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Meeting Minutes - Final

Wednesday, May 23, 2012

9:00 AM

BOCC Meeting Room

Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners

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ORDER OF BUSINESS

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Board of the County Commissioners of Sedgwick County, Kansas, was called to order at 9:07 a.m. on Wednesday, May 23, 2012, in the County Commission Meeting Room in the Courthouse in Wichita, Kansas, by Chairman Tim R. Norton, with the following present: Chair Pro Tem James B. Skelton; Commissioner David M. Unruh; Commissioner Karl Peterjohn; Commissioner Richard Ranzau; Mr. William P. Buchanan, County Manager; Mr. Rich Euson, County Counselor; Mr. David Spears, Director, Bureau of Public Works; Mr. Scott Hadley, Director, EMS; Mr. Mark Masterson, Director, Department of Corrections; Mr. Robert W. Parnacott, Assistant County Counselor; Mr. Joe Thomas, Acting Director, Purchasing Department; Ms. Kristi Zukovich, Director, Communications; and Ms. Amanda Lee, Deputy County Clerk.

GUESTS

*Mr. Theron Black, Advisory Council on Aging
Ms. Becky Funke, Editor/Publisher, Active Aging
Ms. Jennifer Strohm, 129 Spencer Avenue, Haysville
Mr. Graham Hunt, Kansas City, Missouri
Ms. Marie Curtis, 3324 Roseberry, Wichita*

INVOCATION

Led by Pastor Rick Cline, RiverWalk Church of Christ

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

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

Present 5 - Chairman Karl Peterjohn, Commissioner Richard Ranzau, Commissioner Jim Skelton, Commissioner Tim Norton and Commissioner Dave Unruh

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

A [12-0367](#) REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF APRIL 18, 2012.
All Commissioners were present.

Chairman Norton said, "We have two sets of minutes there, and I think all Commissioners were present for both of them, April 18th and April 25th. I would entertain a motion on both the items."

MOTION

Commissioner Skelton moved to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of April 18th and April 25th.

Commissioner Ranzau seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

<i>Commissioner Unruh</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Peterjohn</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Ranzau</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Skelton</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Chairman Norton</i>	<i>Aye</i>

Chairman Norton said, "Next item."

A motion was made by Commissioner Skelton, seconded by Commissioner Ranzau, that this Minutes be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairman Peterjohn, Commissioner Ranzau, Commissioner Skelton, Commissioner Norton and Commissioner Unruh

Present: 0

B [12-0368](#) REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF APRIL 25, 2012.
All Commissioners were present.

Action on Item B was taken with Item A.

PROCLAMATIONS

C [12-0366](#)

PROCLAMATION DECLARING OLDER AMERICANS MONTH.
Read by: Chairman Tim Norton.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt the proclamation.

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioners, I have the following proclamation to read into the record;

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, each year in May we take time to show our appreciation for the older adults in Sedgwick County. Older Americans Month is a tradition that shows our commitment to celebrating the contributions and achievements of older Americans; and

WHEREAS, Sedgwick County is committed to helping individuals maintain their health and independence in later life. Current trends show that people age 60 and older account for an ever-growing percentage of participants in community service positions, as well as arts and recreational groups; and

WHEREAS, the theme for Older Americans Month 2012 is 'Never Too Old to Play!' which puts a spotlight on the important role older adults play in sharing their experiences, wisdom, understanding, and passing on that knowledge to other generations in a variety of significant ways; and

WHEREAS, Sedgwick County Department on Aging provides services, support, and resources to older adults year-round, and Older Americans Month is a great opportunity to show special appreciation for some of our most beloved citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Tim Norton, Chairman of the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim May 2012 as

'OLDER AMERICANS MONTH'

"Commissioners, you've heard the proclamation. What is the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner Skelton moved to adopt the proclamation

Commissioner Unruh seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

<i>Commissioner Unruh</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Peterjohn</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Ranzau</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Skelton</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Chairman Norton</i>	<i>Aye</i>

Chairman Norton said, "And accepting the proclamation is one of our beloved older

Americans, Theron Black."

Mr. Theron Black, Advisory Council on Aging, greeted the Commissioners and said, "You can say that."

Chairman Norton said, "Now, you are over 60, aren't you? You have to be over 60 to accept this."

Mr. Black said, "Yes. A little bit. I think it's the first week of next month that I will celebrate my 93rd birthday."

Chairman Norton said, "Congratulations."

