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## Meeting Minutes

**Wednesday, June 8, 2016**

**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 9:03 a.m. on June 8, 2016 in the County Commission Meeting Room in the Courthouse in Wichita, Kansas, by Chairman James M. Howell, with the following present: Chair Pro-Tem Commissioner Richard Ranzau; Commissioner David Unruh; Commissioner Tim Norton; Commissioner Karl Peterjohn; Mr. Michael Scholes, County Manager; Mr. Eric Yost, County Counselor; Mr. David Spears, Director, Bureau of Public Works; Mr. Scott Knebel, Metropolitan Area Planning Department; Ms. Susan Erlenwein, Director Environmental Resources; Ms. Lorien Showalter, Senior Budget Analyst; Ms. Jill Tinsley, Communications; Ms. Laura Billups, Deputy County Clerk.*

*Guests:*

*Mr. Jim Hanni, Executive Vice President Public Affairs  
Colonel Richard Powell, Sheriff Office*

**INVOCATION: Reverend Godfrey Patterson, St. Paul African Methodist  
Episcopal Church.**

**FLAG SALUTE**

**ROLL CALL**

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

**PUBLIC INFORMATION ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PUBLIC AGENDA**

**CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES**

**Approved**

**A** [16-369](#) REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 11, 2016.  
All Commissioners were present.

*Chairman Howell said, "Commissioners, what's the will of the Board?"*

**MOTION**

*Commissioner Ranzau moved to approve the regular minutes of May 11, 2016.*

*Commissioner Peterjohn seconded the motion.*

*There was no further discussion and the vote was called.*

**VOTE**

Commissioner Unruh Aye  
Commissioner Norton Aye  
Commissioner Peterjohn Aye  
Commissioner Ranzau Aye  
Chairman Howell Aye

*Chairman Howell said, "Next item please."*

**Approved**

## **APPOINTMENTS**

**B** [16-361](#) RESOLUTION APPOINTING TONYA BUCKINGHAM (BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSION APPOINTMENT) TO THE ALTERNATE ELECTED OFFICIAL POSITION OF THE SEDGWICK COUNTY GRIEVANCE BOARD.  
Presented by: Eric Yost, County Counselor.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt the Resolution.

**C** [16-358](#) RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING SUSAN ERLENWEIN (BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSION REAPPOINTMENT) TO THE DEPARTMENT HEAD POSITION OF THE SEDGWICK COUNTY GRIEVANCE BOARD.  
Presented by: Eric Yost, County Counselor.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt the Resolution.

*Mr. Eric Yost, County Counselor greeted the Commissioners and said, "Mr. Chairman, actually Items B and C and appointments to that Grievance Board. Item B is the appointment of Tonya Buckingham to the Alternate Elected Official position and Item C is the appointment of Susan Erlenwein to the Department Head position. The paperwork all appears to be in order, and I would urge adoption of these two resolutions."*

*Chairman Howell said, "Thank you. What's the will of the Board?"*

**MOTION**

*Commissioner Ranzau moved to adopt the resolutions for Item B and C.*

*Commissioner Peterjohn seconded the motion.*

*There was no further discussion and the vote was called.*

**VOTE**

Commissioner Unruh Aye  
Commissioner Norton Aye  
Commissioner Peterjohn Aye  
Commissioner Ranzau Aye  
Chairman Howell Aye

*Chairman Howell said, "Just a question, do we need to swear them in or any type*

of..."

*Mr. Yost said, "Not yet. I don't know if there is any indication they're going to be here for that."*

*Chairman Howell said, "We'll go onto the next item then."*

**Adopted**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**D      [16-365](#)**

**AAA KANSAS COMMUNITY TRAFFIC SAFETY AWARD**

**PRESENTATION.**

*Presented by: Jim Hanni, Executive Vice President of Public Affairs,  
AAA Allied Group.*

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Recieve and file.

*Mr. Jim Hanni, Executive Vice President Public Affairs greeted the Commissioners and said, "Appreciate the opportunity to be here to present this award again. First, I'd like to recognize the Kansas Department of Transportation who plays a critical role in our award program. They help us identify possibly deserving traffic safety Police Departments and Sheriff Departments around the State of Kansas, and then they make application for the award. So without the Kansas Department of Transportation, Troy Wells here representing them today, the program would not be possible. So I really appreciate KDOT (Kansas Department of Transportation) in this.*

*"It marks the third year in a row that the Sedgwick County Sheriff is qualified for a AAA (American Automobile Association) Traffic Safety Award. They've done so by obtaining and using community input from a Traffic Safety Committee comprised of multiple organizations that meet bi-monthly to identify traffic safety problems and formulate solutions.*

