

Sedgwick County 3rd District

Citizens Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes

February 4, 2019

Goddard School's Conference Center

7:00 p.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Call to Order – Meeting called to order by Lamont Anderson.

Approval of Minutes – Janice Manlove made the motion to approve the minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC AGENDA

None

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion of ZON2018-00052 – Dale Miller, MAPD

Dale Miller briefed the board on an upcoming zoning change hearing for a 78.76 acre-tract. Copies of the site plan and report were distributed to the board. The property is located on the west side of South 151st West approximately ¼ mile north of MacArthur. The area is zoned Rural Residential (RR). Applicant wants the zoning changed to Single Family (SF-20) and intends to develop the property in a manner similar to the Redmond Estates located on the west side of 119th West Street approximately ¼ mile south of 31st Street South. The property is unplatted and no specific proposed plat has been presented.

Michael Dreiling (neighbor) asked how the developer planned to handle storm water. A drainage plan is reviewed and approved as part of the platting process. The general rule is that no more storm water can come off the property than came off before it was developed.

Dreiling asked how disposal of excess concrete was going to be handled. Agent can address this.

Dreiling asked about the purpose meeting on the 7th. That is planning commission hearing on the zone change.

Dreiling asked if the township would be notified of the platting hearing. Yes.

Arlene Girrens (neighbor) asked if there were going to be detention ponds and waterways on the property to control storm water. That is not known by MAPD and this time, but that is common. The agent can probably address this more specifically.

Girrens stated that the farming in the area will be subject to overzealous lawyer filing lawsuits relating to the use of fertilizer and chemicals used on crops.

Girrens asked what part of the road would be paved. The requirement is that the road be paved from the closest paved road (MacArthur) to their first entrance.

Larry Fasbender (neighbor) noted that this is the same developer of the Redman Estates and that development has no detention ponds. It may not be required

Tim Girrens stated that the Redman Estates development does have a storm water problem. His understanding from NRCS is that the developers are not supposed to tear out any of the terrace work, but the developer leveled the ground flat. That is why the neighbors are concerned about water. That will have to be addressed in the plat.

Tim Girrens expressed concern about potential traffic accidents at MacArthur and 151st. He noticed an increase in accidents at other recently paved intersections. The county traffic engineer will review those issues as part of the platting process.

Phil Meyer (agent for the applicant) briefed the board on some of the plans for development:

- Plan is for one acre lots due to sewage capacity limitations.
- Same style as Redman Estates.
- The current zone allows for 2 acres lots and it is the developer's intention to develop 2 acre lots if the zoning change is denied.
- The developer does intend to pave from MacArthur to their first entrance, but does not yet know how far that will be.
- There are new storm water drainage requirements that were not in place when Redman Estates was developed.
- Excess concrete should be disposed of properly. If not, it is a code violation that can be reported to MABCD.

Manlove asked if the development will have one or two entrances. The fire department will probably require two.

Wright asked if the plat process would still be required if zoning change is denied. Yes.

Wright asked if this board would have a chance to review the plat. No, that process starts at the subdivision committee.

Arlene Girrens asked about the gas line and fiber optics running under the development site. Those carry an easement and will be reviewed during the platting process.

Tim Girrens asked how many houses they plan to build. Approximately 65-70.

Tim Girrens asked if SCFD1 could support all the new development in the area. WFD and SCFD1 both have seats on the subdivision committee.

Ailslieger asked what the plan was for sewage. The developer will use a county-approved alternative non-septic system. Tim Girrens expressed concern since the neighbors are on well water.

McWhorter moved that the board approve the zoning change. Motion was seconded by Wright. Motion passed 9-1.

Introduction to the Office of the Medical Director – Dr. John Gallagher, OMD

Dr. Gallagher briefed the board on OMD's role in the community, organizational structure, mission, and programs. The Medical Director provides physician-led direction for all aspects of pre-hospital care in the county, across all providers within the EMS system. Dr. Gallagher also gave a visual tour of the new OMD facility's simulation spaces.

McWhorter asked if this type of simulation was available anywhere prior to the completion of the new facility. In the old building we had smaller make-shift spaces with no AV capabilities and we had to have a proctor in the room. The simulations are now better able to approximate realistic conditions.

