



Sedgwick County Association of Cities

AGENDA

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March 9, 2024

8:30 -10:00 a.m.

Sodality Place, 501 N. Commercial Avenue

Sedgwick, KS 67135

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1. Welcome & Introductions, Mayor Pat Stivers, SCAC Chair
 2. Approval of January 20, 2024, SCAC Meeting Minutes: Mayor Pat Stivers
Recommended Action: Approve the Minutes from the January 20, 2024, SCAC meeting
 3. Approval of February 29, 2024 Treasurer's Report: Council Member Gina Gregory, SCAC Treasurer
Recommended Action: Approve the February 29, 2024 Treasurer's Report
 4. Sedgwick County Emergency Communications Community Advisory Board: Sedgwick County Emergency Communications Director Elora Forshee
Recommended Action: Receive and file
 5. Annexation of Sedgwick County Public Right of Ways: Sedgwick County Public Works Director/County Engineer Lynn Packer
Recommended Action: Receive and file
 6. Sedgwick County Update
Recommended Action: Receive and file
 7. Around the County: City and other reports
Recommended Action: Receive and file

Upcoming 2024 Meetings:

- Saturday, May 11, 2024, 8:30am – Haysville
- Saturday, July 13, 2024, 8:30am – Location TBD
- Saturday, September 14, 8:30 am – Wichita State University
- Saturday, November 9, 8:30 am – Location TBD

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Sedgwick County Association of Cities (SCAC)

Meeting Minutes

January 20th, 2024

Ark Valley Lodge

615 N Main St

Wichita, KS 67203

SCAC met at 9:00 AM on Saturday, January 20th, 2024, at the Ark Valley Lodge. SCAC Chair, Mayor Pat Stivers (Maize) presided. SCAC members and visitors are shown on the attached list.

Welcome: All attendees stood for the flag salute. Mayor Stivers welcomed all members and guests to the meeting. All attendees introduced themselves.

Cities in Attendance: Bel Aire, Bentley, Clearwater, Colwich, Haysville, Kechi, Maize, Mount Hope, Sedgwick, Valley Center, Wichita

Approval of Minutes from November 18th, 2023

ACTION TAKEN: Motion made by Mayor Terry Somers (Mount Hope) to APPROVE November 18th, 2023 meeting minutes. Seconded by Mayor Bryan Chapman (Sedgwick). **Motion passed 11-0.**

Approval of December 31, 2023 Treasurer's Report

Council Member Gina Gregory shared the December 31, 2023 treasurer's report (attached).

ACTION TAKEN: Motion made by Mayor Russ Kessler (Haysville) to APPROVE the December 31, 2023 treasurer's report. Motion seconded by Mayor Jim Benage (Bel Aire). **Motion passed 11-0.**

Disposition of Financial Assets

SCAC members discussed options for utilizing financial assets. The discussion centered on funding scholarships for cities of the third class within the County to send their city clerks to the City Clerks and Municipal Finance Officers Association institute.

ACTION TAKEN: Motion made by Council Member Jennifer Harrington (Maize) to use \$2500 total to support 5 applicants to attend the CCMFOA institute. Motion seconded by Mayor Tracy Pribbenow (Bentley). **Motion passed 11-0.**

Elections Update

Laura Rainwater, Sedgwick County Election Commissioner, shared a presentation about elections within the County. Highlights from her presentation include:

- The County conducts elections for a total of 1,806 districts/offices, including for city elections, school district elections, partisan primaries, general elections, special elections, bond elections, mail ballot elections, advisory elections, recall elections, and presidential preference primaries.
- Sedgwick County currently has 333,412 registered voters.
 - No Labels Party was recently certified in the state of Kansas; no one in Sedgwick County has registered with this new party yet.
- The 2024 Presidential Preference Primary is coming up; this will be the first PPP since 1992. Election Day is March 19th.
- Mayor Lily Wu (Wichita) asked Commissioner Rainwater to address who will be able to participate in the Presidential Preference Primary on March 19th and how the Election Office will remind people about participation.
 - Commissioner Rainwater said that voters can register and/or change their party affiliation up to February 20th. Unaffiliated voters can declare a party on Election Day.
 - City Manager Nick Gregory (Maize) asked if the Election Office could share an infographic for cities to promote on their social media pages. Commissioner Rainwater agreed to work on it.

