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Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, July 15, 2015

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 9:06 a.m. on July 15, 2015 in the County Commission Meeting Room in the Courthouse in Wichita, Kansas, by Chairman Richard Ranzau, with the following present: Chair Pro Tem Commissioner Karl Peterjohn; Commissioner David M. Unruh; Commissioner Tim R. Norton; Commissioner James M. Howell; Mr. Ron Holt, Acting County Manager; Mr. Mike Pepoon, Acting County Counselor; Mr. David Spears, Director, Bureau of Public Works; Ms. Kristi Zukovich, Director, Communications; and Ms. Erika Rice, Deputy County Clerk.

GUESTS

*Mr. Craig Perbeck, Central Plains Area Agency on Aging
Ms. Ann Nelson, Central Plains Healthcare Partnership*

INVOCATION: Pastor Dave Fulton, St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

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

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

A [15-0478](#) REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 20, 2015.

All Commissioners were present.

Chairman Ranzau said, "Commissioners, we have the meeting minutes before you. What is the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner Howell moved to accept and approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of May 20, 2015.

Commissioner Unruh seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

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

Chairman Ranzau said, "Next item, please."

Approved

APPOINTMENTS

B

[15-0491](#)

RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING MARIO GOICO (COMMISSIONER PETERJOHN'S REAPPOINTMENT) TO THE SEDGWICK COUNTY ADVISORY COUNCIL ON AGING.

Presented by: Michael Pepoon, Acting County Counselor.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt the Resolution.

Mr. Michael Pepoon, Acting County Counselor, greeted the Commissioners and said, "This resolution before you today is for the reappointment by Commissioner Peterjohn, for Representative Mario Goico to the Sedgwick County Advisory Council on Aging. Resolution is in proper form, and would ask that you approve the resolution."

Chairman Ranzau said, "Commissioner Peterjohn."

Commissioner Peterjohn said, "I would like to make a motion that we approve the reappointment of Mario Goico to the Sedgwick County Advisory Council on Aging. I have some other comments after we dispose of that motion."

MOTION

Commissioner Peterjohn moved to approve the reappointment of Mario Goico to the Sedgwick County Advisory Council on Aging.

Commissioner Howell seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

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

Chairman Ranzau said, "Commissioner Peterjohn."

Commissioner Peterjohn said, "Well thank you, Mr. Chair. I don't see Mr. Goico here"

in the audience this morning, but I very much appreciate his service in the past, and his willingness to serve going into the future, and appreciate his efforts in this area. Thank you."

Chairman Ranzau said, "We will get him sworn in at a different time. Madam Clerk, next item."

Adopted

- C** [15-0482](#) RESOLUTION RE-NOMINATING RON RYAN (COMMISSIONER DAVE UNRUH'S RE-NOMINATION) FOR REAPPOINTMENT TO THE WICHITA CITY COUNCIL AS A MEMBER OF THE WICHITA AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD.
Presented by: Michael Pepoon, Acting County Counselor.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt the Resolution.

Mr. Pepoon said, "This is the renomination of Ron Ryan by Commissioner Unruh for appointment to the Wichita Airport Advisory Board. Of course we nominate members to the City Council, and they actually make the appointment. This would be a reappointment of Mr. Ryan. Resolution is in proper form. Request you adopt the resolution."

MOTION

Commissioner Unruh moved to adopt the resolution.

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 Norton</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Howell</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Peterjohn</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Chairman Ranzau</i>	<i>Aye</i>

Adopted

NEW BUSINESS

- D** [15-0448](#) CONSIDERATION OF A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 2,873,745 FOR THE KANSAS DEPARTMENT FOR AGING AND DISABILITY SERVICES (KDADS) FY 2016 AREA PLAN.
Presented by: Annette Graham, LSCSW, Executive Director, Central Plains Area Agency on Aging.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the new Area Plan and authorize the Chairman to sign.

CONSENT

- E** [15-0487](#) Approval of a renewal agreement with 373 TRS / DET 8 McConnell AFB for the Sedgwick County Adopt a Highway Program on 47th Street South from Rock Road to Oliver. District 5.
- F** [15-0483](#) Resolution Providing for the Condemnation of Certain Real Property.
- G** [15-0480](#) Amendment to the agreement with Central Plains Regional Health Care Partnership (CPRHCP), Sedgwick County Board of County Commissioners and the City of Wichita to partner with the Sedgwick County Health Department under the Project Access program.
- H** [15-0476](#) General Bill Check Register for July 8, 2015 - July 14, 2015.

