

## **BOCC MEETING PUBLIC COMMENTS**

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These are questions and comments received through the County website and through the Strategic Communications email.

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**Received By:**

This comment was received through the online website.

**Subject:** Case# CON2021-00009 19721 West Maple St. Goddard, Ks 67052

**Question or Comment:**

I have been a customer of Terry's Storage since 2017. There was no availability close by at that time at other facilities. He has always kept his facility clean, mowed and maintained the entire

time I have rented 2 spots from him. I also like the security as there has never been an issue with the security of my trailers like we have heard about at other rental facilities in the area. From a personal stand point, Terry has always been honest and a great person to work with. He has always worked to accommodate my needs. Please consider keeping this facility as it is needed in the Goddard area. Thank you!

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This comment was received via email

**Subject:** Unsafe Staffing/Insufficient Wages

**Question or Comment:**

I am writing as a concerned citizen of Sedgwick county. My concern is regarding Sedgwick county EMS. It has come to my attention that Sedgwick county has an insufficient number of Paramedics/EMTs to service the county properly. I feel it is unsafe when EMS is called to an emergency and they are unable to respond in a timely manner because they do not have enough staff members to staff the ambulances. Additionally, it is unsafe to run the Paramedics/EMTs for twelve plus hours in a shift without a break to even sit down and eat. Is this even legal? How safe do you feel when EMS shows up knowing they haven't had anything to eat their whole shift functioning on fumes only? Do you know that food supplies our brains with nutrients needed for it to function properly and without it, sugar levels drop to insufficient levels and can cause confusion, dizziness, altered mental status, etc.? How would you like a paramedic/EMT who may not be thinking clearly to care for your loved one? Maybe they give a wrong medication and it harms your loved one for life or kills them? How come this has been

going on for so long? How come the county has not hired more paramedics/EMTs to staff the ambulances that are supposed to serve the county? Is it because the salary of a Sedgwick county paramedic/EMT is so far below the national average that the job no longer appeals to the younger generation? It is sad that the employees are paid such a low wage and are run ragged every shift they work. It is no wonder that this service is hemorrhaging employees left and right. Can nothing be done for these workers and for the citizens of Sedgwick county? I would like a response to my concerns please. You may contact me by email.