Hamilton asked if the new training areas were for new staff or for everyone. They are for everyone. New employees are licensed by the state, but we put them through the simulations to ensure they are able to meet Sedgwick County standards. Current employees cycle through every 2 years minimum.

Manlove asked how often a person would have to call EMS to be considered a high utilizer. The national definition is 6 times per year. In Sedgwick County, we had one citizen that called up to 40 times per month at one point. We set our local definition to our capacity to manage the calls.

Gaughan asked if there were any private ambulance services in the county still operating. Yes, for transports, but not for 911 response. If both ends of a 911 call are in the county, it goes exclusively to our EMS. If one end is outside the county, it is eligible for private ambulance service, usually this is a transport. Our EMS can exit the county to help neighboring counties via mutual aid agreements.

Gaughan asked about coordination with air transport. Sedgwick County has processes in place to dispatch with air ambulance services.

Gaughan asked if our EMS was trained to look for Transportable Physician Orders for Patient Preferences (TPOPP) forms. In the past our EMS workers were punished for not following strict treatment protocols. We are transitioning to culture that allows us to treat patients more in accordance with their wishes.

Ailsieger asked if the Medical Director was legally bound by TPOPPs. The Medical Director is both legally and ethically bound to treat patients in the manner they would like to be treated.

Manlove asked how the opioid epidemic was affecting OMD and EMS. Our community has not seen an increase in bad outcomes from opioid use.

McWhorter asked Dr. Gallagher to rate EMS preparation before and after the completion of the new OMD building and if that makes a difference in terms of lives saved. We were about a 6 and are now at a 9. We can now target training to individual needs. Dr. Gallagher is confident that it does make a difference in the number of lives saved, although this would be difficult to actually measure.

McWhorter stated that this is a success story for the county. Having these types of resources and support from the county is critical to patient care.

Hinten asked if there has been an increase in mental health calls. Volume is flat, but the severity of the calls has increased.

Hinten asked where the mental health patients get transported to any specific mental health services facilities. EMS has to transport to hospitals to get insurance reimbursement.

Anderson asked how bad the meth problem is in the community. It is the substance of most concern, behind alcohol. It is by far our most common illicit substance in the county.

Hinten asked how many ambulances we have active in the county and where they were placed. There are 19 at peak times. Their placement is dynamic to ensure appropriate geographical coverage.

BOARD AGENDA

COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONER DENNIS

1. EMS 15 post is open.
2. An ambulance has been placed in Garden Plain.
3. There is a vote coming up on a new fire station in Andale. The current station is staffed by only 2 people and is located inside the public works yard.
4. We have added nuisance property abatement to our legislative agenda.
5. The BOCC recently approved \$6 million for improvements to the Zoo.

- a. Manlove stated she had heard something about a hotel being built at the zoo. That is planned for a later phase in the 25 year master plan. It will be similar to Great Wolf Lodge.
6. Chairman Dennis went to the USS Wichita commissioning in Jacksonville, Florida.
7. The county contributed \$200,000 to the new Doc hangar, which is now on display at Eisenhower Airport.
8. Chairman Dennis was able to attend the arrival of the new KC-46A aircraft at McConnell AFB.
9. Chairman Dennis has been appointed to the state Career and Tech Ed Committee.
10. The County Commissioners attended a dinner in Topeka with state legislators and mental health professionals to discuss the county's behavioral health legislative priorities.
 - a. McWhorter asked about the county's current monetary contribution to mental health. The specific amount was not available at the meeting. Follow-up information will be provided.
 - b. Ailsieger asked if our agenda included mental health facilities for neighboring counties. Yes, that would be necessary to prevent our own facility from becoming overcrowded.
11. The BOCC is going to vote on a six month moratorium on wind and solar development applications to give the county time to research and create zoning regulations. There are leases in place already, but we have no regulations specific to this kind of development.
12. The annual budget retreat will be held February 14 and 15.

Other

Manlove asked about the status of the search for a new county manager. The BOCC will discuss this issue openly on Wednesday.

McWhorter asked if there would be a change in bond and interest policy, given that there are two new commissioners. Interest rates and construction cost are relatively low. We know that we are going to add a large bond of approximately \$20 million for a new county building.

ADJOURNMENT

Manlove moved adjourn the meeting; Ailsieger seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.