MOTION

Commissioner Ranzau moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, with the exception of Item G.

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 Norton</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Howell</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Peterjohn</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Chairman Ranzau</i>	<i>Aye</i>

MOTION

Commissioner Peterjohn moved to Item G, of the Consent Agenda.

Commissioner Norton seconded the motion.

Chairman Ranzau said, "I won't be supportive of this Item. Any other questions? Commissioner Unruh."

Commissioner Unruh said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I will be supportive of it. I think Project Access is a great access in our community, it brings a lot of value to citizens that have limited access to medical care. I will be supportive of this, and I know that this is in certain respects a restoration, at least in part, of what was originally contemplated as far as support this year. So I guess that's the only comments I have. I will be supportive."

Chairman Ranzau said, "Commissioner Howell."

Commissioner Howell said, "Since we have the opportunity to speak about the Item individually, I would like to make a few comments and that is back in January, when this item came before the Commission, there were some comments that Sedgwick County had been funding Project Access with Sedgwick County Property Tax Dollars, where as the City of Wichita, although an equal amount, was money from a Federal pass-through. It wasn't any money from any local revenue string. We debated that, quite a bit. I think the reduction from Sedgwick County was \$34,000, and after that meeting, based on the comments made during the meeting, I wanted to challenge the City of Wichita, to take our comments and support that with some different revenue strings, as we have from Sedgwick County. They took that comment and they decided to meet that with a \$25,000 increase, from the City of Wichita, from their own sources of revenue. However, having seen them do that, unfortunately, it's not a sustainable revenue source. It's from the sale of a property."

"So, they had a windfall and they used some of that money to fund the challenge. Unfortunately, I don't know what the plans are, going forward, but I want to be clear that we need to wean this program off of Sedgwick County property tax dollars. I think this is a motion that I will support today, but I see a caution in the future. Wichita has used grant dollars as well as Sedgwick County has used property tax dollars to fund this. Ideally we would see, I think, an equal share that comes from similar sources. So I know it is our intention to apply for a grant for our funding for next year, and we don't know, of course, if that will be approved or not. We will see what happens with that. In the meantime, since we are going through the budget cycle, I guess I would like to let Wichita know, it is my hope that they would, if they want to continue to understand the comment that was made during the January meeting, that they would provide funding for the 2016 budget, that comes from local revenue sources, and not just pass-through dollars from the Federal Government."

"Having said that, I will support this today. I see a challenge moving forward on how this plays out for the Fiscal 16 budget. Thank you, Mr. Chairman."

Chairman Ranzau said, "Commissioner Peterjohn."

Commissioner Peterjohn said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. This issue has come up previously, and I do support the idea of trying to get the comments of the Commissioner from the Fifth District, in terms of, trying to see if we can come up with a funding source that doesn't tie us in on the property tax side. And I am not going to be supporting this motion today, because we are struggling with a host of fiscal issues. And I think that's going to become more apparent as time goes on, and the increase in spending today, I think we would be better off leaving where we are."

"But having said that, it is a close call. I struggle with where is the optimal amount of funding in this type of area, and this type of program, because there are so many entities, private and public involved here, and as Commissioner Howell did point out, we do have different funding sources coming in and different governmental bodies doing it, too. So that's my thoughts on that issue today. Thank you."

Chairman Ranzau said, "Commissioner Norton."

Commissioner Norton said, "I will be supportive today and in the future. I have been supportive in the past. My history with Project Access goes back 15, 16 years, in the

early days when they were working on putting together the system. I think when we talk about cost-benefit ratio, common good for the people, public-private partnerships, the health of the community; I don't think there is a better system or product out there than what has been developed through the Medical Society and the partnership with United Way, City and County to put together and parlay through huge amounts of care from the medical community. Last I knew, it was between 600 and 700 doctors that participate. Pharmacies, hospitals.

"We put some money into the administration and some pharmaceuticals, but the truth is, the last number I had was over \$100 million of care given by the Medical Society, donated care, from these doctors. And I don't know how you make that kind of impact in the community without a baseline foundation, which we participated in. So I'm going to continue to be supportive, not only today, but in the future of Project Access."

Chairman Ranzau said, "Commissioner Unruh."

Commissioner Unruh said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I would have a question for the Manager about this funding. The funding for the original request was included in the 2015 budget. Is that correct?"

Mr. Ron Holt, Acting County Manager, greeted the Commissioners and said, "That's correct, yes."