Sedgwick County Solar Power Update

Justin Constantino, Metro Area Planning Department, shared a presentation on the unified zoning code and solar projects. Highlights from his presentation include:

- Public input has been collected via emails and letters, a town hall, and a community survey
- Four feedback themes have been identified: decommissioning, groundwater and contamination, urban development and growth, and size and configuration
- Next steps include:
 - MAPC Advanced Plans Committee approval of UZC and Comp Plan change
 - Review by CABs, DABs, SCAC, and Sedgwick County cities
 - MAPC Advanced Plans Committee recommendation to MAPC
 - MAPC recommendation to governing bodies
 - County Commission and City Council action to update UZC
- Reports detailing all feedback are available online

Sedgwick County Update

Sedgwick County BoCC Chairman Ryan Baty shared the following updates:

- Governor-appointed state mental health hospital advisory board has shortlisted four sites. BoCC is hoping to announce location publicly by mid-February.
- Governor Kelly's proposed budget includes \$40 million for a matching grant program for homelessness infrastructure. The County and other partners are working with the South

Central Kansas legislative delegation to shape a bill. Funding would mostly cover congregate and non-congregate shelter.

- 911 has been in the news recently. The County is focused on making sure that 911 continues to work towards full staffing and that all staff and leadership have the support they need. Emergency Communications Director Elora Forshee is creating a 13-member Citizens Advisory Board for 911; SCAC will have some input on this board.
- County clerk's office can help with Homestead, Safe Seniors, and Disabled Veterans refunds.
- BoCC recently approved a requested compensation increase for the Sheriff's department.

Around the County: City and other reports

- Mayor Ashley Velazquez (Kechi) shared that she is starting an "Honorary Mayor for the Day" program with middle schoolers.
- Mayor Pat Stivers (Maize) is planning to reach out to mayors of other cities to discuss a potential large fall festival amusement park.
- Mayor Pat Stivers (Maize) thanked Tania Cole, Assistant County Manager, for her work arranging the meeting and providing breakfast.

Adjournment

Motion made by Mayor Ashley Velazquez (Kechi) to ADJOURN the meeting. Seconded by Nick Gregory (Maize). **Meeting adjourned at 10:28 AM.**

A tour of The Kansas African American Museum followed the meeting.

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Respectfully submitted by:

Elizabeth Ewers, Management Intern, Sedgwick County Manager's Office

Date of Minutes approval:

Meeting Attendance

Jim Benage	Bel Aire
Toyia Bulla	Bentley
Tracy Pribbenow	Bentley
Justin Shore	Clearwater
Tim Mullen	Colwich
Leroy Bosch	Colwich
Bob Rardin	Haysville
Danielle Gabor	Haysville
Russ Kessler	Haysville
David Guo	Hugo Wall School of Public Affairs, WSU
Mitch Lucas	Invenergy
Matt Jensby	Kechi
Ashley Velazquez	Kechi
Pat Stivers	Maize
Nick Gregory	Maize
Jennifer Harrington	Maize
Dawn Shepler	Mental Health and Substance Abuse Coalition
Scott Wadle	Metropolitan Area Planning Department
Justin Constantino	Metropolitan Area Planning Department
J.R. Cox	Metropolitan Area Planning Department
Terry Somers	Mount Hope
Claire Goenner	Public Policy and Management Center at WSU
Paul Davis	Riverside Drainage District
Dan Hartman	Sedgwick
Bryan Chapman	Sedgwick
Jim Howell	Sedgwick County
Ryan Baty	Sedgwick County
Pete Meitzner	Sedgwick County
David Dennis	Sedgwick County
Catherine Johnson	Sedgwick County Department of Environmental Resources
Susan Erlenwein	Sedgwick County Department of Environmental Resources
Laura Rainwater	Sedgwick County Election Commissioner
Jet Truman	Valley Center
Gina Gregory	Valley Center
Maggie Ballard	Wichita
Lily Wu	Wichita
Jeff Blubaugh	
Bryan Frye	



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TREASURER'S FINANCIAL REPORT

For Month Ending February 29th, 2024

BEGINNING BALANCE (January 1, 2024)

\$11,445.92

INCOME (Deposits)

Date	Description	Amount
01/17/24	Deposit	\$500.00
02/15/24	Deposit	\$1,300.00
TOTAL INCOME		\$1,800.00

EXPENSES

Date	Check No.	Description	Amount
02/05/24	1002		\$129.99
02/09/24		Account Analysis Service Charge	\$3.00
ENDING CASH BALANCE (February 29, 2024)			\$13,112.93

TOTAL OUTSTANDING DEPOSITS

TOTAL OUTSTANDING CHECKS

RECONCILED BANK BALANCE **\$13,112.93**

Respectfully submitted,

Gina Gregory, Secretary/Treasurer, Sedgwick County Association of Cities