

## **MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

### **REGULAR MEETING**

**October 29, 2008**

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, October 29<sup>th</sup>, 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; Ms. Iris Baker, Purchasing Director, Division of Finance; Mr. Kevin Myles, Fleet Director, Fleet Management; Ms. Kristi Zukovich, Director, Communications; and, Ms. Kristi Vermillion, Deputy County Clerk.

#### **GUESTS**

Mr. Jeff Huxman, Director of Content, KPTS  
Colonel Robert Hester, JROTC  
Cadet Colonel Mike Seis, JROTC

#### **INVOCATION**

The Invocation was led by Reverend Rick Thornton of Aldersgate United Methodist Church, Wichita

#### **FLAG SALUTE**

#### **ROLL CALL**

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

**Chairman Winters** said, “Commissioners, before we start our regular business we do have a very short agenda this morning in both the regular agenda and in the Fire District meeting that we will conduct. We are going to try to conclude our meeting by 9:20 this morning, which would then allow the Commissioners and staff to attend the launch of the new Cessna Citation Columbus facility out at Cessna Aircraft, which I think we are all very proud of and is a major economic development event happening today. So with that said we will proceed on with business. Madame Clerk, would you call Item A?”

#### **PROCLAMATION**

- A. PROCLAMATION DECLARING NOVEMBER “MR. ROGER’S SWEATER DRIVE MONTH”.**

**Chairman Winters** said, “Commissioners, I have a proclamation for your consideration.

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**WHEREAS**, for more than 36 years, Mr. Roger's Neighborhood has personified a place where caring and consideration for others instills good feelings in all of us; and

**WHEREAS**, these messages, and the wonderful values that children continue to learn from the program, even after Fred Rogers passing, are timeless; and

**WHEREAS**, Fred Rogers' red cardigan sweater has come to represent the gentle spirit, warmth, and nurturing of the Neighborhood; and

**WHEREAS**, the ninth annual KPTS Mister Rogers' Neighborhood Sweater Drive has continued to grow into a unique partnership between KPTS and other organizations and corporations. More than 20,000 sweaters have been donated and distributed by the Salvation Army; and

**WHEREAS**, KPTS and its partners will hold this drive from November 5<sup>th</sup> through November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2008; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that I, Tom G. Winters, Chairman of the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners, so hereby proclaim November 2008 as

**'MISTER ROGERS NEIGHBORHOOD SWEATER DRIVE MONTH'**

In Sedgwick County and recognize the efforts of KPTS and its partners by enabling the citizens of Sedgwick County to have a much warmer winter. Dated October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

Commissioners, what is the will of the Board?"

**MOTION**

Commissioner Unruh moved to adopt the proclamation

Commissioner Norton seconded the motion.

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

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**VOTE**

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

**Chairman Winters** said, “And here to accept the proclamation is Jeff Huxman. Welcome.”

**Mr. Jeff Huxman**, Director of Content, KPTS, greeted the Commissioners and said, “This is a very well received honor on behalf of KPTS. The Mister Rogers’ Sweater Drive, as you mentioned, has been going on now for nine years. It kicks off on Saturday, November 8<sup>th</sup> with Kid Fest. Children who bring a gently used or new sweater to donate will get free admission to Kid Fest and the wonderful thing about this over the nine years is the partners that we have worked with including the Salvation Army who helps us distribute these sweaters to the folks that need them most, Walgreens is on board with us this year so we have 14 drop off locations at Walgreens, Clear Channel Radio helps us get the word out and a number of other businesses around the community also open their doors and have drop off locations. We know that the need is going to be greater this year than in years past but we also know that the generosity of this community far exceeds those needs so we are counting on folks to step up and help keep kids warm this winter.”

**Chairman Winters** said, “Well, Jess, thank you for being here and promoting this effort. We are certainly big supporters of the project and we value our relationship with KPTS through our meeting broadcast so we wish you the very best in this drive and we appreciate your efforts in the community.”