Mr. Black said, "So I qualify. Chairman Norton and the rest of you Commissioners, we want to thank you and appreciate your offering this proclamation and making May the Older Americans Month for 2012, I mean...2012, that's right...I get confused, you know. But anyway, however, with your permission, I would like to add one little bit down there where it says 'never too old to play', I would like to add, 'and serve.' We have hundreds of elderly people who are retired and they are well qualified in the area in which they worked, and there's opportunities for them to serve in a number of agencies that are free and easy to use within the community. So there is a big advantage to the community for those people to continue to serve with their experience, knowledge and wisdom. So therefore, with your permission, I would like to add that, okay? I want to thank you also in addition to the proclamation for the support of the County Commission for your advisory board in their program that they feel is important in the area of aging.

"In our discussions we try to use the position that if we can keep an elderly person in their home, it is better for them, they feel safer in the environment that they have been used to. You take them away from that, they begin immediately feeling like they are being tossed out, and they kind of lose their drive.

"They kind of move towards a nursing facility, and we don't want them to do that, because we want them to be happy in their older ages, and also in addition, our concern for them, we also as taxpayers, find it is much cheaper for us if we can provide ways to keep them in their home rather than send them to a facility like a nursing home. So we appreciate your support for the endeavors we submitted to you to accomplish that.

"We also want to thank you for your support of the senior centers. The senior centers provide an opportunity for elderly people to get out occasionally, and meet together, and discuss their problems and play games of all kinds. They have got all kinds of games, you would be surprised what they have. And then there's always the opportunity to complain about getting old. They do a lot of that. So, it is also gives them an opportunity to increase their knowledge, because we support people coming into the senior centers who are knowledgeable in various areas that affect the aging and let them talk to them so they understand and so that gives them an opportunity to know who to talk to if they have a problem.

"We appreciate your support of the senior centers, and another item that is of vital interest to us is the Active Aging newspaper. That newspaper goes to every person in Sedgwick County 55 years of age and older, and it is full of all kinds of information that's applicable to what the seniors need to know in order to live the way they should

live on the street where they live. So we appreciate your support of that, and at our last advisory board meeting, we took the opportunity to select Becky Funke, who is the Editor and Chairman and Publisher of the Active Aging paper. And we give her the Irene Hart Award, which is an award for outstanding service in the area of aging. And I noticed that Becky is here. I want you to see her."

Chairman Norton said, "Bring her up to the...so she can be on camera."

Mr. Black said, "Come on up, Becky. I'll get out of your way."

Ms. Becky Funke, Editor/Publisher, Active Aging, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Thank you very much, Theron. I do appreciate receiving the award, I am very honored. I worked with Irene when I first started at Active Aging when she was still at [Department on] Aging and she's someone that I deeply respect and as I told the advisory council, I am really just doing my job, but it is kind of nice to be recognized when you do your job. So, thank you."

Chairman Norton said, "Thanks, Becky."

Mr. Black said, "Thank you, Becky. Appreciate your coming here today. Since I noticed in the agenda that I'm limited to five minutes, I've got to hurry up. I got a couple more things that I want to say. Number one, there seems to be a terrific increase in the amount of numbers and people and avenues to approach the elderly in scams and attempts to get their identity. So in response to that, I have insisted that the Kansas legal services for older people conduct more, what do you call them, speeches, I guess, telling people what to look for, and if you recognize it, what to do to avoid it. And so I've asked them to do a number of those things, as a matter of fact, first Monday in June I have set up a deal at Grasslands Estates for that community to listen to the thing. Because I hear a lot of reports from them about this happening. So we hope that will help them know how to handle the situation."

Mr. Black continued, "And further, I want to advise the County Commission that the advisory board considers Annette Graham, the Director of the Department on Aging, a very efficient and thorough worker in attempting to provide the things necessary for the elderly population. Matter of fact, she in her work has accomplished several things that have brought recognition to the Sedgwick County Department on Aging, not only here in Kansas, but nationwide. So we want you to know that we feel that she has been a real help to us, and we want you to understand we appreciate her efforts. I think, Mr. Chairman, I would like to thank you again for the proclamation and for the support of the Board for your advisory board. Thank you."

Chairman Norton said, "Thank you, Theron. Don't run off yet. Commissioner Peterjohn."

Commissioner Peterjohn said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I just happen to have a couple thoughts in line of your comments. And I had to throw them out, because people may complain about getting older, but you have to consider the alternative, and I think that leaves you at a certain starting point. And my mother used to tell me when time was going on and someone would bring up age or elderly-related matters, she would talk about the fact that she was chronologically gifted, she was not a senior citizen and was very specific about that."

"I think she took that from the fact that there was some people in the entertainment world, I think particular too, one Jack Benny and also one fellow who had a little success in politics after he left the entertainment industry, Ronald Reagan, used to joke about the fact that they were celebrating the anniversary of their 39th birthday, once they reached a certain age. And when my 12-year-old daughter, last month, asked me about my birthday and how old I was, I was telling her about my anniversary now that I fall into the, now that I have fond memories of my 60th birthday. Thank you. Appreciate you coming down this morning."

