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

REGULAR MEETING

December 12, 2007

The Regular Meeting of the Board of the County Commissioners of Sedgwick County, Kansas, was called to order at 10:56 a.m., on Wednesday, December 12, 2007 in the County Commission Meeting Room in the Courthouse in Wichita, Kansas, by Chairman David M. Unruh; with the following present: Chair Pro Tem Thomas G. Winters; Commissioner Tim R. Norton; Commissioner Kelly Parks; Commissioner Gwen Welshimer; Fire Chief Gary Curmode, Fire District #1; Division Chief Ron Reeves, Fire District #1; Ms. Jo Templin, Director, Human Resources; Mr. William P. Buchanan, County Manager; Mr. Rich Euson, County Counselor and Ms. Lisa Davis, Deputy County Clerk.

GUESTS

Mr. Terrill Rose, Kansas Gas Service.

ROLL CALL

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

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES: Regular Meeting, October 31, 2007
Regular Meeting, November 14, 2007

The Clerk reported that all commissioners were present at the Regular Meetings of October 31st, 2007 and November 14th, 2007.

Chairman Unruh said, “Commissioners, you’ve had the opportunity to review the minutes of October 31st and November 14th. Is there any additions or corrections? Hearing none, what’s the will of the board?”

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Meetings of October 31st and November 14th, 2007.

Commissioner Norton seconded the motion.
There was no discussion on the motion, the vote was called.

**VOTE**

- Commissioner Norton  Aye
- Commissioner Winters  Aye
- Commissioner Parks  Aye
- Commissioner Welshimer  Aye
- Chairman Unruh  Aye

Chairman Unruh said, “Madam Clerk, call the first item please.”

**DONATIONS**

A. DONATIONS.

1. DONATION FROM KANSAS GAS SERVICE IN THE AMOUNT OF $2,560.

Fire Chief Gary E. Curmode, Fire District #1, greeted the Commissioners and said, “Quite often, we have donations that are donated to the Research and Development Division from different entities in Sedgwick County. And this is another gracious one in the amount of $2,560 from the Kansas Gas Service specifically earmarked to purchase new carbon monoxide monitors.

At this time, I’m going to introduce Division Chief Ron Reeves on our C shift and he is our liaison with the Kansas Gas Service and he has two gentlemen from Kansas Gas Service today that is donating the check. Chief Reeves.”

Division Chief Ron Reeves, Fire District #1, greeted the Commissioners and said, “Thanks, Chief. Good morning, commissioners. A little history on this. About seven or eight years ago, through the State Fire Marshall’s Office, the Gas Service Company at that time partnered with the Fire Service of Kansas and allowed us to purchase carbon monoxide monitors that we carry on our apparatus. As you know, carbon monoxide is labeled as the silent killer. There was a good partnership between us and the Gas Service Company at that time because it allowed us to go out and take actual carbon monoxide readings from inside a home, once someone’s carbon monoxide detector went off or we went there on a medical alarm and found patients that were exhibiting signs and symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning.
Well, through the use of those monitors, they started wear out, as most things do, so we wanted to replace those monitors and the first thing I thought of was to contact Kansas Gas and see if they would be willing to renew our partnership and helping us with the expense of purchasing these new monitors. They graciously and quickly agreed to this and we bought 16 monitors. That allows us to carry one on each one of our engine companies, each one of our rescue squad companies carry a carbon monoxide monitor plus the two battalion chief’s vehicles will have carbon monoxide monitors on them.

At this time I would like to introduce Jeff Miller from Kansas Gas. He’s the gentleman I worked with, and I believe his supervisor Terrill Rose.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Gentlemen, step forward.”

Mr. Terrill Rose, Vice President of the Western Half of Kansas, Kansas Gas Service, greeted the Commissioners and said, “Commissioners, thank you for having us this morning. Basically, we just wanted to come here today and share with you the reasons that Kansas Gas Service is willing to make this donation today and it really gets down to the fact that we have enjoyed a very good partnership and relationship with your fire department here.