*"They're also recognized for their support and participation of a highly successful Kansas Seatbelt program called SAFE (Seatbelts Are For Everyone). They operate this in Valley Center, Derby, Goddard and Cheney schools very successfully. Also for the work they did with the media for Selective Enforcement and for the education work they do with the DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program and with the Senior Centers, with the Anti-bullying Program. And they're also being recognized for their Emergency Medical Services work with their Traffic Incident Management Program and also for their high visibility enforcement efforts with the DUI (Driving Under the Influence) check lanes, the saturation patrols, Cops On Rails, Nighttime Seatbelt Enforcement, Click It Or Ticket and special traffic enforcement efforts.*

*"In engineering, they're also recognized for that work with County Engineers for traffic flow and control. They are only one of nine Sheriff Departments in the State of Kansas to qualify for a Traffic Safety Award, so it's a real pleasure. I want to thank, First, Lieutenant Randy Cole, who did a fine job on their application, and it's a real pleasure for me to be able to present the award this morning to Colonel Richard Powell on behalf of the men and women of the Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office."*

*Colonel Richard Powell, Sedgwick County Sheriff greeted the Commissioners and said, "On behalf of Sheriff Jeff Easter and the women and men of the Sheriff's Office, we certainly do appreciate the recognition received by the AAA organization. Without fail, without all of the partners we have, the relationships we have and the various stakeholders in the program all make this really successful on a regular, ongoing*

basis. It's always a privilege certainly to be recognized, but at the same time, we recognize in the field that even though we hate to tell people that you have to wear your seatbelts, you have to pay attention of the rules of the roadway and things like that, the bottom line is we save lives, and that's what it's all about, and again, without our partners, without the, honestly, some of the funding that we receive for these programs and the diligence of our staff, that's what makes these things possible, so we thank, again, the organization and thank you for your support, Commissioners, also."

Chairman Howell said, "Thank you. I think we have some comments or questions from Commissioners, so thank you for your comments, Colonel Powell. I'll recognize Commissioner Peterjohn."

Commissioner Peterjohn thanked the Chairman and said, "I certainly want to commend AAA, the Sheriff's Office and KDOT and am delighted to be able to be in a position where we received this award."

**MOTION**

Commissioner Peterjohn moved to receive and file the AAA Kansas Community Traffic Safety Award.

Commissioner Ranzau seconded the motion.

Chairman Howell said, "We have a motion and a second. Any other comments? Before we vote, I just wanted to say I'm really proud of our Sheriffs' Department, I think they're the best of the best of the best. I love what they do. They are, I think, some of the best people in this community. They do a fantastic job. I've had a chance to ride with them earlier this year. I spent a shift with them and just saw the professionalism that they use. They're very brave. They do things that I wouldn't want to do. I saw them in action. I'm just really proud of the folks that we have in our Sheriff's Department especially today. So thank you for the recognition this morning, and with that, we have a motion and a second. Any other comments?"  
There was no further discussion and the vote was called.

**VOTE**

Commissioner Unruh Aye  
Commissioner Norton Aye  
Commissioner Peterjohn Aye  
Commissioner Ranzau Aye  
Chairman Howell Aye

Chairman Howell said, "Mr. Hanni has something else."

Mr. Hanni said, "I wanted to thank you all for the support and leadership that you provide them, because we see that happening with departments around the state. It's really important, and you should be recognized as well. We appreciate that."

Chairman Howell said, "Thank you. Madam Clerk, next item, please."

**Received and Filed**

**E** [16-359](#)

ZON2016-17 - ZONE CHANGE FROM GC GENERAL COMMERCIAL TO RR RURAL RESIDENTIAL ON PROPERTY LOCATED SOUTH OF WEST 39TH STREET SOUTH AND EAST OF LAKE AFTON (DISTRICT 3).

Presented by: Scott Knebel, Metropolitan Area Planning Department.

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**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Adopt the findings of the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission (MAPC) and approve the zone change; authorize the Chairman to sign the resolution and authorize the resolution to be published.

*Mr. Scott Knebel, Metropolitan Area Planning Department greeted the Commissioners and said, "The item before you today is a zone change request from general commercial with protective overlay 160 to Rural Residential on a 7.44 acre unplatte tract located south of 39th Street immediately east of the Lake Afton Park and south of the Law Enforcement Firearms Training Facility. It's highlighted in blue with the arrow pointing to it on the map in the pink color. All of the surrounding properties were also zoned rural residential, which is the requested zoning classification. The property has been used in the past as a restaurant and event center. That business is no longer in place, and the new owners are using it as their personal residence and were requesting zoning to match that.*

*"You can see the aerial. The building is located in the northwest corner of the site. Most of the site is a large rural lot. The area is outside any of the urban growth areas of any of the cities in the area. The nearest being Garden Plain and Goddard. The structure itself, as nobody would be surprised by looking at this picture, the business that was located there was called The Red Barn, which is what it is.*