Mr. Black said, "Thank you."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner Unruh."

Commissioner Unruh said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Theron, we just want to express our appreciation for your being here and for your long years of service to the aging community, and to the Central Plains Area Agency on Aging. It does, as you have noted, outstanding work to have folks stay in their home and enjoy the years of their life, and your work in that has been significant. So we want to tell you thank you. As you brought up the advisory board, we want to state again how important we think that board is, and appreciate the service of all those individuals. I just also want you to know that we consider you to be a great example, and an inspiration to lots and lots of folks, and your words today were well spoken and well received. Thank you for being here."

Mr. Black said, "Thank you, very much."

Chairman Norton said, "Theron, I am going to have to reappoint you pretty soon. You want to keep doing this, I guess, until you get to be 100 or so?"

Mr. Black said, "Well...you are going to have to straighten up a little bit before I would accept that."

Chairman Norton said, "You know, Theron, I'm getting ready to turn 65 and I'm getting lectures from you? Wow. You know, I am proud to have Theron as my representative on the Department of Aging advisory board. He's helped with the [Kansas] Silver Hair Legislature for years, he's been very active in the community. He helped start KANSEL (Kansas School for Effective Learning), which is a great program in our community to help people get more education, get their GED (General Education Development), get some, English as a second language. Theron, how old were you when you started that? You had to be in your..."

Mr. Black said, "I started it shortly after I retired, so that had to be...I think they kicked me out when I was 85, I believe. You know, that's so long ago, Tim, I forgot."

Chairman Norton said, "Everything's relative, isn't it? That just goes to show you, you can stay active, you can have an impact on the community, whatever age you are. And in this society where we tend to cast off our older Americans, we have a whole generation, several generations of people that can still be active, still contribute, still make a difference, and pass on the wisdom and the learnings and the experience and the caring for a community that they've shown for years. So, Theron, you're a model for that. We appreciate you for coming and standing up for all older Americans today, and we're proud to do the proclamation for you."

Mr. Black said, "Thank you. There's one other thing I forgot to mention. A few days ago a storm went through the southern part of Sedgwick County. So we decided to acquire the services of a tornado alley expert to go through the area, survey it and make sure that the elderly population had been taken care of very well. I was going to give you his name, but I've lost it in my notes. But I do remember that he looked a heck of a lot like you."

Chairman Norton said, "Thank you, Theron."

Mr. Black said, "Take it easy, I got my pastor here to support me today."

Chairman Norton said, "And you probably need that. Okay. Madam Clerk, call the next item."

A motion was made by Commissioner Skelton, seconded by Commissioner Unruh, that this Proclamation(s) be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairman Peterjohn, Commissioner Ranzau, Commissioner Skelton, Commissioner Norton and Commissioner Unruh

Present: 0

D [12-0372](#)

PROCLAMATION DECLARING EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE WEEK.
Read by: Chairman Tim Norton.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt the proclamation.

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioners, I have the following proclamation to read into the record;

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the emergency medical service is a vital public service; and

WHEREAS, the dedicated paramedics and emergency medical technicians of Sedgwick County Emergency Medical Service are committed to providing exemplary medical care and ambulance transportation to the citizens and visitors of Sedgwick County; and

WHEREAS, Sedgwick County EMS is ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and

WHEREAS, access to quality emergency health care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and

WHEREAS, the emergency medical service system consists of emergency physicians, nurses, medical technicians, paramedics, firefighters, educators, administrators and other health care professionals; and

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical service teams, whether career or volunteer, engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of emergency medical service providers.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Tim Norton, Chairman of the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim the week of May 20th-26th as

'EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE WEEK'

"You've heard the proclamation. Commissioners, what is the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner Skelton moved to adopt the proclamation

Commissioner Peterjohn seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Unruh Aye
Commissioner Peterjohn Aye

Commissioner Ranzau Aye
Commissioner Skelton Aye
Chairman Norton Aye

Chairman Norton said, "With us is Scott Hadley, Director of Sedgwick County EMS (Emergency Medical Services)."

Mr. Scott Hadley, Director, Emergency Medical Services, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I'll be brief. I have a couple of guests today to accept this proclamation on behalf of EMS and share their stories with you and their experience. I wanted to thank the Board of County Commission, previous Commissioners for their ongoing support of EMS and what you do. You've enabled us to acquire state-of-the-art equipment and technology to enable us to provide more contemporary, more efficient and more effective care to the citizens of the community. I thank you for that. I am proud to be the mouthpiece of EMS, but a lot of things go on behind the scenes where the rubber meets the road, and the people that do the real work.

