners, I don’t see any lights on so what is the will on item E please?”

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Norton seconded the motion.

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

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

Chairman Sciortino said, “Brad, thank you very much. Next item please.”

F. RESOLUTION CREATING A ROAD IMPROVEMENT BENEFIT DISTRICT IN SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS; AUTHORIZING IMPROVEMENTS THEREIN (HEDGE CREEK ESTATES); AND REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 68-2006.

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Mr. Joe L. Norton, Gilmore & Bell, P.C., Bond Counsel, greeted the Commissioners and said, “As some of you may recall, on March 10th of this year you took action to create the Hedgecreek Estates road improvement benefit district. Subsequent to that time, Public Works took bids for the project and determined that project costs were going to exceed the engineer’s estimate and the authorization at that point in time. Therefore, the 100% of landowners in this proposed benefit district have signed a new petition requesting that the project authorization be increased.

On the screen before you is a map depicting the area of Hedgecreek Estates, which is basically 45th Street North and Andale Road in the western portion of the county. The benefit district is on the map before you. Proposed method of assessment is equally per lot within the benefit district. The screen here before you now shows the estimated cost of the project as prepared by Public Works. As you can see, the overall cost of the project, which is the second yellow highlighted area, was originally \$600,000 for drainage and paving. It is now \$746,000 and again the important thing is the owners of the property have consented to this increased cost and request that you take action authorizing the increased amount.

We’ve prepared a resolution that would do just as we described to authorize the district improvements to proceed at the higher cost estimate prepared by Public Works. Jim Weber of Public Works is here also to address any questions you may have about the project and I’ll try to answer any questions you have about the process.”

Chairman Sciortino said, “Thank you, Joe. Commissioners, any comments or questions? If not, what is your will?”

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

Chairman Sciortino said, "Thank you, Joe. Next item."

G. DIVISION OF HUMAN SERVICES – COMCARE.

1. AGREEMENTS (FOUR) WITH EMPLOYEES FOR COMCARE TO PROVIDE THE CLINICAL SUPERVISION NECESSARY TO ACHIEVE LICENSURE AS A LICENSED SPECIALIST CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER OR A LICENSED PSYCHOLOGIST.

- **MICHELLE BARDGIL**
- **CAROL HARNESS**
- **JOHN WALKER**
- **ROY WHITE**

Ms. Marilyn Cook, Director, Comprehensive Community Care (COMCARE), greeted the Commissioners and said, "Graduates of Master level programs in social work and psychology need a specific number of hours of supervision after they finish graduate school in order to be eligible for what we call advanced practice status. This advanced status benefits COMCARE, as it's a measure of significant experience on the part of those clinicians and it often allows us to have a little higher reimbursement from some insurance companies and payers because they recognize that level of experience.

These are four . . . what you have before you today are four current contracts with staff who are

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seeking supervision from COMCARE and their . . . and COMCARE is agreeing to provide that supervision with current staff or to contract with other staff if for some reason staff is not available in return for approximately two years of supervision of about an hour a week.

These individuals have agreed to three things. The first thing is to test for their advanced status license as soon as they complete it. They've agreed to work in the organization, stay with us for two years, the amount of time that we are providing that supervision, since we have invested in them and then to pay us back, for every month that they leave the organization early, if they chose to go and the third thing is then to also join the ranks of those providing that supervision and provide supervision themselves, because they would at that point be qualified to do that for new clinicians coming out of school. So we are asking that you approve these contracts and I'd be happy to answer any questions you might have."

Chairman Sciortino said, "I don't see any right now. So commissioners, do you think you've got all the information you need on this item? What is your will?"

MOTION

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

Commissioner Burtnett seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

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

Chairman Sciortino said, "Next item please."

2. CONTRACT WITH UNITED METHODIST YOUTHVILLE TO PROVIDE

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INDIVIDUAL COMMUNITY SUPPORT AND ATTENDANT CARE SERVICES FOR YOUTH WITH A SERIOUS EMOTIONAL DISTURBANCE WHO ARE IN THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM.

Ms. Cook said, "This is a renewal of a contract with United Methodist Youthville, or UMY to provide the two services we were talking about, individual community support and attendant care to youth that are in their system in the foster care system. These services are important because they provide community supports for kids who have psychiatric difficulties and it helps them sustain the goals that they have on their treatment plans.