*"This is the Firearms Training Facility located immediately across 39th Street to the north. There's the sign for the business that's still in place. This is the types of residential uses that are in the area, large lots, single family homes, and then Lake Afton located west of the site.*

*"The request was heard by the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission May 5th. They voted 13-0 to recommend approval of the request. The recommended action for the Board of County Commissioners is to adopt the findings of the MAPC (Metropolitan Area Planning Commission) and approve the zone change, authorize the Chairman to sign the zoning resolution and then authorize publication of that resolution once it's signed. With that, I'll take any questions you have."*

*Chairman Howell said, "All right. We do have some questions. Commissioner Peterjohn."*

#### MOTION

*Commissioner Peterjohn moved to adopt the findings of the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission.*

*Commissioner Norton seconded the motion.*

*Chairman Howell said, "Before we get to voting, I do want to ask, is there anybody from the public that would like to speak on this agenda item? Seeing none, I just have one comment. I did look up the tax situation yesterday on this property. It looks to me like it is still being classified as a commercial property even though it's being used as a residential property. I understand that commercial property has the option to be used as residential property, so there is no problem to do that. I think our Appraisers Office ought to be classifying these properties on how they're being utilized, not necessarily on how they're previously zoned. So I don't know that this is a necessary action. I'll certainly support it, but I am afraid down the road that this action may limit the opportunities for this family, whoever the current owner is, limits their opportunities down the road in terms of sale ability."*

*"I think we're reducing the value of this because it has less ways the property can be used once this is done. The owners requested this, so I would like to certainly support that, but I don't know that it's necessary to change the tax classification from the general commercial to residential. Anyway, I understand that this is the intent to lower the tax rate, and this will certainly get that done."*

*There being no further discussion a vote was called.*

**VOTE**

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

*Chairman Howell said, "Madam Clerk, next item, please."*

**Adopted**

**F 16-310** CONTRACT FOR A HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE REMOTE COLLECTION EVENT ON JUNE 11, 2016 FOR TEXTRON AVIATION/BEECHCRAFT DIVISION, KANSAS.  
Presented by: Susan Erlenwein, Director, Environmental Resources.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Approve the contract.

*Ms. Susan Erlenwein, Director Environmental Resources greeted the Commission and said, "Sedgwick County has a Household Hazardous Waste Facility located at 801 Stilwell. This is a place where citizens can take unwanted oils, paints, gasoline, fluorescent bulbs, even old medications as long as they're not a controlled substance. We try to make this convenient to people. But it's open Tuesday through Friday 9 [a.m.] to 5 [p.m.] and Saturday 9 [a.m.] to 3 [p.m.]. In order to better serve our community, we also have remote household hazardous waste collection events. Our next one is this Saturday at Textron Beechcraft parking lot E located on the south side of Central, approximately halfway between Webb and Greenwich roads.*

*"The event will run from 9 a.m. To 1 p.m. This Saturday. So we encourage people to take their unwanted household hazardous waste there. If you have any questions on what you can or cannot bring, you can visit our Sedgwick County website at [www.sedgwickcounty.org](http://www.sedgwickcounty.org) or call 660-7464 to help answer any of your questions. Textron Beechcraft has approved the contract before you. I recommend your approval and for the Chairman to sign, and I'll be happy to answer any questions."*

*Chairman Howell said, "Thank you. Thank you Director Erlenwein. Any comments or questions from Commissioners. Commissioner Peterjohn."*

*Commissioner Peterjohn thanked the Chairman and said, "When you said that people can bring certain prescription medicines, except those that are controlled substances, could you go into a little bit more detail? Most prescription medicines, if they've got outdated medicines, in most cases, they could turn it in?"*

*Ms. Erlenwein said, "Usually it's the pain controlled medicines, Lortab, Oxycodone. Those are the controlled ones that right now you need a handwritten prescription to take to the pharmacy to get those filled. Those are the ones we cannot take. But the regular over the counter and normal prescription medicines we can take at the remotes."*

*Commissioner Peterjohn said, "They should be disposed that way?"*

*Ms. Erlenwein said, "Yes."*

*Chairman Howell said, "Any other comments or questions? Commissioners what's the will of the Board?"*

**MOTION**

*Commissioner Unruh moved to approve the contract.*

*Commissioner Peterjohn seconded the motion.*

*There was no further discussion and the vote was called.*

**VOTE**

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

*Chairman Howell said, "Thank you, Madam Clerk, next item, please."*

**Approved**

**G      16-312**      ADOPTION OF THE JUNE 2016 SEDGWICK COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE.  
Presented by: Susan Erlenwein, Director, Environmental Resources.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Approve the annual update for submission to Kansas Department of Health and Environment.