"And some of them are here today, and I want to acknowledge them, obviously out doing things. If you get an opportunity and your schedule allows, I would like you to go downstairs today. Our group is set up in front of the courthouse with a lot of their equipment and stuff, doing blood pressure checks. If you have that opportunity, please drop by. And with that, I would like to introduce the first guest, Jennifer and Brooke Strohm to share their story with you and let you know, better articulate what EMS is really about."

Chairman Norton said, "Hi, Jennifer."

Ms. Jennifer Strohm, 129 Spencer Avenue, Haysville, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Hi. Well, in the early morning of January 11, 2012, I was laying in bed and started having some contractions, and they were very inconsistent, so I just kind of timed them. And next thing I know my water broke. I do have three other children and with my water breaking, it was 15 to 20 minutes before the babies arrived. So, I knew I was in trouble. So I got my husband up, and I said, you know, we have to go, and he kept asking me should I call the ambulance. I said no, no, just get me to the hospital, it's fine. On the way there, the contractions started getting faster and harder. He said I'm calling an ambulance. I said okay.

"They picked us up on I[nterstate]-35 and 47th Street, on the side of the road, and the girl got me loaded up and got us on our way. On the way there, it was probably two minutes from the hospital when she decided to make her appearance, right off of Hillside and Douglas. She just couldn't wait. So we had her, of course, in the back of ambulance. Her name is Brooklyn Amber. Amber from ambulance. She was born at 5:22 [a.m.] in the morning, 7 pounds, 15 ounces. The girls that were there were amazing. I did not know at the time that this was their first delivery. They had never delivered a baby before, I would have never known that at the time. They stayed right by my side the entire time. Jessica was one of them, she carried Brooklyn into the hospital. Bobby was the other and she stood right by my side, talked me through it, just made sure that I was comfortable and that I knew everything was going to be okay. They were amazing. Through a couple of friends we got to meet them later on, took pictures with them, we took them goodies, and I just wanted to say thank you for having such amazing, talented, wonderful people on the EMS team. It was great. It was a good experience, scary, but a good experience."

Chairman Norton said, "Brook looks healthy."

Ms. Strohm said, "Yes. If you want to read her shirt, it does say 'Special delivery by Sedgwick County EMS.' Thank you for your time."

Chairman Norton said, "Thank you, Jennifer. That's a great story, Scott."

Mr. Hadley said, "Yes. And I have one more. I have Mr. Graham Hunt, who had an experience back in June of 2007, and the two folks that provided care to him are also here today. So, Mr. Hunt, if you would like to come up."

Mr. Graham Hunt, Kansas City, Missouri, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Honorable Commissioners, I'm pleased to have this opportunity to thank you for these last five years of my life, because coming up on the 14th of June this year will be the fifth anniversary of my having been dead and come back to life. So we've had birth and death here in this meeting this morning.

Mr. Hunt continued, "I was playing in a golf tournament here in the Wichita area, actually with my brother-in-law who is back here in the audience, Dick Hartwell, and I was staying in the [The Inn at] Willowbend hotel, as they call it. I can remember vividly it was room five. I was really glad I could remember what room I was in, because rather than call the front desk, realizing that I was in some serious sort of trouble, I called 911 myself. And the lovely lady on the other end of the line, I said, I have a history of cardiac incidents and so I know that I've got a problem.

"She said Mr. Hunt, I want you to know they are already on their way. Within nine minutes they and these two wonderful gentlemen, Travis Ware and Paul Misasi, came in with plenty of help. It looked like an army coming through my bedroom door where I had been alone. I was still conscious, but they took my pulse and first thing I heard was heart rate 290. Well, I knew I was in serious trouble when they said that, because my normal rate is 70. So they cut off my most favorite golf shirt and put the EKG (Electrocardiogram) on me. When they got the EKG on me, it was 240, all the way down to 245. So they put me on the floor, I had been sitting on the corner of the bed. They put me on the floor, and they hit me with the defibrillator. And my heart rate went from 245 to zero, and I flat-lined for 35 seconds.

"And they told me later, after we became friends, that when they walked in the room, they figured I was a goner, so they figured, well, we thought he was a goner when we came in the door, so he probably is. So there's no harm, we'll give him a triple dose and see what happens. So they tell me that that's enough electricity to light a football field for an hour. They also tell me that I came up off the floor about four inches, and the first words out of my mouth were 'Jesus Christ'. And it was all they could do not to ask me if I'd seen him. When I told this story to my friends, I left out the part about the Jesus Christ, I said I came back to life after 35 seconds of death, and they would say gosh, did you see white lights or anything over on the other side? And I said, no, but I saw a bunch of little people running around with long tails and pitchforks. So I am here to thank you for having such a wonderful EMS program in Sedgwick County, because they clearly saved my life. They brought me back from death and I am most appreciative everyday of my life that I'm looking at the grass on the green side. Thank you so very much."