**Mr. Huxman** said, “Alright, thank you so much for your support.”

**Chairman Winters** said, “Thank you. Madame Clerk, would you call the next item?”

**B. PROCLAMATION DECLARING NOVEMBER 3 – 9, 2008 AS “WICHITA JROTC LEADERSHIP WEEK”.**

**Chairman Winters** said, “Commissioners, I have a second proclamation for your consideration.

**WHEREAS**, JROTC was officially implemented in American high schools in 1916, began in Kansas in 1917 and in Wichita in 1994; and

**WHEREAS**, cadet leadership programs were started in selected middle schools in 1997 making

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Wichita a leader in the nation and in this initiative; and

**WHEREAS**, the JROTC and leadership programs are recognized in Wichita for building citizenship and good character in our youth; and

**WHEREAS**, there are now more than 2,400 Wichita youth participants as cadets in 20 of our public schools.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that I, Thomas G. Winters, Chairman of the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim November 3-9, 2008 as

**“WICHITA JROTC LEADERSHIP WEEK”**

In recognition of these fine young men and women who are becoming better leaders and citizens for the future through their involvement in the JROTC and leadership programs. Dated October 29, 2008.

Commissioners, that is the proclamation. What is the will of the Board?”

**MOTION**

Commissioner Parks moved to adopt the proclamation.

Commissioner Unruh seconded the motion.

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

**VOTE**

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

**Chairman Winters** said, “And here to accept the award are Colonel Hester and Cadet Colonel Mike Seis.”

**Colonel Robert Hester**, JROTC, greeted the Commissioners and said, “Chair Winters, members of the Board I would just like to thank the Board for 14 years of outstanding support through our

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Wichita JROTC program. Obviously, we cannot do it without the support of the community and you have provided just exceptional support to us. We really appreciate it. Accepting the proclamation on behalf of the Wichita core of cadets is our Cadet Colonel Mike Seis. Mike is a City Core Commander for Wichita and Mike is also seeking to go to the Air Force Academy and we are confident of his success. Colonel Seis.”

**Cadet Colonel Mike Seis**, JROTC, greeted the Commissioners and said, “On behalf of Wichita JROTC we would like to thank the Sedgwick County Commission for giving us this proclamation. Also, on behalf of JROTC, we would like to thank Chairman Winters for his possible attendance of the Veteran’s Day ceremony. Some of you may know we have the Veteran’s Day ceremony on November 7<sup>th</sup> where we will have 2,400 cadets from over 20 schools to honor our veterans. The following day we will have the Veteran’s Day parade. We will be honoring the Gold Star mothers and we would like to invite all of you to attend that as well. So thank you.”

**Chairman Winters** said, “Alright, thank you very much for being here and thank you for your leadership in the Wichita organization. We think we’ve got many, many fine citizens, young citizens participating in this program and I plan on attending the ceremony in Century II on February 7<sup>th</sup> [sic November], 10 o’clock. If anybody wants to see a very impressive event, that is a very impressive event. So thank you for being here, congratulations and we wish you the very best in the future.”

**Cadet Colonel Seis** said, “Thank you sir.”

**Chairman Winters** said, “Thank you all. Madame Clerk, would you call the next item?”

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **C. PUBLIC WORKS**

- 1. APPROVAL OF K.D.O.T. FORM 1306 “CERTIFICATION OF REAL PROPERTY ACQUISITION PROCEDURES AND UTILITY ARRANGEMENTS” FOR SEDGWICK COUNTY PROJECT 817-V, W, X; ROAD WIDENING PROJECT ON MERIDIAN BETWEEN 47<sup>TH</sup> ST. SOUTH AND 71<sup>ST</sup> ST. SOUTH. CIP# R-281. DISTRICT 2.**

**Mr. David Spears**, Director/County Engineer, Public Works, greeted the Commissioners and said, “Item C-1 is requesting your approval of K.D.O.T Form 1306 for the road improvement project on Meridian between 47<sup>th</sup> Street South and 71<sup>st</sup> Street South, designated as R-281 in the Capital Improvement Program. This form certifies that all rights-of-way have been acquired and all utility

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arrangements have been made. State funds will pay for \$3 million of the eligible costs of construction of the project. I recommend that you approve the 1306 form and authorize the Chairman to sign.”