**VISUAL PRESENTATION**

*Ms. Erlenwein said, "The Kansas Department of Health and Environment requires that the county update their Solid Waste Plan every year. This update includes data from the previous year pertaining to solid waste and also any policy changes or program changes that have occurred. The state requires that we give them information on who collects the trash in our community. Right now we have 18 businesses that collect trash in Sedgwick County. Fifteen of those collect at the curbside, and there are three others that do special projects such as junk cleanouts. So we have that listed, the haulers in table one in the plan update.*

*"The state also requires information on the municipal solid waste disposal, which is a polite way of saying trash. We have the numbers for how much was generated in 2015. There are two privately owned transfer stations that receive this trash and we collected over 392,000 tons in the last year. This is a slight increase from the previous year. You can see from this graph that overall there has been a general downward trend since 2012 and a slight increase since 2014. So it's good that we're cutting back on the amount of trash.*

*"The State requires that we give a pounds per person per day number, so we use the estimated census numbers for each year, and again, a slight increase from 2015 to 2014 at 4.29 pounds per person per day, which is below the national average, so again, we have a downward trend, and it's looking good.*

*"Citizens can manage the grass clippings many ways. They can bag it and take it out to the trash. They can mulch mow, they can compost at home or they can take it to a couple of compost facilities located in our community. We have two large compost facilities, Brooks Landfill and Evergreen Recycling, and they receive yard waste from the community, turn it into mulch, and that's available for citizens at Evergreen [Recycling] to pick up for a fee.*

*"Some small cities also have compost sites. There are seven cities in our county that actually have sites that citizens can bring the material or can be composted, and the citizens can pick it up again. So that's ongoing. Also on recycling, there are four main recycling facilities that receive recycled material from the drop off bins that you might see at Dillon's or other grocery stores like Leekers, or are working with businesses to collect recycling. We got the number from those facilities, that it's over 46,000 tons of recycled material processed in 2015. Looking at that trend, that is down from 2014, and nationally, recycling was down last year. Commodity markets were down for*

recycling, and it looks like it's been a national trend. What I can say is I've talked to the recycling facilities the beginning of this year, and they're saying the numbers are up from last year. So it looks like it is turning around.

"The State requires information on specific wastes that might be handled differently from regular trash. One of those wastes is the household hazardous waste. At our facility at 801 Stilwell, we received over 1,196,000 pounds of material in 2015. We received that from over 23,000 participants coming to the facility. So we're quite pleased with the amount of people who come to get rid of their household hazardous waste properly.

"We also participate in the drug take-back day where we can receive those controlled drugs at our facility because we have Sheriff's Officers there to monitor the drugs coming in. We also work with businesses that generate a small amount of hazardous waste. They can take advantage of our lower disposal costs that we've received through our RFP (Request for Proposal) bid process, and we worked with 283 businesses last year to help them properly dispose of waste material. And we have the swap shop at our facility, and this is where people can come in and pick up material that other residents have brought in that's still in good condition. You can read the label. So these products can be taken off the shelf and taken to their home. What's good about this is those residents save money by not buying the product and the county is saving money by not having to dispose of it. Last year we saved over \$98,000 through our swap area and saved disposal fees.

"We have the remote system, the one I just mentioned, coming up this Saturday. Last year we had the five remotes at Textron Beechcraft, Hayesville, Extension Office, Maize and Derby, and you can see we received over 232,000 pounds from over 1,000 participants, so we're quite pleased with the response we're getting to those remote events.

"The amount of material received at the Household Hazardous Waste Facility is in blue in this graph on the residence. Green is the Swap and Shop customers and their pounds that they take out, and the red is the small businesses. So you see most of our work with the residents coming in and dropping off material. This is the number of customers accordingly. The blues, the HHW (Household Hazardous Waste), the greens, the Swap and Shop customers and the red, the businesses. So it's been pretty constant over time.

"Another specific waste that the State has us look at is construction and demolition materials. This is materials such as drywall, carpeting, shingling, two by fours, and it goes to one of two construction demolition facilities. They've received over 167,000 tons last year. This is a 3.8 percent decrease from 2014. 2014 was much less than 2013, so the amount of construction demolition material has dropped off recently, and that could be due to the economy or fewer number of large projects going on.

"We offer through the county a bulky waste coupon program where citizens can get a coupon to receive free disposal at either of the transfer stations for up to 1,000 pounds of material. Last year we issued over 7,000 of those, and 31 percent were used, which is what we've seen through historic use. People get the coupon, thinking I'm going to use it, but then they don't have the need for it or they can't find a pickup. We normally leave the program on for several months to give people an opportunity to use that program. So we'll continue to do that program in the future.