Commissioner Unruh said, "That original amount was, what, [\$]208 [thousand] or [\$]209,000?"

Mr. Holt said, "Just north of \$209,000. I don't remember the exact number."

Commissioner Unruh said, "So it was contemplated that we would support this, and it is not an extra burden on this year's budget."

Mr. Holt said, "That's right. This [\$]25,000 would be, if you will, part of that, [\$]34,000, I believe, Commissioner Howell referenced."

Commissioner Unruh said, "Okay. And then, could I get a clarification, maybe, from Ms. Nelson who is here today, Mr. Chairman?"

Chairman Ranzau said, "That would be fine. Please give us your name and address for the record."

Ms. Ann Nelson, Executive Director, Central Plains Healthcare Partnership said, "I live 1512 Horizon Drive, in Derby."

Commissioner Unruh said, "Thank you for being here. I just had a question, Commissioner Norton referenced the value of the leverage benefit for a community that we received. And I think in various conversations, I have been way undershooting the value. So could you just tell me in your calculation, what is your approximate leverage we get out of this money?"

Ms. Nelson said, "Each year your contribution leverages about \$15 million in donated medical care. By about 630 physicians, our hospital system, 13 dentists, hospice care, physical therapists, all the providers that participate in the program. Over the 16

years, that we have operated, we have enrolled 12,622 patients and leveraged \$175 million in donated care."

Commissioner Unruh said, "\$175 million?"

Ms. Nelson said, "Yes."

Commissioner Unruh said, "I haven't been using that number. I am embarrassed to tell you the number that I have been using, but it is way less than that. I am glad to have that from you."

Ms. Nelson said, "It goes up every day."

Commissioner Unruh said, "All right, thank you. That's all I have."

Chairman Ranzau said, "Thank you, Ann. Certainly there is no question this is a good program. The question is where the funding, for this, should come from. As you know, there are hundreds, if not thousands of non-profits out there that do fantastic work. The vast majority of them have to raise money, you know, for their operations, and personally believe Project Access should be no different in that regard. And that should be the better option. Particularly considering the new normal we have to look at our budget, and some of these things could be private, would be funded by private dollars. And it should be done that way. It is not a reflection on the quality of the program or how important it is, it is just a difference of opinion and where the funding should come from."

Commissioner Peterjohn said, "I am in agreement with your remarks."

Chairman Ranzau said, "Madam Clerk, call the vote."

VOTE

Commissioner Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Norton	Aye
Commissioner Howell	Aye
Commissioner Peterjohn	No
Chairman Ranzau	No

Chairman Ranzau said, "That finishes up the Consent Agenda. That item passes 3-2. Next we have Legislative Issues, which Mr. Manager, I don't believe we have anything."

Mr. Holt said, "No, sir."

Chairman Ranzau said, "Then we have 'Other'. Commissioners, anything for the other portion of this? I have something I want to address; while I was gone, the city took an action with respect to those Board of Zoning Appeals, about a week ago, and there was something in the paper about that issue I want to clarify. In this section of the local paper, I think it was July 8th.

"It said that it should stun the citizens that even though City and County leaders meet often, the County failed to mention to the City that they wanted to split the board. That would be stunning, unless of course you knew the facts of the situation. Let me clarify a few things here. First of all, Sedgwick County initiated this whole process back in February. City staff and the Planning Department and Legal Department were aware of

that, way back then. We took action to split those boards on April 1st of this year. Prior to any election for the new mayor, or city council people, our first meeting with the mayor was in May or June.

"So from the point of view of the County, it made no sense to bring up an issue that had already taken place. And that presumably they knew about, because staff knew about it. So if City Council wasn't aware of this, then that's troubling, because that means staff didn't inform them. And I'm sure the Mayor will address that issue as we go forward. Certainly there is no need to talk about things that happened, I mean, this took effect July 1st. So that's the facts of the situation. Now that everybody knows the facts, I am sure it won't be so stunning as it first seemed. With that, I believe we have a need for Executive Session; is that correct? Commissioner Peterjohn."

MOTION

Commissioner Peterjohn moved to recess into Executive Session until 9:50 a.m., to consider personnel issues of non-elected personnel.

Commissioner Ranzau seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

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Chairman Ranzau said, "We will move into Executive Session."

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The Board of County Commissioners recessed into Executive Session and returned at 10:13 a.m.

Chairman Ranzau said, "We are back from Executive Session. No binding action was taken. Manager is not here. Commissioners, anything else to come before the Board?"

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LEGISLATIVE ISSUES

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