And because of that relationship, we were glad to be asked to participate again and we were very happy to and as Ron said, we quickly made the decision that for this department, we would make that donation. We end up in some very unfortunate situations where our employees and your employees at fires, explosions and the like come shoulder to shoulder and work together. And I want you to know that you have one of the most professional departments around and we enjoy that relationship and we enjoy working with them and we were very happy to make this donation. Thank you.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Well thank you very much. We would want you to know that we appreciate your partnership, not for the financial reasons, but for the safety reasons primarily, but also just for the symbolism of having government and private industry or other community partners work together with us in partnership, so we’re very much appreciative of your willingness to partner with us. But just so I have you two gentlemen straight, you are . . .?”

Mr. Rose said, “I’m Terrill Rose, I’m the Vice President of the Western Half of Kansas and this is Jeff Miller, who is our claims manager and works very closely with your folks every day.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Okay, very good. Well we truly appreciate your willingness to be supportive of Fire District 1 and be supportive of our citizens in this way.”

Mr. Rose said, “You’re very welcome.”
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Chairman Unruh said, “Thank you very much.”

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to Accept the donation and authorize the Chairman to send a letter of appreciation.

Commissioner Norton seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

- Commissioner Norton       Aye
- Commissioner Winters      Aye
- Commissioner Parks        Aye
- Commissioner Welshimer    Aye
- Chairman Unruh             Aye

Chairman Unruh said, “Next item.”

2. DONATION FROM WAL-MART STORES, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF $4,500.

Chief Curmode said, “We have developed a partnership also with Walmart through the last few years and Mr. Chris Sexton, the store director from Walmart in Derby, they wanted to give a donation in the amount of $4,500 in memory of Lieutenant Bryon Johnson, who lost his life in September of this year. And the donations will be dispersed through our Research and Development Division and I would recommend that we accept the donation, authorize the Chairman to send a letter of appreciation.”

Chairman Unruh said, “Well thank you chief. We are very pleased to accept the donation and want you to specifically express our appreciation to the folks at Walmart in Derby, so thank you very much. We need a motion to accept this donation.”
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MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to Accept the donation and authorize the Chairman to send a letter of appreciation.

Commissioner Welshimer seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Norton   Aye
Commissioner Winters  Aye
Commissioner Parks   Aye
Commissioner Welshimer  Aye
Chairman Unruh   Aye

Chairman Unruh said, “Thank you Chief. Commissioners, I think we need an Off Agenda item for the Fire District meeting.”

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to consider an off agenda item.”

Commissioner Welshimer seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Norton   Aye
Commissioner Winters  Aye
Commissioner Parks   Aye
Commissioner Welshimer  Aye
Chairman Unruh   Aye

Chairman Unruh said, “And this agenda item is presented by Jo Templin.
OFF AGENDA ITEM

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIVISION OF HUMAN RESOURCES TO DELETE, AMEND AND ADD POLICIES TO THE SEDGWICK COUNTY PERSONNEL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL.

Ms. Jo Templin, Director, Human Resources, greeted the Commissioners and said, “This agenda item is a resolution to approve for the Sedgwick County Fire District #1 the same personnel policy manual amendments, updates and deletions as you did in Item E of the previous agenda. I would recommend you approval and would stand for questions if you have them.”

Chairman Unruh said, “All right, thank you. Commissioners, are there any further comment or question on this item from Human Resources.”

MOTION

Commissioner Welshimer moved to adopt the resolution 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 Parks Aye
Commissioner Welshimer Aye
Chairman Unruh Aye

Chairman Unruh said, “Thank you, Jo. Is there anything else to come before the fire district? Seeing none, I will adjourn the meeting of the fire district.”

C. OTHER

D. ADJOURNMENT
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There being no other business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 11:06 a.m.

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