Chairman Norton said, "Thank you, Graham. Wonderful, wonderful story. We're very proud of our EMS system, you know, it is a system. It is a lot of people that are trained in a lot of different protocols, and the system works from 911 dispatch to the

paramedics, and the EMTs (Emergency Medical Technician), all the way through our medical professionals that take over on the other end. I know our people are committed to that system, and have made great strides over the last ten years to make it as complete and certified a system that it could possibly be. Thank you for being here today, Scott."

Mr. Hadley said, "Thank you, Commissioner."

Chairman Norton said, "And thanks to the paramedics and EMTs for the work that they do. Thank you. Seeing nothing else from our Commissioners, so we'll go to the next item, Madam Clerk."

A motion was made by Commissioner Skelton, seconded by Chairman Peterjohn, that this Proclamation(s) be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairman Peterjohn, Commissioner Ranzau, Commissioner Skelton, Commissioner Norton and Commissioner Unruh

Present: 0

DONATIONS

E [12-0376](#)

DONATION TO SEDGWICK COUNTY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE FROM WAL-MART.

Presented by: Scott Hadley, EMS Director.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Accept the donation, and authorize the Chairman to sign a letter of appreciation.

Mr. Hadley said, "You have before you for consideration a donation in the amount of \$500 from the Walmart neighborhood market located at 4794 East 13th Street. As the Commission knows, Walmart has a long-standing history of a public-private partnership, and more specifically supporting EMS and the EMS bike medic team. This \$500 will go to that specific team to make sure we're updated with the latest equipment and we have what we need. You will see the bike team in action here in a couple weeks at the Wichita River Festival at several events. That really augments the service we deliver here in the community. Enables us to get in large congregations of people, being able to navigate around very quickly, more quickly than an ambulance can get down in that particular area. So they have really been a godsend for us to be able to go down and help people in their time of need in those types of situations. So I recommend that you accept the donation, authorize the Chairman to sign the appropriate paperwork. I will be happy to answer any questions."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioners, you have heard the presentation. What is the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner Skelton moved to accept the donation, and authorize the Chairman to sign a letter of appreciation.

Commissioner Peterjohn seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

<i>Commissioner Unruh</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Peterjohn</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Ranzau</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Skelton</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Chairman Norton</i>	<i>Aye</i>

Chairman Norton said, "And Commissioner Peterjohn."

Commissioner Peterjohn said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I was just going to hasten to add that you mentioned the east side [Walmart Neighborhood] Market, the Walmart has. I was going to mention that they have one on the west side at Central and Maize. And frankly, I am delighted to see the additions in terms of taxable assessed value here in Sedgwick County. Anything we can do to have some growth in the community, and frankly glad to see increased competition and whether it's groceries or other products that they sell there. I just, when I look at how bread prices have gone up in the last few years and milk prices, too, the more competition, and the more choices that people have, the better. I want to commend Walmart not only for this contribution, but for being a good corporate citizen."

Mr. Hadley said, "Yes, sir. And the one out west did donate last year about \$1,000 to the EMS bike medic team."

Commissioner Peterjohn said, "I think that's excellent to note too, thank you."

Mr. Hadley said, "Thank you."

Chairman Norton said, "Thank you, Scott. Madam Clerk, call the next item."

A motion was made by Commissioner Skelton, seconded by Chairman Peterjohn, that this Donation(s) be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairman Peterjohn, Commissioner Ranzau, Commissioner Skelton, Commissioner Norton and Commissioner Unruh

Present: 0

CITIZEN INQUIRIES

F [12-0387](#)

REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGARDING HER CHILDEN BEING TAKEN OUT OF HER HOME.

Presented by: Marie Curtis, Wichita.

RECOMMEND ACTION: Receive and file.

Chairman Norton said, "Please state your name and address for the record."

Ms. Marie Curtis, 3324 Roseberry, Wichita, greeted the Commissioners and said, "The topic is child custody. My children was taken from me in June of 2000. I even got an unsubstantiated letter, which came in the mail at my dad's August of 2000, which that should have been, my children should have been released to me immediately. However, that didn't happen. By September of 2000, Youthville almost killed my son, Dominick [inaudible], by not giving the children's home the information on his bicuspid aortic valve. Which means the flap on the valve is either enlarged or too small, which allows blood to seep through. And without antibiotics, before going and getting his dental checkup and cleaning, and not having antibiotics could cause an infection, which could cause infection of the heart, which could have killed him. However, my rights were taken on them, I had two more children and SRS (Social and Rehabilitation Services) did not give me any reason to why they had taken them, but other than it wasn't fair to my three older children.