"We'll also continue to do our Christmas tree recycling. We have 22 sites around the County, 10 of those are in the City of Wichita. Last year we recycled over 3,900 trees. We have a small grinder that can make those into mulch and citizens can pick up mulch free at those locations. We constantly get phone calls with citizens saying is it mulched yet? Can I get the material? So we never have a problem getting rid of this material.

"Something new this year, a special cleanup program we've started. One happened in Oaklawn and Sunview Improvement District. Chairman Howell worked on this with other people to set up a way that the people could take material to the curb. There were a lot of volunteers who would come along and pick up the material and take it to

*dumpsters that were supplied from the county. We also, besides dumpsters, as you can see from the picture there, how the dumpsters were really getting used, we have packer trucks that went along the roads and were filled.*

*"In a week's time, we collected over 276,000 pounds of material from this improvement district area. So it was quite successful. The County helped work on getting rid of this material for those residents. So I think it was a very good success. We're also working with townships to have, like, neighborhood cleanups in the townships. I've had three of those going on in the Salem Township, Minneha Township just contacted me to have clean ups there, so we're working to help get our community in better shape by collecting trash, unwanted sofas, tires, refrigerators, any of those we'll collect through this program. So I think it's turning out to be very successful, and we'll continue this next year.*

*"Also, a special waste thing we'll have, next year, we'll have another waste tire roundup in 2017 to help the public. Something that we all know is important in Sedgwick County is how do we get rid of storm debris? Through high winds, tornadoes or ice storms, we generate tree debris, branches that can be a problem, and people say, what can I do with it? So to be proactive, the county has purchased a tub grinder that we've already used in the City of Goddard in January. They had damage from an ice storm. We went out there and in six hours took care of all of the tree debris that they had collected and mulched it, so it was available for the city to use and for citizens to use.*

*"So we have the tub grinder to take that's portable to help with the storms, and we also have an air curtain burner. In the past, as you can see from the photo on the left, if there was a storm, usually the debris was just burned on the surface. It left a lot of large logs and a lot of ash and plus created a lot of smoke. With a large storm we can now take the air curtain burner, have a trench, burn the material. It meets all the EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) requirements. The state approves of this, so it's not going to affect our ozone levels. It creates very little ash. It burns at a higher temperature, and so it's going to be cheaper for the county in the long run to use this system. And the State requires that we review any permits or grants, and we had none last year, but I just wanted to bring that out. That is one of the responsibilities of the Solid Waste Committee to review those and then it comes to the County Commission.*

*"We also provide public education through giving speeches, luncheons, at schools. We have material that we hand out, and of course, we have our website that gives information, especially our recycling guide is there. So if anyone has questions on where to take material, they can go to [www.sedgwickcounty.org](http://www.sedgwickcounty.org), look under Environmental Resources and determine where material can go.*

*"The solid waste fee is voted on by the County Commissioners by the end of June every year, and last year the fee was lowered from \$6.48 to \$4.88 per year, per residential property. And accordingly, the five tiers of the nonresidential commercial rates were lowered as well last year. And this is your next item on the commission agenda today, is to review the solid waste fee. I'll point out this fee is what funds everything I've just talked about, the household hazardous waste facility, the special cleanup programs and the grinder, all of that funded through this fee, and I recommend that you approve the Solid Waste Plan Update and then we'll send it on to the state, and I'll be happy to answer any questions."*

*Chairman Howell said, "Director Erlenwein, that's a great presentation. I'm sure we have a few comments and questions. So we'll recognize commissioners now. Commissioner Norton."*

*Commissioner Norton thanked the Chairman and said, "Susan, you talked about a tire roundup and e-waste event. Do we have anything planned there? That's always well used by the public, and it certainly cleans up a lot of blighted areas in our community."*

*Ms. Erlenwein said, "That's true. When we had our e-waste event that was before a lot of the local businesses started taking e-waste in, and in one day, we collected*

over a million pounds of e-waste, which was phenomenal. I think I've shown you the photos of trailers of TV's coming in and computers. But since then there are better options. Instead of us having an e-waste event, there is many businesses that take e-waste, and people can go to our website and look at those under computers or televisions and see where those items can be taken in our community.

"But tires are another issue. As you mentioned, that's always been a problem. We will be having a waste tire roundup event next year. We'll plan that out like previous years and work around the schedules to where it would fit them best to have the people bring in the tires. We like to have a day for businesses and governments to come in with the large trucks, and then the other days for residents who were not having trucks and cars and trailers combined in one area. So they are good programs, well received, and we're looking for having that next year."

Chairman Howell said, "Other Commissioners? Commissioner Peterjohn."

