

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

REGULAR MEETING

July 23, 2008

The Regular Meeting of the Board of the County Commissioners of Sedgwick County, Kansas, was called to order at 10:12 A.M., on Wednesday, July 23, 2008 in the County Commission Meeting Room in the Courthouse in Wichita, Kansas, by Chairman Thomas G. Winters; with the following present: Chair Pro Tem Tim R. Norton; Commissioner David M. Unruh; Commissioner Kelly Parks; Commissioner Gwen Welshimer; Mr. William P. Buchanan, County Manager; Mr. Rich Euson, County Counselor; Mr. David Spears, Director, Bureau of Public Works; Mr. Gary Curmode, Fire Chief, Fire Department; and Ms. Evelyn Good, Deputy County Clerk.

ROLL CALL

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

Chairman Winters said, "Next item."

NEW BUSINESS

**A. PUBIC HEARING REGARDING THE 2009 RECOMMENDED BUDGET FOR
SEDGWICK COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT #1.**

Mr. William P. Buchanan, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Thank you. Commissioners you have been presented the Fire District budget at the last meeting, we, the Fire District budget is online, and is made available to the public and is now appropriate, Mr. Chairman, to open the public hearing. I would remind you and those persons of interest that the next public hearing would be August 13th."

Chairman Winters said, "All right thank you. At this time I will open the public meeting for public comment for the Commissioners to receive, sitting as Commissioners of the Fire District, public comment on the 2009 Fire District #1 budget. Is there anyone in the room who would like to address the Board of County Commissioners on the Fire District budget? Is there anyone? Is there anyone here in the room? Seeing no one, we'll close the public hearing. Commissioners, no comments? Madam Clerk..."

Commissioner Parks said, "Just a minute."

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Chairman Winters said, "I'm sorry, Commissioner Parks?"

Commissioner Parks said, "I just wondered about the, wanted to ask a quick question about the annexation and what kind of impact that we might be thinking about that that would have on our Fire District budget and I know that there were significant losses over the last few years about that and just if we could speak to that and see if we have compensated in that budget for those losses."

Mr. Buchanan said, "As with the general fund, and the tax supported funds that you heard about yesterday, we do a financial plan. We also do a financial plan for the Fire District that David and his staff do on a routine and regular basis. David would you explain that?"

Mr. David Miller, Budget Director, Division of Finance, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Sure. Um, just as you saw yesterday for the County's Financial Plan, the Fire District's Financial Plan is, we work over not only the 2009 budget year but also the next five years, is very solid.

We have continued to have operating incomes and that fund also, very marginal ones, especially as we move forward with the Station 39 expansion, which is included in this budget and the station relocation projects. Annexations by the City of Wichita and other cities certainly do have an impact on the Fire District, but at this point right now, as we look over the five-year horizon, we're in pretty good shape.

The other thing that is favorable to the Fire District is there is a number of industrial revenue bonds and some things that are coming back on to their tax rolls as we look over the next couple of fiscal years."

Commissioner Parks said, "Thank you."

Chairman Winters said, "All right, any other questions? All right. Thank you. We have concluded the public hearing I remind the public that the next public hearing and the adoption of the Fire District budget will be on August 13th, here in this room. All right. Is there any other business to come before the Board sitting as the Governing Body of the Fire District? Mr. Manager do you have anything else?"

Mr. Buchanan said, "No sir."

Chairman Winters said, "All right. This meeting then, the Fire District meeting is adjourned."

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B. ADJOURNMENT TO ITEM E OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

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