"And I'm here to talk today about my 18-year-old which now they are not releasing, and her name is Meka Colvin, and I had requested for visitations, and yesterday I got denied on that. I do not understand, because they did not give me a reason. The children should not be taken from their homes on an unsubstantiated report. They end up in gangs, prison, group homes, mental institutions and some of them commit suicide. And all I want is for Youthville and SRS to be investigated for their actions in not letting these children come home when they should come home. Also, people that make the reports into SRS also should be investigated because a lot of them are just vindictive people that want to get even with somebody. Instead they call in on you to get even with you on your children. I think that's basically all I have to say on that subject."

Chairman Norton said, "Okay. Thank you, Marie. I don't know that we'll take any action today, but we'll receive and file your statement and make sure it's part of the record. Commissioner Ranzau."

MOTION

Commissioner Ranzau moved to receive and file.

Commissioner Peterjohn seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

<i>Commissioner Unruh</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Peterjohn</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Ranzau</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Skelton</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Chairman Norton</i>	<i>Aye</i>

Chairman Norton said, "Thank you, Marie."

Ms. Curtis said, "Thank you."

Chairman Norton said, "Next item."

A motion was made by Commissioner Ranzau, seconded by Chairman Peterjohn, that this Receive and File be Received and Filed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairman Peterjohn, Commissioner Ranzau, Commissioner Skelton, Commissioner Norton and Commissioner Unruh

Present: 0

NEW BUSINESS

G [12-0324](#)

CONSIDERATION OF A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$12,160 FOR THE KANSAS JUVENILE JUSTICE AUTHORITY (JJA) TITLE V GRANT.

Presented by: Mark Masterson, Director, Department of Corrections.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the application for the grant, and if awarded authorize acceptance of the grant and the establishment of budget authority as provided in the Financial Considerations section of this Request.

Mr. Mark Masterson, Director, Department of Corrections, greeted the Commissioners and said, "This morning I'm here to present for your approval a Title V federal grant application to the Kansas Juvenile Justice Authority on behalf of Episcopal Social Services Venture House. Title V [grant] is a federally funded initiative to assist local communities with juvenile delinquency prevention efforts. Applications are only accepted from local units of government, but non-profit organizations can be designated as a sub-applicant. This Title V grant is to continue the family component of the Episcopal Social Services Aggression Replacement Training program in Wichita/Sedgwick County. The program incorporates an evidence based curriculum and targets youth between the ages of 12 and 17 who are at risk for juvenile delinquency.

"The funding request is \$12,160, which will allow Episcopal Social Services to serve approximately 25 families between now and the end of the grant period which is September 30, 2013. The agency will provide a 50 percent cash match of \$6,080, and an additional amount of \$465, for a total program budget of \$18,705. There's no financial obligation of the county being asked for in this application. Your corrections advisory board approved the application on April 6th. They felt this program was well aligned with the local strategic plan for juvenile delinquency prevention.

Mr. Masterson continued, "I would like to mention that we have the Executive Director, Barbara Andres in the audience and Carolyn West, who works directly with this program in case you have any questions about the program. Be happy to answer any questions."

Chairman Norton said, "Thank you, Mark. Commissioners, you have heard the presentation. What is the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner Skelton moved to approve the application for the grant, and if awarded authorize acceptance of the grant and the establishment of budget authority as provided in the Financial Considerations section of this Request.

Commissioner Unruh seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

<i>Commissioner Unruh</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Peterjohn</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Ranzau</i>	<i>No</i>
<i>Commissioner Skelton</i>	<i>Aye</i>

Chairman Norton Aye

Mr. Masterson said, "Thank you."

Chairman Norton said, "Thank you, Mark. Next item."

A motion was made by Commissioner Skelton, seconded by Commissioner Unruh, that this Grant Application be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairman Peterjohn, Commissioner Ranzau, Commissioner Skelton, Commissioner Norton and Commissioner Unruh

Present: 0

H [12-0344](#)

SETTING OF THE HEARING DATE FOR THE POSTANNEXATION HEARING FOR THE CITY OF VALLEY CENTER.

Presented by: Robert W. Parnacott, Assistant County Counselor.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the notice of hearing.

VISUAL PRESENTATION

Mr. Robert W. Parnacott, Assistant County Counselor, greeted the Commissioners and said, "We have one of our post annexation hearings that we have to hold five years after annexation by a city where they were required to provide a service plan. This is for the City of Valley Center, who had an annexation in 2007.