**Chairman Winters** said, “Thank you David. Are there questions? Commissioner Norton?”

**Commissioner Norton** said, “Well, I will make the motion. This is a project that I have worked on for several years. I am glad that we finally got the right-of-way totally taken care of and we can move forward on it. This is going to be a great corridor leading from south Wichita around 235 where there is a lot of growth going down into Haysville and will increase a nice traffic flow north to south on another corridor besides Seneca and Broadway so I am excited about this and I am glad that we got the right-of-way taken care of finally. And I will make that motion to approve.”

**MOTION**

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

Commissioner Parks seconded the motion.

**Chairman Winters** said, “Commissioner Parks?”

**Commissioner Parks** said, “I just wanted to make one comment and this was without condemnation, right?”

**Mr. Spears** said, “That is correct.”

**Commissioner Parks** said, “Thank you.”

**Commissioner Norton** said, “And I will kind of dove tail on that. Our staff and our right-of-way folks worked very, very hard with the landowners to be sure that it didn’t have to go to condemnation, that we continued to go back to the table and visit with the folks that own the property until we got all of the right-of-way and I think that is good public policy. Thanks.”

**VOTE**

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

**Chairman Winters** said, "Thank you David. Next item."

**D. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF BIDS AND CONTRACTS' REGULAR MEETING ON OCTOBER 23, 2008.**

**Ms. Iris Baker**, Purchasing Director, Division of Finance, greeted the Commissioners and said, "The meeting of October 23<sup>rd</sup> results in five items for consideration. First item:

**1. DESKTOP COMPUTERS-COMCARE FUNDING—ADMIN OPERATIONS IT**

The recommendation is to accept the quote from Dell in the amount of \$25,392.00. Item Two:

**2. 3/4 TON, FOUR WHEEL DRIVE SUBURBANS—FLEET MANAGEMENT FUNDING—VEHICLE ACQUISITION**

The recommendation is to accept the low bid from Pfaff Chevrolet Option 2 in the amount of \$71,173.16. Item Three:

**3. SCHEDULING SOFTWARE—EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES FUNDING—EMS OPERATIONS**

The recommendation is to accept the proposal from PDSI for an initial cost of \$54,260.00 and establish annual maintenance and support at the listed rates. Item Four:

**4. ON-CALL ROOFING SERVICES—FACILITIES DEPARTMENT FUNDING—FACILITIES DEPARTMENT**

The recommendation is to accept the proposal from JB Turner & Sons roofing and execute contract pricing for two years with two one year options to renew. Item Five:

**5. PROTECTION SYSTEM FOR THE INTRUST BANK ARENA—FACILITIES DEPARTMENT**

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**FUNDING –ARENA SALES TAX**

The recommendation is to accept the proposal from Evan Corporation, Alternate 1 for a negotiated cost of \$208,810.00 and execute a contract.

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

**Chairman Winters** said, “Alright, Commissioner Parks?”

**Commissioner Parks** said, “I would make a motion we approve those with exception of Number Two which we would defer for two weeks.”

**Chairman Winters** said, “Alright, I will second that motion. I see that Kevin Myles is here. Can I just ask him if there is any problem time wise? Kevin, could you come forward please? Before the meeting, Commissioner Parks indicated that he had a couple of questions about this. Do you see any problem with deferring this purchase of these Suburbans for two weeks?”

**Mr. Kevin Myles**, Fleet Director, Fleet Management, greeted the Commissioners and said, “It would be my preference if we could do it for one week and I have Steve Cotter here...”

**Chairman Winters** said, “We are not going to meet next week.”

**Mr. Myles** said, “Oh, well if need be then let’s go ahead and do that.”

**Chairman Winters** said, “Alright, I think that would be the best thing we could do for now.”

**Commissioner Parks** said, “And I’ll get together with staff to answer those questions.”

**MOTION**

Commissioner Parks moved to approve the recommendations with the exception of Item Two, to be deferred for two weeks.