#### MOTION

Commissioner Peterjohn moved to make a motion to approve the Annual Update for submission to the Kansas Department of Health and Environment.

Commissioner Ranzau seconded the motion.

Chairman Howell said, "Let me just say, if somebody wants to get one of those coupons, how would they get one?"

Ms. Erlenwein said, "We haven't opened it up yet, but we'll make an announcement. We'll have an ad in the paper, and then what we'll do is people can go online. They can just sign up online and we'll mail the coupon to them. I want people to really notice there is an expiration date on those. It's three months in the future, so they have plenty of time to use that."

Chairman Howell said, "I just wanted to make a comment. We worked very closely together on the Oaklawn Sunview project. It was one that the community initiated the desire to have this. We developed, I guess, a plan. It was unprecedented, I would say. I'd like to recognize our Public Works Director, David Spears as well. He also got involved in this. He was unbelievable. I should say his staff did a tremendous amount of work as well."

"It was an unbelievable response from the community. In fact, I would say if we extended that program a month or two, we probably would have a continuous flow of stuff to pick up, I would imagine. We started all day Friday. It went over the first weekend, the entire following week, and then the following weekend just to pick up the material that we put at the curb. We had literally hundreds of volunteers involved in doing this. Plus some of our Sedgwick County staff had to get involved and also folks to help pick up. It was really overwhelming. Some of the news agencies came out and did a report, unfortunately not a positive report, because we just couldn't pick it up fast enough. So the reality is this community, I think of course, it's in my district, but this community is especially, it's a difficult community for a number of reasons.

"There's a lot of poverty there and a lot of folks that just have limited resources to be able to take care of some of these things. They don't know how to do it. So we stepped in and did this and 267,000 pounds of material being picked up is just unbelievable."

Ms. Erlenwein said, "I would like to say, you mentioned the news report. That was after the first weekend, and that's when we started getting the packer trucks involved after that to make it easier and collect more material, and all of the material was picked up in the end."

Chairman Howell said, "I did drive the neighborhoods a number of times during that week, and I actually got involved personally. I was able to get a lot of volunteers as well. We donated water, we got lunch donated. We also had a local business there, the Bomber Burger that provided many of the meals for some of our volunteers. Give them a shout-out as well, because they donated their food as well. It's just a

tremendous event overall. The Helping Hands Ministry here in town was very much involved as well as the Oaklawn community thrift shop there."

Ms. Erlenwein said, "Clothing and Stuff."

Chairman Howell said, "Clothing and Stuff is the name of the business there, so they offered their parking lot and their location for a place for us to base out of. So just a tremendous amount of volunteer work invested by a lot of people to make this all come together. I just want to say thank you for all you did to make that happen."

Ms. Erlenwein said, "You're welcome."

Chairman Howell said, "Commissioner Peterjohn has other comments."

Commissioner Peterjohn thanked the Chairman and said, "Mr. Chairman was a little bit on the modest side because he played a critical role and was very active in organizing. When you think about picking up over 1,300 tons of debris, but I wanted to also give a shout out, because there were county employees who volunteered their time and did a lot of work. I want to point out one in particular, because she, really her office has nothing to do in this area, and that's our Register of Deeds Tonya Buckingham. She was down there, worked very hard and spent a lot of time doing that."

"If you wanted to come out and meet elected officials, there were several of them on location that day, and Commissioner Howell and our Register of Deeds, Tonya Buckingham, spent a lot of time working on this project and helping make this happen. So I wanted to get that on the record because a Register of Deeds normally they're recording paper and filing documents, and it's a little bit different than your picking up wood debris or tree limbs or physical, manual labor. So I wanted to get that on the record."

Ms. Erlenwein said, "We certainly hope to keep doing those type of projects in the future."

Chairman Howell said, "I think we did have a lot of lessons learned on what worked well and what didn't work well. So I think we have some changes if we do this again. We'll certainly reflect on what we did this time and hopefully make that effort more streamlined in the future hopefully. I would like to just springboard on what Commissioner Peterjohn just said, and that is, our Register of Deeds, Tonya Buckingham, she did not just stand back and serve water. She was out there picking up really bad stuff. I have pictures of her doing that, also her staff. She brought about half of her office out to do that as well. So she was very much involved in this. I'm thankful for her leadership. Commissioners, we have a motion and a second. Any other discussion."

There was no further discussion and the vote was called.

**VOTE**

Commissioner Unruh Aye

Commissioner Norton Aye

Commissioner Peterjohn Aye

Commissioner Ranzau Aye

Chairman Howell Aye

Chairman Howell said, "Thank you, Madam Clerk, next item, please."

**Approved**

**H** 16-348

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING SOLID WASTE FEES FOR 2017.**

Presented by: Lorien Showalter Arie, Senior Budget Analyst.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Adopt the Resolution.