"The map up on the screen shows you the approximately 30 parcels involved. There were some over at 93rd [Street] and Seneca, both south and north of that area, and then a small group at 89th and West, the rest were 81st Street and to the west of West Street. Out of the 30 notices we sent to the landowners to bring information prior to the hearing date, we had two responses and there was only one substantive service issue raised, there was a question about the maintenance of 81st Street North. 81st Street North is partially in the unincorporated area, partially in the city, the city annexed part of 81st Street North in 2009, which is kind of in the middle of the annexation review period. So this will all be more, gone into more detail on June 27th, which is the recommended date for the hearing. And that's what we're asking you to do today, is approve the notice of hearing for June 27, 2012. If you have any questions, I would be more than happy to answer them."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner Ranzau."

Commissioner Ranzau said, "I just have one question. This service plan that we have here, two pages, right? Is this..."

Mr. Parnacott said, "The excerpt that's in the backup is approximately two pages. The service plan is larger than that, but those are, if you boil it down, this is really the service plan. The rest of it is some additional information, copies of statutes, various things that don't really directly address the service issue. So, this is the service plan that was provided to us by Valley Center."

Commissioner Ranzau said, "I would like a copy of the actual service plan."

Mr. Parnacott said, "I can provide you a copy of the full plan, sure."

Commissioner Ranzau said, "Okay, thank you."

MOTION

Commissioner Ranzau moved to approve the notice of hearing for June 27, 2012.

Commissioner Skelton seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner Unruh *Aye*
Commissioner Peterjohn *Aye*
Commissioner Ranzau *Aye*
Commissioner Skelton *Aye*
Chairman Norton *Aye*

Chairman Norton said, "Thank you, Bob. Next item."

I [12-0392](#)

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF BIDS AND CONTRACTS' REGULAR MEETING ON
MAY 17, 2012.

Presented by: Joe Thomas, Acting Director, Purchasing Department.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the recommendations of the Board of Bids and
Contracts.

*Mr. Joe Thomas, Acting Director, Purchasing Department, greeted the Commissioners
and said, "The meeting of the Board of Bids and Contracts of May 17th results in two
items for your consideration this morning. Item 1;*

1. MEDICAL TRAILER AND SUPPLIES -SEDGWICK COUNTY HEALTH
DEPARTMENT
FUNDING -MMRS KANSAS HIGHWAY PATROL GRANT

*"The recommendation is to accept the bid from EMS Innovations, option number two,
in the amount of \$120,854.75. Item 2;*

2. LARGE INTERMEDIATE 4-DOOR SEDANS --FLEET MANAGEMENT
FUNDING --FLEET MANAGEMENT

*"Recommendation to accept the low bid from Ed Bozarth Chevrolet Buick GMC, in the
amount of \$90,611.50.*

*"I would be happy to answer questions, and I do recommend approval of these two
items."*

*Chairman Norton said, "Commissioners, you've heard the report of the Board of Bids
and Contracts. What is the will of the Board?"*

MOTION

*Commissioner Skelton moved to approve the recommendations of the Board of Bids
and Contracts.*

Commissioner Ranzau seconded the motion.

*Chairman Norton said, "We have a motion and a second. Any other discussion?
Commissioner Peterjohn."*

*Commissioner Peterjohn said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. On this second item, I would
just point out that the lowest bid we've got, this is an ongoing issue, is for a dealership
out of town. I am going to be supportive of this motion today, because the price
differential is so significant. But I still think this is an issue we need to address, but
when you get to a point where this case on a per unit basis it's over \$2,000 per vehicle,
we've got to be responsible to the taxpayers and take this bid. But I still think we had
a situation a couple weeks ago where it was a very small amount, and this is an area
where I continue to be concerned. And I wanted to share that with my colleagues this
morning. Thank you."*

Chairman Norton said, "Okay. Commissioner Skelton."

Commissioner Skelton said, "I also, I'll just follow up on that. You know, when we're

talking about supporting local businesses, and instances where we have small, minute price differential, we wanted to try to examine the possibility of using our local supplier versus an out of town. I don't know if the Manager would have any comments on that or what would happen in the future, if we were going to talk about it at staff meeting, et cetera."

Mr. William P. Buchanan, County Manager greeted the Commissioners and said, "We are, Mr. Thomas has prepared a presentation and we've reviewed it. I think we'll be ready to talk about that next Tuesday's staff meeting."

Mr. Thomas said, "Yes, sir."

Commissioner Skelton said, "Good. Thank you, sir."

Chairman Norton said, "Okay, good. We have a motion on the floor is that correct? Okay, Madam Clerk, call the vote."

VOTE

<i>Commissioner Unruh</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Peterjohn</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Ranzau</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Skelton</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Chairman Norton</i>	<i>Aye</i>

Mr. Thomas said, "Thank you, sirs."

Chairman Norton said, "Thank you, Joe. Next item."