UMY has been providing these services for us for several years, since 2002 and it's going very well, by both of our counts, in terms of our pleasure with how this is being accomplished. All of the services they do provide do have to be previously approved by COMCARE staff, so they're not just going in there and doing that. We are authorizing those services ahead of time. They also have to supply us with documentation and the billing goes through COMCARE and we reimburse them when we get the money from Medicaid to do that. We are recommending that you approve this contract."

Chairman Sciortino said, "Thank you. Commissioners? Commissioner Burtnett."

Commissioner Burtnett said, "Do you have any idea of how many youth this serves?"

Ms. Cook said, "Oh gosh, I can get you that number. They have a large number of children in their system. It would be a little over 100. I'll get you the exact number though."

Commissioner Burtnett said, "Yeah, that's all I had. Thank you."

Chairman Sciortino said, "Thank you. Seeing no other questions or comments commissioners, what is the will of the board on this item?"

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to approve the Contract 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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Commissioner Unruh	Absent
Commissioner Norton	Aye
Commissioner Winters	Aye
Commissioner Burtnett	Aye
Chairman Sciortino	Aye

Chairman Sciortino said, "Thank you. Next item."

DIVISION OF INFORMATION & OPERATIONS – HEALTH DEPARTMENT

H. GRANT AWARD AGREEMENT WITH KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT FOR USE OF CENTER FOR DISEASE CONTROL EPIDEMIOLOGY AND LABORATORY CAPACITY COOPERATIVE GRANT FUNDS TO DECREASE THE SPREAD OF WEST NILE VIRUS.

Dr. Mansoor Tahir, Senior Epidemiologist, Health Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "In 2002, West Nile Virus activity was first conducted in Kansas in Sedgwick County and since then the West Nile Virus has become an established disease throughout the states and Kansas and Sedgwick County.

Sedgwick County has a comprehensive West Nile Virus Prevention and Surveillance program and has received national recognition from National Association of Counties. While the West Nile Virus activities are diminishing, but we cannot afford to completely discontinue our prevention program.

Since the inception of the West Nile Virus surveillance and control program, we have been using local funds for the primary support of the program. However, in 2004 Kansas Department of Health and Environment awarded us a small grant to support our local prevention activities and this grant, the \$4,500 grant that I am requesting you to approve today, is the continuation of that grant.

This grant will continue to help with the commodities purchase and staff support. The agreement has been approved by the Division of Finance and County Counselor's Office so I'm here to request you to approve the grant application and authorize the Chair to sign and approve establishment of budget authority."

Chairman Sciortino said, "Okay, thank you. Commissioner Winters."

Commissioner Winters said, "Thank you. Well I'm going to be very supportive of this but I have

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a question about West Nile. Are there times of the year when this disease is more prevalent than others or is it just all summer long, whenever there's a mosquito breeding timeframe or are there peaks and valleys during the year?"

Dr. Tahir said, "The West Nile Virus is called a seasonal disease and you are right, it's a summer season is the peak season, when mosquitoes are abundant, during that time and while you know that the disease was imported in 1999 in the United States and since then, the disease has been moving westward so we had big outbreaks in the northeast part of the country, 1999 and that kind of moved along the east and towards western United States. So in 2003, we had the big outbreak in Kansas. Since then, the numbers are decreasing and when I say that it had been established, it means that we'll have some cases of disease but not expecting big outbreaks."

Commissioner Winters said, "Well I just was curious, it just seems like I haven't heard much about West Nile in the spring and early summer and then now, just in the last two weeks it seems that I've heard more media reports about the disease so I just was thinking it must be an end of the summer kind of thing."

Dr. Tahir said, "Yeah, that's exactly right. It's a seasonal disease and while this is related to the amount of rain we have. Mosquitoes breed in water, so whenever there is standing water around, mosquitoes, you know, breed and mosquitoes carry West Nile Virus, so we'll have more human cases during the rainy season."

Commissioner Winters said, "All right. Well I've heard good things about the Health Department and the prevention program here and congratulations on the National Association of Counties award and keep up the good work."

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to approve the Grant Award Agreement and authorize the Chairman to sign; and approve establishment of budget authority.

Commissioner Norton seconded the motion.

Chairman Sciortino said, "I have a motion and a second. Before we go to the vote though, I had occasion a couple of weeks ago to go to Boston Park when you had that Health and Wellness Fair and I was amazed at then number of citizens that came to it. That was very well received and I'm glad that we're doing those outreach programs. That was very nice."

Dr. Tahir said, "Yeah, we try to do that. Thanks."

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Chairman Sciortino said, “Okay, we have a motion made and seconded. Clerk call the roll.”

VOTE

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

Chairman Sciortino said, “Next item please.”

I. KANSAS COLISEUM MONTHLY REPORT.

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Ms. Jacque Wedel, Marketing Director, Kansas Coliseum, greeted the Commissioners and said, “If you’ll be patient with me, we’ll get through this. In July ’06, the Coliseum experienced total attendance of 7,650 at five events and nine individual performances. Net revenues for the month were \$68,793.

And we hosted Rob Zombie with 3,184 people in attendance. That was quite a show. We also hosted Michael Buble, with 3,441 in attendance and everybody who was there had a wonderful time. The only regret that we have is that dance floor was not large enough. This is the kind of show that you rarely see at the Coliseum because it is just so high energy and even the guys liked it that got drug there by their wives. And Buble had a tremendous time with that because he knew that all of the guys that were there were only there because their wives drug them. But they ended up having a good time too. My husband can attest to that as well.

There’s another Michael Buble. Another thing I’d note on that, we like to kind of upscale our management team when we do that, so we didn’t suit up in tuxes, since it was 103 degrees but we did wear suits and dresses and just tried to make it kind of the second experience, something a little more than our usual concert and he is fine.

We also hosted the Sedgwick County 4-H Horse Show with 100 in attendance and the Stars and Stripes Benefit Horse Show with 850 in attendance.

Coming up we have: the Kansas Paint Horse Show on September 9 and 10, the Park City State Barbeque Championship September 15 and 16, the Flea Market September 17, the Junior Livestock

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Show September 22nd through the 25th, Fall Circuit and Futurity Horse Show September 28th and October 1, Smack Down on October 4th, tickets are going to go on sale next week, Disney on Ice October 5th through the 8th, the Chisholm Trail Gun Show October 7th and 8th, the Worldwide Paint Horse Congress October 9th to the 15th and then opening day for the 2006 Thunder season on October 21st so you can tell, in the summertime when the air conditioning is working real well in those pavilions, we kind of scale back on events, but once we get to the fall, we have quite a few more groups that come in and utilize those facilities.

And I know that many of you are aware that the Rolling Stones are going on sale Monday at 10 a.m. We just want to kind of reinforce the fact that you need to purchase those tickets at an authorized ticket outlet, which in this case is Ticket Master for their shows. The Stones have affiliated themselves with Ticket Master and must fill the market. So unfortunately Select-A-Seat are not selling the tickets, but we also want to reinforce the fact that the Eagle article was very accurate in saying don't buy your tickets on the secondary market. Buy from an authorized ticket outlet, because there's going to be a lot of scalping just like there was with Elton John, the Eagles, Garth Brooks, that kind of stuff is going to happen. So I'd also to note that the Dillons, selected Dillons stores that the media is talking about is not in this market. It's actually in Topeka, so don't go to Dillons stores and expect to buy your tickets for the Rolling Stones. Okay, does anybody have any questions?"

Chairman Sciortino said, "I don't see . . . I think there will be here in just a second. Yes, there is."

Commissioner Winters said, "Well I'll just make a comment. On the Michael Buble show, you described it accurately. I mean, it was a great show. Our daughter-in-law is the one that convinced me to go, but once we were there, we just had a great time and I mean, anybody that just wanted to be involved in a class show, and a really class guy entertaining, you all did a great job of securing him and a great job of putting on the performance."

Ms. Wedel said, "And John would probably not mention this again, but I will since we kind of credit him with that, but his relationship with the promoter is really what got us that show. I believe there are only 12 shows in the U.S. and that was huge for us and with the theater setup we had, it was nice and intimate. The whole feeling of the show was just so super-positive and we did very, very well with it."

Commissioner Winters said, "Well, we all enjoyed it very much. I know several commissioners were there and we all enjoyed it a great deal, so good job. Thank you, that's all I had."

Chairman Sciortino said, "I guess what we're saying is keep up the good work and we hope John recuperates and he gets back on his feet again. All right, very good. Commissioners, we need a

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Motion to receive and file if possible.”

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to receive and file.

Commissioner Burtnett seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

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

Chairman Sciortino said, “Thank you very much. Next item.”

J. KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (KDOT) FORM 1302, “REQUEST FOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECT,” FOR SEDGWICK COUNTY PROJECT NO. 817-V, W, X; WIDENING OF MERIDIAN BETWEEN 47TH STREET SOUTH AND 71ST STREET SOUTH. CIP# R-281. DISTRICT #2.

Mr. David Spears, P.E., Director/County Engineer, Public Works, greeted the Commissioners and said, “Item J is a KDOT Request for Construction Project Form 1302. This initiates our request for construction and federal funding through KDOT for the road improvement project on Meridian between the Wichita city limits and 71st Street South. This project is currently included in the Capital Improvement Program for construction in 2008 and designated as R-281. The project is estimated to cost over \$8,000,000. KDOT will contribute \$3,000,000 of earmarked funds that the county was able to get and the City of Haysville will contribute approximately \$555,000 to the project. I recommend that you approve the Form 1302 and authorize the Chairman to sign.”

Chairman Sciortino said, “Thank you, David. Any questions or comments? Commissioner Norton.”

Commissioner Norton said, “Well I think this is going to be a great project. We’ve worked on it in orchestration with the City of Wichita and the City of Haysville. It will be a linking corridor for an area that’s starting to grow exponentially. I’m really tickled that we’ve got some money coming

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in from some other sources that really takes the sting out of a pretty large project.

It did push it back a year, because we originally had it in '07 and because we've hooked up with the earmarked money and the state, that does push it back a little bit but it's still going to, I think, be a very, very good project. I'm going to be supportive of it for sure."

MOTION

Commissioner Norton moved to approve the KDOT Form 1302 and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Commissioner Burtnett seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

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

Chairman Sciortino said, "Thank you very much, David. Next item."

CONSENT AGENDA

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- 1. One Temporary Construction Easement and one Easement for Right-of-Way for Sedgwick County Project 604-26-2515; bridge replacement on 61st Street North between Broadway and Seneca. CIP# B-427. District #4.**
- 2. Adjustments to the Court Trustee Staffing Table to include two Administrative Assistant positions, B218; reallocate one Legal Assistant, B217, to Senior Legal Assistant, B219; reallocate one Attorney, B325, to Senior Attorney, B327; and reallocate one Legal Assistant, B217, to Administrative Assistant, B218.**

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- 3. Ratification and confirmation of the actions of the Sedgwick County Board of Canvassers Meeting Monday, August 7, 2006.**
- 4. Letter of Notification to terminate “Agreement to Provide Administrative Services for a Self-Funded Health Benefits Plan” with Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas, Inc.**
- 5. Letter of Notification to terminate the “Prescription Service Agreement” with WHP Health Initiatives, Inc., dba Walgreens Health Initiatives.**
- 6. Plats.**

Approved by Public Works. The County Treasurer has certified that taxes for the year 2005 and prior years have been paid for the following plats:

Waldrop Woods Addition
Myers Acres Addition

- 7. Orders dated July 4 and August 8, 2006 to correct tax roll for change of assessment.**
- 8. Payroll Check Register of August 11, 2006.**
- 9. General Bills Check Register(s) for the week of August 9 – 15, 2006.**

Mr. Ron Holt, Assistant County Manager, greeted the Commissioners and said, “Commissioners, you have nine items on the consent agenda before you. We would ask your approval as presented.”

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to approve the consent agenda as presented.

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Chairman Sciortino seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

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

Chairman Sciortino said, “Before . . . I think we have something here shortly, but why don’t we just talk about ‘other’. Is there anything that happened over the weekend or something that you all might want to discuss? Commissioner Winters.”

L. OTHER

Commissioner Winters said, “All right. Well I just wanted to scheduling to talk about with other commissioners. Thursday night, tomorrow night is the township annual picnic that they have as a social event out at Lake Afton and I’m going to be in Topeka tomorrow. I’m going to try to get back, but I was just going to check and see if anybody else was planning on going, to see how fast I speed down the turnpike or whether I slow down and maybe be late.”

Chairman Sciortino said, “Well, I think you can . . . I’m definitely going to be there, so you can slow down and not break the speed limit.”

Commissioner Norton said, “I’ve got plans to be there, unless something changes.”

Chairman Sciortino said, “I mean, it’s free food after all so I’ll be there.”

Commissioner Winters said, “Well those township officials do really the majority of the time do excellent work and I think it’s pretty good that they start having this socialization so they get to know each other so they know who their neighbor is and how they can work closer together. So I’m happy to see them do this on a continuing basis and just think we need to be as supportive as we

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can. David, are you going to have some of your staff there?"

Mr. Spears said, "Yes, sir. I'll be there myself and several of our staff will be there."

Commissioner Winters said, "Okay, thank you."

Chairman Sciortino said, "Now this is something you can dress like jeans and a tee shirt. I doesn't have to be . . .?"

Mr. Spears said, "Casual."

Chairman Sciortino said, "I mean, jeans is appropriate?"

Mr. Spears said, "Sure."

Chairman Sciortino said, "I like, when I get home, that's casual to me."

Mr. Spears said, "That will be fine. If you want to ride your bicycle out, that'd be okay too."

Chairman Sciortino said, "Okay, that's an idea. Probably not a very good one from where I live, but . . . I don't see any other lights. Let me share something with all of you. I'd gotten a phone call from some of the members of the American Legion Post 136 in Mulvane last week and invited me to take a small part in this Patriot Guard ceremony. They were dedicating a beautiful limestone to commemorate the birthplace of the Patriot Guard, which was in Mulvane. I had to admit I didn't know that and there was . . . I was very warmly received.

I didn't realize they were actually putting me on . . . I don't know if it was a Har . . . It was a big motorcycle and I got to ride in as part of the honor guard and there was over 500 motorcyclists, all Patriot Guards, from all over the . . . well, I don't know about all over the nation but I saw Missouri, I saw . . . because they wear their colors are in their vest and they indicate who they're from and what American Legion Post they're riding out of. But there was 500 of them. I lot of American Flag, people lined the route and were waving American flags and as they went by, we had a two-star general rode in on a vintage Harley sidecar from Topeka with four or five other Air Force personnel in attendance on bikes. General McElhaney out here at the Guard was there. His call sign is Big Dog or Red Dog . . . they call each other names. Luckily nobody called me a name. But it was just very touching and moving and when we got to the post they were dedicating this stone and then in front of the stone they laid 25 bricks, each brick to commemorate a fallen warrior in our area that has died since 9/11. They would call the parents up, they'd hand them the brick. There was bagpipes playing. Airmen were in the bushes and as they called the name he would

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shout out 'present in spirit sir'. You couldn't . . . you had to have some tears falling down and it just made me proud to be an American and also I felt very nice that they thought enough about me that they would ask me to take a small part in it, so it was very moving and Mulvane is indeed . . . has every right to be proud.

This movement now has over 40,000 American Legion riders. They only go to these funerals when invited and they're there to just ensure the fact that the family members don't have to have anything more added to the grief that they're already experiencing. Very neat movement, I was very happy to be there, kind of long. I think the whole thing from 9:30 to 3:30 and it was kind of warm but it was well worth it. Commissioner Norton."

Commissioner Norton said, "Well Kristi touched on it but I wanted to elaborate a little bit on the T-Rex named Sue coming to Exploration Place. It's one of the largest traveling exhibits in the United States. It originated out of the Field Museum in Chicago, where they have the original Sue, the T-Rex. This is a traveling exhibit. It will have a lot of interactive displays and other things that go with it. It will be here for two months and it is really the first, big, new exhibit that Exploration has done. And you know, as we try to prop up Exploration Place and made some pretty tough decisions on this commission, one of our challenges to them was to start evolving Exploration Place into someplace that's new and exciting and changes and will be good for our community and I think this is the first stroke of that brush.

Al Malohney has come to us as the new executive director. One of the first things he did was go out and start searching for those exhibits that can come here and add to the quality of life. Just a side note, it's been touring and it hit Oklahoma City and they were averaging, at their science center, about 200 people a day on a Saturday. Their first Saturday was 3,000 people so the indication is that it's very popular. You're not going to see it very many places around the country and we're going to have it right here in Wichita. And I would encourage parents and grandparents and kids and school teachers to get out to Exploration Place. I think it starts Labor Day weekend. A good time, before school starts, to get out and enjoy family time and T-Rex will be in the grand hall at Exploration Place. That's all I had."

Chairman Sciortino said, "Okay. If there's nothing on the 'other' we have another item I believe, commissioner."

MOTION

Commissioner Burtnett moved to recess into Executive Session for 10 minutes to consider consultation with legal counsel on matters privileged in the attorney/client relationship relating to pending claims and legal advice and that the Board of County Commissioners

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return to this room from executive session no sooner than 10:00 a.m.

Commissioner Norton seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

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

Chairman Sciortino said, “We are now recessed into Executive Session.”

The Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners recessed into executive session at 9:50 a.m. and returned at 10:01 a.m.

Chairman Sciortino said, “Let the record show that there was no binding action taken during Executive Session. Mr. Euson, Is there anything else to come before the board? Mr. Holt? This meeting is adjourned.”

M. ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 10:02 a.m.

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Don Brace, County Clerk

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