Ms. Lorien Showalter Aire, Senior Budget Analyst greeted the Commissioners and said, "Since 2000, Sedgwick County has imposed solid waste fees, providing partial funding for the programs Susan [Erlenwein] just described for you. State law provides that the County chooses to impose a solid waste fee, it must do so before July 1st, for a fee to be effect for the following calendar year. The action before you today is to impose a Solid Waste fee for 2017. That fee varies according to classifications. Residential property owners paying a fixed amount per dwelling unit and commercial and industrial property owners pay an amount based on their waste generation characteristics for their various particular businesses or parcels of property.

"The resolution is proposed for 2017, suggest a range of fees that are identical to those that were established for 2016. The residential fee is \$4.88. Tier 1 is \$3.44 per parcel. Tier 2 is \$4.58 per parcel. Tier 3 is \$5.73 per parcel. Tier 4 is \$6.87 per parcel. Tier 5, which are the large multi-use properties such as the malls is \$4.58 times the number of business units within that parcel of property. Those fees, once again, are identical to the current fees and they'll be collected through the County's property tax bills. If you have any questions, I'd be happy to answer them. If you don't, I recommend you adopt the resolution that is before you."

Chairman Howell said, "Thank you for the presentation. Commissioners do you have any questions, comments?"

MOTION

Commissioner Ranzau moved to adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Unruh seconded the motion.

Chairman Howell said, "We have a motion and a second. Commissioner Norton." Commissioner Norton thanked the Chairman and said, "Probably more for Susan than Lorien, but where do we stand as far as carryover money and monies that we built up in case of ice storms, the big debris removal, tornadoes, and other events? You know every year we build that up and then lower the amount, and then some years that carry over has been pretty small so we had to increase to raise that up. Where do we stand right now?"

Ms. Erlenwein said, "You might be able to answer that, Lorien, but I will point out the solid waste fee by state regulation can only be used for solid waste. So anything not used in the previous year, you're right, is carried over for future solid waste, and we can draw that down. We also receive funding you through some tipping fee at the transfer stations and licensing of those and the C and D landfills, so we have other income as well."

Ms. Showalter Aire said, "Right now, according to our estimates, the beginning fund balance for 2017 will be \$1.12 million."

Commissioner Norton said, "Do you know if that's consistent with what we've had in the past, where we're at?"

Ms. Showalter Aire said, "Last year we did draw down about \$250,000 in fund balance when we lowered the fees. But with the elimination of the storm debris contingency funded out of the fund balance that was a planned drawdown to bring it down to a little lower level."

Commissioner Norton said, "Thank you, that's all I have."

Chairman Howell said, "Commissioner Peterjohn."

Commissioner Peterjohn thanked the Chairman and said, "Susan mentioned, and this may be a better question for Susan Erlenwein than for you Lorien. We had the event in Goddard earlier this year. I was curious if we have an idea in terms of what sort of county costs were involved with that event, that storm event, storm debris event."

Ms. Erlenwein said, "I did not calculate a cost, but I do know that Public Works staff went out there and spent six hours grinding the material. So less than one day's work on that. That wasn't that bad."

Commissioner Peterjohn said, "Okay. I was going to say, I'll look to our Director of

Public Works, because his group got a positive mention in the last agenda item, and it looks like they're getting another plug on this agenda item."

Chairman Howell said, "Mr. Spears."

Mr. David Spears, Director, Public Works greeted the Commissioners and said, "We have a work order number on that just as we do on any project we do, so we can get that number for you. But it wasn't an extremely high number or anything like that. We just wanted to be there and operate the equipment and make sure it was done right."

Commissioner Peterjohn said, "Have it available for all the communities in the county, and I'm glad it worked out for, in this case, the folks out in Goddard, thank you."

Chairman Howell said, "And on that note, one other follow-up question, do we actually use the air curtain burner out at that event?"

Mr. Spears said, "We haven't used it for a storm event yet, but we have used it for some of our stream bank cleanout to keep it running and make sure it's working properly."

Chairman Howell said, "Since it's kind of a new piece of equipment, I was just wondering if we had any feedback on how great it is."

Mr. Spears said, "Talking to, again, the people from Public Works who have operated the storm debris in the past, and burning it, they are amazed at how little smoke there is, how hot the fire and how little ash is left over. So it is doing a great job."

Chairman Howell said, "Wonderful. It's great to hear that. Thank you. Any other comments from Commissioners, questions? Seeing none, we have a motion and a second. Madam Clerk, please call the vote"

There was no further discussion and the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Unruh Aye  
Commissioner Norton Aye  
Commissioner Peterjohn Aye  
Commissioner Ranzau Aye  
Chairman Howell Aye

Chairman Howell said, "Thank you, Madam Clerk, next item, please."

Adopted

| 16-364 REPORT OF THE BOARD OF BIDS AND CONTRACTS' REGULAR  
MEETING ON JUNE 2, 2016.

Presented by: Joe Thomas, Director, Purchasing Department.

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

Mr. Joe Thomas, Director, Purchasing Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "The meeting of the Board of Bids and Contracts of June 2nd resulted in four items we would like to present to you this morning:

1. COLD IN-PLACE RECYCLING FOR PUBLIC WORKS

"Recommendation is to accept the low bid from Coughlin Company, Inc. in the amount of \$880,743.11.

2. ALL-WHEEL DRIVE, ARTICULATED CENTER, WHEEL LOADER – FLEET  
MANAGEMENT

"Recommendation is to accept the best proposal from Berry Tractor & Equipment Co., in the amount of \$485,090.00 and establish contract pricing for labor, parts and freight for repairs for three years.

3. ON-CALL CARPET SERVICES – FACILITIES DEPARTMENT

"Recommendation is to accept the bid from Harry Street Carpet, LLC at the rates

*listed for one year with two, one year options to renew.*

**4. HVAC SUPPLIES – FACILITIES DEPARTMENT**

*“Recommendation is to the overall low bid from Tri-Dim Filter Corporation and establish contract pricing for one year, with two one year options to renew.*

*“I’ll be happy to answer any questions you may have, and I recommend approval of the items.”*

*Chairman Howell said, “Thank you so much for the presentation. Commissioners, what’s the will of the Board?”*

**MOTION**

*Commissioner Unruh moved to adopt the recommendations of the Board of Bids and Contracts.*

*Commissioner Norton seconded the motion.*

**VOTE**

*Commissioner Unruh Aye*

*Commissioner Norton Aye*

*Commissioner Peterjohn Aye*

*Commissioner Ranzau Aye*

*Chairman Howell Aye*

*Chairman Howell said, “Thank you. Madam Clerk, next item, please.”*

**Approved**

**CONSENT**

**J      [16-354](#)**      Approval of a renewal agreement with Valley Center Lions Club for the Sedgwick County Adopt a Highway Program on Meridian from 61st St North to 69th Street North. District 4.

**K      [16-349](#)**      Agreement Between the Board of County Commissioners and the Kansas Humane Society of Wichita, Inc.

**L      [16-338](#)**      General Bill Check Register for June 1, 2016 to June 7, 2016.

**M      [16-339](#)**      Payroll Check Register for the May 28, 2016 payroll certification.

*Mr. Michael Scholes, County Manager, greeted the Commissioners and said, “I recommend you approve Consent Agenda items Juliet through Mike.”*

**MOTION**

*Commissioner Ranzau moved to approve the Consent Agenda.*

*Commissioner Unruh seconded the motion.*

*Chairman Howell said, “We have a motion and a second. Any discussion? Commissioner Peterjohn.”*

*Commissioner Peterjohn thanked the Chairman and said, “I’m just going to make a note about the fact that one of the items, item K, involves an agreement between the Board of County Commissioners and the Kansas Humane Society so that Woofstock can occur out at Sedgwick County park. It’s an important event and as pet owner,*

*both dogs and cats, it's a wonderful event for the community. I'm glad we're going to be able to host it, and I'll be very supportive of not only the other items on the consent agenda, but item K in particular this morning."*

*There was no further discussion and the vote was called.*

**VOTE**

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

*The Board of County Commissioners recessed into Fire District No. 1 from 9:50 a.m. and returned at 11:37 a.m.*

*Chairman Howell said, "Commissioners any questions or comments. Commissioner Peterjohn."*

*Commissioner Peterjohn thanked the Chairman and said, "I am just going to throw out some comments in terms of the River Festival. It's been a wonderful event, and there's some controversy about moving the date, but considering what the weather would be like, if we held this three weeks ago compared to this week, I'm glad they are holding it in the first week of June instead of in May. Thank you."*

*Chairman Howell said, "Thank you. Any other comments for 'Other' seeing none, Manager, I don't think we have a need for executive session today. Seeing that, any final comments from Commissioners or anyone before we adjourn? All right. Seeing none, we are adjourned."*

**Approved**

**LEGISLATIVE ISSUES**

**OTHER**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**ADJOURNMENT**

*There being no other business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 11:38 a.m.*

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF  
SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS**

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*JAMES M. HOWELL, Chairman  
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*RICHARD RANZAU, Chair Pro Tem  
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*TIM R. NORTON, Commissioner*  
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*KARL PETERJOHN, Commissioner*  
*Third District*

ATTEST:

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*Kelly B. Arnold, County Clerk*

APPROVED:

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