Chairman Winters seconded the motion.

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

**VOTE**

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

**Chairman Winters** said, "Thank you Iris."

**Ms. Baker** said, "Thank you."

**Chairman Winters** said, "Next item."

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**E. CONSENT AGENDA.**

- 1. Range Reallocations.**
- 2. New limited use agreements with DuPont Management and New Thought Community Church for *CenteringPregnancy* and *CenteringParenting* group education classes to be used by the Healthy Babies Program at 434 N. Oliver, Wichita, KS.**
- 3. Donations of \$230.00 to COMCARE of Sedgwick County to be used for the suicide prevention helpline.**
- 4. Rehire of Deputy Andrew Dodge at \$42,757.00 (annual salary at time when he resigned on 2/5/08).**
- 5. Schedule public hearing for the Resolution adopting the NFPA 70 National Electric Code, 2008 Edition, with amendments, as the official Sedgwick County Electrical Code.**
- 6. Market Pay Adjustment for Four ERP Analysts.**
- 7. One (1) Easement for Right of Way and One (1) Temporary Construction Easement for Sedgwick County/KDOT Project 817- V, W, X; Road widening project on Meridian between 47<sup>th</sup> St. South and 71<sup>st</sup> St. South. CIP# R-281. District 2.**

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- 8. One (1) Easement for Right of Way for Sedgwick County Project 795-N, O, P, Q; Recondition of 199<sup>th</sup> St. West between 21<sup>st</sup> St. North & US-54. CIP# R-267. District 3.**
- 9. General Bills Check Register for the week of October 15, 2008 – October 21, 2008.**
- 10. Payroll Check Register for October 17, 2008.**

**Mr. William Buchanan**, County Manager, greeted the Commissioners and said, “Commissioners, you have a Consent Agenda before you and I would recommend you approve it.”

**MOTION**

Commissioner Norton moved to approve the Consent Agenda.

Chairman Winters seconded the motion.

**Chairman Winters** said, “Commissioner Welshimer?”

**Commissioner Welshimer** said, “Number Four, on a reinstatement do we also reinstate benefits at the same level that they were before they left?”

**Mr. Buchanan** said, “Yes, the personnel people in the back of the room are shaking their head yes.”

**Commissioner Welshimer** said, “So we’ve reinstated benefits along with salary?”

**Mr. Buchanan** said, “Yes.”

**Commissioner Welshimer** said, “Ok, thank you.”

**Chairman Winters** said, “Alright, are there any other questions? If not we have a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, seeing no other questions, call the vote.”

**VOTE**

Commissioner Unruh

Aye

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

**Chairman Winters** said, "I will recess...that brings us to the end of the Regular Agenda. I will recess, not adjourn, but recess the Regular Meeting of October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2008."

**RECESS TO FIRE: 9:13 A.M. TO 9:18 A.M.**

**Chairman Winters** said, "I will call back the Regular Meeting of October 29<sup>th</sup>. Commissioners, we are at the point of discussion of other and again we are headed out to Cessna but if anybody has something that needs to be discussed this is the time and place."

**F. OTHER**

**Chairman Winters** said, "Is there any other business that we need to discuss? Mr. Euson do you have anything else?"

**Mr. Rich Euson**, County Counselor, greeted the Commissioners and said, "No sir."

**Chairman Winters** said, "Mr. Manager?"

**Mr. Buchanan** said, "No sir."

**Chairman Winters** said, "Commissioners? Alright, thank you all very much. We know this was a speedy pace but we certainly wanted to do it properly and in order. At this time, the meeting of November 29<sup>th</sup> [sic October] is adjourned. Thank you."

**G. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 9:18 a.m.

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SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS**

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**THOMAS G. WINTERS**, Chairman  
Third District

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**DAVID M. UNRUH**, Commissioner  
First District

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**TIM R. NORTON**, Commissioner  
Second District

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**KELLY PARKS**, Commissioner  
Fourth District

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**GWEN WELSHIMER**, Commissioner  
Fifth District

ATTEST:

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**Don Brace**, County Clerk

APPROVED:

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