A motion was made by Commissioner Skelton, seconded by Commissioner Ranzau, that this Board of Bids and Contracts be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairman Peterjohn, Commissioner Ranzau, Commissioner Skelton, Commissioner Norton and Commissioner Unruh

Present: 0

CONSENT

- J** [12-0359](#) Addition of a Peer Support Specialist Position for COMCARE's Homeless Program.
- K** [12-0369](#) Contract Amendment with Absolute Home Health Care, Inc.
- L** **12-0378** Order dated 05/10/2012 to correct tax roll for change of assessment.

M [11-1297](#)

General Bill Check Register.

Mr. Buchanan said, "Commissioners, you have the Consent Agenda before you and I would recommend you approve it."

MOTION

Commissioner Skelton moved to approve the Consent Agenda.

Commissioner Peterjohn seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

<i>Commissioner Unruh</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Peterjohn</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Ranzau</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Skelton</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Chairman Norton</i>	<i>Aye</i>

A motion was made by Commissioner Skelton, seconded by Chairman Peterjohn, that this Consent be Adopt the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairman Peterjohn, Commissioner Ranzau, Commissioner Skelton, Commissioner Norton and Commissioner Unruh

Present: 0

OTHER

Chairman Norton said, "It's now time for 'other', is there anything other to come before us today? Commissioner Peterjohn."

Commissioner Peterjohn said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I want to provide my weekly update on the number of folks in Sedgwick County Jail. This morning there were 1,504 people who were in the Sheriff's custody, and of those, 1,075 were in the main detention facility, 119 were in Work Release, and 310 were out of county. The breakdown of these by the security classification that the Sheriff has established is maximum security, 538; medium, 594; and minimum, 331. What's interesting to me, and focused in if you take the maximum and medium, we begin to exceed the capacity of the jail, and that hadn't been the case for a while back.

"On a much lighter note, I would like to point out the fact that anyone who is watching this at the moment, or following it, we do have the Emergency Medical System demonstration out in front of the new county courthouse downtown, if people want to get their blood pressure checked or see EMS in operation, this a great opportunity to come on down and do so. I think it is a good opportunity to get better understanding of how the EMS system works here in the county.

"I would also like to point out the fact that there is an awful lot going on with Memorial Day weekend coming up in front of us. But, you know, last weekend we got an awful lot going on in this community. Whether it's events like, we talked about earlier, we've got the upcoming Exploration Place event with Star Wars, but last weekend we had a Hank Williams concert at the Intrust Bank Arena, Wichita Wild [Football] had a last-minute comeback victory out at Hartman Arena, you had the Wichita Wing Nuts open up their season, we had Rib Fest down at the Intrust Bank Arena, WSU [Wichita State University] baseball and softball. You know, there is an awful lot going on in this community and I think that speaks well for everything here. And I wanted to point this out, because as we go into, I think always a somber holiday on Monday with Memorial Day, and also kind of the unofficial kickoff to summer as school lets out, I think it is important for us to look at everything in our community, count our blessings, and look at our challenges, and frankly get out and enjoy some of this wonderful spring weather."

Chairman Norton said, "Okay. I don't see any other lights. I would remind the public that we are deep into our budget deliberations, we've had meetings this week, have started that process. Generally we start the process in June, but we started pretty early this year, back in February with our retreat, and have really taken seriously our charge to figure out how to manage the finances of the county this year. We are deep into that. There will be announcements of public hearings, where the public can come and talk to the budget and weigh in on the numbers. A lot of that will be on the website eventually so people can see what the budget looks like. Where we're looking to spend money and how we'll finish up the budget for this year.

"So I wanted to make sure we know that. Commissioners, we're also going to need an Executive Session today. So at this point I would entertain a motion."

MOTION

Commissioner Skelton moved that the Board of County Commissioners recess into Executive Session for 10 minutes to consider consultation with Legal Counsel on matters privileged in the attorney-client relationship relating to legal advice and that the

Board of County Commissioners return to this room from Executive Session no sooner than 10:05 a.m.

Commissioner Unruh seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

<i>Commissioner Unruh</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Peterjohn</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Ranzau</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Skelton</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Chairman Norton</i>	<i>Aye</i>

The Board of County Commissioners recessed into Executive Session at 9:54 a.m. and returned at 10:08 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Norton said, "We're now back from Executive Session. According to state statute we took no binding action while in Executive Session. Is there anything else to come before us, Mr. Counselor?"

Mr. Euson said, "No, sir."

Chairman Norton said, "Mr. Manager?"

Mr. Buchanan said, "No, sir."

Chairman Norton said, "Having that, we're now adjourned."

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 10:08 a.m.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS

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Fifth District*

ATTEST:

Kelly B. Arnold, County Clerk

APPROVED:
